

# Timbella

## Foundation



# THE NEWSLETTER



"Changing the World by Helping  
Others in Need"

*Timbella Foundation believes in helping children and families in need, locally  
and globally, by partnering with other organizations that share the same  
mission.*

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# LOCAL

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Local Missions is continually connecting with locals to provide information on resources and events

## Family Fall Fun MeetUp Review

Timbella Foundation decided to create their first Family Fall Fun MeetUp for any families interested in hanging out and having some fun at Wicked R Ranch Productions in Dover.



Timbella Foundation hopes to provide other MeetUp opportunities for families throughout the year. Keep an eye out for future events and flyers!



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Mommy&Me Missions Outreach is continually connecting with local events and resources to help mothers find further support.

I met Christ  
through M.O.P.S.

MOPS Coordinator  
Melody Elgesem



## Local Resource: MOPS

Helping children and families in need is the cornerstone of how Timbella Foundation hopes to "change the world". This hope is heavily achieved not only through the connections Timbella Foundation creates with other like-minded organizations, but by providing information on local resources available to men, women, and children.

Although basic needs are vital to human survival, Jesus states in Matthew 4:4 that there is something more than just bread by which man lives on: *Spiritual Food* -- better known as the Word of God.

A local branch of the international organization called "Mothers of Preschoolers" (MOPS) is aiming at providing just that!

The Camden branch re-launched in August of 2022 after pausing during the initial Covid shutdown. Branch Coordinator, Melody Elgesem, shared at the initial meetup that MOPS was where she first heard of Christ.

MOPS not only provides mothers a place to meet other moms and provide their children with educational crafts and healthy activities, but it also feeds mother's spiritually. For a donation of \$35, mothers have access to this resource.

Sponsorships are available for those unable to afford the donation which goes directly into kids craft materials and snacks.

By Becky Anderson

Interested in joining MOPS? Contact Melody at 302-359-3405  
See Flyer Attached at the end of this newsletter for more info



## GLOBAL

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## CAMBODIA

By Becky Anderson

## Bom On Touk

One of the best times of the year to travel to Cambodia is in the month of November due to low rainfall and warm temperatures. Timbella Foundation's first Cambodia Missions Trip was originally planned to take place on November 2022 for this particular reason! Not only is the weather during this time more agreeable, but one of Cambodia's most popular celebrations occurs during this month: Bom Om Touk (Water Festival)

The Water Festival celebrates the reversal of flow between the Tonle Sap and Mekong Rivers over a period of 3 days across the country. Although the festivals can be seen throughout Cambodia, the most popular festival location is at it's capital, Phnom Penh. The festival is best known for it's boat races. Fireworks, delicious foods, concerts, giant floats, and large crowds are experienced as well.

The Cambodian Water Festival was first celebrated in the 12th century, during which the King's Navy helped usher in the Cambodian fishing season. These festivities were tied into their spiritual and religious beliefs, as it was believed to make the gods happy and secured good harvest of rice and fish in the upcoming year. It is also believed it was a way for the King to prepare his navy for battle. " There are carvings at Bayon Temple, at Banteay Chmear that show naval battles similar to the boat races in present-day celebrations," reported by the Phare Circus writer on their blog.

Despite the necessary delay of the Cambodia Missions Trip Nov. 2022 (see Issue No.5's Cambodia Trip Delay article at the end of this newsletter), Timbella Foundation continues to support the children's orphanage/home as was originally intended and plans to continue fundraising for Cambodia Orphanage support until another missions trip is organized. Thank you for your prayers and support!

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## C A M B O D I A

By Becky Anderson

## Cambodia Trip'22

The third week of October 2022 marked this year's Cambodia Missions Trip that was originally scheduled for November, but due to travel restrictions, the Founder of Timbella Foundation found an opportunity to connect individually and represent the Global Missions department in efforts to maintain connection and provide support despite the reschedule of the Group Missions Trip.

During this trip, a music camp at the Orphanage was organized and music to underprivileged children was provided (see image below).



Parsons traveled with support raised for keyboards that had been donated through the foundation efforts for Cambodia. Efforts are currently in the works to provide ongoing music lessons for these under privileged children at the Orphanage.

The delays of the group missions trip for November 2022 did not hinder any of the efforts obtained throughout the year, as the main purpose was to provide aid and music opportunities for the children at the Orphanage. With the representation of the Global Missions department of Timbella Foundation, Stitches of Hope was reassured of the intentions of ongoing support for their Orphanage and collaborative on an important effort in Cambodia.

