

MISSION STATEMENT

PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR MINISTRIES AND PROJECTS IN CAMBODIA TO IMPROVE THE:

- SPIRITUAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ECONOMIC
- PHYSICAL

CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE OF CAMBODIA

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PASTORS AND LEADERS TRAINING

Prior to returning to the states in November, 2011, a schedule for monthly training of pastors and church leaders in 2012 was established. The first training of 2012 was held on February 24.

The training was attended by 26 pastors and church leaders. In each of training, we teach Biblical doctrine, train on witnessing methods, share witnessing stories and teach Bible study methods.

The March training was held on the 23rd and was attended by 45 pastors and church leaders. In addition to the training, we heard stories of new churches, house churches and Bible study groups have started recently. We heard about 18 new groups. Praise the Lord. God is at work in Cambodia!



Pastors and leaders working on a small group exercise.



Pastors and leaders receive Bibles and song books.

BIBLES AND SONG BOOKS DISTRIBUTED

Following the training in March, Bibles and Song Books were distributed to pastors and church leaders. The pastors and church leaders were asked to turn in the number of Bibles and Song Books that they would need. They requested 160 Bibles and 220 Song Books. DJD had received a designated gift to purchase 100 Bibles and 100 Song Books, but these are in short supply in Cambodia.

We were able to locate Bibles and Song Books in Phnom Penh. There were only 50 of each available. We made arrangements to purchase them and have them shipped to Battambang, so they could be distributed to the churches. Each church got about 30% of the Bibles and Song Books that they had requested. Due to shortage of Bibles, the cost has gone from \$7 to \$10. We still have funds to purchase another 50 Bibles. We hope to have this purchase made in time to distribute the Bibles following our April 23 training.

Please pray that we would be able to purchase these additional Bibles and that DJD would receive additional funds to purchase more Bibles. We believe that purchasing Bibles is a great investment because God's Word will not return void. It will draw unbelievers to faith in Jesus Christ and help believers to grow and mature in their relationship with God.

VUTHY'S DEATH AND PHNOM SAMPOUV CHURCH

On January 31, 2012, Pastor Vuthy died suddenly of a heart attack. He was 41 years old and was married with two children ages 13 and 10. Pray for his wife, children and family as they deal with the grief of his death. He was the pastor at Phnom Sampouv Church, President of the Battambang Baptist Association and an operation manager for DJD Cambodia Ministries. His death left leadership voids in many areas. God has been faithful to raise up other leaders to take on these leadership responsibilities.

After much prayer, the Phnom Sampouv Church appointed Mr. Sok Hoeurm their pastor. He had served as Pastor's Vuthy assistant. Pastor Hoeurm and his wife are a Godly couple who have responded to God's call for this leadership position. Pray for God's strength, direction and wisdom as they lead the church.

Phnom Sampouv Church is building a new building. Good progress has been made in the last month. The ceiling, electrical work, painting both inside and out and windows have been completed. The floor tile and the porch tile should be completed in the next few weeks. Pray for the building to be a place where the Spirit of God resides and touches the lives of the people who come empowering them to be witnesses of God's love in the spiritual darkness of Cambodia.

At the Pastor Training in February, Pastor Kong Sokhorn was elected President of the Battambang Baptist Association. Pastor Yoeun Savet was elected to the Association Committee to replace Pastor Vuthy. The other pastors on the committee are: Him Math, San Seyha and Kim Saravuth. Pastor Vuthy's widow, Ravy, also serves on the committee as the Women's Ministry Leader.



From left: New building for Phnom Sampouv Church. Center: Church members and others check on the progress in the sanctuary. At right: new pastor Sok Hoeurm and his wife.

ON THE FIELD. . .

On February 4, Brenda and Bryans attended our translator Sineath and Raksa's wedding. It began at 7:30am and we left at 2:30pm as the wedding party was sitting down to eat. There was a short service and then we ate breakfast. There was a long wedding ceremony and then we ate an eight course meal. There were numerous outfit changes for the bride and groom. The wedding guests make their gifts to the couple in cash in envelopes then placed in a heart shaped book that was closely guarded.



Prayer for Sineath and Raksa at their wedding, February 4, 2012.



Ten school age children studying in English class.

Brenda and Bryans are teaching two English classes. One is for ten students. Four of the students are children of pastors we work with and the others are their friends. The second class is for ladies from the eye clinic where Brenda went for eye treatment. The ladies approached Brenda and Bryans asking about English classes.

DJD purchased a car to use to visit churches. Bryans applied for and received a Cambodian Driver's License. DJD's operations managers completed their driving school on March 28 and passed their driving test. They should receive their driving permit in the next week or so.

Brenda and Bryans are on a two week spring break from our Khmer lessons. We are extremely slow learners.

