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*"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand....**with this is mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.**"*

Ephesians 6:12-13,18

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**A CEREMONY WE ATTENDED FOR A ONE-MONTH-OLD BABY OF AN ELITE FAMILY...
PRAYERS OF THE BUDDHIST MONKS AND STRINGS ON HER WRISTS
DEPICT THEIR FEAR OF SPIRITS... THEY DO NOT KNOW THE PEACE
THAT COMES FROM RESTING IN OUR HEAVENLY FATHER'S CARE**

WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR TWO-YEAR LANGUAGE PROGRAM AND PASSED!!!! WHAT A RELIEF!!!! WE ARE ALLOCATED TO FULL-TIME MINISTRY NOW. SIMILAR TO RETIREMENT, AS SOON AS WE WERE RELEASED

WE WERE SO BUSY WE WONDERED HOW WE EVER STUDIED LANGUAGE!! WE HAVE MANY COALS IN THE FIRE AND WE ARE PRAYING NOW FOR WISDOM FOR HOW GOD WOULD HAVE US FOCUS OUR MINISTRY. THE FOLLOWING PICTURES WILL GIVE YOU A SNAPSHOT OF THE MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE BEFORE US AND SOME THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN HAPPENING.



WE ARE RAISING SUPPORT FOR A CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE AND ARE CONSIDERING SOME WORK THERE. THESE ARE THE GIRLS FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WHO WERE BAPTIZED ON CHRISTMAS DAY. THEY HAVE BEEN PERFORMING AT THE ORPHANAGE AND LOCAL CLINIC. OUR GOAL IS TO TEACH THEM TO SERVE AND TEACH THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO OTHERS. (PLEASE SEE ABOVE HOW TO GIVE TO THE ORPHANAGE)



WE REALLY DO BELIEVE GOD SENDS PEOPLE TO US LIKE OUR FRIENDS PICTURED ABOVE. THEY CAME IN DIRE NEED, NO MONEY, 8 CHILDREN AND HE WAS EXTREMELY ILL. WE DID AS MUCH AS WE COULD FOR THEM BUT THE CANCEROUS LUMP ON THE SIDE OF HIS NECK NEEDED RADIATION AND WE HAD PAID FOR SEVERAL HOSPITAL VISITS ALREADY. IN THE MOST DIFFICULT DECISION OF OUR LIVES, WE NEEDED TO TELL HIM WE COULDN'T PAY FOR THE RADIATION BECAUSE THE DOCTORS TOLD US IT WOULD ONLY GROW BACK AND HE WOULD DIE. HE DID DIE WHILE WE WERE AWAY. WHEN WE RETURNED, HIS WIFE TOLD US HE WAS TRYING TO HOLD ON TO TELL US SOMETHING. APPARENTLY, HIS VERY LAST WORDS WERE THAT HE WANTED US TO MAKE SURE HIS OLDEST SON STUDIED THE BIBLE AND UNDERSTOOD "THE GOD." THE SUNDAY AFTER HE DIED THEY ALL WENT TO CHURCH WITH US AND HAVE BEEN ATTENDING SINCE.

ALTHOUGH A BUDDHIST, THE HUSBAND HAD BEEN LISTENING TO BIBLE STORIES WHILE ILL. WE TOOK THE TEENS TO VISIT HIM IN THE HOSPITAL AND THEY SHARED THE GOOD NEWS WITH HIM AND PRAYED WITH HIM TO RECEIVE CHRIST. BECAUSE OF THIS STORY AND OTHERS, WE ARE CONSIDERING A PROJECT TO RAISE FUNDING FOR RESOURCES LIKE THE SECOND-HAND CD PLAYER AND BIBLE STORY CD'S WE HAD PURCHASED FOR THIS MAN. SOMEONE ASKED ME RECENTLY, "WHY CAN'T THEY HELP THEIR OWN PEOPLE?" YOU CAN ONLY UNDERSTAND BY BEING HERE. EVEN THOSE WHO HAVE MONEY MUST HELP PARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES, ETC. THERE IS SIMPLY NOT ENOUGH TO GO AROUND BECAUSE OF THE EXTREME NUMBERS OF THOSE IN POVERTY.



WE ARE MOVING!! WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING THE LADIES BIBLE STUDY OUT OF OUR HOME AND INTO THE HOMES OF THE KHMER. THIS LITTLE HOME (NEWLY PURCHASED FOR \$6,000) IS ONE OF OUR TARGET HOMES. OUR GOAL IS TO START TWO STUDIES IN TWO DIFFERENT HOMES.

ALTHOUGH WE REJOICE IN ALL THAT GOD IS DOING HERE, WE COVET YOUR PRAYERS. THERE IS DEFINITELY A STRONG PRESENCE OF THE EVIL ONE HERE. JUST LIKE THE BIBLE, WE HEAR STORIES OF DEMONS AND DEMON OPPRESSION. WE, SOME OF OUR TEAMMATES AND KHMER NATIONALS HAVE EXPERIENCED EXTREME NIGHTMARES AND OTHER DEMON-ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY. WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALL THAT WE NEED TO STAND FIRM AGAINST THE ENEMY AS THE ABOVE VERSE STATES, BUT WE ARE LEARNING THAT WE CANNOT BE FOUND WEARY. WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS! WE UNDERSTAND MORE FULLY NOW WHY THE FAMOUS EPHESIANS SPIRITUAL BATTLE VERSES END IN, "WITH THIS IN MIND, BE ALERT AND ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING FOR ALL THE SAINTS." EPHESIANS 6:18b WE NEED EACH OTHER!! WE ALSO NEED TO STAY ALERT!!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BATTLING WITH US TO HELP BRING SALVATION AND HELP TO THE KHMER PEOPLE! WE LOVE YOU!

GREG AND JANE

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE TO THE ORPHANAGE AND TO THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO HELP SUPPORT US AND EXTRA THAT YOU HAVE SENT FOR CHILDREN'S SCHOOLING, BUILDING PROJECTS, AND GENERAL HELP FOR THE POOR HERE. LOVE GIFTS PLUS A MESSAGE OF SALVATION BRINGS FORTH GREAT FRUIT! THANK YOU FOR LOVING THE KHMER PEOPLE. WE WISH YOU COULD SEE THE DIFFERENCE IT MAKES.