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# Your Adventure is Inside



Matthew Geppert  
President, SEAPC

Welcome to the first issue of the SEAPC Quarterly Magazine! Every detail of this publication, from the articles to the artwork, were comprised with you in mind. Our goal is for this magazine to become a tool in your hand to help you share the power of prayer and the love of Jesus Christ. We have prayerfully prioritized to provide this free gift to you as an investment into your personal prayer life and hope that its testimonies and opportunities help you to impact your sphere of influence for good.

From the western edge of India's high Himalayan peaks through the ancient ruins of Cambodia's Angkor Watt to the deep jungles of Yogyakarta, the South East Asia Prayer Center is mobilizing people to pray! In this Magazine you will read about a cutting edge art and design school in Siem Reap, Cambodia, a multinational coffee company supporting abandoned and orphaned children through SEAPC's Raising Kids child sponsorship program, and an opportunity to trek across the high Tibetan Plateau. So what do those things have to do prayer? Everything!

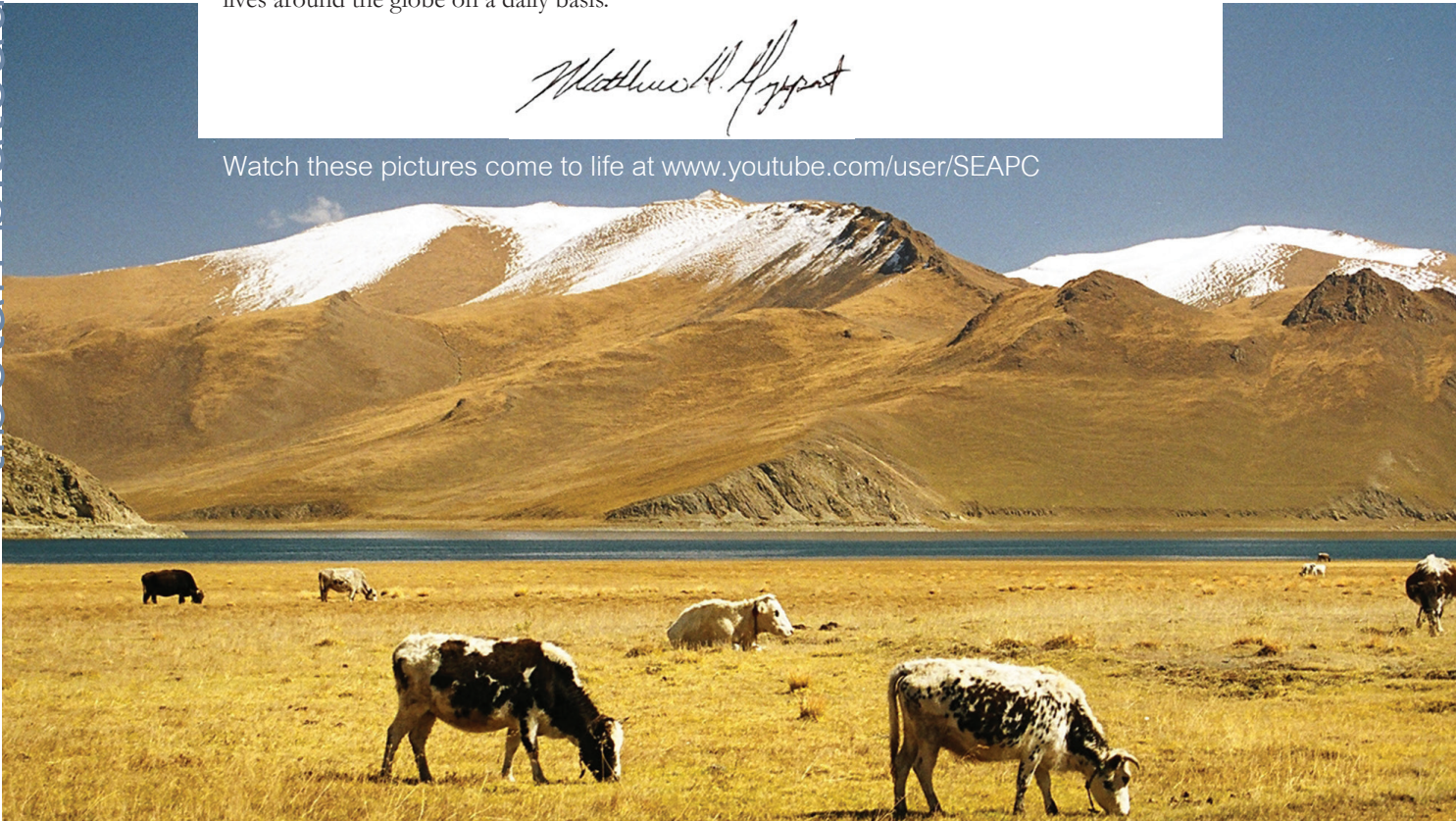
The South East Asia Prayer Center is a Global community of friends, dedicated to change the world around them through prayer. Now serving 25 nations through Healthcare, Parenting, Micro-Economic Development, and Education, this network of friends fully understand that each platform for ministry is birthed and sustained through prayer. Jesus desires that every man, woman, and child would experience the true love of God found in Him. This was His prayer to the Father. Our prayer is that as we pray God will position us to share Jesus and His tangible love with those in need around us.

