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Global Impact Volunteer Teams

Providing short-term volunteer opportunities around the world

Cambodia Children Study Room Construction 2010

Dates: Flexible, 2010 – teams can discuss potential dates with LHM. There is a rainy season from May – October, and the dry season is November – April. Optimal time is 11 days in country, excluding travel days.

Individual Budget: Approx. \$520 – This includes food, lodging, in-country transportation, translators, visas and travel/health insurance. This is an estimated cost and does not include international flights, and is based on a team of 10 people for 11 days.

Materials for Project: Choose between two styles of construction. \$9,000 will build two classrooms of stone construction with tin roof. Or \$4,500 will provide a frame structure with tin walls and roof. Either building style is substantial for the ministry to the children. This includes materials for all projects, required tools, and construction manager. The whole volunteer team should provide these costs.



Children Study Room Construction

About the size of Missouri, Cambodia's 20 provinces are bordered by Laos to the north, Vietnam to the east, Thailand to the west, and the Gulf of Thailand to the south.

This project will build two classrooms approximately 46 feet long by 26 feet wide, on the church property in Prich village, Beong Nimol commune, Chhouk district, Kompot Province. This school will serve 85 three to six year old children from the village. Two church leaders and Equipping to Share volunteers will be leading the project. The village is very poor. The cost for school and transportation is prohibitive for many families. Many parents are also concerned for the safety of the children going to and from school.

This project provides the opportunity for LHM – Cambodia, Cambodia Christian Media Center (CCMC) to work with local church members, local authorities and government school teachers. They will work together on the classrooms, as well as the curriculum using a Bible study program and Christian songs. This school will be the stepping stone into the government school. It will also open doors for the church and CCMC to minister to the 392 families of the village in the years to come.

Project Location

Cambodia is a developing country with a constitutional monarchy and an elected government. The country has a market economy, with approximately 80 percent of the population engaged in subsistence farming. The government has generally good relations with its neighbors despite strains over residual border disputes and other historic antagonisms.

Rabies: Recommended for travelers spending a lot of time outdoors, especially in rural areas, involved in activities such as bicycling, camping, or hiking. Also recommended for travelers with significant occupational risks (such as veterinarians), for long-term travelers and expatriates living in areas with a significant risk of exposure, and for travelers involved in any activities that might bring them into direct contact with bats, carnivores, and other mammals. Children are considered at higher risk because they tend to play with animals, may receive more severe bites, or may not report bites.

Japanese encephalitis: Recommended if you plan to visit rural farming areas and under special circumstances, such as a known outbreak of Japanese encephalitis, see country specific information.

Visit www.cdc.gov for current information.

Lodging & Meals

The team will be staying at the Mea Culpa Hotel in Kampot City. Breakfast and dinner will be at restaurants near the hotel. Lunch will be at the market at the worksite.

Sightseeing

Many sightseeing opportunities are located in the capital city of Phnom Penh. You can visit the Royal Palace museums and the Killing Fields of the Pol Pot time period. The entrance fees for sightseeing are not included in the individual costs.

Budget

Costs for Global Impact Volunteer Teams are split into ‘Individual Costs’, which is your food, lodging, transportation, etc., and your ‘Project Costs’, which is the cost of the materials for the actual project you participate in. Whether it is a VBS or a construction project we ask that your team cover these costs as a group.

Sample budget based on 10 people:

Individual Costs		
Travel Insurance	\$3.30 per person per day	\$39.60
Visa		\$25.00
Lodging	\$50 @ 10 days (double occupancy) includes breakfast	\$110.00
Food- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner	\$15 average for 11 days	\$180.00
Transportation (include airport)	\$100.00 per person for 11 days	\$100.00
Bottled Water	\$5 per day	\$55.00
Total		Approx. \$520.00

You must also budget for your international flights, miscellaneous cost with visas, sightseeing and souvenirs. Check with your flight agency whether the departure tax of \$25.00 is included in your ticket purchase or if you have to pay that separately.

The budget is an estimated and your team may choose to eat a little more expensive or a little cheaper meals, which would obviously affect your budget. I tend to try and over budget as much as possible so you do not run short of funds, but it never hurts to have some extra funds available. It would also be wise to carry a small amount of additional contingency funds for any medical emergencies that may occur or unexpected costs.

Project Costs		
Option One	Stone Construction materials, tools and construction manager	\$9,000.00
Option Two	Frame Construction materials, tools and construction manager	\$4,500.00

Timeline for payment of both Project Costs and team costs will be provided once we have specific travel dates determined. Project Costs must be paid 4-6 weeks prior to departure and Individual Costs must be paid 2-3 weeks prior to departure. In some cases, if LHM needs to make hotel or transport reservations, we may ask for partial payments to be made on a different timeline.

Insurance Coverage

Medical Evacuation for all team members is mandatory and LHM provides insurance from AIG at the cost of \$3.30 a day. We will provide you with an insurance card with a policy number on it and a contact number in cases of extreme emergency – i.e. something that requires evacuation. The person you talk with will advise you on what to do in those circumstances. For all other claims please pay any bills that you incur and make a claim directly to the insurance company when your return.

Forms

Please return all the required forms to LHM in St. Louis as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

LHM Ministry Center

The Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) Center in Cambodia opened in 2000 and is known locally as Cambodia Christian Media Center (CCMC). It was established for the purpose of giving everyone in Cambodia the opportunity to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The ministry center mails Bible Correspondence Courses (BCC) to a largely remote, rural population. The BCC are also used in prison ministry. The Equipping the Saints (ETS) program teaches and equips lay people to communicate the Gospel to their communities.

LHM – Cambodia also produce and distributes printed devotions, Christian postcards, LHM children’s videos, along with other children and adult literature. Puppet ministry is also popular among young and old alike.

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You will learn about Cambodia through authentic cross-cultural experiences and having fellowship with local Lutherans, and will have the opportunity to share the love of Jesus. If you are interested in touching lives in Cambodia please call Polly Gregali @ 314-317-4164 or email polly.gregali@lhm.org.