

THE RICE LIST



our cause... "to restore hope and dignity to the people of Mondul 3"



New Hope thank **Aksonobel Vietnam** and the 40 enthusiastic staff members who visited us in March.



Aksonobel kindly donated a variety of much needed educational equipment for our classrooms, and backpacks for the children. Our students then enjoyed sharing games, arts and crafts with our visitors, followed by a gift of individual food packs (which many took home to their families).

THANKYOU Aksonobel and all involved for making our children feel very special indeed.



VOLUNTEERS

Thankyou to our incredible volunteers from around the globe! Your enthusiasm, dedication and PATIENCE have made New Hope what it is today.



Our volunteer Mr. Fix It, Dan Brock from Canada

ROTARY AUSTRALIA under the stewardship of Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) kindly supports us with tax deductible donations for Australian individuals and companies.



The Rotary Club of Ashmore, Australia donated an astonishing 55 bicycles for the poor over the last 2 months.



MEDICAL ALERT

ENG MOYLIN AND NURSE TRACEY

Eng Moylin is an 11 year old student of New Hope. She is bright, caring and brave, and has the face of an angel.



For the past few years Moylin has been suffering from severe pain and discomfort from a tumor the size of a golf ball on her left bicep. She has had two operations in the past to remove this, but over the years it continues to return.

Moylin's father was a successful taxi driver even owning his own car, but in their attempt to try and save their daughters arm, they were forced to sell the vehicle (their only asset) to pay for medicines and medical care. This has resulted in the family delving into poverty and despair. Today the family of six lives beside a main highway in a damaged grass hut, and earn approximately \$1 per day.

This broken family arrived on the doorstep of New Hope Community Centre with no food, no money, and no hope of stopping the agonizing pain little Moylin was suffering. Moylin's mother was also very sick.

Our Khmer Medical Practitioner Dr. Savuan and our Volunteer Nurse Tracey Finney from Melbourne Australia immediately took charge of the case. Tracey worked tirelessly with different hospitals throughout Cambodia to seek different opinions, and further sort second and third opinions from Doctors in western countries in an attempt to save the arm.

After many trips to Phnom Penh Hospitals with the family, an exhausting 6 hour journey each way, Nurse Tracey received the results from a biopsy confirming the tumor was not cancerous. Good news, but however the tumor was intertwined with the artery and muscle. The "Center of Hope" Hospital in Phnom Penh, a wonderful free Non Govt. Hospital gave hope of perhaps saving Moylin's arm.

During this period, food, financial support and counseling was provided for Moylin and her family by New Hope's Health Centre and will continue post operatively.

A 10 hour operation was performed on 7th May 2010, and due to a critical lack of blood bank supplies in Cambodia, our Nurse Tracey donated her own blood for the vital blood transfusion needed for Moylin.

Even though Dr. Phot and his team performed a successful operation, sadly, 2 days later complications set in, and little Moylin lost her arm.

Moylin will remain in hospital in Phnom Penh for another week, and her family in a nearby hotel. Nurse Tracey is also in Phnom Penh supporting Moylin and her family and working closely with Doctors.

For these ancient people of Cambodia, comprehending the processes of technology is near impossible. Moylin's parents did not have any understanding of the word "cancer, operations or growths", though they had previously visited hospitals themselves. They thought local Khmer medicine could cure the tumor.

Our aim for Moylin is to re-start her education as soon as possible, and also have her begin a computer course at New Hope, which we hope will lead to a positive career path for her in the future. Moylin may now only have one arm, but she has a big heart and a strong spirit.

New Hope will continue to support Moylin's family as much as we are able. Our costs so far for Moylin's family are near US\$1,000, funds of course New Hope cannot afford.

WE SEE many families like Moylin's.... families that have nowhere else to turn.

WE NEED

- sponsorship for Moylin's family, or funding for a business venture so they may regain their independence and dignity.
- a one handed keyboard or laptop for Moylin
- monthly financial support for our medicines
- a Medical Vehicle to transport our sick and our Medical Team.

All donations may be made via our website
www.newhopecambodia.com

**FAMILIAR SCENES at NEW HOPE CAMBODIA's
HELEN BONNER HEALTH CENTRE**



**OUR WONDERFUL MEDICAL STAFF
NURSE TRACEY AND DR. SAVUAN**



HELEN BONNER HEALTH CENTRE

Medical, Outreach and Community Support

RICE: We provided 4800 kilos of rice in March and 4850 kilos in April to 180 families in Mondul 3. They also received large bottles of fish sauce, soy sauce and seasoning.

