

# RESCUE CAMBODIA NEWS

April 2020

APRIL was an interesting month. It was a month when many things were cancelled. All 600 of us who had planned to go to the beach stayed home instead. My trips to Australia in April and to Canada in May were postponed. Moms who used to ride the bus to buy groceries at the local market, called the sellers and met them at our gate instead. The management committee's trip to meet for encouragement and prayer with the leadership of Place of Rescue 2 and 3 did not happen. Some of the staff could not come to work because we were on lockdown. School was cancelled. Travel to celebrate Khmer New Year with relatives was not allowed.

APRIL was a victorious month. In all our Places, the Lord Jesus was greatly praised and much prayer went up to Him. As a result, staff, adults, grannies and children were at peace and lived together happily. At Place of Rescue 1, I saw so much evidence of this. I saw children relating to each other with kindness and gentleness, evidence that their hearts were not troubled. I heard their loud, enthusiastic praise songs, evidence that they loved their Lord Jesus and He was touching their hearts. I saw the smiling faces of staff and heard their earnest pleadings in prayer.

APRIL was a month of provision. Financially, we were able to meet all our obligations and have some funds left. A donor gave enough funds to pay for paint so all the buildings at Rescue 1 are getting a face-lift. Twice Bayon Superstore called us to bring the truck instead of the car because of the abundance of their gifts. The shelf value of these gifts must have been at least \$6,000.

APRIL was a month of good health. Nobody can explain why Cambodia has been spared the pandemic. Overall there were only 122 cases, most of whom recovered, so currently only two people are sick with Covid 19. One Granny was released from her suffering and went to her eternal reward and is now rejoicing with Jesus

APRIL was a month of answered prayer. Always we pray that the Lord will send to us anyone who needs us. We are so grateful when that prayer is answered. We received 2 little girls and their Mom who is coping with AIDS. We welcomed a 12<sup>th</sup> grade student coping with an unwelcome pregnancy. We began to shelter a 16 yr. old orphan girl coping with AIDS.

We will go into the month of May in confidence trusting in the Lord who says, **"I am the Lord. I change not."** He will continue to give us many reasons to praise Him. We will also go, trusting in you, our friends and partners. In the natural, we could expect funding to decrease because of the changes brought on by Covid 19. But we desire to live supernaturally. We desire that the Lord will touch hearts of everyone who is able to give extra to fill up what may be lacking. And we remind you as we remind ourselves, **"One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."** Proverbs 11:24-25

Thank you for praying for us.

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