

MISSION PARTNER PROFILE



Lalthaa & Manghaki

Sri Lanka

Lalthaa and Manghaki, have been serving with the St. John's College, a CMS founded school located in Jaffna, the northernmost town of Sri Lanka, since 2008. Lalthaa teaches at the college and Manghaki is the school nurse. They have a two year old son Vanlalmuanpuia.

Until 2009 Sri Lanka had been embroiled in decade's long violence and bloodshed, especially in the northern parts, including Jaffna where the college is located. The conflict and active violence has now come to an end, however, the issues which led to this

long period of violence remain along with the need for reconciliation. The College draws students from both the Tamil and Sinhalese community and has also taken in students from refugee camps. It is a challenge for them to be involved in nurturing and guiding young lives from two ethnic communities and reflecting Christ's love.

Lalthaa teaches science and mathematics and also coaches sports. Manghaki serves as the school medical nurse. They are also involved in running a course called 'Christian study Unit' which seeks to provide Christian students with encouragement, resources and mentoring to strengthen them in the faith. They have recently hosted the South Asia Christian Youth Network conference, a significant event for youth leaders throughout Asia.

Before coming to Sri Lanka in mid-2012, they both served for three years in a school in Kashmir, India as mission partners. Once their son grows older, they wish to be involved with wider ministry of the school and church in the region.



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