



# FAMILY CARE CAMBODIA

2017  
Third Quarter  
Activity Report

## Cambodian Special Olympic Games

We were honored to assist the Cambodian National Special Olympic committee in hosting the 2017 games. Children and youth from several provinces made the journey to Phnom Penh to participate in soccer and boules competitions. The event is a real highlight for these children who struggle with various disabilities. Besides the excitement and fun of the sports games, there is so much joy and eagerness as the medals and awards are handed out. This year we provided lunch boxes for the 300+ participants with fried noodles, meat, eggs and vegetables, fruit juice, apples and 3 kinds of bread. It was quite a feast! Friends from around the world—France, the Philippines and Malaysia—partnered with us to make it a success! It was beautiful how it all came together right on time. Thanks to Cathy & Eman O. for sponsoring the lunch boxes, SV Group for sponsoring bread and juice, and RJ Garcia's Apple Drive for all the apples! The kids had such a great time!



## The Joy of Learning!



There are so many exciting things to teach and so many fun ways to approach learning. We are currently providing education for 520 children in 3 different rural schools. In Sandan School, Siem Reap, the children had fun this quarter using English in role playing; buying and selling clothes and fruits. In Kampong Speu the middle school kids made a beautiful collage from cut out magazine pictures on the theme "I LOVE 2

LEARN", while the preschool children are working their way through the English alphabet with arts and crafts projects for each letter; like bird's NESTS for the letter N!



We also had a special visit by Ms. Mariya K., a Neuroscientist from San Diego, USA, who taught the children in Kampong Speu a class on the various parts of the brain and how nutrition affects the brain. Students learned why its important to eat fresh fruits and vegetables and avoid junk food & sugary drinks.



## A Timely Gift for Our Oldest Village Friends



The Monsoon rains have been steady this year and that's great for the farmers and the rice growing areas. But with the rains also come more mosquitos and the risk of fevers and other illness. Most of our elderly friends in the surrounding villages live in simple houses without screens, or insulation and sometimes even without doors. Mosquito nets are a vital necessity and an item that always needs replacing. Many thanks to the Phnom Penh Rotary club who donated 100 large mosquito nets to help meet that need. We were able to share them with the elderly in 2 remote villages, along with a time of fun fellowship, stories and laughter. As we joked, laughed and hugged our older brothers and sisters we were so glad to have been able to bring each one a little cheer and a useful gift. It reminded us of these wise words from the Bible, "Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead." Jam 2:16

Thanks to all of our dear friends whose generosity and concern help us put faith into action!



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**We look forward to hearing from you!  
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