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Calendar Items

9/14-16 – Bread of Life Church, San Diego, CA

10/5-7 – Mosaic Church, Little Rock, AR

10/12-14 – St. Mark's Church, El Paso, TX

10/19-21 – River of Life Church, San Jose, CA

10/26-28 – Center for Biblical Studies, Tallahassee, FL

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Tears, those little moisture drops that cleanse body and soul. Sometimes they fly out of your eyes. Sometimes they gently flow down your cheeks, refreshing streams in the deserts of life.

Standing at an altar made by convict's hands, I was overwhelmed with the love of God. Fashioned by the hands of thieves and killers, this Bethel was to be dedicated by my feeble prayers. It was a place to meet God in the squalor of the Guatemalan maximum security prison of Pavone.

The pastor, a convicted murderer, would serve this flock until he went to meet Jesus. He began the meeting, and ten men knelt before the presence of the Lord at that altar.

They wept.

The pools formed on the concrete as each poured out his prayer of thanks to the Lord who had saved him. The fountains flowed from the depth of their souls. Their mumbled "thanks" gave sound to the stream as it flowed over and through the rocky paths of their future. Some would die that week; others in a month.

My gaze was fixed on one man's boot tips. There amidst the dust and dirt, a pool was forming. The concrete grey sparkled in the reflected light as the dust gave way to the stream's gentle current.

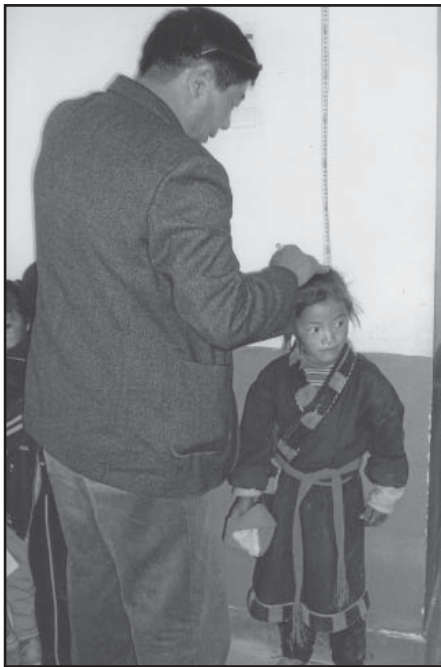
He was "washing the feet of Jesus" with his tears.

Half a world away, a Marud tribesman was climbing a mountain, his jungle home in Borneo. His tribe had come to Christ, and they knew that one day the Moslem majority of this Indonesian paradise would decide that all should convert and come to war with them. He and his family had decided to carve out of the jungle a sanctuary, a meeting place with God. It would take them years to fell the trees and clear the area. They would furnish the chapel with rough-cut mahogany and would eventually dedicate their Bethel as a holy place to the God who had given them life.

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Thank you all for your continued prayers for Touching Hearts and the ministry in Tibet.

If any of you have spent summer evenings in Lhasa, Tibet – or Missoula, Montana, for that matter – you’ll remember a very cool phenomenon that takes place. Miles off on the horizon, dark and thunderous clouds build stories high. Every cloud in the region races to work on the massive storm. Green and white electric streaks rumble through the mass and, if it’s your first visit there, you race for shelter. The winds pick up and the mass races the river through



Child being measured at Tibet screening

the valley and confronts the mountain gates of the city.

When I was very young, I loved the revival tune “I run to the mountain and the mountain stands by me.”

Every time, the mighty storm is split in two by the mountains and pulled into their peaks. The valley floor below escapes the storm. The thunder echoes through the valley but only the mountains shoulder the rain.

Please take time this month to pray for our team in Tibet. We are writing the extension proposal, installing equipments, training doctors and treating more of the children.

May we always stand in confidence and know that our strength, shelter and protection stands firm like a mountain around us.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR WORKERS, DOORS, FRUITS & FINANCES

SEAPC Cambodia

Whew! Summer has flown by quickly this year. It seems like it was just the month of May. I’m sure that many are feeling that way, especially all of the kids who have just returned to school. The clothes and supplies have been bought. The nerves have settled down. And by now, they’ve already talked about their summer vacations with their classmates and are digging into another year of work.

