THE MINISTRY OF WAT PRE JESU

Dear Church Family:

Nineteen years ago on December 22, 1996, during the first group mission trip I was privileged to lead to Cambodia, I took the team to Siem Reap to tour Ankor Wat and the other Ankor temple ruins in that huge area. While there, we met a missionary couple, Tim & Wendy Maddocks, who had just resigned from ADRA Cambodia. Their plans were to go independent and by using their entire life savings were purchasing some land to start an orphanage for children who had lost their parents to AIDS.

Their humble commitment to God and the mission He had laid on their hearts inspired me to take subsequent Cambodian mission teams to Wat Pre Yesu in order to meet the Maddocks and to see what God is doing there. In these past 19 years, the Collegedale Church has been one of Wat Pre Yesu and SALT Ministries supporting organizations.

The orphanage has been hugely successful. Soon they started a K-12 school which has grown to serve hundreds of students not only from the orphanage but also the surrounding villages. During the last Collegedale Church trip we specifically focused on that school and helped them start building a dorm and cafeteria. The cafeteria now bears the name; ?Collegedale Church Dining Hall?.

Tim and Wendy have started a religious radio/television station which employs and trains their orphans. They have started numerous health, evangelism and church planting ministries, again training and sending out their orphans and school students. What is truly amazing is ALL they have been able to do in the past 19 years has been without being on the church?s payroll, or having any organized church support. Can you imagine feeding and housing over a hundred orphans. Running a boarding school almost the size of AW Spalding with no organized church income and tuition that often amounted to a few eggs a month? It
has all happened through the financial support of people all over the world such as our members who have continued to give to the support of our Church’s Cambodian Orphans fund.

The following is the latest newsletter report from Tim and SALT ministries. I wanted to share it with you to encourage you to know your donations through the past ten years have been able to grow God’s Kingdom in that part of the world in ways we will only know once we get to heaven.

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