

MONGOLIA

Treating Animals, Blessing People



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ABOUT MONGOLIA

Mongolia's story reaches deep into world history. In the 13th century, under Genghis Khan and his successors, the Mongols forged the largest contiguous land empire ever recorded. Stretching from the Pacific Ocean in the east to the Danube River in Europe, the empire encompassed nearly 16% of Earth's landmass and ruled roughly a quarter of the global population, reshaping political, economic, and cultural connections across continents.

Centuries later, Mongolia experienced a prolonged season of foreign influence. For much of its modern history, China exerted significant control over the region, a pattern that ended in 1911. Soon afterward, Mongolia entered nearly seven decades as a Soviet satellite state. The collapse of the USSR in 1990 marked a turning point, though the political, social, and economic scars of the communist era remain visible.

Today, Mongolia is a nation of vast, fenceless landscapes where livestock populate the horizon and remain central to daily life. Nearly 40% of the population still derives some portion of its livelihood from herding, with many families living in traditional "ger" (yurt-like) homes on the open plains. Vast in territory yet small in population, Mongolia sits between two powerful neighbors, Russia and China. Its people continue to display resilience shaped by history, climate, and enduring cultural traditions, many of which revolve around livestock.

18th largest nation.

Mongolia is the size of Texas, California, Montana, and West Virginia combined.

The coldest capital city.

The capital, Ulaanbaatar, is known as the coldest capital city in the world.

"5 Snouts"

The "5 Snouts" of livestock in Mongolia include cattle/yaks, horses, camels, sheep, & goats.

A UNIQUELY MONGOLIAN OPPORTUNITY

In Mongolia, livestock health is human health.

Mongolia's economy and daily life are deeply tied to livestock and the herding lifestyle. With only 1 percent of the country suitable for crop agriculture, livestock serve as the primary source of food security and income. More than 80 percent of Mongolia's land is open, free grazing pasture, making animal health inseparable from human well-being.

Herders and their animals face serious challenges. Nomadic families live across vast distances with limited infrastructure. They care for extremely large herds and have minimal access to veterinary education. Access to quality medicine is inconsistent, and preventive care is infrequent. These conditions place significant strain on Mongolia's veterinary system.



Mongolia has 40x the number of livestock per capita than the U.S.



Harsh winters, known as "dzud", compound these challenges. A dzud winter often follows a summer of drought, leaving animals undernourished before winter begins. Without preventative treatment, existing health issues worsen during prolonged cold months. This leads to devastating herd losses and threatens household survival. In the winter of 2024, approximately 10 percent of the nation's livestock was lost.

Herders also maintain close daily contact with animals, increasing the risk of illness passing from animals to people. While these realities present urgent needs, they also create meaningful opportunities for targeted training, education, and care that serves both people and animals.

God cares for His people. God cares for His animals. This is a unique opportunity to do both, and spread the gospel at the same time.

