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May-July Updates from the Vong Family  
Issue #18



## Dear Friends,


Greetings from the capital city of Cambodia! Can you believe that in a few days we will be **on the field for 7 months**? God has been so good to us and we are blessed to have wonderful people in the states sacrificing to make it possible to have us be here to reach our people with the gospel. We have received countless emails and letters (mailed to our home/church address, scanned, and sent to us via email) from people who God is using to encourage us while we're on the field. We can not thank you enough! Thank you for remembering our birthdays and anniversary. It sure means a ton to us and our children.

## Here are some highlights from the past few months:

- In May, we had a Mother's Day service with 19 mothers in attendance. Many visitors came for the first time.
- On our last update, we mentioned Mr. Sokvann who accepted Christ because of the faithful example of his teenage son, Veasna. Every prayer meeting, Veasna would raise his hand and request that his family would receive Christ. His father got saved in April and baptized in May. What a blessing it was for him to come up to me and have me rip off his spirit strings from his wrist because he said, he didn't need them any more now that he's a Christian. This past Monday, I also had the joy to lead his wife to the Lord. Many of our missionary friends have planted the seed of the gospel, and I had the privilege to draw the net! **Praise God that father, mother, and teenage son accepted Christ! Please pray for their spiritual growth.**
- We were able to move in to our own place in June. We can't tell you how thrilled we are to have a place that we can call our own since being on the road raising

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*This year's theme for our youth conference is "Our God is Greater." We are thankful to invest in the next generation and are excited to see the Lord is going to do through this next generation!*



*Mr. Sokvann followed the Lord in believer's baptism in May. Please pray for his spiritual growth and his work schedule. His work*

- support. It's such a huge blessing to be able to invite prospects who we have been working with over for lunch and dinner at our home. **Please pray that we can continue to establish relationships with these dear people and be able to win them over to Christ.**
- In July, our church in Phnom Penh was able to host our annual youth conference. Events like these were instrumental in helping me and my wife decide to be committed Christians. We are grateful to be able to have an event like this to invest in our young people here in Cambodia. We had a great outcome and **many decisions were made for Christ** because of the conference!
  - For the past three weeks, we've been able to go soulwinning and re-visit prospects at a fishing village called Prek Pnov. Four years ago on my survey trip, I came to this village and was able to sit with a missionary friend as he taught a grandma name Soun about Christ. After the lesson and as we were wrapping it up with questions, Grandma Soun asked that if she believes in Christ can she accept Him now or does she have to wait until the following week. We were thrilled to be able to lead her in the sinner's prayer and she accepted Christ that day! I remember giving a small business card size picture of our family to her and letting her know that I'll be back in a few years to serve here in Cambodia. Four years later, three weeks ago, she saw me on the main street, ran and greeted me with a huge smile, and reminded me of the picture that I gave her. **She is still faithful to God and encouraged me greatly by reminding me about the sustaining grace of God.** She had taken the small picture and enlarged it to letter size, framed it, and told me that she had been praying for us! Wow! Since there is no church in Prek Pnov and it is an hour ride away from our church in the captial city, I have had the privilege to spend time with Grandma to encourage and teach her from the Bible on a weekly basis. Please pray that the Lord would continue to use us to see this village reach with the gospel.

In closing, our family cannot express enough of how thankful and grateful we are for your prayer and monetary support. As I

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*Sina, Mr. Sokvann's wife, trusted the Lord this past week. Thankful that her husband's example at home helped her make the decision to trust Christ.*



*Grandma Soun trusted Christ when I came to Cambodia 4 years ago. She greeted me 4 years later and reminded me of our meeting and the family picture that I gave her.*

reflect on the day that I accepted Christ, 23 years ago, on August 2nd, I can't help but thank the Lord for those who have invested in my life to help make and mold me into who I am today. Now I have the privilege to do likewise here in Cambodia! Thank you for making it possible for us to serve here.

Because of His Grace,

The Vongs

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