



ENTREPRENEURIAL AND BUSINESS

In many countries, there's no such thing as a "missionary visa." In contexts where government or cultural perception prohibits missionaries from living and working openly, the best way to make disciples is often by seeking employment in the local marketplace or launching a new business.

TEAM's business-as-mission (BAM) endeavors strive to be profitable, spiritually transformative and environmentally sustainable. From managing a hotel in Southeast Asia to performing science demonstrations at birthday parties in Europe, missionary entrepreneurs at TEAM work in partnership with nationals on the field.

In addition, we seek to connect TEAM missionaries with Christian businesspeople already working in urban centers around the world, coming alongside them to help make disciples and share the good news of Christ.

QUICK FACTS:

Business-as-mission often opens doors to the gospel in countries that are not open to traditional church-planting, such as fast-growing economies in East Asia.

Service opportunities include working in a variety of businesses such as coffee shops, hotels, and touring companies or launching new business ventures.

A degree in business or related field of study is preferred but not required; formal or informal training plus experience is also acceptable for some opportunities.

The purpose of TEAM is to help churches send missionaries to establish reproducing churches among the nations to the glory of God. TEAM missionaries establish churches by seeking to make followers of Jesus Christ who learn and obey all that he has commanded. In some contexts, the best means of making disciples is through taking intentional employment in the marketplace or founding a job-creating company.

As TEAM considers the role of Business-as-Mission (BAM) in ministry, we follow a set of guidelines focused on our purpose and vision:

- BAM endeavors take place where we see a confluence of spiritual and demographic factors that indicate that God is leading us to serve in this capacity.
- TEAM leadership prayerfully considers how BAM endeavors fulfill the objective of making disciples.
- BAM endeavors are required to present a viable five-year "Triple Bottom Line" business plan with indicators for financial profitability, spiritual transformation, and environmental impact.
- BAM endeavors are carried out in partnership with local individuals, churches or groups.
- Churches and ministries, started through TEAM's BAM efforts, work toward the reconciliation of all things to God through Jesus.

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