

# FAMILY LINK MYANMAR

England & Wales · Charity number 1165655

## Details

---

**Other names** FLM

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-02-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

---

**Address** Beechfield Lodge  
Norton Road  
Tostock  
Bury St. Edmunds  
Suffolk  
IP309PY

**Phone** 01359 241885

**Email** [fylbevan@hotmail.com](mailto:fylbevan@hotmail.com)

**Website** [info@familylinkmyanmar.org](mailto:info@familylinkmyanmar.org)

## Activities

---

**Objects:** THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY, EITHER GENERALLY OR INDIVIDUALLY, OF PEOPLE IN MYANMAR THROUGH THE PROVISION OF GRANTS, GOODS OR SERVICES.

**Activities:** Humanitarian work in Myanmar. Provision of food, shelter and medicines for poor communities and up to 130 former street children now being housed with family groups. Provision of wells in remote villages. Emergency relief in flood disasters as needed. The charity also provides an annual holiday camp for the children and adults.

## Classification

---

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Burma

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-01	£19,376	£16,269	-	-
2024-03-01	£17,194	£13,612	-	-
2023-03-01	£19,202	£10,573	-	-
2022-03-01	£18,816	£9,084	-	-
2021-03-01	£21,762	£16,218	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
FLORENCE MARY BEVAN MA CELTA	Chair	2016-02-17
ANGELA THERESE FINN BED		2016-02-17
Linda Ann Coole		2018-04-20
MICHAEL ANTHONY BEVAN		2016-02-17

**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

England & Wales - Charity number 1165655

---

# Accounts

---

## **Family Link Myanmar**

**AGM May 21<sup>st</sup> 2025**

### **Chairman's report**

A report for our work March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 to end February 2025.

Our year opened with the news that conscription was to be activated soon. Our house was visited and all the older eligible children were listed. It would apply to all adults 18-35, with all men over 65 expected to do a one month's military training.

The banks were threatening to limit withdrawals to £117 which would have been disastrous but this appears to remain unactioned. However the receipt of our monthly support via Western Union is now accompanied by heavy and detailed questioning.

The military situation continues to deteriorate, with airstrikes and burning villages common. Many thousands are on the run in the inhospitable jungles, including many of Suan's family in Chin state. This includes his 86 year old grandmother. Among our pastors' network there have been several midnight snatchings by the military.

The UN has expressed its concern at rising hunger in the country. Basic foodstuffs and fuel are hugely inflated, and wherever Suan goes he brings sacks of rice and oil. This hunger is close to home in Yangon itself and Suan sometimes cooks an enormous pot of food on an open fire to feed up to 340 neighbours.

Mary, Suan's 8 year old daughter, contracted an eye infection which should have been readily treatable. Sadly the wrong antibiotic was given too late and despite travelling to Thailand to receive better care, it was too late and Mary has lost all sight in one eye.

In mid-September one of our lads was doing a 6 week Bible course in a town north of Yangon and was snatched outside a shop and man-handled into a military truck. They proceeded to take a further 27 boys from the streets and drove them up country for military training. He was forced to sign to say he was 20 although he was 17 ,and was shocked to see many children there of 12. Further up the road was a camp of girls. Treatment was brutal with daily beatings and sleeping in bitter cold with no blankets. Several were killed cruelly for attempting to run away.

Anna's family tried to visit as he was in Shan state but were turned away. Suan then went the long journey with clothes and blankets but couldn't make contact and returned home devastated.

In the autumn we were thrilled to be told that the Hurst Methodist church in Cheshire were once again going to support us for a year with fundraising events. Already they have raised a substantial amount.

In December there was terrible flooding in the north. One family with 3 children lost their father in the floodwater. Their mother fled with one child leaving her two very small ones with a local pastor. Suan was contacted and the children were transported to Anna's family a few hours' drive away. We then funded airfares for the little ones and Anna's sister and aunt to bring them to our home. They are well settled and much loved by all the children. We now have 57 in Suan and Anna's care.

Our great joy was to see Kimpu, one of our oldest boys, graduate from university in December after doing a long and arduous online degree.

Also in December Ye Win was given 9 days leave to come home. He had voluntarily joined the army in 2019 after suffering a broken romance. Apparently he was caught trying to run away but instead of what could have been capital punishment, he was given compassionate leave. Utterly amazing. He had a wonderful Christmas with the family but so sad at parting again.

Because of the rise in hunger and the horrific inflation, our monthly giving has risen to between £750 and £900. This will be seen in the Treasurer's report. Funds remain healthy as sadly we are unable to visit and run camps

and other projects. We dug two wells in remote and risky areas but work then ceased due to military encroachment in the area.

