



Allison Newsletter

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A church from the civil war era at Shiloh battleground near our team retreat site

So, What's the Next Step?

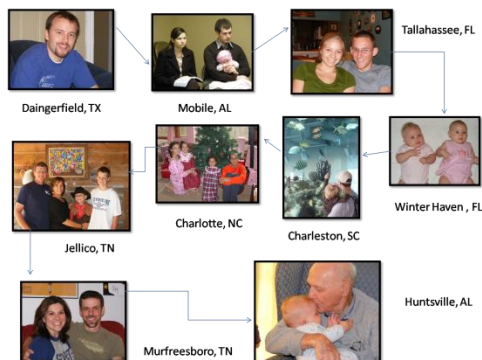
We are looking forward to the day when Cambodia will be our home, and we are doing everything we can to learn, prepare, and grow for that time. With the help of mentors and supporters, we are currently trying to decide where God is leading us next. We have continued fundraising for long-term work in Cambodia. God has blessed this effort, even providing a potential overseeing church who we should hear back from soon. Along with fundraising, Chris has been looking for employment until a time

comes when we have the funding to move. Our current budget would allow us to move to Cambodia for a year to study language if God provides the funds for us to buy a car. As we consider these three options (continued fundraising, working Stateside, or moving to Cambodia for a year), will you please pray for God's direction and for wisdom for those advising us. Any of your thoughts and advice are welcome.

Thank You, Supporters!

What a trip! We finished off our fundraising trip with a bang, and God has blessed us immensely through our time with old and new supporters. We want to thank each of you again for hosting us and blessing us financially. What a wonderful gift to get to know you better, to see your beautiful homes, and to partner with you for the Khmer people.

We have now made the round trip back to Huntsville, AL and are trying to seek the Lord as to what our next step will be. Our days are busy with fundraising and seeking temporary employment. Please pray that, despite the economy, God will provide funding for us to move to Cambodia rather than work in the States.



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"Partnering to rebuild the broken foundation of Cambodia on the solid foundation of Christ!"



It has been 3 years since we first traveled to Cambodia, and so much has happened! We are excited to be on the path to serving there together.

The Adamses

The Wheelers

The Allisons

The Hayeses

Pray for God
to Form a
Team

We had an incredible week near Pickwick Dam in Tennessee with three other families this month. We are excited about the possibilities of working with the Adamses, Hayeses and Wheelers. Though no commitments have been made, we are working toward becoming a team to serve the Lord in Cambodia. We are so thankful for God providing the wonderful blessing of coworkers, Christian friends for our children, and an English-speaking body of Christ who have been, and, Lord willing, will be working among the Khmer people of Cambodia.

What's Happening in Cambodia

While here in the States, it is so easy to forget about all that is going on in Cambodia. We wanted to keep you informed as much as possible about our future home. Sharing the excitement of what God is doing there. One of our dear friends and financial partners, Jill Tucker, made a visit to Cambodia from India where she studies for her Master's degree. She was able to stay with old friends, the newly arrived Welch family. Dennis and Sharon are such a wonderful couple and are currently working with the preaching school in Phnom Penh. We look forward to being their coworkers. We have enjoyed hearing from Sharon from time to time. She recently sent us a picture of a friend of ours wedding. Neang was just a young girl when Casey first visited Cambodia. We are so happy to share in her joy from 10,000 kilometers away.



Our Fundraising Status

Our Current Needs

1. **An Overseeing Church**
2. **100% Monthly Donation Commitments**
3. **One-Time Startup Fund**

We're at about 65% right now!

Once these 3 needs are met, we will be able to move to Cambodia. We fully trust that God will provide all we need – in His timing – and we are trusting in Him to lead us. Sharing the gospel in Cambodia is His ministry and His mission. We are just excited and honored to be a part of what He is doing!

Raising funds is not an easy task, but we see God working clearly through many different people and we're excited to see what He is going to do with it all. We are learning more every day how important the "senders" are and we are excited to work with such incredibly sincere and God-fearing people who will give us and the Cambodian people their best. Please pray with us that God will partner us with a church who will oversee us and truly send us to Cambodia.

Prayer Requests

- For God to provide a sponsoring church for us and give us all the funding we need to move
- For the new team formation process we are beginning with the Wheelers, Hayeses, and Adamses
- For God to clearly guide us in our next step toward Cambodia

*His Gifts
for
His Glory!*



From Maggie

I have a new best friend. Her name is Layla Adams, and I hope we will live in Cambodia together. Sometimes it was hard to share my toys with Layla, but we tried to share everything and have lots of fun at the team retreat. I am making new friends now at the library where we got to hear a really silly lady reading a book.

We had so much fun on "Gobble – Gobble" Day. I ate lots of turkey, made drawings of turkeys with my hand, and played Wii bowling at my Great-Aunt Lesley's house. Daddy, Mommy, Melanie and I also called Africa, and I got to say "I love you" to Grandma and Grandpa. It was so much fun.

From Melanie

I am having so much fun trying out new sounds and rolling all around. I love to cuddle up close and touch Daddy's face. He makes me laugh so hard! I have another friend now besides Maggie. Her name is Lydia Wheeler. She was born only four days after me!

I am now 6 and a half months old. I get to share some clothes with my big sister, and I'm even getting to eat big person food. Bananas are my favorite. Life is so good, and I am so happy. Mommy says my emerging spiritual gift is a joyful heart, just like my middle name: Joy.

Kids' Korner



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