

GS – What Will It Take?

As a citizen of the Global South, your income might be substantially lower than that of someone from the west. Therefore, different funding options must be considered.

Country GNI

Go to CompareEconomy.com and find your country GNI (Gross National Income). List it here: _____

You may have noticed countries from the west have a much higher GNI. You may have seen at the end of the checklist on 'Funding Prep Work for GS Worker' has a way to begin working with people from the west to raise support but for now, we need to get you to Thailand and funded.

Method of Funding

You will need a combination of methods in order to achieve full funding. You may already have savings or a way to pay your way in some way. However, this exercise will assume you have no funding from anywhere at the start. You will have four funding sources:

1. Sending Church

Your sending church will be the backbone of your support. By supporting you, they will play a part in fulfilling the great commission and strengthen the faith of its members. Here is what you will ask of your sending church.

- Raise \$50USD/month to give to you. They can either take it directly out of their budget or they can get the members to give toward this or a combination of both. Some members may be able to give \$25/month while others may only be able to give \$2/month but it's the combined effort that's needed.
- Collect the donations that you receive outside of the church. This gives confidence to the donor that you are connected to a sending church and have a legitimate mission.
- They will pray for you.
- They will keep in touch with you while you are on the field to see how you are doing.

In return, you will agree to send them regular updates and keep in contact with them.

2. Church Support

You will find 2 other churches that can each give \$25USD/month.

3. Individual Support

You will find 5 individuals that can each give \$10USD/month.

You will also find 5 individuals that can each give \$5USD/month.

4. Team Support

Your team will be critical to your funding strategy. Your team members will be getting a job so you can work full time with GFM. Your team members must be as committed as you are, ready to go through the full training. They will be tent-making missionaries while you will be a support raised missionary.

- You will each go through Online Missionary Training School (OMTS)
- Together, your team will be doing the support raising above in items 1, 2, and 3.
- You will each move to Bangkok to find a job, save the money, then send for the rest of the family.
- Once the team has enough money saved, you will begin working for GFM while they continue to support you.
- You will live together and share expenses.

Team members could be a spouse, older child, another family member, friend, or church member.

Your family size will determine how many team members you need.

Family Size	Income Earners Needed	Total # of People
1 (single)	1	2
2 (married couple)	1	3
3 (married & 1 child)	2	5
4	2	6
5	3	8
6	3	9
7	4	11
8	4	12