Many people from many nations have come together over the past 25 years to participate with us in prayer. On behalf of the original Board of Directors, our current Board of Directors, my incredible parents and the founders of SEAPC, Mark and Ellie Geppert, we want to say thank you! We have come to this point together by faith. Please join us for the many mighty adventures to follow and know that your participation with the South East Asia Prayer Center is changing lives around the globe on a daily basis.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew A. Geppert". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Watch these pictures come to life at [www.youtube.com/user/SEAPC](http://www.youtube.com/user/SEAPC)

tibetan plateau







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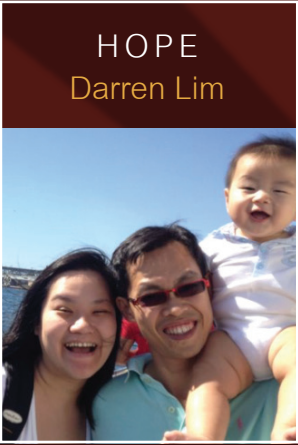
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# What is SEAPC?

# SEAPC



FRIENDSHIP  
Neo Tiong Kee

When we decided to put together this quarterly magazine, we thought a nice addition would be to ask some of our close friends to choose the one word they felt best represented SEAPC. The goal was to gather thoughts from our peers regarding our mission statement, "Changing Lives Through Prayer." Many great words came back quickly. Some said, "Christ-centered, Friendship, or Hope." Others chose action words like, "Impact, Revival, or Bridge." I wasn't surprised when my father and SEAPC founder, Pastor Mark Geppert, fittingly chose the word "Prayer."

simple instructions and explanations. So he said, "I used to pray, 'Oh my God please help me.'" "Now I pray, 'God Help!'"

Prayer is a very simple act with an extremely powerful response. Prayer makes the difference between doing a good thing for someone in need and doing a God thing for someone in need. Prayer has brought us to this point and will take us to where we want to be.

My parents founded SEAPC nearly 25 years ago as a Christian non-profit organization with the sole mission of creating and networking with existing prayer cells around the world. At that time, their closest friends rallied around that vision and committed themselves to support it.

