

# Missionaries to Cambodia

## The Antonio Family

February 2024

Aaron, Juanita, Norein Grace, Faith, Job

11 Corinthians 4:3-4

### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings!

I pray this letter finds you all in good health. I thank the Lord for the past year and the new year. He has been good, and we felt His presence all through. I want to give you some updates on how our year ended, as we could not send our newsletter for October to December 2023.

*October - December 2023:* Praise the Lord, we were able to give a complete set of uniforms with school supplies and slippers to some students. We've been doing this for a few years now. It all started when we noticed some students going to school only using plastic bags for their notebooks. It has become a burden since then, and thank God we have a sponsor for this, and our family also contributes to this program.

On one Saturday Annie and some of our young people went out for soul winning and to teach some kids, they had an opportunity to visit a dumpsite where lots of children are working. The children would love to listen to some Bible stories and have fun but they had to work. The next day after our Sunday service we went and shared the gospel with the adults there. Please help us to pray for them.

We attended an 8-week Pastoral Leadership Class in Phnom Penh. It has been great and we had an opportunity to have fellowship with other fellow laborers in Christ. We ended our year great. We are giving all the glory to our God.

January - early February 2024: Our church's theme for this year is "Grow in Grace" 2 Peter 3:18. I encourage the church to always read the Bible, and we must seek to grow in all grace, faith, virtue, and knowledge. To know Him, to be more like Him, and to love Him better.

We resumed going to Kampong Ous village last January, as the water had already subsided. They warmly welcomed us. Please continue to pray for us as we disciple the people there.

Family Update: By God's grace, we are all doing well. Our children are getting bigger. Norein Grace turned 13 years old on January 30. I can't believe we already have a teenager. Faith is now 7 years old, and Job is 5 years old. Norein Grace and Faith are homeschooled using the ACE curriculum and enrolled in a school in the Philippines. Soon, Job will join them as well. They are active in church ministries, especially Norein Grace, who can now teach the kids. One night before going to bed, Faith asked Annie what Abraham looked like. She said, "You will know when you see him in heaven one day." Faith answered, "I don't think I'm going there because of the naughty things I've done." Annie explained to her what the Lord Jesus has done for us. The next day, Annie told me about it and decided to talk with Faith. She received the Lord that day and wanted to be baptized. Praise the Lord. We continue to pray and teach our kids about the word of God. There is no greater joy than to see our kids walking righteously with God.

On February 4th, some of our dedicated mission team graced our church with their presence, bringing with them a spirit of encouragement and blessing that uplifted us all.

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Work Permit Renewed

#### **Church Prayer Requests:**

- Printer
- Completion of our fence (\$7,000)
- 3 Air conditioner (2.5hp each)
- 1 water dispenser
- Van and Scooter (Church Vehicle)
- Dirt Project Completion
- God's protection
- More souls to be saved
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- US Visa for the whole family
- Health Insurance for our Whole family
- Completion of our house in the Philippines (we started building it 7 years ago)
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We received shoeboxes from Samaritans Purse. It was supposed to arrive in December, but it reached our province last week in January. We were able to give out shoe boxes to 100 kids from our church and outreaches. It was a blessing to see their sweet smiles, and they couldn't contain their happiness upon receiving those gifts. Praise the Lord!

Please help us pray for Kimhong, a 12-year-old girl. She's been faithfully attending our church with her sister and brother for more than a year now. She's a candidate for baptism. Please help us pray for all our young people. The force of the world is very strong, trying to pull them away from serving our Lord. It hurts us personally, but we trust the Lord to work on them. May all His words planted in their hearts bloom.

Aside from our Dirt Project, which we put on hold, we have a new project that we're currently working on. It's our fence project. We try to manage our time to work on this, as we cannot afford to pay for laborers. So far, we have finished a small part behind the church building. We estimated the cost if we were to build the fence. It would cost \$7,000 to build the fence surrounding the property and the driveway. It includes all the materials needed, and we can hire 3 laborers for this. Please help us pray for the completion of this project, and if you can help us financially, we would greatly appreciate it.

It's getting hotter now in Cambodia and dry. Some provinces are experiencing water shortage that's why we need to conserve water.

Please take a look into the transformative work of the Lord in Cambodia through the pictures enclosed in this letter. As you view them, may you witness firsthand the incredible impact of His grace and love in the lives of the people we serve. Additionally, we humbly ask for your prayers as you read through our praises and requests, enabling you to intercede for us in a more informed and specific manner. Your prayers are a vital source of strength and support as we continue to serve faithfully in this ministry. Thank you for partnering with us in spreading the Gospel and extending His kingdom here in Cambodia.

We love you and we always remember you all in our prayers.

GOD BLESS US ALL!

### In Christ Jesus,

Brother Aaron Antonio and Family

Proverbs 16:9; Romans 8:28

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### II Corinthians 4:3



Students who received the school supplies, uniform and slippers.



This was our Christmas Celebration in the church. We received blessings from our fellow Christian and were able to share these gifts to our members and neighbors. Praise the Lord!



Please pray for this 3-year old boy named Asuyt. Their parents are not around to take care of them. They live with their grandparents. He and his 10-year old brother come to church every Sunday riding their bicycles. He sleeps wherever, his grandparents said he mostly sleeps inside the chicken coop.



Sharing and explaining the gospel to my daughter, Faith.



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Some of our missions team visited our church on February 4. They were an encouragement and a blessing to us.



2 policemen visited us to check on our passports and visas on February 5th. We shared the gospel with them, and they both followed the prayer of acceptance.



Fence Project: Please help us pray for the completion of this project. We need \$7,000 for this. In this photo, you can see the side of the church where we finished building the fence.





New Church Posters. The main purpose of this is for our young people to familiarize and memorize these verses. Planning to put many more verses. Praise the Lord.