BENEFITS OF OUR PROGRAM

“The need for missionaries in the developing world is as great today, as ever. However, were it not for the training and preparation that my husband Warren and I both received by the Lay Mission-Helpers Association, I doubt that we could have made the adjustments needed for our three years of living and working in Cameroon.”

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Lay Mission-Helpers

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