Today, through the very hard work, faithfulness, and contributions of wonderful friends and families, SEAPC has grown to become a global community of friends serving the body of Christ through the

Because he chose the word "Prayer" I asked him about it, its different forms, and its calling on our ministry. Please note that we Gepperts are known for football, fly fishing, and running head long into immovable objects expecting breakthroughs. We are not the most sophisticated group of guys and we certainly appreciate simple explanations for very complex things. He is very familiar with giving me



HOPE  
Joe Tsai

PRAYER  
Cassandra Tsai



HOPE  
David Peng



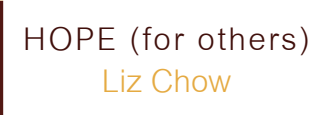
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PRAYER  
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HOPE (for others)  
Liz Chow



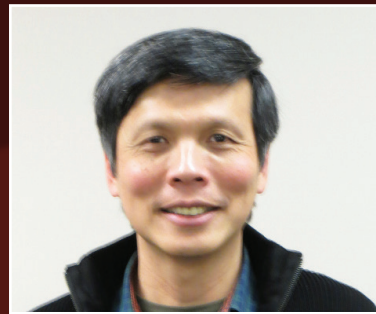




HOPE  
John  
Bennett



LOVING  
(GOD &  
PEOPLE)  
Peter Chandra



IMPACT  
Hing Chai Cheng



CHRIST  
-CENTERED  
Sinai Phoeuk



BRIDGE  
Thang Chung Nung

platforms of Health, Education, Parenting, and Micro-Economic development. The original mission of SEAPC stands strong today through a vibrant and praying global network of friends.

autism in China, revival to northern India, education to regions of Thailand, Indonesia, and Laos, prayer through central America, Asia, and the Middle East ... and much more.

The friends you see on these pages have participated in one way or another to bring life-saving free medical treatment to the next generation of Tibetan children. These friends have also ensured that 3,300 students receive a daily dose of Christ-based education through 8 public schools in Cambodia. Together they have witnessed the creation and sustaining of over 250 Christian businesses in the Mekong region. And they each have a God given fiery burden to provide safety, love, and hope to 532 orphaned or abandoned children in India, Myanmar, and Cambodia.

What is SEAPC? It is you and me, gathered together in the name of Jesus, with the faces of the world's heavy burdened, orphaned, and oppressed on our hearts and the confidence that when we say, "God, help!" that He will. Please join us today in Prayer.

Currently these friends are working together to bring clean water to North Korea, education for

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Matt Geppert      Jessica Geppert



PRAYER  
Sonia Chung



CHRIST-CENTERED  
Amilcar Cabrera



PRAYER-CENTERED  
Steve Chang



IMPACT  
David Whitney

REWARDING  
Merreyl Whitney



MISSIONS  
David Chung





# Vacation with a

Pictures by David Chung



Pitching a tent under the blue skies of southern Tibet

Adventures  
in Tibet



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The Great Wall of China is one of my favorite vacation spots. Rising early and after a hearty breakfast in our Beijing hotel, we boarded the chartered bus for a scenic ride through the massive city to the North Gateway and on toward the granite peaks. Following a river valley and rapidly ascending through peach, pear, and apple orchards, we begin to see this world wonder as ridge after ridge reveal the massive stone walls.

Built by prisoners during the Qin Dynasty, this wall extends over 3,000 miles along the Northern Border of China. Designed to keep the enemies of the Emperor at bay, now it is the last structure the astronauts see as they depart the earth.

Our group of 20 mounted the wall at the UNESCO site at Badalin, and with a brief instruction, climbed

as far as they could in each direction within an hour. Encouraged to find four people as a minimum, each vacationer was asked to stop local people and have their pictures taken with them and to get their email address. In this way we began to meet people on the wall who had come from every part of China.

After the hour and as conversations allowed, we regrouped at the low point of the wall. Continuing to take pictures and praying for the people we met, we asked of them, "How old were you when you first understood that Jesus is the Son of God?" Answers were amazing as we began to realize the extent of the preaching of the gospel in China over this generation. So many of the people referred to classmates, colleagues, and neighbors or to their time studying abroad as the way they had heard.



