

CAMBODIA TRIP (My Experience)

ជំរាបសួរ (chum reap suor) Hello in Cambodian. I am glad and privileged to be in the Cambodia Mission 0118 team. After the first announcement, the Holy Spirit prompted me to sign up for this trip. I struggled internally as during that weekend, I have a discussion board which I would need to send in my views on some addiction topic. I decided to trust God and sign up for the trip.

A few days before the trip, struggles came to me again. I struggled whether to bring my laptop to the trip so that I could submit my discussion along the way. Knowing that Uncle Henry and Aunt Bee Teng would not be going for the trip due to his health issue, I spoke to God and told Him that I would like to trust Him and to leave everything behind in Singapore. No laptop with me! This will allow me to see His work in Cambodia without distractions.

After we reached the hotel in Cambodia, it rained heavily. The rain was so great that the area outside our hotel was muddy and it was difficult for people to travel in and out of the place. We went to visit the Rainbow hotel and spend time fellowshipping and getting to know the place well with Chak Mun. We went in the rainy weather to find a provision shop and a place for dinner. God led us on a long walk and it opened my eyes to see what goes on, on a rainy night. It was great to see how busy it was and that although we do not know how to speak Khmer, the people were trying to lead us to the provision shop. Indeed, God prepared the place before us.

Saturday, the first day of the camp! We were excited and ready to give our best to God although we do not really know what to expect. We went in faith to stand in the gap. Indeed, God is good, and He raised up a young generation of leaders. I am encouraged to see how God sent in missionaries to groom the youth to lead the songs, sharing, facilitation and many other functions which is something that was lacking previously.

The youth led the children camp with confidence and they were able to translate for us too. We led games, sharing and interact with the children during the lunch time. As the objective was to go and pray for the people staying the in the Kampung, we managed to spend time talking to villages during the lunch and after the Sunday services. We prayed for them and encouraged them to stand firm in God. It was a short 2 day camp. We built lasting friendship with the youths, connecting with them through the social media and encouraging them in what they are doing in Cambodia now. We also managed to spend time talking to various pastors from the various churches in Cambodia and understand their struggles. The strength of the Lord could be seen through the work that everyone is doing. I am amazed by how God works and is going to work in Cambodia. I also marvelled at His creation and enjoyed every moment of this trip.



Soon it was time to go back to Singapore and I felt that it was a very short trip but yet it allowed me to pull myself out of the busy work and school life to be recharged by Him. I am thankful to God for allowing me to go at such a timing for His purpose and I learned to be thankful and trust in God for everything.

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3: 5-6



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