If you are interested in missions work and would like to participate in our Global Missions department, please contact us. Voluntary work may include aiding with fundraising, planning mission trips, and joining the newsletter team.

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## GLOBAL

## CAMBODIA 2022

## "God did above and exceedingly more!"

reported Timothy Parsons, founder of Timbella Foundation (TF) as he described the original goal of the missions trip to Cambodia was to offer a one-week music camp for the children at the Orphanage

Although the original focus of this missions trip was the Music Camp, TF was also able to set up an official partnership with the largest Christian school in Cambodia called *New Life Fellowship (NLF)*.

*"They had an after school program piano class established but only for their private students. We asked if we could use their same facility and teacher to open the doors for kids that couldn't afford classes,"* stated Parsons.

At the end of that conversation, TF provided *NLF* with their first check to cover the salary cost of a teacher for 6 months, which would enable 2 group classes a day to take place. Furthermore, a new music program launched at the Orphanage that Timbella Foundation will also be sponsoring monthly, which includes a daily group class and a lesson via zoom provided by Parsons.

By Becky Anderson

Let us dive deeper into this missions experience. Timothy Parsons describes for us, in a day-by-day journal entry below.

## The Missions Experience

By Tim Parsons

**Day 1 (Oct 16) Travel to Cambodia** takes 2 flights: tonight was the first flight, a 16 hour flight from JFK to Taiwan.

**Day 2: Traveling continues: Second flight from Taiwan to Cambodia (Phnom Penh).**

**Day 3: Arrived in Cambodia Tuesday Oct 18 at 12pm.** I was greeted by the Director of stitches of hope and got myself settled in the hotel, and then went to teach the first class of piano on the subject of *Introduction to Piano*. It was amazing to see the kids faces. Some of them I remembered from 4.5 years ago. they grew up so fast. They surprised me with a video team that documented the entire trip. We did some video promos before I left for the night. (Top photo is from that night)

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## Missions Experience Continued...

Day 4: On Wednesday Oct 19, we toured the city and then met with Sambath, one of my very first friends from Cambodia.



After the meeting, we went to multiple music stores to go buy keyboards to launch our very first music program at the children's home of Stitches of Hope (SOH).

We then taught the second class piano lessons on the subject of *Black Keys*, but this time they had keyboards. It was wonderful to see all of them be so engaged in wanting to learn to play the piano.



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Day 5: On Thursday Oct 20 we left at 7am to go to the Stitches of Hope Education School in the province of Chrey Vien. It was a 2.5 hour drive.

When we arrived we had 80 kids greet us with a beautiful song. Our Foundation fed all 80 kids lunch that day. Then we unloaded our keyboards and did a mini music day camp at the school. On our way out, we surprised them and donated a keyboard to leave at the school for them to learn.

We left at 3pm and I took the SOH leadership team out to eat pizza. When we arrived back in the city at 6pm I shared my heart for missions and Cambodia.





Day 6: On Friday Oct 21 we met with Pastor Mara and the New life Fellowship leadership team and over lunch shared the vision of launching a music after school program at their school.

Pastor Mara gave us a tour of the new school they built. And I got to see the new principal of the school, which happened to be a friend of mine I met during my first visit to Cambodia in 2008.

Later that day we got to see the private school piano class and I got to speak to them and show them some music. And then Take the Pov (Principal) and Vatanak out to eat to start the partnership.

Later that night we went to the children's home (Orphanage) to teach lesson 3 on the subject of the *Letters on the White Keys*.



Day 7: On Saturday Oct 22 We started the day with trying to buy more keyboards. I took the Video Director, Thea Rec, out for lunch to go over the video project to create the promo video of launching the first music program in Cambodia. Then we ordered our first Timbella Foundation Polo shirts, so the teachers in Cambodia can wear them when they teach the class.

We then did a special treat for the SOH children's home (orphanage) and took all the staff and kids (more than 30 people) on a boat dinner party. We played worship music all throughout the night and had a wonderful time of fellowship.





Day 8: On Sunday, Oct 23 We go to New Life Church and we have lunch with Pastor Samdy Leang, the Senior Pastor of the largest Christian church in Cambodia, to finalize the official partnership of Timbella Foundation offering a free music program to kids that can't afford their regular after school program piano class.



Later that day we did another music class on lesson 4 at the SOH children's home.

Day 9: On Monday October 24 I took a day off

Day 10: On Tuesday, October 25 I Taught the last music class on lesson 5 on the subject of *Learning How to Read Music on a Music Staff*. Then I presented the polo shirts to the teachers and said my goodbyes.