# Purpose

Let God's Light Show begin

In this “Churchless” culture we found that student outreaches, English teachers, and Market Place Ministries have been most successful in sharing the knowledge of the Lord.

To conclude the Great Wall adventure, two of the teenagers got out their violins and began to play worship and traditional Chinese melodies. Twins, born in Canada to Chinese parents, they were quite the event for the local people. As the crowd grew, the local security passed by to be sure we were safe. Assured that this gathering was international and apolitical, they joined in the song. These security personnel were arrested by the anointing of this international tourist group.

Vacate means to leave where you are. Vacation means to break your routine for relaxation and

revitalization. A vacation night on the high Tibetan plateau puts you in the heart of the Milky Way as from your tent you exalt the Most High God who set the stars in their courses and guides you with His gentle love. Tibetans have come to know the Son of that Most High God.

SEAPC/Vacations with a purpose are designed to bring life to others and see the world at the same time. China, India, Hong Kong, Cambodia, Mexico, Europe, call us when you want to take a “Vacation with a Purpose”.



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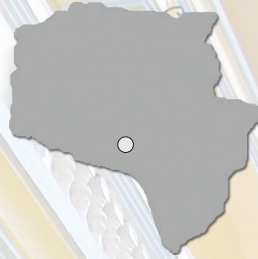




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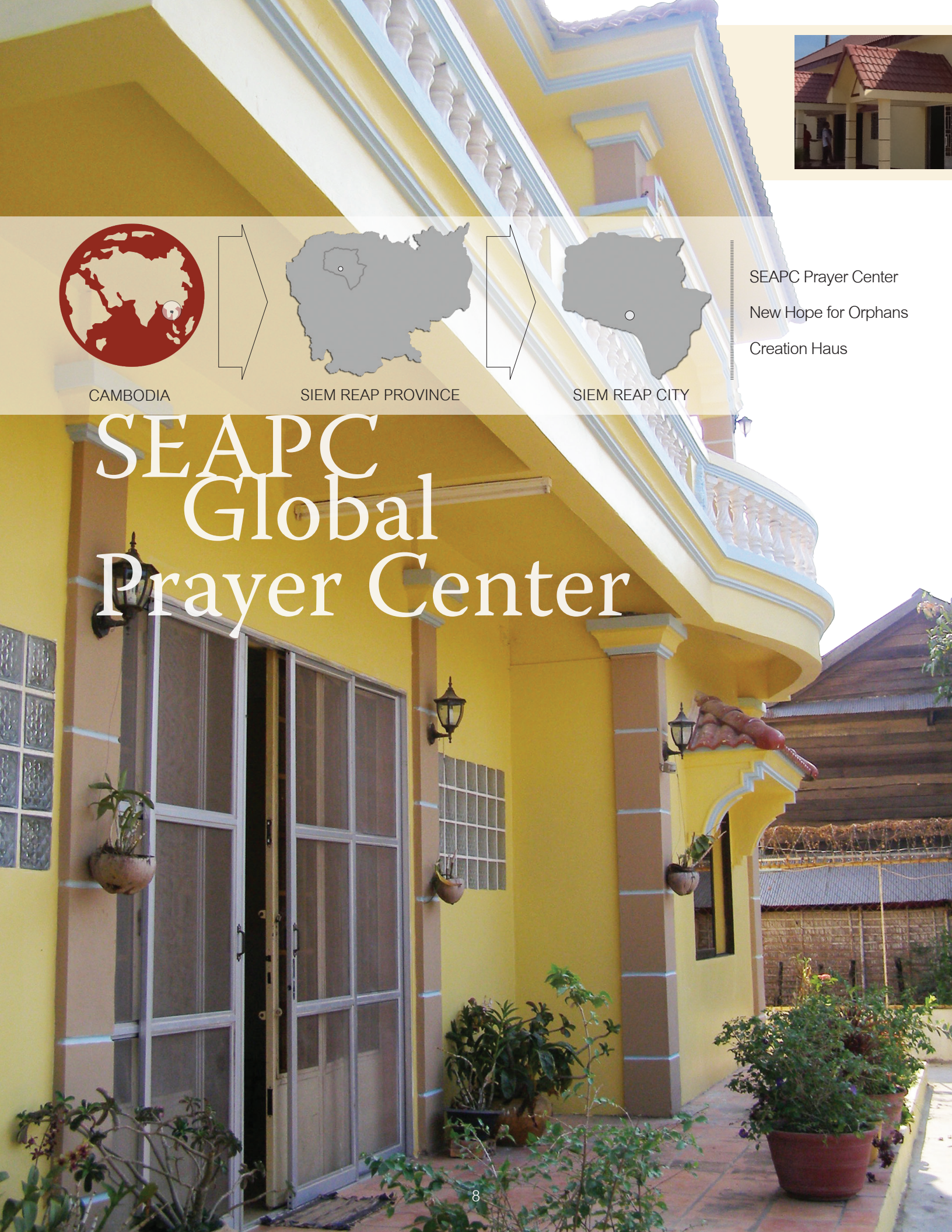
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SIEM REAP CITY