The new school year for Cambodia will begin in early October. Preparations are being made at the orphanages. Uniforms and school supplies need to be purchased and the butterflies are currently dancing in the stomachs of those anticipating another school year. The members of the Cambodian Christian Children’s Choir will return home just in time to begin school and will have much to tell their classmates. Their entire “summer vacation” will have been spent in the U.S., sharing the love of Jesus for Cambodia. This month, they will be spending most of their time in Florida and California. If you haven’t done so already, make sure that you catch one of their performances.

The new school year will be another one of growth for our model school in Rongko Village, Banteay Meanchey Province. Last year, 95% of the students at the school passed the exams to move to the next grade level. This is a testimony of the wonderful teachers at the school. They are willing to learn new techniques and gain new knowledge to pass on to the students. Their dedication and passion for the students is evident in the continually increasing student enrollment. Approximately 200 more students will come this year,

giving an enrollment of over 2000. Because of this growth, more teachers will be added to the staff. We will also have the first class of 12th graders, our first graduating seniors. This is exciting news.

The best news, however, is the continued spiritual growth in the school and surrounding village. Families are opening their doors and their hearts to Jesus because they are seeing that someone cares about the future of their children. This entire community is being changed, one young life at a time.

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Teachers at Rongko School admiring the posters and bookmarks of the Lord’s Prayer which were given to every student to take home to their families in July.

Tears *(cont'd from page 1)*

We would be together in that place when the Bright Light would flash through the jungle canopy, and the Holy Presence would cause us to fall on our knees and bury our faces in the jungle floor. The light would be so intense that you could not take your hands away from your eyes, and the tears would flow in unbounded devotion.

That same day, high in the Tibetan Plateau, Dr. Lee would realize his life's purpose and become the Director of the People's Hospital of Tibet. There were no tears. This was a government appointment and would bring more pressure than joy. In his spirit he held a promise that one day little children would not die a slow painful death from heart disease, but all children would be able to run and play and make that happy sound that brought tears to his eyes.

Little did he know that Jesus was bringing someone who would weep with him for the children. In that day he had only hope.

The lights were dim in that storefront church. The 21 children from far away began to dance to an English soundtrack. On tour from their native Cambodia, they had filled the room with praise and now they danced to "I Know My Redeemer Lives."

Was it the joy on their faces? Or, was it the purity that flowed from their shyness? What was it that had such an impact? Truckers, farmers and bankers alike began to wipe away those streams of emotion?

I cried.

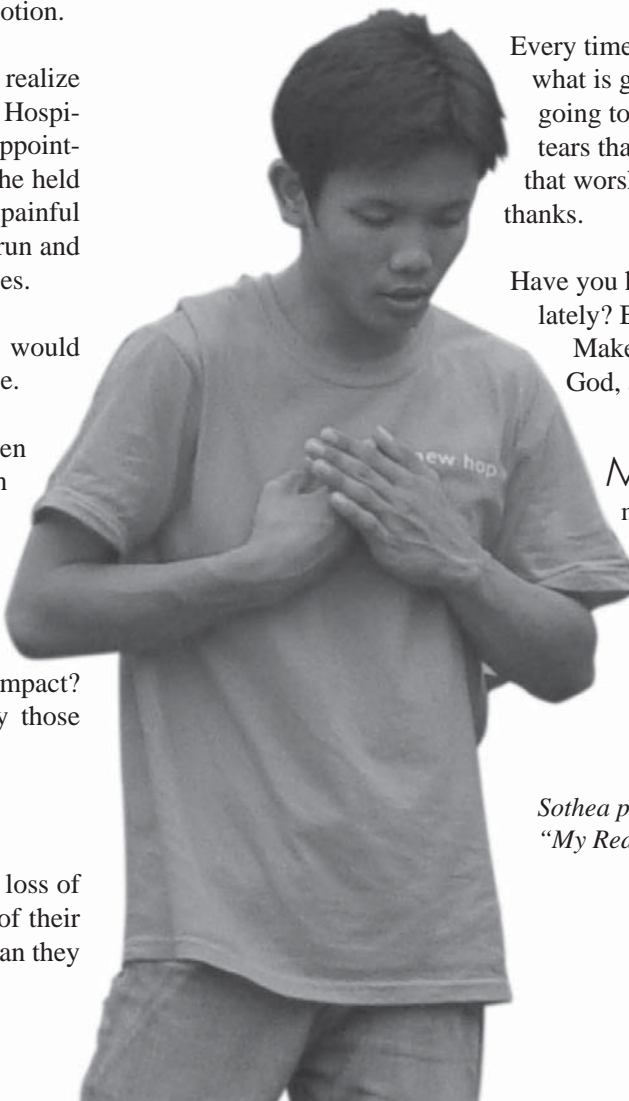
I have seen them a hundred times. It isn't their story of the loss of their parents, I am very familiar with that. It isn't the fact of their orphanhood. Actually they are much better cared for now than they were when their AIDS-infected parents were alive.

