

## Sustainable Development Projects

We are so delighted to update you of what has been going so far within our sustainable development projects at the Teen Challenge Center. We really had such the great time with the team from Riverview Church who sacrificially came to our Teen Challenge Center to help building all the sustainable development plans which we have put together a few months before the team arrived. Our passion for sustainability within the program of Teen Challenge is so huge. We really want to see the project itself have generated more than something to contribute toward the whole amount of our expenses. We passionately hope to aim at 65% of the income generated by the project itself in the next three year's time while we had already generated 10.12% in 2010 of the whole budget. All of these can possibly happen with the help from God and our ministry partners. In this 2011, we continued to expand our activi-

ties of putting together the piggery, chicken, rice paddy, organic garden and the bio gas kitchen. Hopefully, we will be able to connect with other restaurant service organizations to outsource from us as we are growing in number of those. As I used to mentioned a lot of times in my previous newsletters that it's not so easy to do of all these. It takes the courage and prayer and efforts to stand against the spiritual enemies and the people who don't believe in sustainability. As we keep consistently doing with the plans that we have at the Teen Challenge Center, we will experience success. And this should reflect the glory of God who longs to see great things happen in the life of the people or the ministry He has called to serve. Of course, it will continue to impact more of lives of children and young addicts into the Kingdom here in Cambodia. Sustainability means a lot



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to us as staff of Teen Challenge and our students that it teaches us something greatly to independently stand when the time has come. The old saying of transformational development is "Give them the fish, you feed them for the day, Teaching them how to fish, you will feed them for a life time". We entered 2011 as of our third year of our Teen Challenge ministry on the ground and we greatly expect things to happen by the grace of God all the way through. Again, we will face, taste and experience failures, hardship, success along the way, but the question is, Are we continuing or giving up? Absolutely, we're continuing in spite of anything with support from God and you folk.

## God's heart for the poor and oppressed

There are ample stories after stories in the Bible, God has shown His cares and heart for the marginalized groups. He always has been concerned about the poor and the oppressed - Amos 4:1-2, 5:24, Deuteronomy 26:6-9. God is so interested in helping the people back to Him through His calling men and women. Amos 8:4-10. As Christian ministry, we are called into the business

of restoring, repairing and reconciling the broken relationship of this disadvantaged group back to the loving and gracious God of all. We are called to be the head, hand and feet of Christ Jesus to the broken world. Christ Jesus should be our core ministry of ministering to the poor and the voiceless people. We will greatly be rewarded when we one day, facing Him face-to-

face as we are helping the little one according to Matthew 25:31-46. Again, *Christ Jesus should be the core ministry of all else when we are in the business of building His Kingdom on this earth.*



## Vision is a leader's best friend

It hits me tremendously when I continued building myself as a leader by reading, listening and practicing of what have been taught. In my previous newsletters, I used to mention about the power of vision and I want to say more than it's been written, due to the space limitation. This month I would like to continue on of what was in my thoughts. The book of Proverb is clearly said *where is no vision, the people perish - Proverb 29:18*. It is a very strong bible verse. The leader should dream of something much bigger. It won't charge us anything to just dream of big picture for the good of the organization. The vision should be alive and aflame. If you don't believe in the vision and enthusiastically pursue it, doing all you can to bring it to fruition, then you won't start making the small gains required to get the ball rolling. However, if you model enthusiasm to your people day in and out, you attract like-minded people to your organization and motivate them to achieve. You will begin to see forward progress. Once you do, you will begin to generate power. Once you have it, you can do almost anything. That's the power of vision. Just like a quote of *"You cannot kindle a fire in any other heart until it is burning within your*

*heart"* - Eleanor Doan. And another observation that I want to make is *"Vision with consistent actions bring multiplications"* These two quotes should be going together at the same time of putting together the vision, passion and the actions. When it comes to vision, it also reminded me of about two great leaders in the history of Martin Luther King Jr. who has a vision to end the discrimination of race between the black and white and the civil rights in the country in 1963 with non-violence protest. One of his phrases, he had said was *"I had a dream..."* It is a very strong quote when he made it to the crowd, and everyone followed him. Another respectful man is Mahatma Gandhi. His vision statement is *"Free India"* The most remarkable thing about Gandhi isn't that he became a leader in India, but he was able to change the people's vision for obtaining freedom. Before he began leading them, the people used violence in an effort to achieve their goals. For years riots against the British establishment had been common. But Gandhi's vision for change in India was based on nonviolence civil disobedience. He once said, *"Nonviolence is the greatest*



