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"Even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."

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Hello!

The new year (2025) is moving right along – seemingly at a faster pace than ever! As we move on along in the new year, there are two realities that we need to remember:

- (1) Our God is eternal: "From everlasting to everlasting you are God" (Ps. 90:2).
- (2) We are mortal: "The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; . . . they are soon gone, and we fly away" (Ps. 90:10).

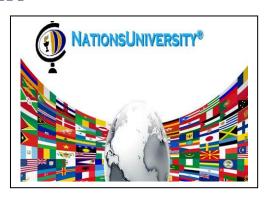
So, in view of these sobering realities, we pray, "So teach us to number our days, that we may get a heart of wisdom" (Ps. 90:12).

We trust that all of 2025 will be a good year for you and yours!

NATIONS UNIVERSITY

Someone has said that Nations University is the "best-kept secret among us." Well, that certainly is not what we want it to be. We want the work to be known. So, we call attention again to this "school without walls."

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As an example of the emphasis made at Nations University, I am lifting a couple of paragraphs from a recent essay that I received from one of the students:

"Scripture itself provides a robust defence of its authority, rooted in its claims of divine inspiration and purpose. Central to this defence is the assertion in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, which states, 'All Scripture is God-

breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness.' This passage has been foundational for the doctrine of inspiration, affirming that scripture is not a product of human ingenuity but a divine revelation meant to guide believers in their faith and conduct. The phrase 'God-breathed' (Greek: theopneustos) conveys the idea that scripture is infused with the breath or Spirit of God, emphasizing its divine origin and reliability as a source of truth. This divine quality ensures that scripture remains a trustworthy guide for teacing doctrine, correcting errors, and shaping the moral and spiritual lives of believers.

"Similarly, 2 Peter 1:20-21 provides another critical affirmation of scriptural authority: 'Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.' This passage underscores the divine agency in the production of scripture, asserting that its prophetic messages are not the result of human initiative but are delivered by individuals moved by the Holy Spirit. Together, these texts form the biblical foundation for the doctrine of inspiration, affirming that scripture's authority is derived from its divine origin, rather than human authorship."

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The annual Medical Mission, recently conducted (February 3-15) among some of Cambodia's many rural villages, was a success in so many ways. With 50 workers busily engaged every day (a loooong day at that!), medical help was offered to nearly 7,000 rural Cambodians, who otherwise were without basic medical services.



This medical mission, as has been true of the annual efforts preceding it, was not limited to meeting physical needs. Preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to this Buddhist nation was an integral part of the effort every day and in each village. In addition, Bible classes for teenagers and younger children were also a part of every day's schedule.





"There they continued to preach the gospel" (Acts 14:7)

"For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Cor. 2:2). Along with many responding to the offer of medical services, some responded to the offer of salvation in Christ. "When they believed Philip (Sokhom, Mike, and Mark), they (44 of them) were baptized, both men and women" (Acts 8:12)





CAMBODIA BIBLE SCHOOL



A major ongoing effort in the work is Cambodia Bible School, in which seventeen are enrolled at this time. These come from different provinces in the country and are involved in an intense schedule of study for two years. The goal is to equip workers who, in turn, can teach and equip others. As Paul urged, "What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2-3)

Classes are conducted five days per week. Because most of the present teaching is done by Zoom with overseas teachers, the classes are at 7:00-9:00 AM and 7:00-9:00 PM (Cambodia

time). (At the present, I am teaching the Gospel of Matthew two days each week.)

"JESUS CHILDREN"

"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14).

For the last several years, Cambodia Christian Ministries has been involved in arranging care for a few orphans. However, during the past year, that has become a major feature of the work.

In August (2024), a tremendous need was placed before the brothers. There were 60 homeless children found to be in need of immediate care, children between the ages of 3 and 14.

So, what did Sokhom and Cambodia Christian Ministries do? They took them in! They made makeshift arrangements in their present facilities to care for them. They also immediately arranged for the children's clothing and school needs so they could be enrolled in schools in the nearby villages. So, for the last few months care has been provided in the temporary arrangements of some of their buildings.

This need (and opportunity!) has met with responsive hearts on the part of many brethren. Generous and caring brethren have come forward with plans and efforts to provide adequately for all of the children – in adequate facilities as well as in other needs.

When Bobby McLaughlin and I were there this past October, work was moving right along on the first house for the children, with plans to build adequate facilities for all of the needy children. An additional two houses are needed now in order to care for all 60 children.



First house completed

This is what the first house (completed) now looks like. It has a total of 6,000 square feet of floor space and will house 20 children (10 boys on one side, 10 girls on the other side, and room for house parents).

In keeping with the present needs, additional houses are being planned. Work has already begun on the second house. There are homeless children all over Cambodia, and the need is great. However, a great *need* presents a great *opportunity*: the opportunity to help the "*least of these*." We can help the "least of these" in their basic necessities, by providing them with a Christian home atmosphere, by helping to equip themselves for life, and by growing up a Christian generation. What a wonderful thought to realize that these children are being cared for and are being brought up in the faith of the gospel!

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." (Ps. 46:1)

PERSONAL WORD OF THANKS

Rosann and I continue to express our sincere gratitude to you for your support and encouragement in our work. We thank you for your fellowship with these words ---

"The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and be gracious to you."

(Num. 6:24-26)

Shalom!

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