

How Your Team Can Make a Difference at New Life Fellowship Cambodia

New Life Fellowship has been blessed with many anointed individuals and teams coming here to strengthen us and lift up our hands in the ministry here. Even though you come for a short time, you truly can make a difference. Sometimes you may leave from Cambodia and not be sure of the difference that you made, but I want to ensure that I see the difference. Take our worship team for example. Our worship team is regularly invited to lead worship for national and international events, some with as many as 25,000 people. Yet, none of our musicians or singers had any type of musical background before coming to NLF. They've been trained by various individuals that have come over and invested their time and energy into these people.

Another example is Pastor Sotha, who is one of pastoral staff in Phnom Penh and also the first founding member of NLF. Sotha was introduced to the Lord before the Khmer Rouge regime by a group of westerners that were teaching children Christian songs in a park. They were probably a short term team who had no idea what kind of seeds they were sowing. However it wasn't till 1994 when Sotha gave his life to the Lord when someone on another short – term team gave him an English New Testament which he started reading and then gave his life to the Lord.

One final example is NLF's administrative and organizational capacity. I often hear comments on how organized and structured we are (we may be doing well but we still have a long way to go!). The fact of the matter is, though, that for most of the staff at NLF, NLF is the first place they've ever worked. But they've been trained and supported by many great men and women of God from around the world who have come and lent their skills and gifting to them and enabled them to serve God more efficiently. My point is that no matter what your skills and gifting are, you can make a difference here.

Below I've listed some various possibilities of ministry that you or your team may want to be involved in. The two most important things to make your time valuable here are attitude and communication. Please come with an attitude to serve and be flexible. Also please let us know how you think you could contribute or areas that you are interested. Here are some possibilities:

1. We have an **Office Skills Training School** with more than 1,000 young people studying computer, English, office skills and basic management 5 days per week:
 - Teach English, Computer, make friends and share the Gospel with students in our classes
 - Hang out in our "Resource room" to make friends with students, share the Gospel, get people out to the Church services
 - Conduct training for our teachers on basic English/Computer teaching techniques
 - Teach a seminar on any of the follow topics
 - § MS Word Products Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook, Access
 - § Basic Management skills for an entry-level manager
 - § Office Skills for entry level worker
 - § Personal Management of time, priorities, schedule for the individual and in the work place

2. We have **Community Enabling Healthcare**, our primary healthcare department:
 - § Help our staff with office work such as report writing, organizing, etc.
 - § Conduct a seminar dealing with hygiene, nutrition, specific diseases and illnesses in Asia and particularly Cambodia. (It will cost between \$100 and \$150 for us to bring our CEH volunteers in from the provinces for a two-day seminar)
 - § Training our staff in other skills

3. We have a **Children-at-Risk Department** sponsoring over 80 at risk children:
 - § Visit the children in the city and provincial villages and help do reviews
 - § Assist the office staff in writing reports, proposals, and correspondence with donors and other office needs
 - § Conduct training on child counseling techniques
 - § Organize and sponsor a fun day for all the sponsored children or all the sponsored children in a specific region

4. We have an **Agricultural Training Department** focusing on the rural villages:
 - § Visit the projects and make recommendations
 - § Train our staff in basic agricultural concepts

4. We always have **Construction Projects** (we would need you to cover the expenses of the projects):
 - § Painting Churches/Community Centers
 - § Planting trees, flowers at Church grounds
 - § Decorating the inside of a Church/Community Center
 - § Build a children's playground
 - § Build or repair a home for a pastor
 - § Build an outhouse for a Church with no outhouse.

6. We have the **Joy Club**, our ministry to street children:
 - § Assist in the main outreach on Thursday afternoons from 1 to 5pm. You can assist by singing/dancing/preaching/games, hairdressing, health care, food and clothes provision, providing small bottles of soap, shampoo, dishwashing soap, soya milk, noodles, etc.
 - § Join the weekly visitation the slums and minister to the people or deliver gifts such as bags of rice, noodles, clothes, etc.
 - § Conduct training for the children's workers

7. We have over sixty **Churches in the Rural Villages**. They are usually very poor. Some of them meet in Church buildings, others in homes:
 - § Conduct and sponsor a children's outreach (sing songs, do a Gospel presentation, play games, make a simple craft from available materials, provide some fruit or cookies for snacks)
 - § Visit the homes of the villagers encouraging and building relationships with them.
 - § Lead a youth outreach in a village Church
 - § Sponsor and conduct a Bible seminar for the Christians in the village
 - § Teach English in the English classes held at the rural Churches

8. We sometime have **Medical Outreaches** both in Phnom Penh and in the rural areas:
 - § Sponsor and conduct a medical outreach in several villages, often ministering to up to 300 patients per day.
 - § Sponsor and conduct dental clinic outreaches
 - § Sponsor and conduct eye clinic outreaches

9. We have a **Christian School** that started in 2006 with K – 3rd grades and adds a great each subsequent year:
 - § Conduct training for the teachers and staff
 - § Conduct a school assembly for the children, providing them something fun and interesting to learn
 - § Help teach English during the students English class time
 - § Construct a playground or other structure for the school.

10. We have **Next Step Houses** which are our dormitories for men and for women:
 - § Have a meal with the young people and encourage them or share from your life or the Bible
 - § Help decorate part of or all of the house
 - § Conduct training on life issues for the young people living at the dormitories

11. We have **Children's Church** every Sunday:
 - § Assist the children's workers in leading the Children's Church on Sunday (lead songs, teach a Bible lesson, lead a game or craft or activity)
 - § Conduct training for the children's workers
 - § Paint and decorate the Children's Church facility.

12. We have many **Office Staff** that are involved in various aspects of administration:
 - § Work together and/or assist our office staff, IT staff or media staff
 - § Lend your expertise or skill to any of our office staff, IT staff or media staff by teaching or giving tips.
 - § Arrange daily times to tutor our staff in the English language (they all have some grasp of English already)

13. We have many **Business People** or people that are called to business in the Church:
 - § Conduct a training seminar to give practical tips or basic principles of business, money management and Christian principles
 - § Visit various Christian business and give helpful advice to their business

14. We have a large **Worship Team** with many singers and musicians:
 - § Train individual members of the worship team in singing or music
 - § Conduct a training seminar for the members of the worship team
 - § Teach members of the worship team how to play a new instrument (harmonica, violin, trumpet, etc)

15. We have occasional **Men's and Women's Ministry**:
 - § Conduct counseling for those who need counseling
 - § Conduct a men's or women's meeting

There are many other types of ministry that are possibilities for short term teams and we are open for discussion for types or variations or ministry that are not listed on this document. We really need your input on what you would like to be involved with and need your help in *being involved in part of the planning process*. Please don't hesitate to let us know how you think you may be able to serve though we can't guarantee that we'll be able to accommodate every request. We will also put our suggestions together with your suggestions in order to come up with an effective schedule for ministry.

We are truly looking forward to having you with us here in Cambodia and believe that your time here will make a lasting difference in many people's lives.

Abundant Blessings,

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