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For The Glory of GOD!

Greetings to all of you, our dear friends and family,

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During the month of April, we witnessed the third new year celebration of 2009 here in Cambodia. Everyone recognizes the international calendar new year. Regionally, with so much Chinese heritage, they also note the passing of the Chinese calendar new year. But those holidays are no match for the festivities surrounding the Cambodian new year celebration marking the beginning of the rainy season and the transition between harvesting and planting for a new season. We arrived as the rains were abating at the end of August. (Can you believe it has already been eight months?—Wow!) The first seven months were mostly dry. Two-to-three weeks ago, the rains began. Now it rains nearly every day—not all day, but sometimes it downpours for an hour or more. We love it because it cools and cleanses. We offer prayers of praise to our God who, in His great love, brings the rains to all mankind.

This month, we report mostly in pictures. Our language training continues to progress as we learn to speak, listen, read and write. We are still involved in most all the same ministries noted in previous newsletters. Visit [www.missioncambodia.wordpress.com](http://www.missioncambodia.wordpress.com) which has most of the details on our activities. We attended another Khmae wedding, this time in the province, evangelized in the countryside, and watch several new Christians being born. New workers have arrived as another couple and their children have joined the short list of foreign servants in Cambodia. Our plans for a summer furlough continue to progress. We have two new students at the Cambodia Bible Institute where Dennis is teaching Ephesians & Colossians. We offer prayers of praise to our God who, in His great mercy, grows His family, and in His great power, protects His family.



For you prayer warriors among us, please join us in prayer for the people of Cambodia who have not yet heard about freedom from slavery. Far too many strive to "earn" their right standing before their gods. They live in fear of never doing enough. We have a message to set them free. Pray they listen! But how can they hear and believe if they have not heard? Pray also for more heralds of the good news. Swine flu and economic depression are real and present struggles. Refocusing to the spiritual, on the things above where Christ sits on the throne, we have a message to save lives, a message to rescue the perishing. Pray for strength and courage. Pray for one another.

God is strong and can help you not to fall. He can bring you before his glory without any wrong in you and can give you great joy. He is the only God, the One who saves us. To Him be glory, greatness, power, and authority through Jesus Christ our Lord for all time past, now, and forever. Amen. *Jude 24-25*

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More pictures of the wonders of Cambodia



Thanks for all your support, encouragements, love and prayers—to God be the glory! Great things He has done and faithfully continues to do. Join us in praise to Him!

Eternal love & blessings,

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