In summary the children are all well but living with a high measure of stress due to the prevailing situation. Night-time raids and head-counting by the military cause much alarm.

We here long for the day that the coup ends and we can travel out after 5 long years to be with them. It will be a wonderful day when we can resume all of our projects and it is something many join us in praying for.

We have much prayer and financial support here and formally acknowledge our immense gratitude for the continued encouragement during this harsh time. Suan, Anna and all the children are overwhelmed with the love shown in so many ways.

Our greatest thanks though in all this is to God who birthed and called us to this work. It is a huge privilege and joy and we have seen His hand in so many amazing situations.

Florence Bevan

Chair

Summary Accounts 2024-2025

	in	out
2.03.2024	236	855.49
	463	1905.49
	4335	496.77
	1421.5	2069.97
	664	868.9
	1727.48	1130
	829	429.49
	416	479.49
	256.18	1126.16
	379	454.49
	624.18	454.49
	426	755.49
	360	1212.59
	3387.6	1508.992
	495	254.49
	1120	1208.99
	2406	1208.99
	519	206.19
	232	
	85	
1,3,2025	20381.94	14720.98

0

**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

England & Wales - Charity number 1165655

---

# Accounts

---

## **FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

### **REPORT FROM CHAIR 2022-2023**

At the start of April 2022 the coup was already more than a year old, and the situation in Myanmar was increasingly dire. The country's economy was plunging, schools and universities were closed and hospitals were becoming less places of care and more centres of military scrutiny.

No team had visited our work since November 2019, and since that date therefore there had been no camps or conferences.

The year became a time of support for our family there, both financially and with much prayer, and contact was daily by Whatsapp.

One of the biggest problems for them was the rarity of power for light and cooking. Meals had to be prepared three times a day over open fires in the lane. We began to plan to install a solar system (which was completed in March 2023) This gives light and electricity to power the pump for the well.

Fuel and food costs rose dramatically. Suan had to stop visiting the remote villages and hunger increased. When we found that out, we increased our giving and he was greeted with tears by those lonely communities. We also gave his car a recon engine and renewed the AC so he resume travel.

He also fed many hungry people in his neighbourhood.

At the house they took in two new boys who had escaped from the military attacks on their village. Control from the local authorities has tightened a lot and Suans township in Yangon city is under martial law.

Sickness hit at one point and most of the children and even adults were hit by fevers, not uncommon in tropical areas. We provided medicines. We also provided funding for glasses for children who had eye issues. One child is causing concern still (2023) and in hospital with a serious vision problem.

We were also able to fund a funeral for a villager.

Three wells were dug despite the military raids in the villages. Also at Christmas Suan and Anna visited remote areas and provided a meal for many. It included chicken which they hadn't for a very long time. 200 neighbours near their house were also fed a Christmas meal.

In October 2022 we were alarmed to note that Myanmar had been added to the International Financial Watchdog list alongside Iran and North Korea. We had to provide documentation of all financial transactions for the past 12 months. Thankfully they were satisfied and to date we are still able to send money monthly.

The children are cultivating vegetables on a small patch of land near the house where they also keep chickens although some have been stolen.

Life continues to be increasingly for these lovely people and it is for us a huge privilege to be part of their struggle.

Our financial support has of necessity risen over the year and funds remain healthy. We began to build bunk beds for the children which caused a lot of joy,

Our prayer remains that we will return to Myanmar when the military situation changes. In the meantime we count it a huge blessing and privilege to be part of their story. We may never know how many lives have been touched through the support of friends in the UK.

Suan send his heartfelt thanks to all as do the team from here.

We pray for peace and provision for them all in the coming days.

Florence Bevan

Chair Family Link Myanmar

1165655

**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**  
**RC 1165655**

**Statement of accounts**

Opening Balance 01-03-23	£26002
Closing balance 29-02-24	£31283
Total Income in period	£17215
Total expenditure in period	£13613

Michael A Bevan  
Treasurer

**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

England & Wales - Charity number 1165655

---

# Accounts

---

## **FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

### **REPORT FROM CHAIR 2022-2023**

At the start of April 2022 the coup was already more than a year old, and the situation in Myanmar was increasingly dire. The country's economy was plunging, schools and universities were closed and hospitals were becoming less places of care and more centres of military scrutiny.

No team had visited our work since November 2019, and since that date therefore there had been no camps or conferences.

