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"If you have come here to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come here because your liberation is bound up with mine, let us journey forward together."

Indigenous Elder



An initiative of the Mercy Young Adult Network, a ministry of the Institute of the Sisters of Mercy

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Let's Do it Together!

MERCY

Cross-Cultural Pilgrimage

Cambodia

15th -25th January 2011





The Mercy Cross-Cultural Pilgrimage is aimed at leaders, wishing to learn more about growing communities committed to justice and compassion. It has a particular focus on understanding a 'Mercy' way of being and working that includes the exploration of a Mercy Spirituality that is relevant and nurturing in our global world. As there are limited places, applications will be considered in order of their arrival.

The program provides a unique opportunity to be in partnership with young people living in Cambodia; who will also participate in the program. To enable this to happen, each participant is required to fundraise a **further \$370.** This will cover the Cambodians for their: participation in activities, accommodation, meals, and internal transfers.

There will be a preparation weekend on the 11-12 December 2010 that will allow participants to prepare their head, heart and hands for going to Cambodia. This weekend will also be an excellent opportunity to get to know others who you will be journeying with.

Applications are open until **8 October 2010** for young adults interested in walking with the Cambodian people, hearing their stories, appreciating their history, learning about their culture and faith traditions. It will be an opportunity to experience Mercy in Action.

PROGRAM

During your time in Cambodia you will meet, join, learn from and celebrate with some amazing people. Some of the experiences include:

- visiting villages with the Cambodian teams from Jesuit Social Services where we will interact with projects supporting school children, people with disability and landmine survivors.
- visiting several of the famous temples with the Cambodian people who live in the villages nearby. We will also have the opportunity to visit one of the temples with some teachers and people with disabilities which is a wonderful way to experience the Cambodian Culture - both living and traditional.
- Interacting with the children and families in villages and assisting some of the learning through games and nonverbal communication.
- Listening and sharing stories with Refugees and people who have landmine injuries.
- Engaging in some community service work with local young people.
- Participating in a Mercy and Justice Seminar with Cambodians.

Cost: \$500 AU including preparation, accommodation, meals, internal transfers, temple pass, handbook and journals.

Does not include your flight, visa, passport, insurance, personal spending money or immunisations.