

**THE LAST SHANGRI-LA: STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
PARTNERING FOR THE UNREACHED PEOPLES OF BHUTAN**

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This project affirmed the theological imperative of reaching every people group in the world with the gospel. More specifically, it observed the missiological challenge of bringing all peoples to faith in the closed country of Bhutan, and the difficulties expatriate mission organizations face in partnering to accomplish this goal.

In light of this challenge, the purpose of this project was to inform, encourage, and equip expatriate mission organizations, churches, and individuals for mission partnerships for the unreached peoples of Bhutan. To accomplish this, the design of the project had four components: (1) researching the national and Christian context in Bhutan, (2) developing strategic recommendations for expatriate mission partnership based upon the research, (3) presenting this information to interested organizations, churches, and individuals at a consultation focused on Bhutan, and (4) encouraging missiological action as an outcome of the project.

The findings of the project confirmed that it was successful. Participants in the consultation noted that the contextual research was informative and insightful, and they stated that the strategic recommendations helped encourage, shape, or refine their work in Bhutan. The findings also confirmed that a greater amount of missiological action has resulted from the project.