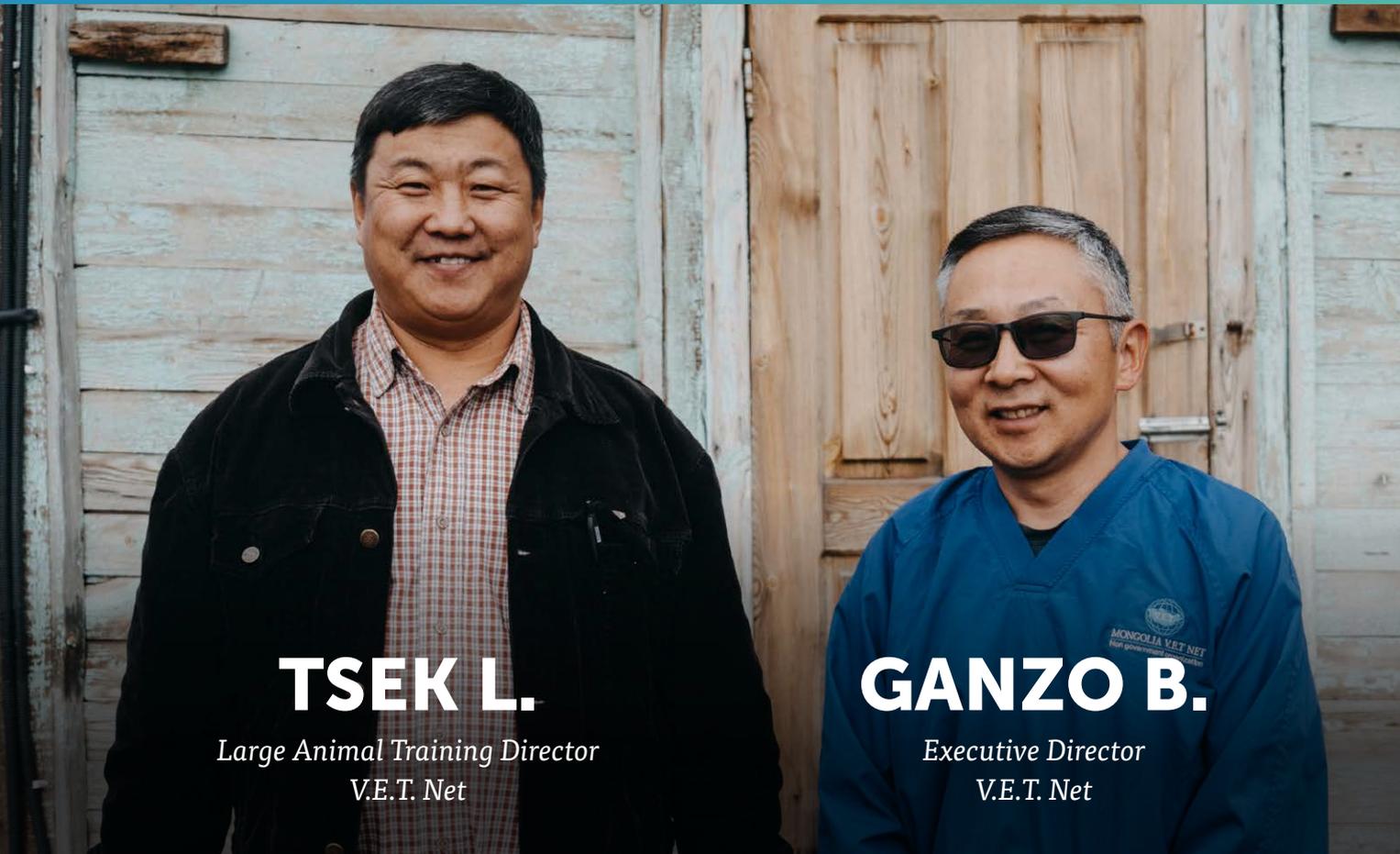
A Calling to Veterinary Medicine for Christ



Tsek was born in 1980 and was raised by his grandparents, while his mother worked under the strict expectations of the Mongolian communist society. His dream was to be a simple herdsman, but his mother insisted that he become a veterinarian. Her determination set Tsek on a path that would ultimately lead him to faith in Christ.

In his fourth year of veterinary school, he was invited to an English class hosted by an organization called V.E.T. Net. He noticed a Bible on the bookshelf and thought, "This is a foreign religion; I should not be here." He left, determined never to return. Having been raised in a herding family, Tsek thought it insane that Christians would refer to themselves as sheep. Months later, through a series of unexpected events, Tsek found himself joining a remote veterinary trip with V.E.T. Net, working alongside followers of Christ. What began as a search for training and work experience became something much deeper. Each morning he heard worship songs and saw the joy of his Christian colleagues. He began asking questions about God and faith, and often debated with his Christian coworkers. One of his female colleagues, Undraa, told him, "You can't know God by knowledge alone. When your heart feels He is real, don't harden it."

