

MORE VISITATION



The Cambodia Lutheran Church's (CLC) program of intentional visitation continues. During a recent trip to Prey Veng, we visited Pastor Sao Eam's congregation. One thing we learned is that the adults in this group are largely illiterate. We didn't know that beforehand, so it was a bit awkward to show up with boxes of books to share. But since there were plenty of literate kids there, we distributed resources, including Luther's Small Catechism, to them instead of the adults. Martin Luther wrote the Catechism in easy-to-memorize style for use in families who were often illiterate. Some 500 years later and many miles from Germany, we encouraged literate kids to read the Catechism to their illiterate parents!

MORE PROGRESS

J.P. has made good progress in his dissertation process. He completed a draft prospectus (an initial document which outlines what the student plans to study, as well as why and how they want to study it). Because his research will include human interviews, he was required to take a course on qualitative research design. While initially worried this might push him back several months, he was able to enroll in an intensive course at another institution. In late May he was on Zoom with people from all over the world for long hours late into the night (the course was taught based on US time). But he is now finished! Next step: getting the prospectus approved by his department.



MORE TRAINING



In May, J.P. continued teaching the Small Catechism in Takeo. This was session 3 of 6. Though J.P. had hoped to complete the study of the Apostles' Creed, the discussion was so rich that the group only finished the second article, on Jesus! The group is now officially behind J.P.'s plan. It's a good reminder that the material does not serve the schedule, but rather the schedule serves the Word of God. Schedules can change!

WE'RE COMING TO THE US!

Our family will spend 6 weeks stateside. Most of this year's visit will be personal time with family, though we do have a few dates:

- June 19* - Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Virginia Beach, VA
- June 26 - King of Glory Lutheran Church, Williamsburg, VA
- July 3* - Redeemer Lutheran Church, Richmond, VA
- July 8-13 - National Youth Gathering, Houston, TX
- July 19-21* - Higher Things, Bozeman, MT

* = preaching and/or presenting

PRAY WITH US

Pray: for new members of our Bible study; for Gospel sharing with families in our neighborhood; for upcoming visitation to Kampong Chhnang; for quick prospectus approval; for safe and fruitful travel to the US; **Praise:** for a strong end to the kids' school year; for Celeste's new business.

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