

"For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldestordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:" Titus 1:5

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Dear Praying Friends,

Ordaining men for the work of our Lord Jesus Christ is an exciting and triumphant event, but the ordination service is the easy part. Finding and training men that live up to the qualifications of Titus 1:6-9 is the hard part! The world and times in which we live are attacking men from every angle! The people of Cambodia continue in darkness, and most of the men we know are willingly walking away from the light of Christ. But we are so thankful for faithful men of God that shine brightly in the darkness, who stay true to their Saviour, and who lead their families by Biblical principles. These men are bright lights in a dark culture and examples for all of us (missionaries included) to follow!

On January 7th, 2019, God gave us the privilege of being a part of ordaining a fourth family to the ministry. This time was extra special for two reasons; first, because I had the privilege of leading both Wang and Srey Oun to Christ when they were just young teens; second, because, by God's grace, this young couple will eventually take the reigns of New Hope Baptist Church.

Both Pastor Wang and Srey Oun love the Lord Jesus Christ and the church so much! It is exciting for us to get a glimpse of what God will do in the future of this church. The church family is often getting counsel from them instead of Becky and I. Wonderful!

The picture below shows Wang's father-in-law, Pastor Sakaun, praying over him with Pastor Proh and myself in the background. Pastor Sakaun has been and continues to be one of the key instruments that God is using to mentor these men for Christ's sake. It has been my honor to teach these men the Bible as they teach me by example to walk in faith.

Becky and I are still in a mentoring role as this transition continues, and everyone knows that whenever I am away preaching or visiting a mission work in the province, Pastor Wang is in charge of the church.

So I ask you to pray:

- For God's help to continue moving to the background.
- For God to continue to work in the lives and families of these faithful men of God; Pastor Sakaun, Pastor Proh, Pastor Tho, and Pastor Wang.
- For God to give Pastor Wang a fruitful ministry.
- For God to continue to work in the hearts and lives of church members that they might serve, strengthen, and follow God's leadership in the church.

Rejoicing in Cambodia,



Rodney Ruppel

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

Chantha
Mein
Saophoan
Banna
Thol
Dawveen
Kosal
Dine

Please pray for
these new
Christians!

Niita
Srey Leen
Danait
Piarun
Srey Nuth
Sopheak
Roet
Srey Nee

