

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

April 11, 2019

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." –Psalm 46:1

This verse has been a blessing to our family during these trying times. The **Corona Virus** has reached us here in Cambodia. We thank God for keeping our family healthy. There have been roughly 125 cases reported in Cambodia, with most of the cases being imported from outside of Cambodia. We are in the middle of our hot season, and it seems that the heat is slowing the spread of the virus. This is the first time that I am actually thankful for the sweltering heat! The relatively few cases have done little to calm people's fears however. Cambodians are scared and frightened, but we know that **God is our refuge!**

Going, going, going...

Since our last prayer letter at the beginning of February, our lives have been in a constant transition. In the middle of February, we moved back to Phnom Penh from the province. We had a **wonderful time** serving and ministering to the believers in Svay Rieng as we covered for our fellow missionaries on furlough. After returning to Phnom Penh, we returned to New Hope Baptist Church where we were able to serve through teaching and preaching. While in Phnom Penh, we began looking for a house in **Chbar Mon.** This is where the Lord has led us to begin planting a church. **Thank you to all who prayed for us!** We were able to find a house that meets every need and desire **within 10 days!** We moved out to the new city on March 25th and are working to get everything set up.

Ministry News

Since March 17th, the government has **banned all religious meetings** for fear of the virus. This has been a difficult challenge for many churches here as they now must attempt to minister through online platforms. However, this has also allowed churches to have a broader impact to a large audience. Naomi and I are both preparing Bible lessons to be shared online. **The Word of God is not bound!** Ministering and evangelizing has become difficult though. A large number of those infected with the virus are Western tourists who brought the virus with them to Cambodia. Cambodian people are now very standoffish and closed off to any white face. **Please pray** that we will be able to make connections with people here and find creative ways to evangelize. Also, **please pray** that we can be a witness to our landlord and their extended family. Thank you for your prayers and support!

For His Glory,

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