

Engage your small group to dig deeper into *Missions Mosaic* magazine with the following questions and challenges.

Pick and choose the questions that work best for your group. If discussion grows around one or two questions, feel free to focus on the topics sparking deeper conversation. There is no right or wrong way to use this discussion guide. For further study and group activity ideas, check out *Women on Mission Leader*.

Bible Study

1. The Book of Ruth shares that Naomi felt so much pain she changed her name to Mara, meaning bitter. Bitterness had so overtaken her that it defined her. If Naomi was your friend, how would you minister to her?
2. Boaz went to work in the middle of a busy season, and suddenly here was this woman. He had a life-changing situation in front of him. What are some emotions he might have felt when he saw Ruth? What about when he learned of his responsibility to her and Naomi?
3. For Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz, life-changing circumstances happened quickly. When your life suddenly changes, do you feel overwhelmed, stressed, and unsure? How do you handle unexpected change?

Prayer

1. When disaster strikes peoples and places around the world, what are some specific ways that help you pray for them?
2. Sometimes we are called to go, and sometimes we are called to partner with a specific group, but all the time we are called to pray and support. How important is supporting the International Mission Board, North American Mission Board, state missions boards, and Send Relief?

This Month's Spotlight

1. The article tells us that speaking in a person's heart language is of ultimate importance and impact when sharing the gospel. Why is sharing the gospel in someone's heart language important?
2. Meeting in homes is not culturally appropriate in Thailand, and sometimes it is a hindrance for us as well. Where are some places we might gather for connection and community if we didn't have a church building and couldn't meet in homes?

