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Two Little Leaves

We are on a journey, the two of us. So are many of you as well.

Let's pretend that we are two leaves on this journey, floating down a river, that being the flow of the Spirit of God.

We know so well what we are. It has been challenging at times but it's always been good. We realize our limitations and our weaknesses and our inadequacies. We are still two little leaves on that river, but we are not the river. There are other leaves on the river with us too. We are not on the journey all alone.

We consider all of the awesome things God is allowing us to be a part of in our lives and we are astounded. We are astounded that He allows us to be participants, and at times we feel more like spectators, because He is still teaching us. Coincidences surprise us. We oft times see God's perfect timing that meet our needs at just the best moment. This furlough has been full of them, if you've had an inside glimpse once or twice you'd understand how special our Father has been here. But then so has our time in Cambodia.

Some days we feel like we are white water rafting as the river flows fast and turbulent. Other times it is serene and we float along in the calm quiet of the water.

Where will the river take us next we do not know, but we are still on this journey as we write this. Our departure is soon. We are applying for missionary visas, a new option this time. We miss our Cambodian family.

It is good to be in the flow of God's blessings today.

Other Leaves on the River

Hundreds of leaves float along in the river of blessing, especially in Cambodia. God has richly embraced this tiny country over these last few years. The Christian church is growing and more churches are scattered throughout the country than ever before. One is our little Immanuel Lutheran Church in Snor, outside of Siem Reap city.

But first we want to tell you how two more local cell groups are now a reality, making four nights a week that these small groups meet to study and learn God's word. These are scattered about the Siem Reap area. No two are alike either, except that they are all eager to hear about this Jesus. Maybe they meet under an overhang of a porch, or maybe under a stilted house on those wooden tables, or under some shading trees on a blue plastic sheet. Anything works when it's the Jesus topic.

More young people have come to faith and have been baptized in all of the Sunday services and in these cell groups..

The Sunday evening group meeting at Sovan's house now has 20 girls and 3 guys in attendance each week.

At Snor, the church building is complete and is now being equipped with electricity so teaching can be done in the evenings when the day's work is done and school is finished. Pastor Samuel is hoping to add on a boys and girls toilet, a washing station, and an outdoor kitchen to better serve the community.

We are astonished! If you have seen photos of our travel on the roads into Snor, you will know that it is not on a major road. It is in the jungle, in the middle of a growing village that is getting to hear about an eternal Father who offers so much.

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

Pastor Samuel's vision is to be 'fruitful' ~ to win and reach all of the Cambodian people for Christ, and from

this 'fruit', to send laborers to reach the people surrounding Cambodia (i.e. Vietnam, Thailand, Singapore, France, Australia, Malaysia, Canada, and the USA.) Yes, he understands the need for the good news to be renewed here in the US too.

Actually Pastor Samuel has already begun to win souls for Christ. He is a leaf in the river of the Spirit with his wife.

His goal of planting a cell group in every commune, city and town by 2045 has started.

He states that Immanuel Lutheran Church is committed to help, join, and cooperate with other Christians from overseas who are local in God's kingdom of wonder. (that's us and anyone who stops in for a few days or a few months). He realizes how the universal church is critical to salvation of those who do not know Him.

To fulfill the great commission, he feels the church will need to focus on practical help and training. He realizes that theology is important, but living the simple gospel, to get the job done. He says the people of Cambodia have suffered too long. Their message must be one of forgiveness, love, and help.

And as we have said, God is richly blessing the local church in the leaves that are floating down the river of the Spirit in Cambodia. To God be the glory, forever.



Somreach teaching the littlest!

(The church tuk tuk is in the back~evidently it is the rainy season since the covers are being used)



Sunday morning prayer time.



New cell group bible study



Sovan Sunday night cell group



Immanuel Lutheran Church Snor

Knee Thoughts

- 1-Please pray for us and our involvement in God's ministry with Pastor Samuel in Siem Reap Cambodia.
- 2-Pray for yourselves, how to partner in effective ways such as being a prayer warrior, helper, a financial partner, or an advocate in your church community.
- 3-Please pray for the physical and financial health of Pastor Samuel, his family, and the Cambodian church, and the souls he is reaching for Christ.
4. Please pray as we begin to gather together our departure return to Cambodia in the not too distant future.



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