

Extreme Love



A quarterly newsletter from **Extreme Love Ministries**

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OUR MISSION is to partner together to restore social justice and destiny in individuals and regions through outreach, events, advocacy, business, community development and gospel ministry.

NOTE: The names of those who have been exploited have been changed () to protect them from re-exploitation.*

"I feel peace and love"

Thanks to you, an almost-sold boy is now safe at Hope House

At age 11, "Prak" is a miracle boy. A miracle you made possible by your compassion.

Prak grew up among prostitutes and drug addicts. His mom was the former. Prak's stepfather, a drug addict, often abused him. Worse still, the man talked of selling Prak to traffickers.

Thankfully we'd been closely watching. After our team tried numerous rehabilitation options with family members, it was clear that no one wanted or was able to care for Prak. He faced danger daily. Prak was often beaten with objects (including electrical wires) and food was regularly withheld from him. But Prak is now safe at Hope House, praise God!

He's since received medical care for wounds from the abuse, and went shopping for clothes and other necessities (he came to us with nothing). He's also started a new school. Miracle #1. Recently Prak told us, "I feel peace and love in this house." Our hearts burst! But there's another miracle in Prak's life. Read that story on page 4.



Prak likes to draw (above); at left, napping on the way to school placement testing sporting his new clothes and glasses

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Dream coming true for Education Empowerment student



Nancy*, 18, lives with her grandma, siblings and uncle in a rented room in Phnom Penh. She grew up in great poverty, and never thought she'd get to attend school. But through our Education Empowerment Program (EEP) a sponsor changed that. Nancy excelled in her studies and soon was top in her class, even ranking #6 in the nation within her school's district! She is now graduating with honors and even received a partial scholarship. She wants to become an architect!

More good news about the Education Empowerment Program on page 3

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My Thoughts

By Andrea Aasen, Director of Extreme Love Ministries

Chains are breaking!

Can you hear it? We've seen so many chains break — both personal as well as generational — in 2021. **Freedom is coming** to so many in Cambodia and around the world.

In this challenging year we've been *thrilled* to witness freedom breaking out for many once held by chains of **poverty, abuse, and human slavery.**

We've also been *overjoyed* to be part of Jesus' work to free hearts and minds by helping at-risk kids receive an **education**, helping create **safe homes and families**, and bringing **hope** through restored destiny and purpose.

And then there's the incredible freedom that has come to many through **salvation** and **healing!**

The last several months have been full of testimonies of freedom!!

Let's break more chains together as we finish 2021. Let's press in for more victories, as the Son shines His light to bring His glorious freedom into this ever-darkening world.

Thank you for joining your voice with ours as we declare John 8:36 over individuals, families, cities, and nations!

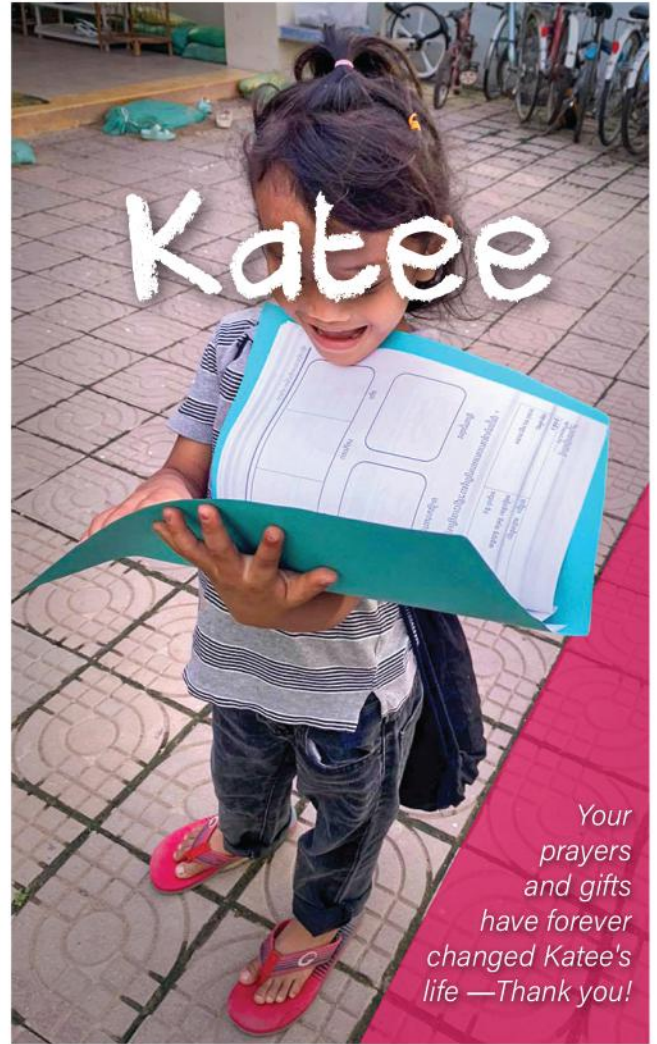
"So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free."

