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**“If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power forever and ever.”
1 Peter 4:11.**

Just a few days ago Pastor Samuel sent us some photos of his usual goings on in his life of late. As we all can imagine, oft times a single picture can express something more clearly, vividly, or succinctly than a large amount of words can. Images can tell its story all on its own. Pictures convey information more efficiently, especially if you aren't in the area when it was taken. For us, it is a draw factor of love as we know the people and the places and it draws us into the realm one more time. We miss them so much. Yet just now we get to share them forward to you as well.



Reviewing 2019

We started 2019 in Cambodia, continuing to celebrate Christmas from the month before. With Pastor Samuel and his family's help, we had an experience similar to the feeding of the 5000. We had planned to provide a nice dinner and a few gifts for the children. But Pastor had a different view. Suddenly, there was some nice wrapping paper to use, and additional gifts that we all helped to wrap up. The budget that had been set aside to feed 100, suddenly was able to expand to cover almost 300 children and adults at three separate locations.

The meal was not turkey with all the trimmings, but Khmer curry with rice noodles. The blue tarps were spread in the shade and bowls and spoons carefully set out. The church was swept clean and decorated with balloons tied to bare



branches and streamers. Local adults came out to assist Sophana and Kothea to create the wonderful meal.

2019 was also a year of finishing up projects. We were able to install windows in place of the sheet metal coverings of the church windows and tar paper changed into glass doors. Pastor received a new computer to use in ministry. We were able to connect first to a sound system and then ultimately to a video screen. A wonderful cloth sculpture was hung in the sanctuary and one of the new tables pressed into service with an altar covering. On the sidelines a church service outline was gathered in and a year long sermon/bible study was completed. Long hours, research, and decisions and choices were thought out to serve into the community.

The church kitchen was upgraded from a single burner propane stove on the floor to a three burner stove also on a new table. Now we could eat lunch there whenever we visited, or could cook a meal and share it to the village people.

Pastor then discovered several videos which he put into service and had the younger children led by his son, Obed, learn them while singing about the love of Jesus Christ in time for the eyeglass team from Immanuel Palatine to come and witness....

This team is very special for us. It is their third visit, each time reaching more and more people in different locations. Pastor and his wife were originally from Sisaphon, and asked the team to spend time in this location right on the Thai border. He felt that these churches had given him the encouragement to share his faith, and he wanted to share his blessings in return. The team distributed almost 1000 pair of glasses among 5 churches. But even more important is that this time, we were much more successful at having the local church pastors pray with the recipients rather than the Americans doing so, improving our follow up after the workshop.

The real highlight of the 2019 deployment was the baptism of 27 young adults in front of this team. These are young people that had studied on Sunday nights with Pastor and also with us when we were in country. They now were coming forward to declare their faith in the resurrection, and they will be the church leaders of the future.

The celebration of our 2019 deployment was a chance to visit former students from our ministry in Saginaw. This couple has been married since they graduated from Saginaw and now have two children, a young lady and her brother. It was a relaxing holiday at the Bay of Thailand where there were questions on belief systems. Thank God for the door never being closed.

End of Year Shorts

Shary and I have been associated with international missions for over 20 years, first with international students, then as instructors and dorm parents in Indonesia, and finally in Cambodia. Here are a few comments that we have heard over Christmas and New Years.

S. from Turkey writes that she and her daughter D. are doing fine and that she intends to write more in the upcoming year.

B., one of our best English students, is now married and has a son, almost a year old. We still remember B. coming to our apartment for English workshop wearing a stocking cap because he was always cold. He made use of yellow sticky notes so we were told as he progressed in his english learning.

N. writes that she and her daughter are doing well in Makassar but miss their husband and father who is working on another island. N. is a principal in her local Christian school.

A. has left the teaching profession and gone back to school now having a geological engineering degree. He is now married and has a beautiful wife and young son.

J. continues to work as a multimedia designer while attending seminary in Taiwan. He is married, has two children, a boy and a girl. He asks for prayer for the health of his wife. He is in the third year of seminary.

P. has returned to Universitas Pelita Harapan where he is now an instructor and is implementing new methods of instruction in the teachers college. But he also expressed disappointment that there are no longer any expatriate instructors on campus. We never know when a door will close to the spread of the Gospel, but are thankful that the seed has been sewn and is now capable of being self sustaining.

E. and her husband have become missionaries serving in the middle east, living in Jordan. It is delightful that she writes that she and her husband have formed a relationship with two American missionaries we also know. We have known these dynamic couple since their marriage several years ago. She was also an excellent english learning student.

I. in Taiwan who has two daughters has been faithful and obedient in sharing her Jesus with both them and other littles and parents who come to learn english in her home. Her time with us was far too short but her impact will be eternal.

In Thailand, we were able to meet again with N. and B. and address the questions that they had about our faith.

There are still many more whom we have known over the years, but these are but a few of the responses we received over the holiday. I am never sure exactly how many young people that God has touched over the years, but we praise Him that we can refer to His sons and daughters who have called us mom and dad over the years and now tell us how God is working in their lives.

Knee Thoughts

1- You fill in the blank here as you pray. Each one of us has the single opportunity to take our requests to our Father in all needs. There are so many and as His family of sons and daughters we have the greatest opportunity to pray without ceasing.

2- Our time here to be fruitful in the midst of unexpected challenges involving us and yet it still be a time to share Jesus here as well.

3. Praise for the safe delivery and health growth of beautiful Esther to Pastor Samuel, Sophana, Obed, and Benjamin.

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