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Our Purpose: Reaching & Restoring Humanity Through the Power of Christ's Love!



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### CAN YOU IMAGINE

a boy at the age of 8 getting a brief glimpse of a very rare Gospel tract of Jesus and this tract creating such an interest in him about Jesus that he never forgot it? This boy so wanted to hear more about Jesus, yet he would have to wait 27 years later till he was able to hear the truth about Jesus Christ and His gift of salvation. Yes, that's right, 27 years later. It wasn't until the boy turned 35, that he heard of a gathering of Christians in a neighboring province who possibly could tell him more about this ever curious hunger of knowing about this man called Jesus. For 27 years he couldn't stop wondering and thinking about that tract and the picture of Jesus. It was as if it had burned a spiritual desire into his

soul to cause him to seek out to know more about this mystery.

Then, upon hearing about this Christian group of people and their fellowship, he traveled many miles from his home just to find them.

After he found them, he was denied by the leader of the group the ability to join them due to fear that he might be a spy for the Khmer Rouge spying on the Christians at the meeting to find their names and where they lived.

Then, after much effort, he was able to join the group and get to hear the Gospel message of Jesus.

The young boy that finally found salvation in Jesus after 27 years of searching is Pastor Sarann. He is the national overseer of our CP project and head over the ministry network we are working with. He was the Man of Peace we first met

back in 2013 that lead to a relationship for us to partner to hold our AMGA Leadership Trainings with his network of Leaders. Which later led to Project REACh sponsoring 17 New Church plants in his home province and the neighboring province where he first heard of Jesus.

As westerners we can't really understand the void condition of not having

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a means to hear about Jesus and the Gift of Salvation. For people in the States, there is a church on almost ever street corner or there is a Bible in almost every household. Christians on every job site. But when it comes to Asia, multitudes go without the means to hear or ever understand about God's Love through Jesus Christ. That's why **REACh Intl. Ministries continues** to Reach East Asia for Christ and to focus on duplicating Asian nationals to become laborers who carry the Gospel to it's own people. Sponsoring Church Planters so that all can hear about the man called Jesus. We would like to say thank you to all who have helped us partner with Pastor Sarann and to help proclaim Jesus to the unreached in Asia!

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Left & Middle: The New Believers praying before joining in Communion - Right: New Believers lining up for Baptism!

WE WANT to share with you about our current mission update. For our on-going Church Planting projects specifically in Cambodia. Many of you have sowed financial gifts towards our Indochina Church Plants. We chose 39 key leaders who completed our AMGA Leadership Bible Training Modules (we graduated 162 Asian leaders in 3 different locations in East Asia last year in 2018). God led us to partner with our ministry networks with specific leaders to plant churches in unreached villages that have

no Gospel witness of Jesus. Currently Project REACh has been sponsoring and supporting monthly a total of 46 Leaders & Church Planters that have planted the 39 different church plants in the Area formally known as Indochina. Many of these places are sensitive for Christian believers to share their faith publicly. Some can do more openly than others. Each of these Church Planters are supported for 18 months, much like a business upstart, with an emphasis to be self-sustainable after 18 months but giving them a key time to focus specifically for evangelizing and discipling a key group to form their new local village Church Plant.

We wanted to share with you a Baptism

publicly baptized and expressing faith in Christ.

ceremony with 108 new believers in Cambodia being

More new believers have come to Christ through the



New Beliver from Village Church Plant confirming his new faith in Christ

without our partners helping us and them to reach the lost with the Gospel.

These New believers have chosen to be publicly baptized which is a strong statement in their culture. To be Baptized is to say I have chosen to leave my past religion and that of my ancestors, family and friends. This is not an easy choice to make and many will probably receive a level of persecution for following Christ publicly. In Asia, this is the cost for believing in Christ. As Jesus noted, there is a cost to following Him (John 15:18-20). He noted that as the

world hated Him, so will they hate you because you have chosen to identify with Christ. However, we know that He also gave us the promise that as we acknowledge Him before all men, so will He acknowledge us before God the Father.

As these New Believers settle back into their village, we know that the Light and Life of Christ has enabled change in them that will be seen by others among their family and peers. Our prayer is that this testimony of change through the Gift of Christ will continue to spread and bring others to Christ.

We are so honored to see God using REACh Intl. Ministries to help bring the Gospel of Christ to those in Asia who have

never heard about the Gift and Person of Jesus before. Please do lift up these New Believers in prayer and the Church Planters who are pastoring them. May we see them grow in their walk with Jesus and for more come to Christ with an increase of God's Love and Life being proclaimed in the villages of Asia!

Church Plants, but these pictured are 108 who chose to publicly show and acknowledge their faith in Jesus Christ. All 108 believers would not have come to Christ without our CP program being launched and

108 New Believers gathered, participated in Communion and then were Baptzied as a Witness of their New Life in Christ!



## IS WATER BAPTISM IM-PORTANT FOR THE NEW BELIEVER?



A New Believer's Baptism into Water is important for several reasons; however, it should never be done as the actual act of salvation. Some Christians teach that until you are water baptized you cannot achieve salvation and eternal life. When we look into scripture, we find that there are 3 distinct Baptisms. 1- Baptism into Christ (a spiritual work when one believes and calls upon Jesus Christ as their Lord & Savior, Rom 6), 2-Baptism into Water (when one publicly acknowledges their faith in Jesus by being baptized in physical water after they have received salvation, Acts 8:26-40) and 3-Baptism into the Holy Spirit (Acts 2).