SEAPC Prayer Center  
New Hope for Orphans  
Creation Haus

# SEAPC Global Prayer Center







NHO  
Siem Reap  
Home



# REGION AT A GLANCE: Siem Reap, Cambodia

It has been said, “Where there is life, there is hope.” Today, Cambodia, and the people living in Siem Reap are experiencing a new hope and a new life. Here at SEAPC, we are serving the vision of our friends, Pastor Sinai Phoeuk and his wife Somalay, who have given their lives to parent the orphaned and abandoned children of Cambodia through New Hope Children’s Homes. We believe that if we go and pray, God will bring us into communion with those whom He has chosen to change the lives of the future generation. We are very blessed to share that communion with these two and their growing staff. Pastor Sinai is the President of SEAPC Cambodia, the founder of Fellowship Word of Life Church, as well as the founder of New Hope for Orphans (NHO) in Cambodia.

Through the incredible friends of the SEAPC global community and the great generosity of Christian men and women from Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Australia, Malaysia, Canada, and the United States, SEAPC now serves 3,300 students daily on 8 campuses through the Cambodia Christian School Network (located in Banteay Meanchey, Cambodia), supplies sponsorship for 330 orphaned or abandoned children through NHO’s 12 children’s homes, provides Christian leadership and onsite medical clinics with the “I Love Cambodia” program established by the Fellowship Word of Life Church, and is committed to establishing and sustaining local businesses to support these efforts and the region’s emerging economy.

In 2012, SEAPC prioritized for a concentrated focus of prayer in Siem Reap. With the help of many dear friends, the Siem Reap Children’s home was established to provide parenting for 100 children. Also, SEAPC helped to cast Steve and Christie Pink into their lifelong vision of serving the body of Christ through design and art training. They have

launched Creation Haus, a unique establishment which provides art education, employment, and business training to the children of NHO and the residents of the region. Siem Reap has proven to be a natural hub for local artists to find their platform. Creation Haus has found a way to serve this community with a Christ-centered model of excellence.

With so much attention focused on this region, it is vital that we as an organization of prayer establish a Global Prayer Center in Siem Reap. By faith we have done so - providing you with the opportunity to come, pray, and serve the ministries God has given us in this region. Tony and Pami Gregorio arrive this month as the 4 bedroom guest house and prayer center’s host. We believe that this strategic place of prayer is so vital that we are offering your stay for free, contingent that you commit two hours of daily prayer to the region.

Join us in the adventures of new life at Siem Reap, Cambodia. There are children who still need a matching sponsor through NHO. There are endless opportunities for you to come and teach through Cambodia Christian School Network and Creation Haus. And most importantly, there is a vital need for prayer in this historic and quickly developing provincial capital of Cambodia.





