



HOME OF GRACE MINISTRY CAMBODIA

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Greetings family and friends!

We are so grateful to know that the Lord has protected the children and staff, and that they are all still doing well and enjoying many projects at Home of Grace Orphanage amid the pandemic. The older children have volunteered to help the staffs in maintaining the garden and caring for the chickens, cows, and pigs that are on site. While the children were attending in-class school, they were too busy to help with the animals; but, now that the schools have closed due to the Covid-19, the children have been enjoying the animals as well as other activities including help teaching the younger-age classes. What a joy it is to know that the older children are being a blessing and role models for the younger ones!

On our daily communication with the staff and children, they will remind us how much they have missed us and that they are praying for us. They will even mention those who have visited them and asked how they are doing, as well as tell us that they, too, are praying for them. We know the children are eagerly looking forward to seeing the mission team return again.



As we write this letter, the number of Covid-19 cases in Cambodia is increasing. Most of the people are living in fear of contracting the virus. The city of Phnom Penh, as well as several other cities, has shut down, and the borders have remained closed, with the exception of obtaining permission to cross provinces. As we continue to follow-up on the situation, please join us in prayers for the people in Cambodia while they go through this pandemic.

Right before the number of Covid-19 cases increased, by God's love and mercy, He had made a way for the Home of Grace Orphanage's staff to continue reaching out to help by providing food and relief to those suffering, such as the people and children during this difficult time. We continue to walk by faith as the Holy Spirit leads us to do so, and to live in peace, not fear!!

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We would like to share a short story about 6 orphan siblings that are between the ages from 2-12 years old. Sadly, both of their parents passed away recently. The father was killed in a motor accident, and the mother passed away from an illness. The children were left with their grandmother, who was in her 70's, to provide for them, which were a difficult challenge for her since her only main source of income was collecting recyclable materials like, aluminum cans and plastic bottles from dumpsters. On good days, she will have enough money to buy rice and other days, she and the grandchildren will go hungry because she was not able to collect enough materials for money to buy food. The people in her village became concerned and contacted the Home of Grace for help. Our staffs gladly drove to her home to visit her and the children and assist them with food and supplies during a time in need. The grandmother had heard that the Home of Grace could provide a safe environment instilled with love and caring for them, so she begged our staff to take her grandchildren to the orphanage. It saddened her, but she felt it was best for her grandchildren because she knew she would be unable to provide them with basic needs and education. We count this a blessing to have had the opportunity to bring the children in, where they will be loved and cared for as every child should be, and we are truly thankful to the Lord for allowing the Home of Grace to have brought them in just time before the Covid-19 cases were badly raised.



Being away from a special place that God has nailed in our hearts, a place that provides shelter, love, and care for the children, especially orphans whose parents are unable to provide the most basic needs or who have lost their parents like the children in the story, is incredibly difficult for us, but it is times like these that strengthen our faithfulness as we continue to trust the Lord for his guidance. He is faithful in so many ways, including blessing us with your willingness to serve alongside us. Please continue to pray for the staff and children at Home of Grace, as well as the people in Cambodia during this extremely tough time.

Thank you again for being a great encouragement to us by your prayers and generous giving to the Home of Grace Ministry for a life transformation of the people and children for God's glory!!

Blessings,

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