What is it that makes a grown man cry? I think it is the love that comes from Jesus. I think it is the innermost streams that flow from a soul so thankful for its salvation that it can no longer be contained in the reserved properness of middle-aged manhood.

Every time they dance I know what is going to happen. I am going to again shed tears: tears that cleanse, tears that worship, tears that give thanks.

Have you had a good cry lately? Build a Bethel. Make an altar. Get with God, and give Him thanks.

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Sothea performing
"My Redemmer Lives"

SEAPC-West

Thank you all for helping Jessica and I make this transition to San Jose, CA and the west coast. The first three weeks surely felt like the real mission field as the Lord was lining up new friends and relationships like He always does. Jess and I are definitely blessed and eager to watch this ministry expand in the west. We know that this will happen as we pray daily for the people we meet and as you continue to pray for the two of us. It is such a joy to have the Whitney's (David, Merreyl, Elias and Everett – their two boys – ages 7 and 2.5) here to guide us. They have been incredibly generous and helpful.

We are now getting over the culture shock and adapting to how things happen out here. Of course there is some home sickness, especially during Steeler games, but we are learning the language of making friends fast.

Attack Lambs



One of my very closest friends, Tim Lavelle, joined our office in Pittsburgh last month!! He has already jumped into the SEAPC flow without a hitch and has been a tremendous resource to our team. Tim is working very hard to help us revamp our office technologies and to utilize his calling and education to further the Kingdom through SEAPC initiatives. Please feel free to give our office a call and let him know your praying for him.

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It's Friday night and we've just returned from a wonderful church in Upper St. Clair. I should be tired after a very busy day at the office catching up after a week on the road driving the Cam Kids and preparing to be away again with the Cambodian Christian Children's Choir for two more weeks. But since I broke away and joined them at the church tonight — I've been revived and overcome with joy and satisfaction.

They did their usual inspiring and beautiful job of dancing and human videos tonight, and they were out all day picnicking with the church. They've been living in a hotel with transportation to and from events and meals — no free running. Have you ever been confined in one location without the freedom to go wherever you wanted?

I was thinking of how we would get through the long ride home — when a small but strong voice began to sing in the darkness of the van. The others little by little joined in. Everyone began chattering like magpies in their language about the events of the day as they saw it, — laughter broke out and made me start laughing without even knowing what was so funny. They sang bible song after bible song after bible song and then started making up silly songs. This small child sang about being a frog from the country who got to fly in the big sky to America!



Children enjoy their last night in Pittsburgh at a Restaurant.

"I am so happy" was the starting line. In a moment I was intimate with their feelings and appreciation. I was happy and laughing too and Somilay was translating. We laughed together about the country frogs in the big sky till our sides ached. We were family in the van — going on a journey together with the Lord — and we were glad.

Join us at one of these locations in Virginia or Georgia, or Florida or California — check out the website for details. Read the newspaper articles. God Bless you all in America.

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Prioritizing for His Purpose

II Corinth 9:6-8, "But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity... And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work."

Every few months I get to see smiling kids in Tibet — big white teeth grins in the middle of dirty red cheeks. They all want to touch my nose. (Jess says its not because its big but because its freckled — she is so sweet!).

It is a very difficult time. You see, I have the facts on all of these kids. I know which ones were saved in the previous years and which of these children we can treat in October, their names, height, weight and ages. I know their parents and their doctors. I know who makes the devices and equipments that will treat them. I know which ones have just months to live and which ones surely will not last the winter.