We're decreeing His freedom over you, as well and over all that YOU, our precious partners, put your hands to! *Freedom is here and is our portion!*



Andrea

RESCUE UPDATE



Your prayers and gifts have forever changed Katee's life — Thank you!

Remember Katee*?

Katee's rescue story was featured on the cover of our Fall 2020 newsletter.

Our little Katee is growing up! What a journey this child has endured. After only one year in our Hope House family, she has made amazing progress. Katee has been busy healing physically, emotionally and spiritually—and this fall she started school for the first time!



*Names have been changed for their protection



Learning became quite challenging during the pandemic, as kids were forced to take their classes online. That wasn't easy for our students who live in the slum communities of Phnom Penh, as few kids have access to computers at home. So our team had to provide them with online devices and pay for internet.

Our Education Empowerment (EEP) staff also pulled in more teachers and stepped up tutoring hours to keep our students from falling behind.

As the new school year began, however, some of our older kids were allowed to return to the classroom part-time! While many still attend school online (until Covid restrictions lift), we're excited to see school back to some semblance of normal, and our kids studying hard.

Futures are being changed daily, and that couldn't happen without faithful sponsors like you!

STUDENT FOCUS

Sophia*, 15, lives in a city slum community with her parents and 6 siblings.

Her mother collects trash to supplement her father's sporadic construction jobs. Sophia worries about how her family will survive, making it difficult for her to focus on schoolwork. Earlier this year she talked about dropping out to help support her family.

After learning of Sophia's struggle, our staff spent additional time tutoring and mentoring her. We also encouraged her to pray, asking God for help. After a couple weeks she told us she changed her mind and is now studying hard and wants to stay in school. Thank you sponsor!



A Hope House Miracle, part 2

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Soon after Prak arrived at Hope House, a totally unexpected miracle happened. Earlier this year one of our older boys lost his younger brother (with much regret we were forced to find alternative care placement for him).

The boy grieved the loss of his brother, but prayed that God would give him a chance to be a big brother again.

Then Prak arrived! The older boy immediately empathized with Prak and recognized how much they had in common. He knew that God had answered his prayer and took on the role of mentoring our newest family member. Miracle #2. Wow, that was fast!

You were a part of these miracles. You helped Hope House rise from the ashes of a fire last spring, and you helped when many of the kids and home staff had to be quarantined with covid.

Your help is needed again for Prak. Please prayerfully consider giving to help Prak start his new life. His costs include setup, ongoing care, school, medical, and eventually counseling visits to help him deal with the deep scars of his past. Your donation can also help care for other kids like Prak. *Any size gift will help and is greatly appreciated!*



Prak found safety—and a “brother” to watch over him. You can help Prak’s ongoing medical and recovery expenses, and help rescue more boys and girls like him—before they are trafficked.

YES! I want to help by partnering with...

\$20 \$100 \$500 \$_____

or...

- I want to give this amount monthly to help rescue children
- I want to give this amount monthly for where most needed

Please send this completed form and your check in the provided envelope to:

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Or, to donate by credit or debit card, go to:

www.ExtremeLove.com/donate/rescue21



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Help Now

meet us: Rose

Rose joined the Extreme Love family way back in 2011. Since then she has pioneered critically important relations with the government, as well as with officials across the border in neighboring nations. She faithfully serves as one of our lead social workers, and her efforts have led to successful rescues, repatriations to home countries, and placements in safe families for countless persons and children at risk.



Rose spends much of her time meeting with families, taking care of clients and at-risk persons, working with NGO partners and government officials. During her early years she worked as a translator leading outreaches, but her role has evolved as we discovered more of her amazing talents and gifts from the Lord. Her warm smile and contagious joy bring delight to many!

We are thankful for Rose and all that she brings to our team!



Prayer closet

Please join us in prayer for...

- our Hope House kids to continue healing from their traumas and grow in relationship to Jesus
- our EEP students to excel in their studies
- our kids and staff to stay healthy
- our staff



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