

The Church of Mercy in Cambodia

A Ministry Partner of First Baptist Church, Parker, TX.

Happy New Year!

Greetings in the Lord! Overall, the past year went really well and we continue to sense God's leadership in our being part of this work. We're enjoying teaching and watching our students grow. In Systematic Theology we've tackled some tough issues, having just completed a chapter on Divine Providence, and Jennifer continues to mercilessly drill her English students on clear pronunciation. We've also made some significant progress in the Khmer language, though much work remains. Please continue to pray for our language acquisition.

Please pray for us!

- Peace and liberty with the government
- For Daniel, Vanak and Sokea as they seek to start Bible studies
- Pastor Ngan & the Sre Trang church to grow in faith
- Pastor Chheng & the Prek Ambel church to grown in faith
- Bill and Jennifer's Khmer language acquisition



Sre Trang's new sanctuary

Pastor Chheng, Sophorn and Kayleen are all in good health and doing well. Chheng has been faithfully preaching and teaching God's word, and there have been a number of visitors and new members in the last six months. The Prek Ambel church body is enjoying a season of steady growth and peace, for which we are thankful.

The Sre Trang congregation is enjoying the new sanctuary (pictured below) which was completed in early December. Many thanks to Cambodian Ministries for Christ for this generous donation! After a few months of trials and declining membership, the church has recently seen increased attendance including upwards of 125 children. Pray God would continue to encourage Pastor Ngan and help him to disciple and care for his flock.

The PATC continues to run smoothly and we have a good group of students



Jennifer, Katherine, and Bill

whom I believe have a sincere and lively faith. They are growing in grace in many aspects. The music classes are starting to bear fruit. We now have a number of skilled guitar and piano players, which really makes a difference in our worship services.

Additionally, three of our students have a strong desire to serve God in Bible teaching. Daniel, Vanak and Sokea. They've been going out on Saturday mornings to share the Gospel and look for open doors. We hope to start weekly Bible studies and, as the Lord wills, to eventually start new churches.

Please continue to pray for our efforts, that God would lead us to His harvest fields.

In Christ,

Bill Hale & the Church of Mercy