



The Smiths

serving in

Cambodia

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Special Prayer Requests

Pray for these to be saved:

*Sara's father
Mien (Jantha's husband)
Tho's husband
Tho's mother
Tee's wife
Ni
Fong Sey*

Pray for these to grow spiritually:

*Srey Nij
Reksmay
Jan
Liza*

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your prayers. We trust that you are off to a great start this year. It seems incredible to us that a whole month has already passed. Truly, life is like a vapor. The opportunities we have to serve the Lord in this life will soon be gone, so let's make the most of our time!

Chba Ampo Baptist Church has a nicer place to meet now. The building we rent got a new coat of paint throughout the interior as well as on the front, thanks to Reksmay. Reksmay has proven to be both a dedicated worker and a devoted father. He works long hours every day to support his young family. We pray he'll find a better-paying job and be able to come to church regularly along with his wife Srey Nij and their baby girl.

We previously asked you to pray for a Catholic lady. Though everyone calls her "Grandma", her name is Fong Sey. She faithfully walks to our church every week, alone, despite being 82 and almost deaf! She lost most of her hearing due to an illness she suffered during the Khmer Rouge's brutal rule over Cambodia in the late 1970s. The doctors say her hearing is irreparable. Fong Sey is Chinese, and even though she speaks Khmer, she cannot read it. So, you can imagine how difficult it is to teach her. She has expressed genuine concern about her future, realizing that after all these years of trying to be good, she has no assurance of heaven. Pray that she will understand that Jesus Christ alone can save.

Sambat and Srey Tuit are doing well. Please pray that they will be good examples of a faithful Christian family to those around them. Liza from the children's hour has been coming to our worship service. Liza's father passed away a couple of years ago, and her mother remarried and moved away, leaving Liza with her grandmother. Pray that she'll be able to get her grandmother to come to church. Also, some of the young boys from children's hour have been attending regular worship and show surprising enthusiasm about reading from the Bible. It's such a blessing to see the younger generation desiring "meat" and not only the "milk" of God's Word! May their appetites grow!

Sara's father, Song, has been ill for nearly three months now. A tumor was found on one of his lungs, but he's too weak to have a biopsy done on it. For many weeks, he's been about the same – weak, but not worsening. Far more important than his physical health, though, is his spiritual condition. Sadly, he continues to reject Christ. We sincerely appreciate your prayers for him.

Our family is so grateful for your generosity and faithfulness. Through you, the Lord provides our needs. Cambodians hear the gospel and are taught God's word, thanks to your support. May the Lord richly bless you all this year as you continue to serve Him!

Yours in Christ,

Ron & Sara Smith

We also want to say a special thanks to those of you who've sent birthday cards recently and for the many cards and gifts we received for Christmas.