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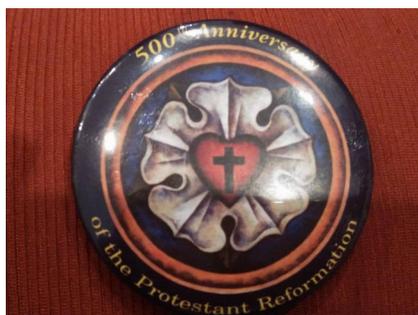
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## Reformation 500 !



Across the globe and around the world the church celebrated the 500<sup>th</sup> year Reformation, remembering with humble gratitude the actions of one man, Martin Luther, who stepped outside the box to bring notice to the church in those days whom he felt had swayed away from its focus. While it has been frequently stated that Luther had no intention of starting a 'new' church, today we all stand in awe of where those last 500 years have taken us, down a path to share the very heart and soul of Jesus into the world where He is yet to be known.

In November the Cambodian Lutheran Church came together to celebrate in grand style the church body there, in their country, which is not yet even ten years in the making.

While we were still stateside during those days of preparation and celebration, our church family there shared forward a few of their photos that we may also celebrate with them.



This church family is growing by the grace of God, filled with a vibrant passion to share the message of eternal salvation in Him to the locals. We are blessed to be able to pray, encourage, and watch this all take place with our own eyes and we wanted you all to also be able to share in the joy of this with us.

To God Be the Glory!

## Local Happenings

One thing we always remember is that ministry on the front lines does not change when we are on furlough, no matter how long or short we could be away. When we are there, it doesn't take long for us to slip into our usual duds and slide into a spot to be encouragers, helpers, and huggers to the locals. God is our rudder and anchor in this daily routine.

Now ministry has taken on a bigger and

wider breath of dailyness with those on the ground being busier than ever with permanent church sites to point toward stability and longevity in ministry.

Pastor Samuel is an expert on relationship building and spends hours going house to house to get to know his families and share life with them. One thing is for sure, these families also willingly share their children to be under his 'wing' whenever he is there, let it be for Sunday church and fellowship, special events of celebration, or learning English.

As we taught English in Kok Kraul that was started under the guidance of Carrie Hedemann, Samuel also watched and learned and took notes about the 'way' to teach this ENA (English in Action) program.

When the roof went on the new church building in Snor and he now spends 60% of his week there, he fashioned an electrical cord from a neighbor to give him light at 7pm and he started teaching English with the same ENA materials at Immanuel in Snor Village. While we don't have a photo of these goings on at this writing, I can imagine that these are the very little ones he is sharing time with now. How amazing is that? (and it includes Jesus stories too!)



The village of Snor has embraced Samuel's presence in the best way possible in our minds too now. Someone has shared a house for him and his family to sleep in so days can be spent in one place doing ministry (and finishing up the church building site). One bonus to this too as he shared in one of our morning conversations ~ "It has a toilet." That got me to thinking that maybe this village could, in the future, benefit with some additional sanitation upgrades. Will have to check that out for the future.

## Outside Our Grasp

We must always remember that we are guests in this country, temporary travelers on our journey thru life. Actually, as Christians, we are temporary travelers wherever He places us to share Jesus, doesn't He?

For Christmas this year Shary received a gorgeous tray that has scattered on its surface names of all of the countries she has visited with her sweetie in their lifetime together. Looking at it and one can easily realize how many 'different' countries there are out there, each proclaiming that their 'way' of leadership is the best. Governments come in all shapes, sizes, and designs, just like fruit that we eat. (There are over 100 varieties of bananas alone.)

We have a very personal interest and love for the Cambodian people, as you all reading this know. We ask that you lift these folks up in prayer in the months ahead thru July and their elections. Thank you.

## Knee Thoughts

1-Please pray for us and our involvement in God's ministry with Pastor Samuel in Cambodia.

2-Pray for yourselves, how to partner in effective ways such as being a prayer warrior, a financial partner, an advocate in your church community.

3-Tell others about the Immanuel church in Cambodia. We all have different networks and you are our best advocates.

4-Pray for clear direction as to our departure return to Cambodia which is on hold at this time.

**“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke 2:14**



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