We currently have eighty of these kids who desperately need treatment. The Lord has provided the world's best doctors and facilities. He has also provided many of you who have annually received the details of one of these children and have sown directly into actually saving their life. Many of you have come to meet these children and their families who have found impossible situation be resolved through the miraculous Grace of God.

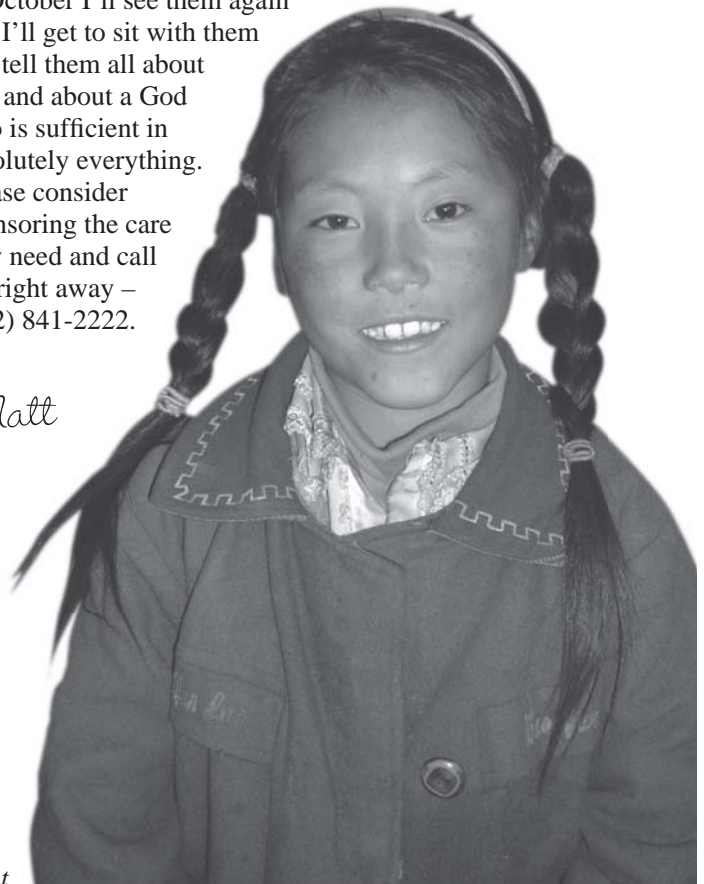
Procedures average \$1,000-\$5,000

Zhuo Ma Ji, 2006 Treatment

Matt

In October I'll see them again and I'll get to sit with them and tell them all about you and about a God who is sufficient in absolutely everything. Please consider sponsoring the care they need and call me right away — (412) 841-2222.

Matt



Prayer Testimony

I enjoy reading the IRS Tax Code. Since my first days in ministry I have enjoyed books like the *B.J. Worth Tax Guide for Clergy and Pastor, Church, and Law*. Dr. Lester Sumeral taught me years ago that authority is given for our benefit and that especially the IRS is set in place by God to benefit us.

The other day I was looking through the instructions for our corporate tax return. This is the U.S. form 990 and is filed by all non-profits. I used to do my own and really enjoyed the annual review of activities and especially enjoyed the way the Lord always does more than we can ask or think. I noticed a line on the form that we have not used. It was the declaration of income from non-related business.

“Wow” I thought. “If there is a line to declare it, then there must be such a thing, so I better find out what it is and where we can get some.”

My own search found a treasure house of funds that can be directed to heal the sick and relieve the oppressed. But, the folks around me understand that I am a very positive person and prone to set my sights on the impossible. In a word, they wanted “official confirmation” that what I was suggesting was in fact legitimate. I do not have time to research more so I prayed and left it with the Lord. At 5 p.m. I prayed.

At 10 p.m. I received a phone call from our Chief Financial Officer (yes we work nights, too). He had been out to dinner and seen a man at the restaurant that he had not seen for years. Renewing acquaintance, he was surprised to find that this man is now an Assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of PA and responsible for law concerning non-profits. No, he would not mind a brief phone call the next morning.

At 9 a.m. I called and got the exact answer and information I needed from the man whose department will have to approve this very significant step. Now, we can move forward with confidence. This is one of the biggest answers to prayer for me because it reaffirms the Lord’s anointing in what we are doing to reach the nations.

