

# Extreme Love



A Report of Your Impact Through **Extreme Love Ministries**

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

*NOTE: The names of once-exploited beneficiaries have been changed to protect them from re-exploitation.*

**Thank you for making a difference in this world through your giving!** In addition to the triumphant cover story about how you helped rescue a girl about to be trafficked, we've also added something new: a mini Christmas Gift Catalog we hope blesses you as you seek to buy unique gifts for loved ones AND care for those who would otherwise have no hope or joy this Christmas.

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## I'm not OK...I need help!

The afternoon started out routine. We began our usual walk through the city's red light district, praying for God to show us who is on His heart at that moment. Little did we know how quickly our prayers would be answered!

Your partnership enables our Elijah Team to routinely investigate and follow up on reports from our connections in Phnom Penh's slum and street communities in order to stop a victim, usually a child, from being trafficked. Miraculously, we sometimes intervene right as "the deal is going down." But if someone has already been trafficked we work with

police and local authorities to rescue the victim. This time we didn't know what to expect.

It wasn't long before God seemed to shine a spotlight on one teenage girl standing on the street ahead of us. We carefully approached. We could tell something was wrong, however, seeing the anxiety contorting her face. We asked if she needed help. "YES"—she replied without hesitation—"I'm not okay, and I need help!"

In a moment, her story of torment tumbled out. Painful words described

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*A street in Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capitol city (for security we can't show the face of the girl in this story)*



# My Thoughts

By Andrea Aasen, Director of Extreme Love Ministries

## Tis the season!

I love Christmas! It's a season of reflection on God's gift to us -- Jesus, and the gifts He's given us, both in this world and in the age to come. We have so much to be joyful about!

For many of us, this year has been one of rebuilding after several years of challenges. Through the difficulties, joy became to me not just a feeling, but rather a position I chose to take in Him who is my strength (Nehemiah 8:10). If we look for His joy we will always find it. I see it daily in the people I meet and the beauty God shines through each of them into this world. You, too, are a carrier and releaser of His joy . . . we can be joy to others! What a gift!

This year, there have been so many rescued, restored and protected! What joy we've seen brought to Cambodia and around the world because you care. Thank you for bringing His gift of JOY as we partner together to meet physical and spiritual needs right here in Cambodia and out into nations!

We hope you find our "mini Christmas Catalog" just the thing you need to help make this Christmas extra special!

Merry Christmas, and many blessings for the new year!



Andrea

## Help!

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how she ended up in the care of her grandmother after her mom died, and how during that time she was abused physically, been deprived of food, and was once locked in a room for a long period of time. Telltale scars of abuse bore testimony to her words.

Her heartbreaking story went further, sharing about how she was forced to run drugs, and even to hand deliver a baby for traffickers.

As horrific as "Srey's" story was, the sad truth is it's a familiar one. Life is *very* cheap in much of the world, especially for those trapped in poverty. And it's the children who suffer most.

That very day Srey had been dropped off in the red light district with a few meager belongings to meet up with her aunt who was to take her to a job where she'd make money for her grandmother. Without skills, that job likely meant working in a bar where she would be expected to "service" customers. No choice. No hope.

We're delighted to report we were able to rescue Srey that day, and place her in a safe environment where she will be loved and cared for, and can return to school. Now she can begin to grow into the destiny God intended for her.

(As a side note, Srey has a younger cousin, like a sister, who's still in danger. We are working hard to rescue her, too. Please pray that she will also find hope and healing very soon.)

Our team returned full of excitement, knowing God had used us again in His ongoing story of humanity's rescue and redemption—a story in which you played a leading role "behind the curtain." **On behalf of Srey we say thank you!**

PSSsst...

Watch your emails for a special announcement coming soon!



# Christmas '22

**7 Ways** you can give a gift this holiday season that shows your love for friends and family —and for those in need.



Gift 1 month of training and employment for someone rescued from prostitution or trafficking for \$200.



Shelter and care for a child rescued from trafficking for one week for \$60.



Feed one at-risk child every school day for \$40/mo





# Ones who need your love



Gift a Bible to a Cambodian family for \$10



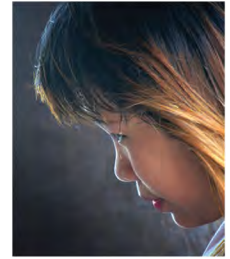
Protect one child from trafficking through a community outreach for \$5



Send 10 kids on a special educational trip for \$150




Provide one year of medical care and counseling for a rescued woman or child for \$500



## Less stress, more love.

Imagine a Christmas where giving is made easier, and your gift blesses a loved one, and changes the life of one in desperate need of love.


Just use the enclosed response form that looks like the sample at right to select the gifts you want to give to friends and family.



This year again we're offering to send you our 2022 blank gift card (at left) that you can personalize and send to the recipients of the gifts you purchase today. Don't delay, as we need time to process your request. Make sure you check the "Please send my gift card" circle on the response form!

Dear friend, your gifts of love and hope to friends and family will tell them what you care about, and can inspire them to help others too!

## Christmas '22





Match item number (#) with number in newsletter

Gift Item	Gift \$	Gift Item	Gift \$
<input type="radio"/> Train (#1)	\$ _____	<input type="radio"/> Educate (#5)	\$ _____
<input type="radio"/> Rescue (#2)	\$ _____	<input type="radio"/> Protect (#6)	\$ _____
<input type="radio"/> Feed (#3)	\$ _____	<input type="radio"/> Care (#7)	\$ _____
<input type="radio"/> Disciple (#4)	\$ _____		
<input type="radio"/> Where most needed (the most flexible gift)		\$ _____	
<input type="radio"/> I want to give the total amount above every month!			
<small><input type="checkbox"/> Please send my gift card!</small>			

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