



Dear Praying Friends,

June/July, 2021

Greetings from Chbar Mon, Cambodia! We have now been back in our home for two months and have fully readjusted back to life in Cambodia. Though we were only away for 7 months, one quickly adapts back to the climate and culture in America. Our language abilities have returned and are once again expanding and improving.

Upon returning, we were surprised by the differences caused by the pandemic in our community and city. When we first moved here in April of 2020, there had not been any community transmission. Kids from the neighborhood and other neighbors would come and visit us regularly. People would want to sit and talk while we were out and about. Since the end of February and the first community outbreak however, much of that has changed. Though there have only been a dozen or so total cases in our city, people are scared and are social distancing. The kids in our neighborhood have not been allowed to come to our house, and folks no longer come and visit. Even going out to the local market was frowned upon.

Thankfully, the situation seems to be improving. People are now leaving their houses and going about with their daily lives. Though door-to-door evangelism is still not prudent, we have been able to start taking “evangelism walks” as a family in the past two weeks. We meet folks as they are outside their homes and speak to them from a distance. We have met two families this way, and **we are praying these relationships will give us an opportunity to witness.** We have also been able to have our landlords over for a meal, something that we could not have done 2 weeks ago. **Please pray for Vane, Ngoul, and their 5 sons** to receive the message of salvation.

This pandemic has also brought opportunities to minister as well. Last month I was able to preach for the online service of New Hope Baptist Church. Preaching to a camera in a foreign language was a new experience! This time has also allowed us to prepare tracts and future evangelism videos which will be posted online. **Please pray** for wisdom as we prepare these short videos and **pray** that they will lead to further opportunities for face-to-face evangelism. Finally, **pray that the government will allow religious gatherings again soon.**

With love and thanks,

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