

HOPE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

TEACHING SKILLS, CHANGING FUTURES

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PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA



HVS students greet Rev. Paul with the Sampeah, a sign of respect and politeness in Khmer culture.

CELEBRATING HVS FACULTY

As we approached the end of the first academic year at HVS, General Kim Deukhwan, Board Chair of Bridge of Hope, and Rev. Paul Kong, GBGM Asia & Pacific Region Representative, visited the school to observe the progress and encourage the faculty. General Kim hosted a banquet for the faculty and staff in the Chapel, and teachers enjoyed sharing their thoughts about the year. Students also enjoyed meeting Chairman Kim and Rev. Paul.



General Kim hosts a teacher appreciation banquet.



Mouyhuor (l.) and Roza (r.) lead the class.

HOME-GROWN SUBSTITUTES

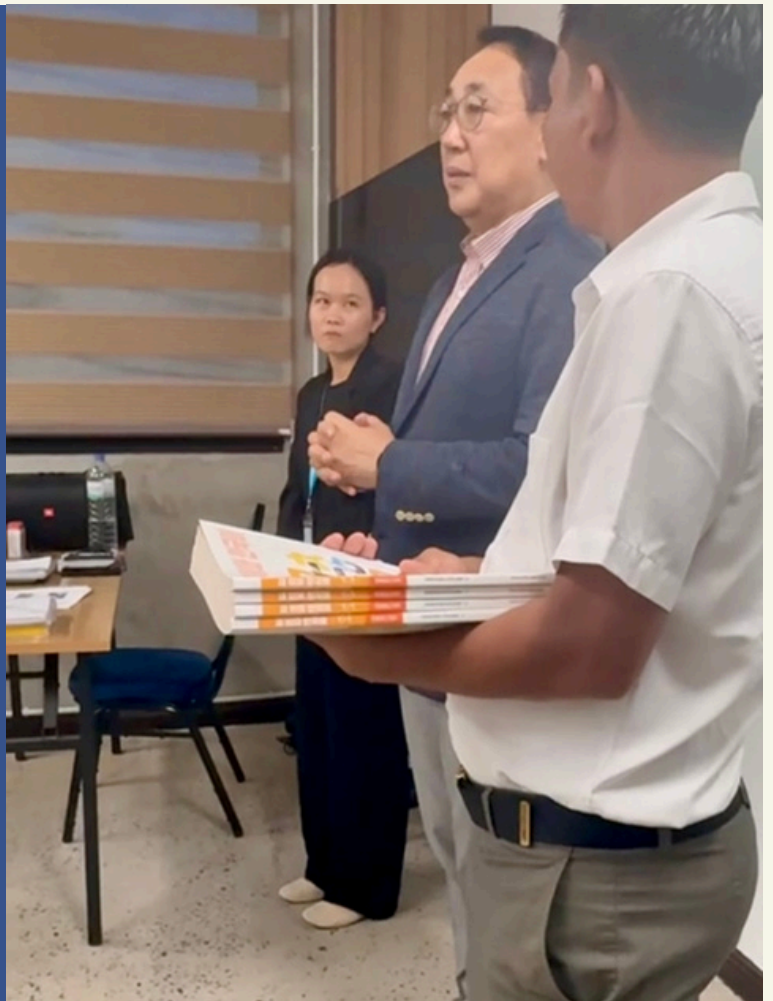
When Dr. Carey had to be out of town for two weeks in December, she needed a substitute teacher for her “Conversational English” class. She didn’t have to look far. Two of her best students, Kimmuoyhuor Phorn and Roza Samnang were ready to take over the classroom.

Dr. Carey prepared lesson plans before she left, and Mouyhuor and Roza taught lessons on the present continuous tense before introducing the class to a reader’s theater play, *Deli Diplomacy*, that students produced together and videoed for Dr. Carey to watch when she returned.

Allowing our own students to substitute fits perfectly with the HVS vocational education mission. It’s great experience and might help them identify future career paths they had not considered.

A NEW CURRICULUM FOR KOREAN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Korean teacher Koemhourng Oeng joined the faculty in September, and she immediately began working to identify a curriculum that would better suit the mission of HVS. The curriculum we were using was strong for grammar instruction, but didn't include practical communication tasks. We wanted a curriculum that would transfer to the workplace. Teacher Koemhourng believes that linking listening, speaking, reading, and writing to the study of language is required. A classic curriculum, *Ewha Korean*, had just been revised, and the *New Ewha Korean* series appeared to be highly communication-oriented. Unfortunately, the books were much more expensive than the ones we had been using. Thanks to the generous support of Bridge of Hope, however, we were able to purchase the books. General Kim delivered them when he visited in December.



កាឡានី 5:22-23
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GALATIANS 5:22

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law.

These words from Paul's letter serve as a touchstone for our life in the HVS community. We strive to ensure that we live by these values and show this Spirit in all that we do.



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