Day 11: On Wednesday October 26 I left Cambodia at 11am and arrived in the NY at 9:30pm and drove home and arrived at my house at 3am

### SPECIAL THANKS

We would love to give a very special thank you on behalf of Timbella Foundation for all the supporters of the Cambodia efforts via this organization. We continue to expect great things to come from these new programs and ask for prayers for those in need in Cambodia.



# Happy Thanksgiving

*from All of Us at*

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# UPDATE



LATEST MISSIONS UPDATE



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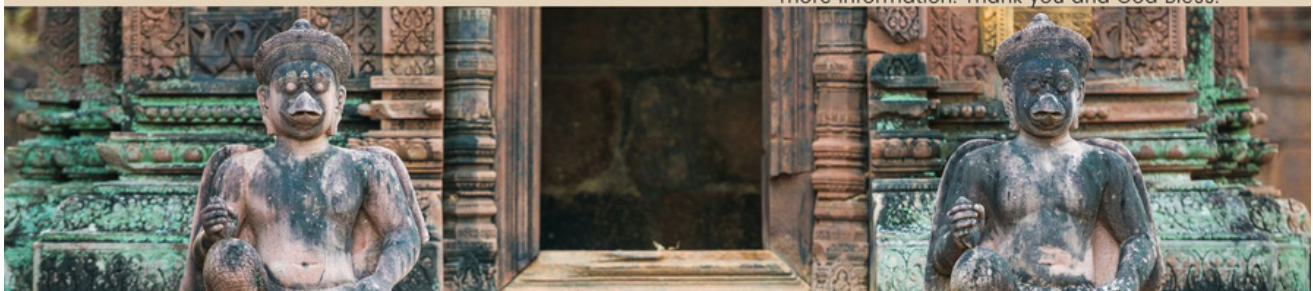
### Cambodia Trip Delays

"My main concern is safety. I would never want any of our teams to have to endure all these troubles I faced," stated Founder Tim Parsons after returning from a scheduled visit to Cambodia that did not arrive at its proposed final destination due to travel restrictions and logistic complications. Parsons' original goal was to visit Cambodia before the first Cambodia mission trip, originally scheduled for November 2022, to work out logistics and mission details. Timbella Foundation's (TF) first missions trip has been one of the main efforts at the forefront of TF's goals, as fundraising efforts have been continuous throughout the year. As many working parts must come together to make this mission possible, Parsons' logistical experience facilitated understandings which allowed important topics to be discussed.

Difficulties with travel restrictions, ongoing domestic and international delays, and safety issues were amongst the topics discussed and noted with the Foundation and Community Board Members. After much prayer and discussion, TF has chosen to delay the trip with intentions to make the trip in 2023, allowing for more time for global stabilization in regards to travel delays and restrictions that would interfere with using most of the team's time wisely whilst abroad. Not being able to maximize the time abroad would be a disservice to everyone involved, especially the children at the Stitches of Hope Orphanage. The delay would also allow for more team members to join and provide sufficient time to raise funds.

TF is believing in God's perfect timing and is grateful for more time to adequately prepare for this trip. Despite the delay, the efforts to aid this orphanage is the main goal. Therefore, the foundation recently gifted a \$2,500 donation to the orphanage for their aid. One of the goals of the Cambodia trip is to raise funds that would financially support the livelihood of the children at the orphanage, preventing these children from falling into the hands of human traffickers. This is the main heart of the efforts toward Cambodia, despite the team's delay. The Cambodia missions team was always aware of the possibility of the trip being postponed due to unknown travel and safety regulations – a topic that is reviewed frequently.

We want to thank everyone who continues to support this effort. Donations toward the Cambodia Missions Trip are still active and greatly appreciated as the team continues to work on mission details. If you are interested in joining the team, learning more, and/or supporting this cause, please contact us as [timbellamissions@gmail.com](mailto:timbellamissions@gmail.com) and please visit [www.onthestage.com/timbella-foundations](http://www.onthestage.com/timbella-foundations) for more information. Thank you and God Bless.



# FLYERS

## THE ART OF LIVING

### CREATIVES SMALL GROUP

A journey of discovering and  
uncovering the everyday trials of  
creatives with passion, power,  
and purpose

Every Wednesday  
at 7PM

Please contact us for location:  
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**MEETUPS**

HOSTED BY MOPS INTERNATIONAL

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022**

**9:30AM - 11:30 AM**

**Southside Baptist Church**  
**4904 S Dupont, HWY Camden, DE 19934**

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about this outreach