

## History of MTW in Country

This module is designed to help your mentee understand the ministry context in which they work. By learning about the history of MTW's ministry in your country, they will gain a better understanding of ministry highlights, key events in the ministry, and how it might impact their ministry.

**Step 1** Identify two or three people who have been with the mission for a long time who are nationals, team members, or missionaries.

**Step 2** Ask the missionary to interview the people you have identified and attempt to find the answers to some or all of these questions:

1. When did MTW first come to this country to begin ministry?
2. Who were the first people who started the ministry?
3. What are some of the highlights of the ministry? (Beginning of new churches? New ministries begun? Cooperative agreements with other organizations?)
4. What are some challenges that the team has faced?
5. Who are the people that are most respected because of their work in the country?

**Step 3** Ask the missionary to summarize what they have learned in a time line showing the people and events that have influenced where the team currently is.

### Debrief

Ask your mentee about what they learned.

- Do you have any questions about the history of MTW in our country?
- How do you think that the events and the people who have preceded your arrival here influence how others perceive you?

Does understanding the history of MTW's work in this country influence how you will approach starting new ministries or the ongoing work of your ministry?