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# Cambodia

### **Provisional Annual Conference**

Population: 17,123,000

Evangelical Christians: 2.04%

• FM Work Opened: 1994

FM Churches: 28

Daniel Sar Sokhapong

FM Membership: 1,217

Superintendent: Daniel Sar Sokhapong

 Ecclesiastical Accountability: FMWM through Asia Area Director Eric



# Cambodia

## The Free Methodist Church in Cambodia

### **Origins**

Rev. Sok Em and his wife, Savy, became Christians while they were living in a refugee camp in Thailand. Sok received Bible training while there. In the late 1980s, the Ems and their three children immigrated to Canada. In 1992 Rev. Em, an ordained member of the Canadian General Conference and supported by the Canadian Free Methodist Church, returned to his village of Prek Thei to begin the work in Cambodia. The Cambodian Free Methodist Church officially began in 1994 as a project of the Asia Pacific Free Methodist Missions Association (APFMMA), with the Hong Kong Free Methodist Church responsible for supervision.

#### **Present Ministries**

Many current church members have converted from Buddhism. Thriving ministries include three ICCM child-development centers, church-planting initiatives, and micro-enterprise projects to support pastors and provide income for church members. Superintendent Daniel Sar has the vision to see over 300 new churches planted by 2030. The church in Creative Access-HK has mission work in Cambodia, including a school. Kurmal International School, located on the Phnom Penh ministry center campus, began classes in 2011; the school will eventually offer quality education for grades K-12.

### Pray for:

- the goal of planting 21 new house churches in outlying provinces this year
- the three ICCM centers, specifically for the social and spiritual development of children from impoverished areas
- healing, wisdom and resources from God to meet the needs of church members
- the spiritual strength of pastors and growth of believers
- challenging new sociopolitical climate