Jesus is concerned with your work. Take your challenges to Him. He will meet every need.

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12 Power Prayers for 2007

As we stand at the crossroads of time, the seventh year of the new millennium, we see war on every side, famine and pestilence that cannot be cured and threatens to mutate into panepedemics. Every culture struggles with the emergence of an amoral generation with no absolutes. Global focus has come to a strip of land 100 by 24 miles. A possible global nuclear war could spark from a city where the Angel of the Lord once said:

“*Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD Almighty.*”

Use this newsletter to join with the SEAPC Global Community to call upon the Lord for the release of His Spirit to touch the hearts of men. Please make prayer a priority in your life.

September

Dear Heavenly Father. Thank You for hearing my prayer today. Thank You for Your love for me that passes understanding. Lord touch my heart with the reality of Your presence.

You alone are God. There is none before You. Lord, I pray that your Holiness would so impact my life that every bondage would be broken. Please forgive those who use Your name as a common and unholy thing. Give me the courage to stand for the honor of Your name. Lord, I invite You to reign today in my life and in my family. You are my provider. I lay before You all my plans trusting that You will cause me to prosper. There are many needs in my life, but I know that You are greater than all my needs. Thank You for my daily bread.

Lord, at some point today I will surely sin. I ask You to be there and to convict me of my sin and give me the power to repent. I want to live a life for You but honestly, I can only do so with Your power. I pray for those with whom I have any conflict and I ask You for the grace to forgive them. Please work this freedom in my life.

Lord I trust You to lead me in paths of righteousness. Please do not let the enemy come near me and protect my children from the devices of the evil one. As they go back to school, please be with them. Place your holy angels around them and watch over them. We need Your protection this and every day.

Father, I invite You to be glorified in my life. I yield myself as a vessel for Your glory. I ask that Your kingdom power flow through me today. Amen.

Names for Prayer

Tibet

- Mary Kelly Handy
- Dr. Wang
- Dr. Ren
- Dr. Ma
- Brad Keller
- Dr. Koko
- Equipment costs

Thailand

- Dan, Debbie, Josiah Ecker
- Hubert Chan
- Ps. Thomanoon and family
- Hong Sunee
- Ps. Tong
- Isan Bible Institute
- South East Asia Products Company

Laos

- Weipon and Lampon
- Nupon
- Silivan
- Tu
- Micro-economic development

Cambodia

- Ps. Sinai and Somalay
- Sothea
- Boeurn and Vanna
- The Kids
- Cambodian Christian School Network

Vietnam

- Ps. Mai and family
- Pastoral Training
- South East Asia Products Company

Malaysia

- Ps. James and Evellyn
- Boon Fei and Angela
- Pastor Ho
- Pastor Wong

Hong Kong

- Agatha Chan
- Curtis and Mei Lin Jones
- Dennis and Cathy Balcomb

Taiwan

- Mike and Anne Jih
- The Choa Family
- Andrew and Marrion Jiang

Mexico

- Ps. and Mrs. Bulmaro Valle
- Hector Zetino, Mark, Jeannie, and Debbie

Guatemala

- Amilcar Cabrera, Rudy, Ellie, Ami
- Mark and Lois Simpson

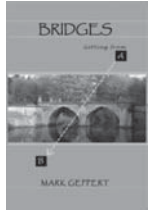
Cambodian Christian Children's Choir

- 9/05 – Epiphany Lutheran Church, Tallahassee, FL, 7 p.m.
- 9/06 – Atlantic Center for the Arts, New Smyrna Beach, FL, 4 p.m.
- 9/07 – Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex, FL – time TBD
- 9/08 – Cruizin' Car Show, New Smyrna Beach, FL, 4-8 p.m.
- 9/09 – Christ Community Church, New Smyrna Beach, FL, 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- 9/12 – International Christian Centre, Daytona Beach, FL – 7 p.m.
- 9/16 – Great Exchange Covenant Church, CA, 9:15 a.m. & 11 a.m.
- 9/17 – AGNews Developmental Center, San Jose, CA, 2:30 p.m.
- 9/21 – Festival of Praise, Manhattan Beach, CA – 7 p.m.
- 9/22 – Light at the Lighthouse Festival, Point Fermin Park, San Pedro, CA

Bridges

Twelve crucial steps to abundant living and practical advice for growing in the everyday. This book gives the reader simple biblical principles to stand on through the hard lessons of life.

