

# ដំណឹង News From the Ends of the Earth

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Is it Spring time where you live? We have friends and family all over the world so the seasons may not all be the same. Here is starting to get hot, but April is always hottest. Spring is a fun season as it seems to have a lot of rebirth themes. I'm a huge fan of Easter, so my favorite holiday is just around the corner. No, it's not for the chocolate rabbits & chicks, the lilies, or the beautifully coloured eggs. I celebrate the barrier of death coming down. The saviour did that. He is risen! He is risen indeed!



At the Student Residence & Discipling Centre, David is using an excellent course called **Building on a Firm Foundation**. After having gone through the book one time he is now getting the young ladies to teach a lesson to the rest. At first, they were quite nervous, but now they can do it very well with their own personal flair. We hope to get through the course and give each teacher a book of their own to use when they return to their village. Patti continues to teach Theological Education, and Lai teaches The Christian family. He and Mary were wed just last December so I'm sure he is learning a lot from this course as well. It is crucial that Khmer Christ followers understand what their roles are as described in the Bible. In March we held an outreach event for the residents to invite their classmates from university. There were a few female friends who had little or no knowledge of Jesus.

The Tumnap Teuk church had a special service recently. Pastor Sal told us they had never celebrated Thanksgiving before. He had heard about it a couple times each year as there are Canadians and folks from the US who attend his church. After doing some study into the event, he decided to ask the congregation to bring Khmer grown fruit and vegetables to the church. The service was filled with testimonies and special songs. The message was about grace and being grateful. At the end, the pastor invited everyone who brought something to come up and help themselves to something other than what they brought. They had also set up tables outside and were serving rose apples, guavas, mangoes, watermelon, jackfruit, sapodilla, and some other fruits that don't have English names. We hope it will become an annual event and can be used for outreach.



At the end of February, the missionaries gathered at the mission compound for the Annual Prayer Retreat. Joel and Becca Arndt came from the US to encourage and challenge us. It was a great time of touching base with those colleagues who live out in the provinces. At the close, everyone was invited to the Retirement Gala for David. It was nice that David's sister and his mother could be there as well as friends from BC. Yes, he has reached the end of his career. Patti will continue to serve for a few more years. Our hope is that we will see many of you while we tour churches in Canada from June until the end of the year.

**We were surprised to find out that our project funds are drying up.** Follow this link if you would like to donate to our ministry: <https://thealliancecanada.ca/gift/david-and-patti-ens>. You may also designate your gift at any Alliance church in Canada. Tax receipts will come from either.

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