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*force at the disposal of mankind. It is mightier than the mightiest weapon of destruction devised by the ingenuity of man."* I'd like to share with you about three things when it comes to vision. One is that the leaders should dream of a big picture. As I said, nothing to charge you of dreaming big for the good of the organization. Second, I like to say that starting small from what you have and keep believing in God of what you're doing and over time, it will compound. At this stage, some people give up and complaint of what resources they have. The last point is the most important that we have to remain with Christ Jesus, without him, we can do nothing. John 15:4-7. The lesson about the vision is teaching me tremendously and empowering me to see things more beyond I can imagine of. It's so powerful! I prayed for myself and you along this journey that we will make the most of the lesson and principle of vision and applying into our daily life with God's help.



## Teen Challenge Asia Conference

It's such the blessing and privileged to attend such the conference of the Teen Challenge Asia Pacific. It's the great opportunity to come together as a community of believers to seek the Lord for more guidance and to be able to share and hear from each Teen Challenge director and minister all around the world of what God has been doing. It was such the great joy and honor to see the

life changing in our students and how God has been using them in such a very powerful way to witness to the world and influence layers of society. This is what Teen Challenge is all about. I was privileged and invited to share one of the many other TC directors during the conference on sustainability. It was an amazing to me and bless my heart to see that Teen Challenge

Centers all over the world have the heart for sustainability and that they have been doing fabulous jobs when it comes to sustainability. Praise God!



## Ways you Can help

- \$100 monthly support for one student (including: shelter, food, medicine, skill trainings, clothes)
- Buy a 100kg of rice. It's around \$65
- Buy a box of bibles. It's around \$75
- Send a short term teams to the mission field.
- Sport equipments (football, foes bal, etc..)
- The startup of income generation program
- Word-of-mouth to others who have passion to help
- 3 laptops for students vocational training
- purchase a vehicle US\$25000
- offering for the building fund
- Help hosting friendship camp
- Adopt our whole program

## Praise God for:

- 3 students on training of motorbike repair course
- Our eco farm is booming and many aspects of TCC are advancing

## Prayer Requests

- General fund for TC ministry
- One more pick up truck for TC ministry
- Three hectors of land 30000US\$
- Staff and wisdom to direct the ministry.
- ECO Farm to blossom exponentially

### **OUR VISION**

Facilitate life-transformation for people with life-controlling problem, one person at a time, by the power of God.

### **OUR MISSION**

Develop qualitative program to help youth, adults and families with life-controlling problems become established in society through faith-based solutions

### **OUR CORE VALUES**

- We are Committed to help the students
- We are Honest to God and the people we serve and the relationship we have.
- We are Responsive to the needs of the people we serve
- We are committed to Integrity
- We are Stewardship
- We are Teamwork

## Testimony

### Life outside Teen Challenge

Un Saroth is 16 year of age and he has got 4 siblings. His mother had died, since he was 6. His father is motordup driver. Because of the family living condition is poor, they were sent to live with their aunty and uncle. Saroth and his other three siblings have to work outside to generate income to support their living everyday life with their aunty and uncle. He hooked up with friends outside and becoming a victim of glue sniffing and leading to use drug meth and drinking too much. And his life went on worse and worse due to a life without parenting supervision.

### Life with Teen Challenge Center

Saroth's oldest brother who was a Buddhist monk, knew of Teen Challenge Center was in the local area. He himself was not able to help me, and he had persuaded me to Teen Challenge Center to receive help for my life.

Saroth says of Teen Challenge Center,



*At the Teen Challenge Center they counseled me, taught me various skills, and helped me to realize the dangerous path I was walking down, helped me to start taking responsibility for my life and find a good pathway to becoming a constructive member of society. They introduced me to God, and it is God who changed me.*

### Independence for the future

Now that Saroth has graduated from Teen Challenge Center, he now is attending motorbike repair course with Project Future Organization in Phnom Penh for another nine months training course.

Saroth has been financially supporting

by his uncle on a regular monthly basis for such training course, and with also the supports from Project Future Organization and Teen Challenge Center.

Saroth says of himself and Teen Challenge, *In the future, I would like to open up a small motorbike repair shop to support back my family. I also want to say sincerely thank you Teen Challenge very much for their hard work to get me to this place.*



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