



### **The Common Solution**

Churches and monasteries have started boarding schools in the cities to provide education for rural areas. Children as young as four years old are sent away from their families to live in these institutions. In most cases, children have little or no contact with their family during their studies. Some forget their mother tongue and many will never return to their village after they finish school.



### **Get involved**

The 2009/10 school year, 531 children in 16 different projects, received education through Families Together. We are starting new projects in 2010. For about 8 US dollars a month, a child can attend school in a rural village. That includes a yearly teacher seminar and administrative costs. (A child in a boarding school needs at least three times as much.) Visit [www.famtogether.org](http://www.famtogether.org) for information.

### **The Myanmar Situation**

Myanmar is a big country with more than fifty million people and many different tribes and languages. A big part of the population live in very remote areas. Although there are schools in most villages, few teachers are willing to live in such remote areas with a low salary. This leaves a lot of villages without an opportunity to provide education for their children locally.



### **The Families Together Alternative**

Families Together helps the villages to run their own government school. We provide teachers, salaries, teaching materials and text books for the students. In this way, the village children get as good education as children in cities, sometimes even better. We believe children develop best within their own family, even though their living situation might be very difficult.

