



# Shalom Mission Cambodia



Quarterly Report July – Sept. 2019

Greetings from all of us working together in Shalom Mission Cambodia.

## Shalom Churches

The most important thing Shalom Mission does is proclaim the Gospel and lead Cambodians to Christ. Every other ministry follows from that. Many Cambodians reject the gospel thinking it is a foreign religion and they have their own. “NATION-RELIGION-KING” is the national motto of Cambodia. Cambodia’s religion is a blend of Buddhism, Hinduism plus interaction with spirits. This alliance of darkness holds Cambodians in a spiritual grip that can only be broken by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the One who is enthroned far above all principalities and powers.

Our pastors and workers seek to share the gospel clearly presenting Jesus as the one who came to destroy the works of the devil and save people from ignorance, confusion and oppression.

**Pastor Chhim Nara from Phnom Penh House of Hope Church tells us of his opportunity to do this.**

*I attended a sport camp with Phnom Penh Shalom church for four days. We played together happily, but we never forgot to share the gospel with the students who joined in this camp as several of them weren’t Christians. We separated into six teams - in my team there were three Christians and two who were not. They rejected Jesus as just a created being and said, ‘Jesus is just other foreigner religion, not belonging to Khmers’. So during these days we kept sharing God’s Word with them until the last day when they decided to accept Jesus as their Lord. We prayed for them to give their souls to Jesus. I give thanks to Lord that He changed Rathana and But so that they have become His sons.*



**Believers often face opposition from within their family – but faithfulness can change that! Pastor Pun Sophea from Pursat Shalom Church reports.**

*I went to visit the family of Phol, a church member. Her husband, Eim, had kidney disease and was staying at Pursat government hospital. He needed surgery. She was worried about Eim and asked me to pray for him. This gave me the opportunity to share the gospel with him as I prayed for him. In that time he decided to accept Jesus and agreed to pray for the Lord to reign in his life. In the past he*



*had been angry with his wife and had forbidden his daughter Phit to go to church. He said he was now sorry that he used to be angry with them and that if she did go to church he had bad thoughts about me (Pastor Sophea). I told him it's ok. Following Jesus is like that – sometimes people hate us. I thank the Lord so much that He has saved brother Eim and he has changed - before he always made life hard for his daughter and his wife, but now he is different.*

**Pray for all of us that we will have clear answers for those who think becoming a Christian means rejecting one's own family and people. The Gospel makes us love them much more!**

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## **Shalom School of Ministries:**

### **Pastors training on Expository Preaching with James Harmeling - 19-22 August**

For our August training, we decided to go camping together with our families and focus the lessons on the topic of the pastor's home. We left Phnom Penh early on Monday morning, and arrived at the Shalom Dream Center in Mondulkiri that evening, and were grateful for the chance to spend time together during the car ride as well.



We spent each morning going through the lessons prepared by Dr. Harmeling. This time around, instead of going deep into exegesis and exposition, he decided that we should spend some time thinking about our family lives as pastors. This came especially in light of the some high profile pastors, both internationally and in Cambodia, who fell into sin that related to their personal and family lives.

For each lesson, we had opportunities to split off with our spouses in order to discuss and apply the lessons lives. This was a great as ministers, who so caught up in ministry make sufficient time different issues in our families and how we can improve and grow together.



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After lunch, our planned activities planned got rained out. So we just spent time together and with our families and then gratefully took the chance to spend time helping with the ministry to the children who come every weekday to the Shalom Dream Center after-school program. This was followed by a special dinner and a gospel presentation for the children as well.



In the evenings, we relaxed and spent time around the fire, talking about life in ministry - enjoying each other's company. This has been a great opportunity to focus on our marriages, look at Bible truth relating to family life, fellowship and grow closer as a group.



We love to serve God's people at the Dream Center



### Pastors training on Expository Preaching with Matt Glass - 2-4 October



More than 30 pastors attended our training in Bible Interpretation & Hermeneutics at Phnom Penh Shalom Church. Brother Matt used Mark's Gospel (8:34-36) to examine Discipleship as denying self, taking up the cross and following Jesus. He focused on what it means to deny self; describing the ways self arises within us; self-absorption, self-admiration, self-pity, self-indulgence, self-reliance, self-seeking, self-assertion and self-preservation. Studying the scriptures should not just bring us information - they challenge us to change. We saw that following Jesus means putting self to death and committing ourselves to a life of Faith and Risk as we follow the Lord Jesus Christ.



We make full use of these gatherings to strengthen bonds of friendship so the more athletic ones enjoyed football in the evening - a hard game and then time for reflection.

# Shalom International School



Shalom International School continues to provide support to over 250 children who attend every weekday to supplement the state school education.



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## Shalom Dream Center

One of our main ministries to the local people is the after-school teaching that we provide every day. We are thrilled at the response of the families - they send their children because they want them to progress. And the kids love to come – even through all the mud in the rainy season they came – they did not care if they got wet – and we love to teach such willing students!

They receive Khmer literacy teaching and English and Maths as well as Bible teaching - so they learn about the love of God for them and they receive it practically from our hands. We also make them food to eat so they do not go back home hungry.



As you can see we are teaching the children in the open air until we are able to build classrooms for them. During the rainy season it has been very difficult and we put up canvass to shelter them. Before next rainy season we want to have rooms for them. Can you help us?

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### Little by little the Dream Center is being completed



#### Chicken and Goose Unit

We will produce our own chickens to eat, and eggs from chickens and geese. It may be possible to produce enough to sell and make money for the Dream Center. Students who come here will also learn how to look after these birds so they have the skill if they need it in future to support their ministry

#### Carpentry Workshop

We use wood from our land to build and make furniture for the Dream Center. Now our carpenter has a proper workshop so he can work no matter how bad the weather is, and he can store things in a clean and secure place.

It may be possible for students to learn wood working skills while they stay here which they will find useful if they need to work to support their ministry.



## How can you support the work of Shalom Mission Cambodia?

### PRAY –

1. Children classrooms  
We want to build 4 of these for the different classes who come every day
2. Shalom Family Retreat 12-15 November  
Pray that the married couples will understand how they want them to live as successfully, happy and godly husbands, wives and parents
3. Evangelistic Youth Camp 23-26 November  
Pray for the salvation of the young people who will attend
4. Bible School Recruitment and Finance needed \$100 per students.  
We want to begin Bible training for Christian workers in 2020. Pray for the right students to join us and for the finance needed to support them. It will cost \$100 a month for each student to live and learn at the Dream Center. We expect them to find some of that themselves but we want to help those who need support.

**GIVE –** All our ministries need funds to pay staff and buy materials and services.  
Please contact us if you are able to support us financially:

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