

Winter 2021 NEWSLETTER

Providing support for ministries and Projects to improve the Spiritual, Educational, Economic, and Physical condition of the People of Cambodia.



School Uniforms and Supplies

The children in Cambodia may attend government schools free but must provide their own uniforms and supplies. Many of the Cambodian families cannot afford them. DJD began providing uniforms and supplies in 2011 for 50 children in one location. In 2021 this project has grown to providing uniforms and supplies to 3,000 children in 112 locations. The uniforms and supplies that the children receive support the local economy. The uniform fabrics are purchased from the local market and uniforms are made by a group of Cambodian women who sew in their homes. This provides income for the women and uniforms for DJD. The supplies are also purchased from the local market.



Starting in 2018, DJD partnered with Gideons to provide a Bible for each child. When the uniforms and supplies are distributed, the Gospel is shared with the children. In 2021, Raksa, DJD's uniform making manager, began making backpacks. She used rented special machines and cutters. She would like to purchase the machine for \$120, and the cutter for \$250. With this equipment she will be able to make backpacks at a cost saving from purchasing them in the local market.



The cost to provide a uniform, backpack, flip flops, and school supplies for each child is \$12.00.



Children's Camp

The teaching of the Bible to children in the churches is done by a New Hope Children's Camp. A camp is established in a church at the request of the pastor. Youth from the area of the church are trained to lead the camp. Teaching materials are prepared and provided by pastors on the Camp Leadership Team. The camp meets weekly. In April, during the Khmer (Cambodian) New Year, there is a three-day, two-night evangelistic camp. The cost to support a Cambodian Children's Camp for one year is \$425. In 2021, there are 50 camps in three provinces in Northwest Cambodia. Before the government limited groups sizes due to Covid there were 1,200 children in these camps. During Covid, there were 614 meeting in groups no more than 15. Goal for 2022 is 65 camps in four provinces with 3,500 children.



Pastor Training



DJD provides the training outline and funding for monthly pastor training in Battambang and surrounding provinces. Basic Christianity is the subject of the 2020 – 2022 training. The training is extended because there have been many months that the training has not been able to meet due to COVID restrictions. In addition to teaching, the training provides an opportunity for the pastors and church leaders to fellowship together and encourage each other. The monthly trainings average attendance is 117 pastors and church leaders. The cost of a monthly training is \$1,000.

TEE: Theological Education by Extension



Theological Education by Extension (TEE): Theological Education by Extension (TEE) is a small group training program in which the training pastors go to where the students live and work. Because the Cambodian pastors are bi-vocational, some cannot take off work to come to training in the cities. TEE provides for the training to go to them. DJD provides \$200 per month support for the six TEE classes. Currently there 42 pastors in Battambang Province in TEE training. In January 2021, 14 pastors received certificates for completing one section of the training.

RICE DISTRIBUTION

The main staple in Cambodian's diet is rice. DJD works with the local churches to provide rice to families who need food. A ton of rice consists of 20 bags and costs \$700. A bag is generally split between 3 families, so a ton provides rice 60 families for several months. In the fall of 2020, DJD provided rice and other foods to 1,158 families who had been affected by severe flooding caused by the rainy season plus several tropical storms. Another food distribution was done in July 2021 to 375 families from 57 churches. In November 2021, \$2,000 was sent to buy rice to assist more families.



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CAMBODIA MINISTRIES

DJD Cambodia Ministries, Inc. is a Texas non-profit corporation. It has an IRS 501 c(3) designation. In 2020 DJD had 35 individual donors and 7 church partners.

Plans for 2022

- *School uniforms and supplies for 3,000 students. Cost is \$36,000.
- *New Hope Children's Camp and 65 camps in four provinces. Cost is \$27,625.
- *Pastor training -Ten monthly sessions. Total is \$10,000.
- *TEE Theological Education by Extension. Cost is \$2,400.
- *Youth Camp August 2022. Cost is \$3,500.
- *Rice distribution as needed. Cost to be determined.
- *Mission Trip – Date and cost to be determined.

Pray

- *For the church congregations and pastors as they begin meeting in person again. Pray that they will grow in their relationship with God and each other.
- *For the children as they return to school and Children's Camps, that they will be good students in school and grow in their love and knowledge of God through Children's Camps.
- *For pastors as they begin attending pastor training again.
- *For wisdom in determining mission trip date.

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2022 mission trip dates to be determined. E-mail Bryans Fitzhugh at bfitzhugh@djdcambodiaministries.org; if you would like to receive information when the mission trip dates and cost are determined.
