HOPE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

TEACHING SKILLS, CHANGING FUTURES

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KIEN SVAY DISTRICT,
KANDAL PROVINCE, CAMBODIA

HVS STUDENTS TOUR HOSPITAL TO SEE MEDICAL CAREERS IN ACTION

Several students in Dr. Carey's conversational English class expressed an interest in exploring careers in medicine. So she decided to organize a field trip to Hebron Medical Center, the hospital where her husband Tom Carey, M.D. serves as a missionary.

At Hebron, a hospital official took students on a tour of the facility and showed them a film about the history and mission of Hebron. After the tour, the students who were most interested in medical careers had the opportunity to meet with a few of the young Khmer physicians who are serving medical residencies at Hebron. We wanted our students to have the opportunity to learn how a young person in Cambodia can go from student to doctor and hopefully inspire them to achieve their dreams.

THAT'S A WRAP: TERM TWO

We are two terms down with one more to go in the 2026 academic year at HVS. As the term concluded, students and faculty celebrated accomplishments. The computer applications class held a sunset pot-luck dinner. Teachers Socheat and Linda analyzed student performance on pre- and post-term assessments and found that the average student improved their English proficiency by the equivalent of two letter grades. At the Open House for Parents and Students, there was a "Lucky Draw" for students with no more than two tardies and two absences in the term. Also at the Open House, we were pleased to present the students in the Computer Applications class certificates they will be able to present to prospective employers .

HARD WORK, HEAVY LIFTING, HIGHER PURPOSE

Volunteers In Mission from Wesley Zaidon Serve at HVS

For the third summer in a row, the Wesley Zaidan Foundation held a “Service Work Camp” at Hope Vocational School. The first summer, young adults helped with the construction of HVS by building part of the concrete stairway. The second summer, the team filled a swampy pond at the back of the property to protect the school from mosquitoes and to make the entire property usable. This summer, the Wesley Zaidan work crew poured a concrete slab over what was once the swampy pond. Their work contributed to the school’s efforts to build a small house for School Keepers Sophoan and Perom and their two young daughters to live.

Pouring this concrete slab in rural Kien Svay in an area inaccessible to big machinery was difficult. Everything needed to be mixed and poured by hand. But the crew worked diligently for four days, and in the end, the slab was completed.

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