# Love Story

## Tawk Awi & Sui Cin



Through Raising Kids, SEAPC global sponsorships, SEAPC partners with local ministries to reach out to orphaned, abandoned and needy children; giving them the hope of Jesus through shelter, food, education, medical care and loving caregivers. As a result, we see young adults who were able to complete their education and are Godly and productive influences in their country, as well as young children who are learning about how much Jesus loves them.

Sometimes the kids not only experience Christ's love, they also find romantic love, a life partner and a life's passion as well. Such is the story of Tawk Awi and Sui Cin at Charity Children's Home in Myanmar.

Tawk Awi, age 23, is one of 3 boys born to very poor parents in Kalaymyo, Chin State, Myanmar. When he was 11 years old, a staff member of Acts Myanmar Mission (parent mission organization to Charity Children's Home) was visiting Kalaymyo, learned of the family's situation, met them, and brought Tawk Awi to live at the children's home so that he could have a better future.

At 14, Sui Cin (also 23), the oldest of 6 children to very poor parents, agreed to be sent away to live so that her family could have a chance to survive. She was scared, but faced the challenge because she knew that it would help her family.



Tawk Awi,  
age 11  
(above)

Sui Cin,  
age 14  
(left)



Both finished high school, grew in many ways, and found a love for Jesus, the children at the home and each other. To glorify God, they asked the staff to help them develop their relationship in a positive way. They married in 2012. Both are serving as caregivers for the youngest children; Tawk Awi for the boys (27) and Sui Cin for the girls (28).

Tawk Awi said, "It was not easy at first being apart from family and staying in a strange place, but after a few months, we grew to truly love the home where many of our friends are having the same problems as us. I see the hand of the Lord upon everyone. The Lord always makes a way for each and every one of us through many kind people here, and from abroad. That is how I am mature and strong enough to stand for my kids. I have decided to always stand for them and their needs regardless of my life situation. I am very happy to serve the Lord by serving these little ones whose lives are similar to mine. Thank God for His mercy and faithfulness."

Sui Cin said, "I am blessed to be here because if I had chosen differently I know I would never have had this chance to be the caregiver for these little girls who are having similar or even more problems in their lives. The greatest benefit of growing up in this children's home is the spiritual growth which we have here. I believe I would never have had the opportunity to grow spiritually if I had stayed with my family. God is great! He cares for the poor and orphans, stands by us and knows our needs. I thank my Lord for His goodness and for giving me a wonderful life here at children's home."



Written by  
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Director, Raising Kids





# South Side Works

Heads bowed, whispers of prayer softly offered, the home group waited to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit resonate the mission call they had just heard. Charles Mendies, a young Nepali, had just asked who would come and trek the mountains of Nepal carrying the good news of Jesus to those scattered in this Himalayan Hindu kingdom.

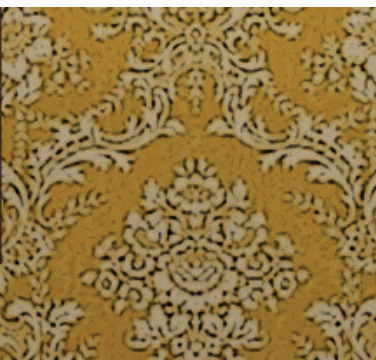
As their pastor, I felt the liberty to look around and see who were responding. They were from our Bible Institute. Each person in the room was a member of what we called the "Un-mission." Levis and flannel shirts, guitars and a Thompson Chain Bible were the order of the day. We were the "Un-likely" preaching the "Un-known" to the "Un-reached." It was early 1983 and we were the ones who felt we could complete the great commission in 10 years. No lack

for zeal, we were just waiting for the opportunity to change a nation and Charles had felt the fire.

