

We Wish You a Merry Christmas!



It is hard to believe that the year 2021 is finally coming to an end. What a year it has been! Living in the new normal with many restrictions has not been easy in Cambodia, as I'm sure has been true in all parts of the world. Starting from a total lockdown in March in Phnom Penh, we have witnessed many people suffer physically, financially, psychologically, and even spiritually. However, despite the pandemic and the visible suffering, God's goodness never failed to shine through.

We praise the Lord for the good health of all the staff in our

ministry. Every one of us in the office is involved in myriads of ministries to help the Cambodians in various aspects of life which involve meeting a lot of people. Though we took strict precautions, we did not hesitate to show the love of God in whatever ways that we could.

After being closed for many months, the school for street children (CSCFO - Cambodian Student and Children Fund Organization) finally reopened in November. For many of the children in this poverty stricken area, attending public school is not an option for many reasons. The children were so excited to hear that the school was reopening and have been diligent in their attendance and studies.

This was especially an exciting end of the year for Janice as 6 of the students at Susanna Wesley House graduated from university this year. All of them were able to



find jobs upon graduation and are now in the process of finding their own places to live in independence for the first time in their lives.



We also praise the Lord for the successful continuation of clean water project that we started this year for rural areas that lack safe drinking water. It was a joy to see smiles and relief on the faces of both young and old as they rejoice in God's providence.

Aside from these ministries, we have witnessed God working through many other projects like CHAD (Community Health and Agricultural Development), women's vocational training, children's

music video making, Sunday School curriculum development, and more. Throughout this year, the world seemed to have stopped, but God was unstoppable in lavishing his love upon his creations. For more pics and stories at www.umccambodia.org

Serena (12) and Reina (10) have been doing very well as they lived in this lavishing love of God. Although it was not easy for them to attend school online for more than half a year, they have learned to express gratitude for WiFi that makes online school possible and the teachers who work tirelessly to make learning meaningful.

During the pandemic, Serena has started to bake to pass the time and gifted the family with all kinds of cookies, pumpkin and apple pies, muffins and cupcakes, and finally sealed it with creme brulee. Reina still loves to play Minecraft and gets excited to find "red stones" which allows her to make machines. She still asks deep questions and says thought-



provoking things, and her latest food for thought statement was "bigger doesn't mean better and smaller doesn't mean lesser." We're still chewing on this.



Both Janice and I are doing well. We are grateful and humbled every time we think about the grace and mercy of God for calling us to do God's ministry in Cambodia. Loving God and loving people have been the motto of our lives, and we will continue to serve God by loving His people.

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your support for my family and the ministries in Cambodia. Please continue to pray for us as well as the people of Cambodia so that God's Good News can be shared to the ends of the earth.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Andrew, Janice, Serena, Reina, Nala

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