MILK FORMULA: We provide milk formula for 41 babies each month.



A few recipients of our care.



Current activities of New Hope Cambodia

- New Hope Cambodia educates 450 students per day (*most would never have received an education*)
- ensures approximately 200 poor students also receive a formal Khmer education
- feeds 180 impoverished families per month
- treats an average of 100 patients per day (*most would never have received treatment*)
- feeds 40 starving babies per month with nutritious milk formula
- provides a Shelter Home for orphaned or abused women and children
- runs education classes for mothers on Family Planning, Child care and Food Hygiene
- provides counseling and support for victims of domestic violence
- provides training and permanent employment for 27 poor Cambodians each month
- provides a further 20 casual jobs for illiterate Khmer labourers monthly
- repairs housing, installs water pumps, provides mosquito nets, blankets, mats, and bicycles
- encourages and supports independent family businesses
- is focused on establishing sustainable agricultural industries



The main form of income in this neighborhood is collecting and recycling garbage

NEWS ALERT

I have this minute received a phone call with the shocking news of yet another of our young adults dying unnecessarily through lack of good medical care.

KOY MUB died unexpectedly this morning at 3am in the Siem Reap Public adult hospital. One week ago, 21 year old Mub was admitted for a minor abdominal operation, unbeknown to New Hope.

Mub, the youngest of 7 children from a very poor farming family, has lived with her aunt's family Sim Toan here in Mondul 3, for the past few years. She moved to Siem Reap to pursue work, and was employed as a Security Guard.

Mub's Aunty visited the antiquated and lacking Govt. Hospital yesterday and was told Mub was well and would be discharged today.

At 5am this morning Mub's Aunty Ting Lam arrived at Kemsour's home, hysterical and in shock. The hospital has no explanation for the death, except that Mub suffered an extremely high temperature before dying.

Not only did the family have to pay for this atrocious medical procedure, the hospital also demanded US\$20 transport fee to return the body home. Then of course there is the cost of the cremation, and the funeral ceremony.

Here in the *SLUMS of Mondul 3* we average the loss of a local per week, and most deaths could have been prevented with relatively quite simple medical treatment, care....and education.

"New Hope Health Centre has been closed for the past couple of weeks during the relocation of our medical premises to the new building and also upgrading of our Govt. Medical License.

Our medical staff at New Hope would normally have admitted our patient into the necessary hospital, and continued to monitor the care and health of the patient with regular visits to the hospital and discussions with the hospital doctor. This is our normal procedure be it for children or adult patients of New Hope."

Our heart goes out to the Family of KOY MUB and the Community.



Visiting Paramedics Claire Jones and Steve Anderson from Ballan Australia were moved by their volunteering experience with New Hope recently.



CHANGING LIVES



Thanks to **Clinical Pharmacist Chris Bonner of Brisbane**, (he's the one with the grey hair above) Queensland, New Hope Cambodia has been able to relocate and expand their one room medical facility to a large 6 room premises located in the street at the rear of our Community Centre.

Chris and family have purchased and donated the building, and thus laid the foundations in establishing the New Hope HELEN BONNER HEALTH CENTRE, dedicated to his late wife and mother of five sons, Helen Bonner.

Chris and family will be working from Australia with fundraising and donations for

- Medical Equipment
- ongoing monthly costs of medicines
- baby formula
- a Medical Vehicle

'While education is central to New Hope's focus, the clinic is imperative. Preserving health, and in fact the life of parents plays the primary role in saving the families and cultures in the ancient community of Angkor Wat.'

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TO FAMILY, FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF OUR CAUSE

As you have probably gathered, our focus this month is on Health and saving lives.

We are struggling to find the much needed funds to treat our deprived. Our medical team performs approx. 1,800 consults each month, at a cost to us of approx. \$1.20 per patient for medicines.

*We cannot do this alone, we ask for your help. Both small and large donations make a big difference, or hold a **Fundraiser** and spread the word.*

Join our Voluntourism programme. Come volunteer at New Hope Cambodia, meet our people and change your life!

Our New Hope Education programme runs a great personal Tours section. We can organize a friendly Guesthouse and show you the sights. Meet other great people like yourself from around the globe.

*Remember ... You too can make a difference.
You too can change a life; all it takes is the first step.*

THANKYOU,
Kerry and Kemsour.



(the boy hugging me has TB, he is only asking for help in finding a job)

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