



Stitches of **HOPE**

March 2015

HOPE NEWS

Hello Friends!

2015 is already flying along and **Stitches of Hope** is achieving amazing changes in the lives of our people in Cambodia this year. We hope you are all planning to have a great year in all that you do.

The **Stitches of Hope** projects are all poised to bring more hope and opportunity to the Cambodian people we love so much with our new In Country Director, Punnreay taking on his new position with wonderful enthusiasm and passion. We are so excited about the future!! Chanthy and Seyla, who are working with Punnreay, also have compassionate hearts to meet the needs of the children and people who can often be in desperate situations.



As always the need to fundraise is at the forefront of our commitment to our projects. We presently have 12 staff which includes our administration team, two teachers at our Chrey Vien Community School, a music teacher, an English teacher, three carers and a tuk tuk driver at our Children's Home; all of whom receive a monthly wage. The children's lives are being changed with regular schooling, education in hygiene, skills training, sanitation, personal security, nurturing and love which is so encouraging and exciting to see.

We are so grateful for the success of our project in Chrey Vien at the **Stitches of Hope Development Centre** where 80 plus children who live locally come daily for extracurricular education in English, Maths, Khmer, Bible and hygiene. These children are excited to have this opportunity and come along happy to receive this extra education which will give them all more opportunities for employment and a better future. On our recent SOH Team visit there in November 2014 everyone enjoyed listening to the children recite in English with great gusto! Puthea and Chanthou, our two teachers, are doing a wonderful job! New desks, upgrading of lighting and the installing of fans will enable classes to be held in the evenings. There are plans to provide areas outside for recreational games, an overhead water supply and to plant fruit trees for produce and to enhance the area within the fenced complex. None of this would be possible without the continued generosity of our wonderful supporters, we appreciate you so much!



Moses teaching music to the children



Srey Pov teaching the children English



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OUR MISSION: Bringing Hope to Cambodia, by raising awareness and providing much needed aid.



School children at Chrey Vien Community School



The newly completed entrance at Chrey Vien



Teachers Chanthou and Puthea at Chrey Vien

We invite you to our first major fundraiser this year which will be a **'Dinner with Entertainment'** at the Stirling Arms Hotel in Guildford on Saturday, 9 May 2015 and we would love you to come along and join us for this special fun-filled evening! This event is being held in conjunction with Swan Districts Rotary Club and will include a sumptuous meal while enjoying the excellent music of The Rotary All Stars Band at a cost of \$80.00 per person. There will be auctions, raffles and loads of fun for all. Tickets will be available through www.trybooking.com/HBSF. Make sure you put this date into your diary and be there with your friends! The next SOH Team Trip later in the year will probably be in November. Think about coming along - you will have an amazing life-changing experience. More news about this later!!!!

Once again thank you all so much for making a difference in so many lives!

With love and best wishes

Kay and the SOH Board



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Please consider becoming a **Monthly Partner with Stitches of Hope** to help support the wonderful projects that are being carried out. It is such a worthwhile organisation and we are appealing to you for your help with the ongoing running costs each month especially now that the US dollar value has dropped so much and we have a large commitment which includes food, power, water, transport, education, clothing, medical and wages to maintain. We would love to have you come on board with us to partner in this very exciting and worthwhile work.

If you are willing and able please complete the details below to contribute and receive a blessing.



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