



Midterm gathering of UMC Global Mission Fellow, Oct.29-Nov.7

Shalom to all Cambodia mission friends!

There was a GMF (Global Mission Fellow) midterm gathering in early November, and our local mission team was invited to present critical issues of Cambodia on women, children, poverty, education, public health, and Christianity. It was truly a learning session for all of us. Each presenter well-prepared their presentation with factual data and facilitated a better understanding of each issue that we are facing in Cambodia.



9-11 in Cambodia

I learned that 9-11 in Cambodia is an important number not only to Khmer people but also for many of us in GBGM-UMC office. 9-11 (Nov.9th) is the national holiday in Cambodia to celebrate its independence from France on 9th November, 1953 and we can see various festivals, parades, and fireworks displayed across Cambodia. In addition, 9-11 is an important day for us, too. It's Rev. Sam Om's birthday (global missionary), and it's the 38th wedding anniversary of Marilyn and Joseph (first missionary to Cambodia) this year. On the contrary, when we say 9-11, though it's a different day, people may think of the worst terrorist attack that happened in the United States 16 years ago. It was a day of sorrow and great mourning.



CHAD site visitation in Bantey Meanchey, Nov. 14



Toukhlha Methodist Church Dormitory in Bantey Meanchey, Nov.15



Just like that, one single day could be mixed with many different emotions such as sorrow and fear as well as triumph and joy. The Gospel of Matthew 25:1-13 reminds us of the Big Day coming. It teaches us that the Day will be mixed with different emotions. For us, it will be the Day of great joy as we are the bridesmaids as told in the Bible who prepare for the Day with joy and anticipation. But for others, it will be a day of great fear. As the bride waiting for the return of our Lord, I pray that all of us be

fully prepared and open ourselves to God's grace today and for the rest of our lives. When the Big Day comes, our joy will surely be complete.

Staff Retreat



Visited Vision Faith Gathering
in Phnom Pen, Nov.19



Staff Retreat and Team Building
at Kep, Nov.23-25



It's been a joy to see all of our children and families at our retreat in Kep (Nov.23-25). We praised the Lord for giving us this opportunity to get to know one another better and to take good rest in God's presence at a peaceful place. As we shared the image of tree during the retreat, we were reminded that all abide in The Tree and work together for our Lord Christ Jesus to bear quality fruits and be successful in our lives.



Christmas Celebration for Street Children,
Dec. 10



*"Abide in me as I abide in you.
Just as the branch cannot bear
fruit by itself unless it abides in
the vine, neither can you unless
you abide in me. I am the vine,
you are the branches. Those who
abide in me and I in them bear
much fruit, because apart from
me you can do nothing."
(John 15:4-5)*

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