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Hello praying friends,

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. (Romans 8:18) Note to self: Keeping an eternal perspective is so important.

We hope you are well and able to see God's grace in the midst of the challenges you may be facing today. Our Khmer partners and Plas Prai dorm students are great examples to us this week. Attached are photos of the flooded dorm property. Despite the flooded property, the students have been pressing us to return after they finished a Khmer holiday break in their villages. They don't want to miss any class time now that we are nearing the end of the school year. Grades 10&11 take their finals in only 12 days. They are determined to study and make the best of their situation as you can see from the pictures and video posted on our house parent's FB post [here](#). Please pray that the waters will begin receding soon. Much of Cambodia has been affected by the floods this year.

Here are some urgent prayer needs for the ministry:

1. Please pray for our upcoming year-long Cambodia Internship starting this month! You can read more about it [here in Chelsea's blog](#). We are looking for **100 regular prayer** partners for this venture and you can sign up by going to her blog and then choosing "Join the Prayer Team". Please take a moment and let us know you will pray for the development of these new Christian workers over this next year. Please also consider financially supporting this new ministry. You can go to [World Team's website](#) and use project number **044028: the "Cambodia National Missionary Support Project Fund"**.
2. World Team Cambodia's Annual Field Conference will be held November 6-11. At the last minute our Missionary Kid (MK) child-care team could not provide the needed workers for all the MKs who will attend. We've been able to find substitutes but they are not able to raise the funds quickly for this need. Would anyone be willing to donate toward their airfare, room and board? We estimate a need of \$2500. Please let me know if you can help. Gifts can be given through [World Team's website](#) with project number **44000: "Cambodia Team Project"**.
3. Less urgent but just as needy, 12 new 10th grade students have been accepted to start school and live at the Plas Prai dorm starting early January. If you'd like to sponsor a student through high school, please go to our Preah Vihear Team website [here](#) to choose a student and let us know via reply email that you'd like to do that.
4. Finally, there is an urgent need for **PRAISE!** The Preah Vihear School of Applied Ministry (PVSAM) was able to meet before the flood waters covered our meeting location last month. Twelve adult learners walked through studies in Romans through Ephesians with us for 5 days. During that time, we learned about the persecution the early believers and Paul faced. One of the students, who is discipling a group of new believers far from his home down mud filled paths in the middle of no-where, made this comment: "The challenges we faces are not worth comparing to the persecution the early believers went through for being Christians."

We have it so easy.” And, in light of the “... glory that will be revealed in us ...” (Rom 8:18), our troubles lose even more power! Keeping eternal perspective is so important. We were all humbled by his words.

We really appreciate you joining us in prayer and partnership for God’s ministry here in Cambodia. May you know His blessing today in what he’s called you to be and do wherever you are in spite of the challenges you face and in light of eternity. God bless you all!

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