

**Gabriels News June 2024** - Hello friends (see pictures below)!

**HARVEST AND HARVESTERS!!** As you will see from our teammate, Joel's, newsletter (attached), God is still at work bringing in the harvest and giving us workers to partner with from the harvest. Please take the time to read his newsletter – he is a fantastic writer and what he's writing about is even more fantastic!! Joel is the only expat on site right now. When we return in October, our expat team of 3 (Jim, myself and Joel) will have an average age of just over 60. Thankfully, our Cambodian partners have an average age of 25 (ish). We have a young Cambodian team around us. Continuing to help train them will be important for a solid and stable work. And the platform that our partners use so beautifully to share their faith and make disciples (Plas Prai dorm) depends on Christians in more developed countries to keep running. ***For these reasons, additional foreign cross cultural workers are needed to help the whole team of both Cambodians and expats reach into the many villages of our province that still have no gospel witness.***

**WILL YOU JOIN US?** We are looking for harvesters who can humbly learn how to work with, alongside and under Cambodians who are coming out of the harvest themselves. Our experience is that these young Cambodian new believers have much to teach us and are also hungry to learn new things from us. We are growing together! Please reach out if you are interested in hearing more about service in Cambodia. We'll have a meeting for those interested soon and we'll keep you informed!

**PRIVILEGES:** (Please see pictures on our second page.) While we've been in the US, besides participating in the marriage of our daughter, we've had the privilege of sharing with a number of groups about what God is doing in Preah Vihear Cambodia and raising prayer support for the future vision there. Here are some snap shots of those events, opportunities and travels ...

- *Plas Prai Sponsor event* – Sponsors of Plas Prai students met with their students via Zoom in early June.
- *Difference Maker at Davisville* – Seven Davisville supported missionaries to Cambodia interacted about what it has looked like to go and serve in Cambodia. We also heard how Davisville

started and has continued to support the work there. We were all inspired by what God has done AND challenged to consider our role in what God will do in the future!!

- *Davisville Young Adult Retreat* – what a privilege to engage with Davisville Young Adults on their annual retreat in June. Their leadership focused on “Taste and See that the Lord is Good”! It was a blessing to participate in learning more about his goodness and how to effectively taste that and live that out moment by moment.
- *California Visits* – Community Baptist Church of San Jose and Living Hope Community Church of the Silicon Valley invited us to share and engage with their leadership. What a blessing to have walked with these brothers and sisters for over 18 years! Our partnerships continue.
- *Family time* – We’ve also have the privilege of meeting with family that we haven’t seen in a LONG time! We are so thankful!!

### **PRAYER NEEDS:**

1. Pray for more workers from developed countries to partner with us and our Cambodian partners.
2. Pray for future plans of expansion that we hope will include a training center, house our PV School of Applied Ministry (PVSAM) and possibly host sustainable income generation for ministry.
3. Pray for avenues from within Cambodia to help Cambodian full-time gospel workers move toward financial sustainability.
4. Pray for Daneth and Sophea who are managing the weekly children’s outreach program. This is quite a big ministry that takes a lot of skill to effectively pass on the training to the youth at Plas Prai who teach the kids in the villages. Sophea and Daneth have learned a lot from our teammate Chelsea. Please hold them up in prayer for continued effectiveness for the gospel.
5. Pray for Somphors, Ry and Sophoeurt who begin School of Biblical Studies in Battambang starting in July for one year.
6. Pray for Phearoth who will study for 6 months at the Discipleship Training School and for Sokhen, Ven and Mony who will train for 3 months at the School of Ministry Development in Battambang starting in July. Pray for God to direct their future paths.
7. Pray for the many new believers Joel describes in his letter. Pray that some choose to study PVSAM with us next year.

8. Pray for sponsors needed in September for the next class of 13 new 10<sup>th</sup> grade students.
9. Pray for senior pass/fail exams in September and October.

## **AND NOW FOR PICTURES**

A couple more wedding pictures ...



Plas Prai sponsor Zoom calls with students



Youth at Community Baptist Church of San Jose



Living Hope Leaders



Family: CA visit Jim's sister Julie and his aunt Evie and uncle Ken



As always, thank you for your interest in partnering with us for the gospel in Cambodia! We are so thankful for you!!  
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