



PRAY FOR EAST ASIA

Pray for Cambodia

You were shown these things so that you might know that the Lord is God; besides him there is no other.

— Deuteronomy 4:35

Country Profile

About Cambodia

Cambodia was a powerful kingdom between the 7th and 14th centuries. Its priest-kings built the great temples of Angkor and exerted influence over much of Indochina. Today, Cambodia is one of the poorer nations in the world, where the devastating effects of the Khmer Rouge regime (1975-1979) are still being felt. Despite much redevelopment over the last 30 years, the general population - particularly in the poorer countryside - continues to suffer from inadequate education, healthcare, and basic infrastructure.

The Church

The Church has grown significantly since the 1990s. Recent research estimates that there are over 250,000 believers in over 2,700 churches. However, growth is slowing, and there is a widespread recognition that ongoing evangelism must be accompanied by good discipleship and leadership training.

OMF in Cambodia

OMF missionaries began serving in Cambodia in 1974, not long before Phnom Penh fell to the Khmer Rouge. Although forced to leave the country in 1975, they continued ministering to Cambodians in refugee camps along the Thai border, and were able to return to Cambodia in the early 1990s. Today, OMF workers serve in a wide range of ministries among the Khmer and minority peoples.

Population

- **Total:** 16 million people
 - *(figures from Joshua Project)*
 - **Khmer:** 88.6%
 - **Chinese:** 1.4%
 - **Vietnamese:** 5%
 - **Cham:** 1.5%
 - **Others:** 3.5%



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Religions

- **Buddhist:** 85.1%
- **Traditional/Animist:** 6%
- **Muslim:** 2.2%
- **Christian:** 3.2%
- **Other/Non-religious:** 3.5%

Lord, we ask for you to bring continued restoration and hope to the people of Cambodia through relationship with You. We pray for wisdom and justice from the leaders of the country. Please grow and protect your church. God, thank you for your powerful gospel bringing not just salvation, but also transformation in the hearts, minds and lives of those who trust in you. We ask that you would grow Christians in Cambodia in submitting every part of their lives to you. Please use your people to boldly take the good news of Jesus to those who have not had a chance to hear it yet.