The Purpose of Water Baptism is to declare & testify and tin publicly before family, friends and witnesses that one Sisters has received Jesus Christ as their Lord & Savior! Water Jesus!!!

Baptism is an outward symbol of an inward reality. It symbolizes the baptism you have already experienced spiritually in Christ. It is an obedient act which publicly acknowledges your total identification with Jesus Christ and your intention to walk in His will.

When we are Baptized in Water, we are saying publicly, as an open testimony to others, that we have died to Sin with Christ, buried together with Him & now we are Resurrected with Him through His New Life. This Public event marks our life with a definite confirmation that we carry with us onward knowing that Christ's work in our life is powerful and real! What a special testimony and time it is! We celebrate with our Asian Brothers/ Sisters in their Public Testimony of their New Life in Jesus!!!

### MYANMAR(BURMA) FOCUS!



The Nation of Myanmar or as many know as B u r m a , has come t h r o u g h m a n y c h a n g e s a n d

hardships. Scott first started working in this nation back in 2004 with a Church Planting Ministry until 2009. It was then that God put a passion and calling in his heart to see a blood-washed Burma, mass evangelism throughout the nation. He notes that at the time the Spirit of God dropped this in his heart he truly thought to the natural, that this would be an impossible task under the current Military Regime in power. However, a lot has changed in the country and in the government since that time. The country has now opened much more than before with the government progressing into a unitary parliamentary republic.

Later in 2014 Scott received a direct word during a time of prayer to go and hold the AMGA Leadership Training inside Burma as REACh Intl. Ministries has been doing in other places of S.E. Asia. To plan to launch out new Church Planters to

reach Unreached villages in Burma also.

Our launch plan is to start holding physical trainings for Burmese Asian nationals in a nation where only 8% have heard the Gospel. We ask that you join in partnership with us to see a key group of Burmese nationals trained, equipped, encouraged and empowered to reach their

own people for Christ.

### You can help us by praying for the following areas:

\* For the Key Leaders, who we call the Men/Women of peace to answer God's call for the Program.

\* For favor with local authorities and freedom/ liberty to hold and conduct our trainings.

\* For the future and current hearts of many Burmese to be softened and opened to receive the Gift of Christ and His Salvation in Burma.

\* For Full funding and supply for each training and the future support and to launch new church plants in this nation.

\* For our Ministry Team and coworkers' protection and health as they labor among this Mission field! Thanks so much for your Prayers and Partnership!!! PROJECT REACH - REACHING EAST ASIA FOR CHRIST! WE ARE ON THE WEB! WWW.REACHIM.ORG

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We want to thank each of you again who support us & help us to empower, train and equip national Asian ministers to fulfill Christ's commission. We have planted 62 New Church Plants with your Partnership. We are currently supporting numerous Leaders & Church Planters as we continue to endeavor to fulfill God's mandate to multiply effective pastors. Aiding leaders to spread the gospel, evangelize, disciple new believers & plant

new churches all throughout Eastern Asia. They are winning the lost in their villages and nation to Christ through partnership with Christ's Body. With your help, we are reaching more with the gospel of Christ, able to plant more new churches in unreached areas and villages and seeing additional new believers discipled with knowledge of Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. So we give a Big thanks to each partner and even those who have given a one time gift to make this Mission possible! Partnering or Donation Web Link: www.REAChim.org

#### FAMILY UPDATE!

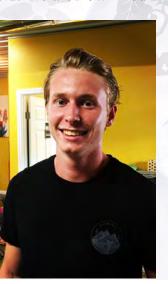


Our 2 youngest, Madi and Micah, have started school again here at Grace International School in Thailand. They both have a number of years to go in order to catch up with their older brother, Zach. He is now in college

in Gainesville, FL.

We want to say thanks to all those who support us not just as a ministry but also as a family to live and minister on the Asian Mission Field. We are now in our

19th year of living and doing ministry Asia. in We love and appreciate each of you who have supported us over the years!



### PRAYER REQUESTS!

\*Continued protection among our ministry travels and also for our Asian pastors as they labor in sensitive areas of their country. \*New Asian laborers to be raised

up & trained! \*Hearts of Asian nationals to be opened to understand and receive the free gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus or Lord /Born Again!

\*More Partners so that we can sponsor & hold more ministry trainings, outreaches & plant more churches!

\*Increased Grace and Ongoing Encouragement in the face of missional challenges!

#### PARTNERSHIP - SUPPORTING - GIVING! HOW YOU can HOLD the ROPE in Support:

1. PRAYER/ Help supply a prayer support base for God's oversight, leading and protection for all that we do ministerially and for the Asian Nationals who labor in persecuted areas!

2. <u>GIVING</u>/ Help financially to enable us to reach and teach the nationals of these nations. There can't be those who Go without those who Send - Rom. 10:15 !

3. GO/ If you are a Seasoned minister or Pastor, you can help come to Asia to teach and minister to these precious nationals who so desperately hunger for teaching and understanding of God's Word!

For Giving/Partnering with financial support: You can log onto our Web site & give online @ www.reachim.org For All Tax deductible giving by mail, send to: "REACh International Ministries -

#### - P.O. Box 727, Branford, FL 32008 - USA"

Make checks payable to: REACh Intl. Ministries , for a specific project, remember to PLEASE Write: "Project information" on the memo line.

Philippines 4:17 "Not that I desire the Gift, but that I desire the fruit that may abound to your account because of your giving!" Thanks to all that make it possible for us to continue to fulfill Christ's Commission to the people of Eastern Asia!