Her words stayed with him, and in 2005, he surrendered his life to Christ. God has completely transformed his heart, his purpose, and his work as a veterinarian. What began as a job became a calling, and today he serves not only as a veterinarian but as a witness to the love that changed his life. Tsek now leads the large animal training work of V.E.T. Net. Oh, and a few years later, he married Undraa.



TSEK L.

*Large Animal Training Director
V.E.T. Net*

GANZO B.

*Executive Director
V.E.T. Net*

V.E.T. NET

VETERINARY CARE AS A BRIDGE FOR THE GOSPEL

V.E.T. Net, the Veterinary Education and Training Network, uses veterinary medicine as a practical and relational bridge to share the gospel with veterinary students and herding communities across Mongolia.

Veterinary education in Mongolia is a five-year, post-high school program that emphasizes theory over practice. Graduates often leave school with strong academic knowledge but limited hands-on experience. V.E.T. Net addresses this gap through highly competitive internship and externship programs that equip young veterinarians with real-world skills.

Through education, training, and field-based care, V.E.T. Net has helped improve livestock health and human health by reducing parasitic disease and zoonotic illness. The impact reaches far beyond clinics and classrooms, with more than 80 percent of participating veterinary interns coming to faith in Christ.

VETERINARY SERVICES PROVIDED

- Vet internship and externship programs
- Veterinary continuing education classes
- Provision of quality medicines and vaccines
- English training for vets
- Vet student clubs
- Large animal vet services
- Small (pet) animal vet services



ADDITIONAL MINISTRY PROGRAMS

- The sending of missionary vets around the nation
- Alpha Course discipleship training
- Bible studies and rural small groups
- Pastoral and elder training conferences
- Rural school support and literacy programs
- Summer school and kindergarten programs
- Personal development and character workshops
- "Gift of Love" livestock donation program



This work is strengthening communities and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ across Mongolia. Yet, opportunity for strategic investment and expansion remains.



TREATING, TRAINING, REACHING, SENDING.

The Enerekh Veterinary Clinical Training Center

**Enerekh means "to show mercy"*

We are partnering with V.E.T. Net to build Mongolia's first climate-controlled, large animal treatment, training, and sending center. This facility will allow them to train, reach, disciple, and send more missionary vets across Mongolia.

This 2-story facility will provide clinical treatment and surgical space downstairs, with classroom, admin, and meeting spaces upstairs.



TREATING

This new climate-controlled facility will serve as a year-round treatment center for livestock in the immediate region.

TRAINING

This center will provide an experiential, multi-year internship program for new vets to expand their knowledge and learn best practices.

REACHING

Through a multi-faceted missional approach, young vet interns are reached for Christ and disciplined.

SENDING

Many of these vets are also sent to serve their fellow Mongolians in remote areas. Some are even planning to venture into other nations as cross-cultural veterinary workers for Christ.



**FINALIZE PLANS, ENGINEERING,
AND APPROVAL.**

FALL 2026

**RAISE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE
EXTERIOR IN ONE SHORT BUILDING SEASON
DUE TO THE WEATHER CHALLENGES.**

SPRING 2027

**BREAK GROUND AND GET THE
MAIN STRUCTURE UP AND SEALED.**

FALL 2027

FINISH INTERIOR CONSTRUCTION.

SPRING 2028

EQUIP AND OPEN.

FALL 2028

Project Investment Needed: \$980,000



PROJECT FAQ'S

What is the Enerekh Veterinary Clinical Training Center?

A large-animal treatment and training center where the V.E.T. Net team can treat livestock, train young vets, disciple them, and send them out as missional workers.

What is Healthbridge Global's role in this project?

We are partnering with them to complete and deploy this much needed center. We are advocating, consulting, networking, and helping fund this project to completion.

Does Healthbridge provide operating support for this project?

Generally, no. Rather than providing operating funds in perpetuity, we partner on projects that have the capacity to cover their operating expenses and with partners who possess a track-record of doing so. V.E.T. Net has a self-sustaining track record.

Other questions?

Feel free to reach out. We'll answer any questions you may have.

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