Around the circle, hands were raised and commitments made. At 35 I was too old to go. It was the cutoff age for trekkers in those days, so I felt exempted and looked about. Then the Holy Spirit asked of me, "So you are a shepherd and you are going to let your sheep go off to this dangerous place and not go with them?"

With a meeting of the eyes and Ellie's nod, I too raised my hand.

Now, 30 years later, we are once again focusing on the space between Mt. Everest and K-2. Just 600 miles in a straight line, these mountains are the







standard for all mountains on the earth. The terrain is most difficult and the entwined local religions prevent millions from knowing Jesus. The Lord has promised from Isaiah 25:7 that in this mountain He will remove the shroud that covers all nations.

I actually saw the shroud while on a rooftop in Kathmandu, Nepal. It was that 1985 event, recorded in *Attack Lambs*, that launched our prayer walking ministry. It gave birth eventually to South East Asia Prayer Center and all the ministries that you have supported so faithfully with prayer and money.

The Lord is calling us to establish prayer centers in Darjeeling, Shimla, Srinagar, India and in Jumla and Kathmandu, Nepal. He has already established the Shimla Center and now we are systematically

moving across the Indian State of Himachal Pradesh.

As we move forward in this effort, I am mindful of those who stood in that circle. I am ever mindful of the prayers and offerings of faithful people over 30 years and pray that the Lord is blessing you. Is this a new direction? No just a patient Savior waiting 3 decades for us to get there.



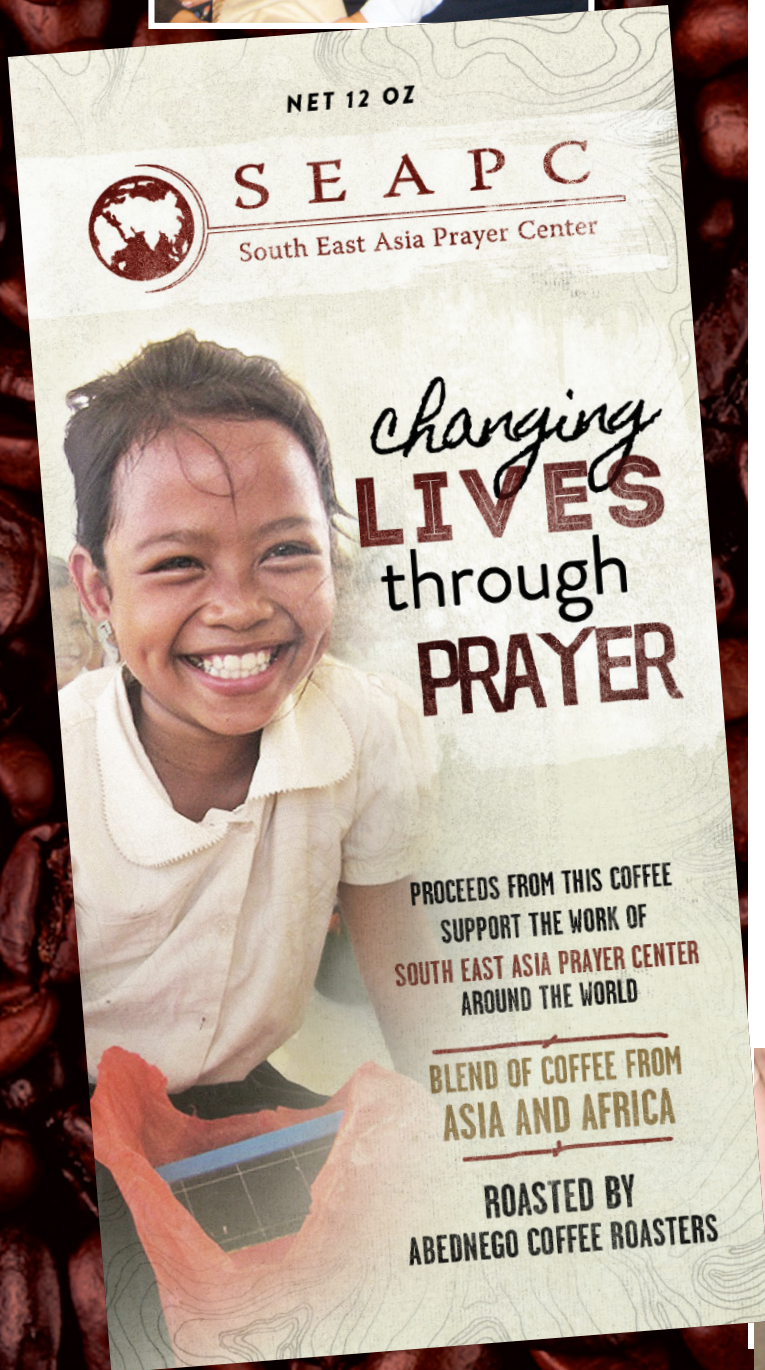
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# Your Business Matters



