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#KACHINLIFESTORIES



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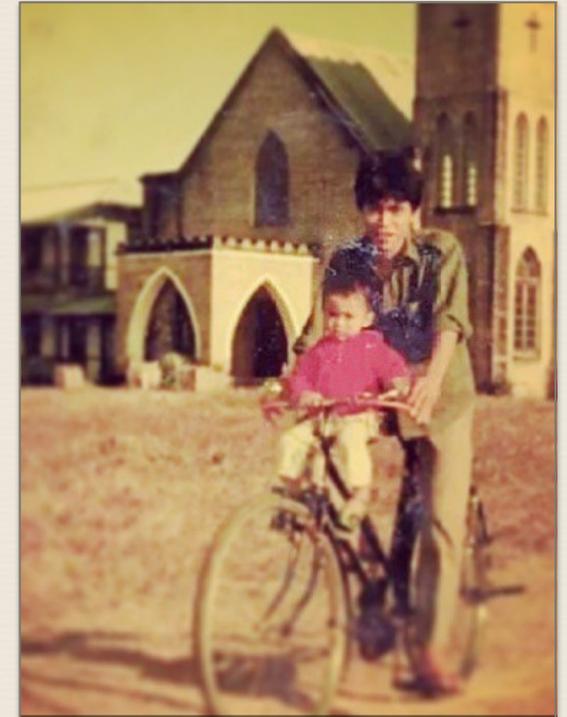
It is about ordinary people taking back the agency to speak for themselves about their own lives. It is about finding your individuality in the grand narrative under the label of Kachin. It is about being Kachin as experienced by the hundreds of thousands of people out there in the world. It is about empowerment of the ordinary person through sharing of Life Stories.



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# KACHIN LIFE STORIES

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*picture by @lamabuzz "My childhood time with Dad. Front of Kachin Theological College (Nawng Nang). #kachinlifestories #kachin #ktc #nawngnang #myitkyina #kachinstate #childhood"*

**11 Feb, 17:30**

**Inamori Memorial Hall,  
CSEAS, Kyoto University**



# SPECIAL NARRATIVE SECTION

**#kachinlifestories** is about ordinary Kachin people in his/her individual capacity but together as a crowd forming an autonomous uncollective to create a new knowledge base about themselves through the instrument of Life Stories.



Project Designer, Associate Professor Stan BH Tan-Tangbau Zau Doi & Family.

**kachinlifestories** began life as a Public Project without any funding, just only the dedicated efforts of volunteers. In 2012, the designer of the project, Associate Professor Stan BH Tan-Tangbau Zau Doi of Ritsumeikan University, was awarded a KAKENHI Young Scientist “A” grant, Ref. 24682009, by the Japan Society for Promotion of Science. This award enabled **kachinlifestories** to develop very quickly from the embryonic designs in 2011 to what you see today.

## MS. JA HKAWN

Mummy, wife, daughter, cleaner, driver and cook living in Kyoto. Hearts Japanese labels Emoda, MercuryDuo and Murua. Hooked on Instagram & Dayre.

## REV. BRANG JA

From Lashio, Northern Shan State of Myanmar, Myanmar volunteered for extended mission work in Africa before his current work with Tokyo Kachin Christian Peace Church.



Cecilia Maran Ja Hkawn from Kyoto, Japan.



Rev. Hkangda Brang Ja from Tokyo, Japan.

## PASTOR GAM HTUN

Travelled all over Myanmar since his more youthful days and walked across the border to study at Nagaland before his current work with the KBCS

## DIRECTOR TANG GOON

Long serving Youth Director of Kachin Baptist Convention with tremendous grassroots experience in Kachinland



Pastor Zinghang Gam Htun from Singapore.



Youth Director Nhkum Tang Goon from Myitkyina, Myanmar.

## REV. YEEPA SAMAI:

Kachin born in Thailand, Yeepa Samai is a gifted guitarist before becoming a pastor for Kachin community based in Chiang Mai. A renowned musician in his time before hanging up his guitar. He is picking up the instrument again to share **kachinlifestories** with the world!

Rev. Yeepa Samai from Chiang Mai, Thailand.

