

EXPEDITION AGAPE

A journey empowering and transforming lives

Cambodia

Overseas Expedition Summary

6 to 21 December 2008 / 10 to 20 December 2012



Team Expedition Agape 2008



Team Expedition Agape 2012

The overseas community service is the mid-point of the 6-month mentoring journey and an important chapter where the team serves and makes a difference to the community. In 2008, over a span of 16 days in December, Expedition Agape made its first expedition to Cambodia. In 2012, Expedition Agape returned, with new faces. Friendships were rekindled and memories relived.

“How powerful would our world be if we had kids who were not afraid to take risks, who were not afraid to think, and who had a champion. Every child deserves a champion, an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection, and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be.” – Rita Pierson

Serving the Community

Expedition Agape partnered with **Family Care Cornerstone Project**, working with couple Tommy and Serena who have served in Cambodia for more than 10 years, to contribute to the community.

Kien Khleang Orphanage

The orphanage, situated on the outskirts of Phnom Penh, houses about 120 children and youths aged 3 to 21 years old.

In 2008, Expedition Agape painted new coats of paint over the walls in the stairwells and the corridors. The cobwebs were also cleared and the environment spruced up. Murals with the theme of “Live Your Dreams” were designed and drawn, serving as an encouragement to the children and youths to fulfil their aspirations.

The teams in 2008 and 2012 both stayed in the orphanage, and the close proximity provided opportunity to build deeper friendships. Although language was a barrier, through sports, play and arts and crafts, the teams managed to impart positive character values, with immense fun shared in the process. As a finale and farewell party, Expedition Agape celebrated with the orphans with a resounding Christmas Party on the teams’ last night, with games, music, food and festivity.



Koh Rumdual

Once part of the “Killing Fields”, this island in Kandal Province, is inhabited by more than 200 villagers who are very poor and living in difficult conditions. Expedition Agape repaired the huts of the villagers, and painted new paint over the walls in the school. Lessons on English and Science, as well as games and sports were also conducted for the children who were eager to learn. Distribution of supplies e.g. rice were made to the families on the island too.



Blessed Union

With the deep friendships forged in 2008, the team in 2012 was invited to the wedding of one of the orphanage youths to witness his happy occasion. Memories we will cherish for a lifetime, etched in our hearts.



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