“Our desire was to start roasting the highest quality coffee that we could, pay our bills, and give the rest of the money away to organizations that we believed did a good job at living out the life of Jesus in some of the hardest places on earth.” This was the mission Jeff and Stacey Myers set out to achieve through the Abednego Coffee Roaster’s Company. Now celebrating their fifth anniversary as a successful roaster and distributor of unique and high quality blends of coffee, the two can reflect on the challenges they faced in creating this mission-driven business and give glory to God for its success. “I am told our business plan won’t work, but so far, we are roasting the highest quality coffee we can, paying our bills, and giving the rest away.”

And giving away the rest is making a serious global impact for good. SEAPC is just one of several recipients of the funds earned through the sales of Abednego Coffee. To date, our organization has received nearly \$13,000 to use towards our prayer-led objectives around the world.

Jeff and Stacey are a great example of the SEAPC global network of friends. Both of them serve in their local Church, have given themselves as missionaries (Stacey through three years of teaching in Cambodia and Jeff through short term teams), and have found an innovative way to share Jesus while generating resource for those in need.

We are grateful for the many businesses like Abednego which support SEAPC throughout the year. Thank You! You are truly changing lives.

For more information on how your business can help SEAPC, please contact Tony Wimer: [tony@seapc.us](mailto:tony@seapc.us)





# Changing Lives Through Giving

SEAPC is a 501(c)(3) corporation or non-profit organization. However, “faith-based charity” seems to encompass the idea of our ministry much better. Our faith is in the love of Jesus Christ who has commissioned us into all the earth to heal the sick and educate the nations. It is very fulfilling for us to be able to do that through your giving, as well as to offer books that mobilize others to the same calling with which we are called.

Another aspect of our “faith base” is the belief that the Lord will bring us in contact with those of like faith who will utilize SEAPC as a way to fulfill their desire to make a difference in people’s lives. We believe that our relationship with you is not an accident. We invite you to allow us to be


the extension of your desire to make a significant change in today’s world.

We are dedicated to Changing Lives Through Prayer. While the fruit is great, the seeds sown are small. Faithful contributions of reasonable amounts provide the necessary strength for us to reach far beyond human limits. Matthew 10:8b says, “Freely you have received; freely give.” Giving is an extension of our gratitude for the blessings that we have received. After tithing to your local church, please prayerfully consider supporting SEAPC and recommending us to your local church and friends.



Don Quinn  
CFO, SEAPC



A group of children, mostly boys, are sitting on the floor in a room with a wooden pillar. They are all wearing white short-sleeved shirts and have their hands clasped together in prayer. The children appear to be of various ages, from young children to teenagers. The background shows other children and parts of the room, suggesting a school or community center setting.

Whoever  
receives  
one little child  
like this in  
My name  
receives Me.

Matthew  
18:5

New Hope for Orphans outreach  
in Kampot Province, Cambodia.



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