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Christ is risen!

May the joy of the Easter season and the awakenings of Spring lift your spirits and fill you with hope.

At Place of Rescue 1, we had a wonderful Easter celebration. Our meeting hall was decorated with branches and hundreds of balloons. The worship service was filled with exuberant praise songs by enthusiastic children. How wonderful to watch them praising the Lord Jesus! Jesus loved it when the children sang “Hosanna” as he entered Jerusalem that day, and I know He loves it just as much when our children shout out their praises to Him. On Good Friday and on Easter Sunday, the young people told the story with Easter skits that all could clearly understand. Our big happy family enjoyed a lunch of all-you-can-eat

Like you, we here in Cambodia have had an upsurge of covid infections. After 15 months of only a few people sick and zero deaths, we now have hundreds infected, and over 20 have died. The government has supplied vaccines for anyone over 60. So, those of us here at Rescue 1 who are over 60, including me, Marie, have had our first shots. Each Place of Rescue Center is like one big family, so we are free to carry on life almost as normal. We praise the Lord that none of our centers have been affected. All schools, including universities, however, remain closed with only some online learning available. Of course, this presents a challenge in keeping children busy and learning, not to mention that April is the hottest month of the year in Cambodia. We have invited our young adults living in Phnom Penh to come “home” to Rescue 1 while they wait for the universities to open up again. They are able to assist the staff with the children. At Place of Rescue 3, the children are being kept busy, making the landscape around their homes beautiful.

Many of you have prayed for Morokot. She is a sweet little girl of 18 months. She was adopted by a family who wanted a little girl. It was not long before they discovered that she was almost completely blind. The adoptive parents did not want to or could not raise a blind child, so they asked to leave her at Place of Rescue. She has been here since she was about 6 weeks old. On Easter Sunday, I visited Baby House and was elated to find she can see quite a lot! She confidently walks around avoiding anything in her path, and she reached down to play with the ornament on my shoes! We have been praying so much for her, and I am excited to see that she is doing so well. May the resurrection life of Jesus bring her complete healing.

With deep gratitude for your love and prayers,

Marie Ens, for all of us at all Places of Rescue.





In February, Marie Ens celebrated her arrival in Cambodia 60 years ago. Some of you made a special donation in recognition of this milestone. Others expressed interest in making a legacy gift from their estate. And we also added a few new child sponsors! A big thanks to you all!

We are grateful to those of you who prayed and sent words of condolence to our Rescue family grieving the loss of Buntha from a tragic accident. We sent all those words to Cambodia, and they were translated into Khmer for Buntha's brothers and "family". Thank you for the \$1,820 received to go towards sports equipment in his memory.

Please let us know if you would like to receive some promotional materials which you could use to present the work of Rescue to your church or to your circle of friends. We will be glad to send that to you. Thanks for helping us tell the wonderful story of Rescue!



“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”

Mark 12:30–31



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