

OMAHA PARTNER CHURCHES / SCHOOLS UPDATE Building a Garuna Christian School in Prey Veng, Cambodia In Partnership with Garuna Ministries Update #4: January 2, 2023

INTRODUCTION: Happy New Year!! Your construction is really happening, and it is so much fun to share the updates and photos with you all. Construction is divided into 4 phases: 1) Property purchase and title confirmation (DONE); 2) Soil fill on the property because much is needed to create a solid foundation for what was previously a rice field (DONE); 3) Building

of the perimeter wall on the entire property to surround the soil that has been filled and to provide a protective wall to secure the school. 4) Building Construction—the fun part!

SOLID FOUNDATION: Because your school is built on land which was once a water-filled rice field, there is a LOT of dirt brought in to create a solid foundation. In the past 2 weeks, that work has been happening and is now finished! These photos show some of that



work as you notice the dirt being brought in. You can see the great contrast in the original level and the new dirt level to prevent flooding on the campus.



DIRT COMPACTION: Once the dirt is brought in to a level sufficient for the solid foundation needed, the compaction is completed. Next step? A perimeter wall will be built to keep this soil in our grounds and to provide a foundation for the construction to follow!

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THE NEIGHBORS: Your new neighbors are very excited about this project and are often seen watching the workers prepare the ground. And your new principal and vice principal are now on Garuna's payroll to begin the process of overseeing this work, and continuing ministry to the village. They are excellent leaders. We can't wait for you to meet them!

CHRISTMAS TIME IN PREY VENG:

During the past few weeks, Garuna provided funds for Christmas outreach events at all our schools, including Prey Veng 2. It was a wonderful gathering for the community. The gathering involved the children and the village adults who were excited to join in. There are such great opportunities for outreach here!





WHAT'S NEXT? You will receive updates every 2-3 weeks now that work is beginning at a faster pace! You may also go to the Google Drive link below to retrieve the photos in this newsletter for use at your congregations, Bible study groups, school, or other small groups! https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1mAYWLin7rIIt_hEn9nOIXB9LQ8mw9pf8?usp=s hare_link

2023: It will be a great year for your school and church partnership in Cambodia!

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