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The year 2017 was a year of many transitions. Change is often difficult and must involve turning away from fear and moving ahead with a deeper level of trust and courage.

In 2017 we changed the way of receiving receipted donations from Place of Rescue Foundation to **The Great Commission Foundation, P.O. Box 14006, Abbotsford B.C. V2L 0B4**. The most difficult aspect of this change has been the fact that many of our donors are still unaware of the change. May I remind you that you must now use this address to donate in Canada. Cheques may be made out to Rescue Cambodia (or Rescue Organization) You may also donate by credit card or bank debit. To find out how, please go to the website www.rescuecambodia.org. Click on **Donate** and follow the instructions. We are so grateful for all our sponsors and donors. We don't want to lose you! Through every change, some things remain the same. Rescue Cambodia is grateful that Blaine Sylvester remains fund-raiser for Rescue Cambodia in Canada. His email contact is: rescuecambodia@shaw.ca

The name of our website is changed from Songkrua.org to www.rescuecambodia.org. This is where you can learn about us and see how to pray for us. Every month new praise and prayer items are posted. If you are on Face Book be sure to friend Marie Ens so you can see updates about Rescue regularly,

During 2017 a total of 55 children transitioned from their former lives to become a part of their new families at Place of Rescue 1, 2, or 3. All had lost their mothers by death or, in just a few cases, the mothers were judged to be incompetent. All had suffered in various ways, facing domestic violence or deprivation of some sort. All were in need of love beyond all else.



New children at Place of Rescue 3 in Pailin.

Young people who had completed grade 12 transitioned from their homes at the Orphan Centers to go on to further education in the city of Phnom Penh or Sisaphon. It is not easy to leave loving house mothers who cared for their every need, to go on to fend much more for themselves. It is not easy to leave the protected atmosphere of the home they have known for a long time, to go to the cities filled with new temptations. It is often when our young people make this transition that they become more aware that they do not have parents. The leadership of Rescue Cambodia is challenged with the need to keep connected and to offer as much support as is needed.

The rainy season is over. The hot season is coming upon us. Gardens that did not produce much because of the heavy rains are once again flourishing.

In the coming months Rescue Cambodia will face shake ups as the top leadership will be changing. Sokhan Lao, who has served so well and faithfully will be stepping aside as director, due to the fact that she is past retiral age. She will continue to work with Rescue however, doing the things she loves and is so good at. The upcoming director will be Pastor Sokthon Chhat who will begin his duties officially in July. This is a serious change for Rescue. We invite your prayer that the Lord will smooth the way for us.

For all of us at Rescue Cambodia, Marie Ens, Advisor