DJD ORGANIZATION AND PROJECTS

DJD Cambodia Ministries, Inc was established October, 2010, by Rindo Nong, John Forsythe and Bryans Fitzhugh. It is a Texas nonprofit corporation and is an IRS approved 501(c)3 charity. DJD's purpose is to support projects and activities to improve the spiritual, educational, economic and physical condition of the Cambodia people.

Spiritual Projects:

- Pastor and leader training is conducted monthly. In each training session, Biblical doctrine is taught, witnessing methods are taught and pastors and leaders share their witnessing experiences and Bible study methods are taught.
- Visits are made to the churches to worship with them, preach and encourage the pastor and congregation.
- DJD is currently assisting with the completion of the church building in Phnom Sampouv. (article on page 2).
- Bibles and song books are purchased by DJD for distribution to the churches. (article page 1).

Educational Projects:

- For the past two years, DJD has provided uniforms and supplies for Kampouv village school children. In Cambodia, public school is free, but you must provide your own uniform and supplies. In many of the villages, the children's families do not have the funds to purchase these. DJD is making plans to expand this to other villages. In each village, DJD will work with the pastor to determine the children with the greatest need.
- The Battambang Baptist Association operates a training center. In addition to providing the meeting place for pastor and church leader training, the center provides a place for students who come in from the countryside to study at the high school or university in Battambang. DJD provides beds for the students at the training center.
- Bryans and Brenda Fitzhugh, living in Battambang and working for DJD, teach two English classes. One class is for 10 students ages 10 to 19. The other is for five staff members from the Battambang Ophthalmology Clinic (BOC). These ladies learned of our English class when Brenda was going there for eye treatment.

Economic Projects:

- Several years ago, Rindo Nong started a rice warehouse operation to assist the farmers. It was a micro loan program that loaned seed rice to farmers. DJD has expanded this operation by purchasing a tractor and trailer for delivering and picking up rice as well as plowing the fields. A mobile rice mill has also been added to assist the farmers with milling their rice rather than using the large mills.
- DJD purchased land and had a fish pond dug on it. The plan is to expand this farm operation to include chickens, ducks and pigs.
- DJD purchased five sewing machines. The machines are being managed by a member of a village church that is training ladies and supervising the operation. They are currently sewing pants for a company that operates along the Thai border.

Physical Projects:

- DJD has provided several tons of rice for families in need. Many of the families we have assisted were affected by the flooding north and east of Battambang.
- DJD has provided funds to drill water wells in a village not far from the border with Laos. In return for the wells, the village will give DJD enough land to build a church.



Left – Mobile rice mill which grinds and mills rice, preparing the rice for sale..

Right – Sewing operation manager cutting fabric to sew a shirt.





In July, 2012, two mission teams will be coming to Battambang, Cambodia. The first team of seven, led by John Forsythe, will lead a pastor and leader conference, youth event and women's conference. The second team of eleven, led by Natalie Yarnell and Mike McQuitty, will lead English camps for children and youth, build children tables for churches to use during children Bible study and partner with churches to do neighborhood events. Please pray for the teams as they prepare. Also, prayerfully consider a donation to help cover the teams' expenses in Cambodia.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING

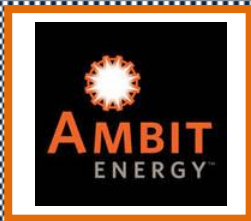
PRAISES

- For the prayer and financial support that has allowed DJD to be involved in the projects that God has opened the doors for.
- For the new leaders that God has raised up to lead Phnom Sampouv Church and the Battambang Association.
- For DJD operation managers commitment to DJD projects and hard work in managing these projects.
- For growing number of leaders that attend the pastor and leader training.
- For those who made a commitment of time and money to be a part of a mission team.

REQUESTS

- Pray for Pastor Vuthy's widow, Ravy, and family.
- Pray for the new pastor at Phnom Sampouv Church.
- Pray for monthly pastor training and those who attend to receive direction from God and be obedient to that direction.
- Pray for the plans for conferences, English camps and construction projects for the mission teams.
- Pray for the English classes.
- Pray for the projects that need support: mission trips, Bibles and Song Books, children uniforms and supplies and DJD farm expansion.

PAY YOUR ELECTRIC BILL - SUPPORT DJD



Ambit, an electricity provider in Texas, has a plan which makes donations to DJD. For customers who sign up using the website, djd.joinambit.com, to have Ambit be their electricity provider, DJD will receive a monthly donation from Ambit based on the customer's electricity usage. Ambit's electricity rates are competitive and there is no cost to switch. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Ambit Consultant Nancy Cotten at 817.360.5978 or Rex Cunningham at 817.480.1606. Thank you for considering this way of supporting DJD.

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