



LATRINES FOR LIFE

CAMBODIA SANITATION PROJECT

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ABOUT CAMBODIA

Cambodia is the country in Southeast Asia that borders Thailand to the west and northwest, Laos to the northeast, Vietnam to the east, and the Gulf of Thailand to the southwest, the geography of Cambodia is dominated by the Mekong River (Tonle Mekong) and Tonle Sap Lake. Cambodia has an area of 181,035 square km and lies entirely within the tropics, between latitudes 10° and 15°N, and longitudes 102° and 108°E. It has a 443 km coastline along the Gulf of Thailand. Cambodia's climate, like that of the rest of Southeast Asia is dominated by monsoons, which are known as tropical wet and dry because of the distinctly marked seasonal differences.

Cambodia has a temperature range from 21 to 35 °C (69.8 to 95 °F) and experiences tropical monsoons. Southwest monsoons blow inland bringing moisture-laden winds from the Gulf of Thailand and Indian Ocean from May to October. The northeast monsoon ushers in the dry season, which lasts from November to March. The country experiences the heaviest precipitation from September to October with the driest period occurring from January to February.



Tep Or Chun Village is located in the Khos Khel region of Saang District, Kandal Province, where many families do not have toilet facilities. The Cambodian NGO, Solidarity Fund for Rural Development, and Latrine For Life are coordinating the project, which focuses on rural areas where poor and unprivileged families have their homes. Here are comments from the two recipient family - as told from translation from by our Latrines For Life director in Cambodia:

1. **Mr. Hem Kor and wife:** They have 4 children and mother and sister. The family was happy to meet all special honor guest from US, Trace Skeen & family, Terry Meinzer, Lynn and Richard Stevens, Carl and Andi Kosnar. They are very excited to meet you all and they were so happy to get the latrine from our program; Father and wife and children are very grateful to have this simple facility use it on a daily basis. They are getting the Tippy-Tap hand washing station as well for the children and they are learning how to wash their hand after they used in restroom. This poor family said thank to you ALL very much for your generosity and kindness to build this latrine for their family. My family is living in the rural area cannot afford this without your donation, your fund is making a great change in our family. You are ALL bringing the hope to our family and we will remember your gift today and forever! We are grateful t to have this latrine! Certainly, we will remember your gift for today and forever! We wish you all have a safe trip back home!





2. **Mrs. Sem Sret (Widow):** She has 3 children. She and children were very, very excited to get the normal restroom to use in our family. They were so happy to meet with Terry Meinzer and Trace Skeen's family today and they did help the work with our construction team. She said like say to thank you very much for your fund to build the latrine for our family, without you help, she could not afford to have it. Even though, my home is small, but I can live day by day. Grateful for your donation for our family is so a great blessing for me such to having this latrine, this is a great day for my family to have this latrine , I am waiting for a long time, for me that I have never ever thought to have the latrine in our family! Now my dream is becoming true to have it and my children can use it daily. I was very happy to get this latrine to support my daily basic need. My family wish to have toilet for a long time and now it becomes true, so true! I will use it daily and we use with Tippy-Tap hand washing station for me and my kids. My family will remember your gift for today and forever! I wish you all have safe trip back to US.



