

Cambodian Chronicle

“...Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12

Dear Praying Friends,

We are very thankful for the example and testimony of the Godly men with which God has given us the opportunity to work. Pastor Wang, Pastor Proh, Pastor Tho, and Pastor Sakaun all have great testimonies in the church, in the world, and with other churches. God has reminded me time and time again just how special and unique these men are.

A couple of months ago I met with a government official that is crucial to keeping the door open for Baptist missionaries. During our meeting, I began to talk to him about his own soul and Jesus Christ. He cut me off and reminded me that he was “dutybound” to be a Buddhist. So I came at him from another angle. He has had much opportunity to get to know Pastor Wang and Pastor Sakaun over the last few years, so I began to incorporate the Gospel as I shared their testimonies with him. When he heard that Pastor Wang had studied the Bible with me since he was a young teenager, he immediately became interested. His mind became engaged, and he started darting questions at me left and right. He then surprised me with this question, “Could you or Pastor Wang teach my son to have the character that Pastor Wang has? I want my son to have characteristics like Pastor Wang.” Wow! What a testimony of Wang’s life before this man! Of course, I was careful to answer. “Wang is not who he is because of my teaching, but because of Christ in his life. Wang and I can teach your son about the Bible and Jesus Christ, but it is only Jesus that can change his character.” He clearly did not understand, for the next thing he said was, “I don’t care if he believes in Jesus or not, I just want him to have character like Wang.”

That week, Wang began going to the government official’s house to teach his son. The son also began coming to church every Sunday morning, evening, and Wednesday night. The son has since accepted Christ, been baptized, and is now working through discipleship with Pastor Wang. Please pray for growth in the son and for his testimony to have a saving impact on his father and the rest of the family.

Pastor Wang and his wife, Srey Oun, have also been growing into their position at the church. The members of the church are seeking out their counsel instead of Becky’s and mine. They are learning very well what it means to shepherd this flock.

Serving in Cambodia,

Rodney Ruppel
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Pastor Wang
Baptizing
Rut



Please pray for
These people to
accept Christ!
Song (witchdoctor)

Rain
Touch
Dine
Sukia
Srey Nee
Et

Please pray for
these new
Christians!

Vanna
Rut
Pixie
Thavy
Chanee
Naomi
Srey Nuth
Phally