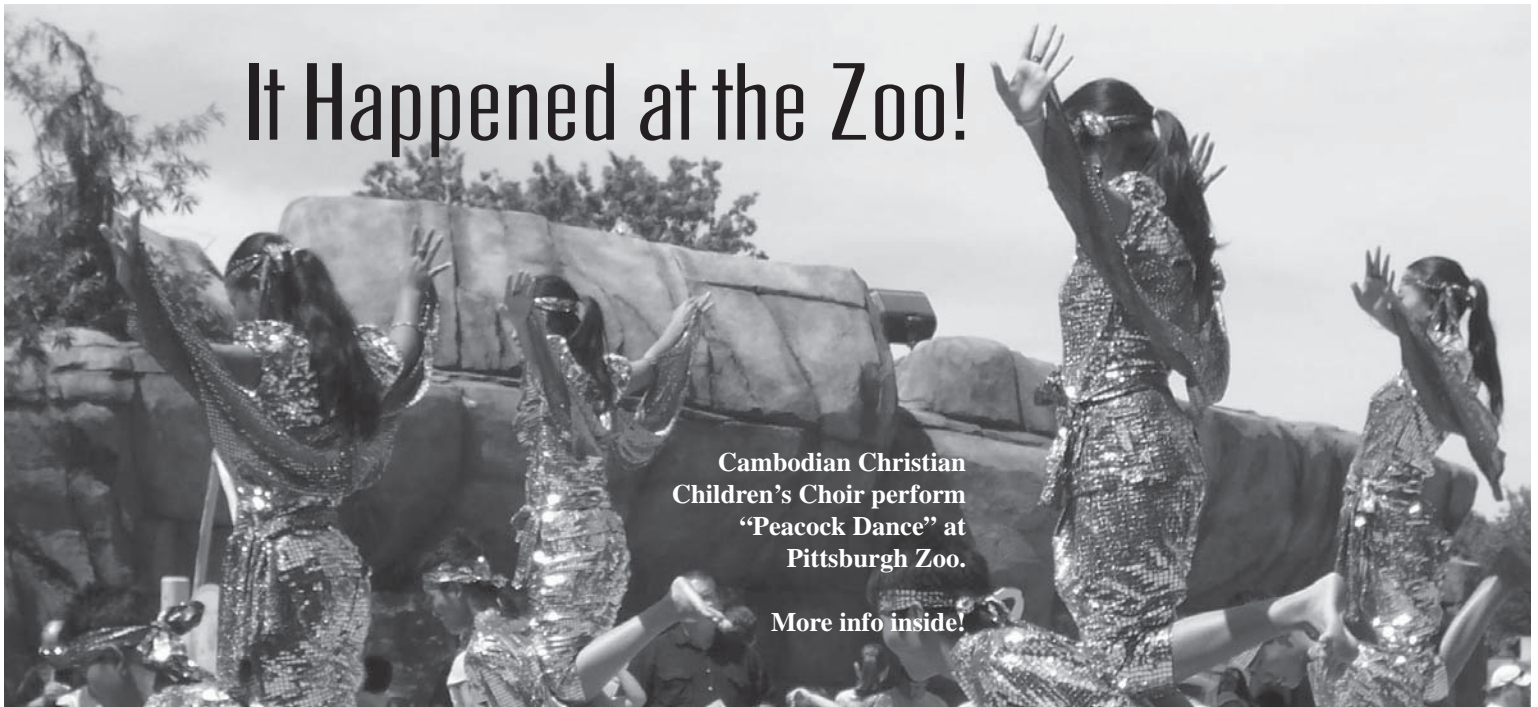
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Stepping Stones

First taught in a leadership meeting in Indonesia. This 217-page book teaches the establishment of ministry base, resource development, intercession, discipleship with a purpose, going, evaluation and sustaining the work. It is backbone of the Church Planting effects of SEAPC.

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It Happened at the Zoo!

Cambodian Christian Children's Choir perform "Peacock Dance" at Pittsburgh Zoo.

More info inside!

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