The year became a time of support for our family there, both financially and with much prayer, and contact was daily by Whatsapp.

One of the biggest problems for them was the rarity of power for light and cooking. Meals had to be prepared three times a day over open fires in the lane. We began to plan to install a solar system (which was completed in March 2023) This gives light and electricity to power the pump for the well.

Fuel and food costs rose dramatically. Suan had to stop visiting the remote villages and hunger increased. When we found that out, we increased our giving and he was greeted with tears by those lonely communities. We also gave his car a recon engine and renewed the AC so he resume travel.

He also fed many hungry people in his neighbourhood.

At the house they took in two new boys who had escaped from the military attacks on their village. Control from the local authorities has tightened a lot and Suans township in Yangon city is under martial law.

Sickness hit at one point and most of the children and even adults were hit by fevers, not uncommon in tropical areas. We provided medicines. We also provided funding for glasses for children who had eye issues. One child is causing concern still (2023) and in hospital with a serious vision problem.

We were also able to fund a funeral for a villager.

Three wells were dug despite the military raids in the villages. Also at Christmas Suan and Anna visited remote areas and provided a meal for many. It included chicken which they hadn't for a very long time. 200 neighbours near their house were also fed a Christmas meal.

In October 2022 we were alarmed to note that Myanmar had been added to the International Financial Watchdog list alongside Iran and North Korea. We had to provide documentation of all financial transactions for the past 12 months. Thankfully they were satisfied and to date we are still able to send money monthly.

The children are cultivating vegetables on a small patch of land near the house where they also keep chickens although some have been stolen.

Life continues to be increasingly for these lovely people and it is for us a huge privilege to be part of their struggle.

Our financial support has of necessity risen over the year and funds remain healthy. We began to build bunk beds for the children which caused a lot of joy,

Our prayer remains that we will return to Myanmar when the military situation changes. In the meantime we count it a huge blessing and privilege to be part of their story. We may never know how many lives have been touched through the support of friends in the UK.

Suan send his heartfelt thanks to all as do the team from here.

We pray for peace and provision for them all in the coming days.

Florence Bevan

Chair Family Link Myanmar

1165655

Family Link Myanmar Income and expenditure statement 2022 2

opening balance	17228
Income	19202
Expenditure Total	10328
UK	91
BURMA	10237
Closing balance	26102



**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

England & Wales - Charity number 1165655

---

# Accounts

---

## Family Link Myanmar 1165655



Florence Bevan <fylbevan@hotmail.com>

To: mike Bevan mikebevan@btinternet.com;

02/01/23 16:58

1

# Family Link Myanmar

## 1165655

### Chairman's report

December 2022

2021 /2022 was an exceptionally difficult year for us as Myanmar and the UK were badly hit by Covid.

But more significantly Myanmar had a military coup on February 1st 2021 which has rendered any visits impossible. Even now( December 2022), the situation continues to deteriorate and visits although technically possible would be dangerous for us and our Myanmar friends.

Our usual programme of children's camps and adult training camps and team visits have therefore totally ceased. This is a great source of sadness as we had a team ready to go as the coup struck. It also means that finances are much better than expected as normal expenditure is greatly curtailed. Our plans to provide beds and bedding for all the children and adults at the house are on hold as shops are closed and workmen are not available.

However that does not mean the work stopped. The focus had to realign with the situation and required greater monthly support.

\*\*\* Our financial monthly support almost doubled as food prices and fuel in Yangon soared. Our colleague there, Do Suan Kham with his wife Anna, runs a children's home for 35 children. But he also regularly feeds many local people. Hunger is everywhere on the rise as work ceased and there is no social support from the government.

\*\*\* He also visits remote villages with regular gifts of rice sacks and oil. Fuel costs are now extortionate and our support increased to cover this.

\*\*\*. During this time we also purchased chickens to provide eggs and occasional meat.

\*\*\*. Despite the ongoing terror in villages due to the military coup, we were able to dig two wells which now provide clean water for a large spread-out village. This had to be done between military raids.

\*\*\*. We rebuilt a storm-damaged house.

\*\*\*. We paid for an operation and hospital care for Suan's baby nephew. It was a successful operation but may require further intervention. Many of our children have been ill with fevers this year - probably untested Covid - and frequently required medicine.

\*\*\*The home took in 3 more children from a war zone ethnic area. We also received a young girl from a home that was closing. This was the girl with the club foot whom we provided treatment for earlier.

\*\*\*. Last, but possibly the most important contribution from the team here, is the ongoing contact and daily encouragement we give via WhatsApp. That they are not forgotten is to them a deep treasure as they combat fear and despair.

We organized a 24/7 prayer watch from 44 supporters. This can and will be called up as required.

Our hope is that the situation will return to democracy and safety so that we can resume team visits and camps.

Florence Bevan  
Chair

Sent from my iPad

## **Family Link Myanmar**

Financial report 1st March 2021 to 28th February 2022

	£
Opening balance	7496.59
Income	18815.96
Expenditure	9084.51
Closing balance	17228.04

**FAMILY LINK MYANMAR**

England & Wales - Charity number 1165655

---

# Accounts

---

FAMILY LINK MYANMAR

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021

December 3<sup>rd</sup>. 4.30pm GRANGE HOUSE, ELMSWELL.

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Due to the extraordinary circumstances of covid restrictions in the UK, this AGM has been delayed from April till this evening in December, and hence this report covers the charity's activity from March 2020 to the end of February 2021. We trust that the normal AGM will resume in April.

In early March 2020 we made the third of the large payments for the house building. Virtually all construction work ceased at this time in Yangon and indeed throughout the country due to Covid. Our Buddhist builder however kept going as he had an amazing dream telling him to carry on and finish because Jesus said He was already living there.

Despite the construction work being ongoing, the concrete floors and no windows, 8 of the oldest children moved in to relieve the overwhelming crowding in the flats at Yuzana. We had dug a well there much earlier so there was clean water. Panic buying was endemic but Suan had good stores of food.

In April we heard that the builder had gifted solid teak flooring for the main downstairs room. In faith we decided to match it throughout the house. With funds close to zero we gave the go-ahead and within days we had a donation of £3000 from a Trust. The builder then gifted a new A/C unit.

In June the authorities granted unofficial permission for the 8 children to be in the house as Myanmar law states that no-one may move into an unfinished property.

On the 25th of June 2020 we had the great joy of making the final payment on the house. The legal two inspections were made in July and August and passed by the building regulators.

On the 15th August the children moved en masse into their beautiful new home and the evening was a celebration party that went on late into the night. The keys belong to them and with great joy we gifted them the house that was built by faith from the first stone. They could not believe the space they now had. The older boys sleep on the ground floor, the older girls on the top floor, and Suan, Anna and all the small children sleep on the first floor.

That very week the authorities announced that because of Covid there must be a limit on occupancy of flats. The government that same week also announced a new law that children's homes had to be registered and homes in rented properties or in flats would be immediately closed. We had made it with only days to spare. If the builder had not carried on with the house, we would probably have lost our children to state orphanages.

The following week the construction of the largest shopping mall in Yangon was begun, not far from our new house. Real estate prices soared. The builder asked how we had known all these things!

We decided to build bunk beds for all the children but sadly the purchase of the wood and the construction was halted due to Covid.

In October the food situation was becoming difficult, but Suan received many months supply of high-protein dried soup from FedAid, a contact we had made at our hotel a year or so ago. We also bought blankets, pillows and a towel for each person at the house. Wonderful photos showed their excitement.

In December Mark Coole updated the website re Trustees and an update. Suan commented how much healthier the children are now. Previously if one had a fever it would go through them all but now there is space to isolate. The children are growing and so much happier, able to play outdoors all the time which was not possible before. Suan continues to distribute rice to the remote villages.

February 1st turned everything on its head. The military staged a coup and imprisoned the legitimate government who had been legally elected the previous November. Initially the peaceful protests were only observed by the troops but after a couple of weeks they retaliated with live ammunition. House raids at night were terrifying and even health workers tending the injured were shot or imprisoned.

Our year began with much joy and excitement. Our faith was stretched as each bill for the house became due and now it was completed to a very high standard and every penny paid. God was faithful and we were so excited. The wonderful news is that they have a beautiful spacious home, clean water, enough food and to share, new bedding, pillows and towels, a small patch for growing vegetables and good health. They are still a beacon of light in a very dark place.

We have provided 13 wells to date and have been gifted money for another. But as all work in Myanmar has stopped, the next wells are on hold indefinitely.

Sadly the year ended in heartbreak and terror for the Burmese people, and great sadness for us as we had to cancel plans for our usual March visit. We are in almost daily contact with Suan and get up-to-the-minute news from the ground.

At date of writing (November 2021) the situation has escalated and deteriorated right across the country. No visits have taken place and none can be planned.

## Family Link Myanmar

Finance position from 1st March 2020 to 28th February 2021

	£
Opening balance	1952.85
Income	21761.61
Expenditure	16217.87
Closing Balance	7496.59