

Testimonies of former PKH Trainees

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4. What kind of challenges did you face when you started this course?

I had difficulties to adapt and to work during practical lesson especially when making stone benches and other heavy works. A small person like me has difficulties to carry the heavy things like cement, stones and pushing the wheel cart. I did not have enough strength to complete the work. I was very worried that when I finished the course and go for job then I will not able to do the work. Another difficulty is when I studied with English teacher (Audrey Tay), because I could not understand. But I tried to study hard to understand and to catch up with the lesson.

5. Would you like to recommend this course to your other friends and why?

I really want to recommend this course to my friends to study in PKH. PKH gives opportunities to the young poor Cambodian to study for free and have jobs. I want them especially to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

6. What is your experience of God?

Yes I have received Jesus as my Lord and Savior. I have accepted Christ since I was in Primary school. And I have learned more about Jesus while studying in PKH and I get to know more about him. I trust God that he will hold my future.



BACKGROUND:

My name is Try Vanthen, I am 20 years old. I am from Kandal Province. I have 4 sisters and 1 brother and I am the last child in the family. My parents are farmers. I have completed Grade 12 at Hun Sen Ang Snuol High School. My friends told me that PKH Centre gives opportunity to poor young Cambodians to study for free. I asked my friend to help me get the form to apply for study there. I was a bit hesitant because one of my eyes is defective and I was worried that PKH may not accept me. But I tried because I had no choice. After the interview a few days later, I called to check with Brother Vanny and then he told me that I was not selected to study in PKH but was in the KIV list. I felt hopeless and decided to go back to work with my relatives as construction worker. A week later, I got a call from Brother Vanny to tell that I have a chance to join the course because some of the selected students did not show up. Then I was very happy and quickly ask when I can come. Brother Vanny told me to start tomorrow. I studied Industrial Skills Course with Teacher Souvuth and studied English in the evening time with Teacher Audrey Tay. That time I do not know God yet and feel not interested to join the weekend activities (Living Streams Club). After a few months, God touched my heart and I know that I am a sinner and only God can save me through believing in Jesus Christ. I had repented and accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and saviour and I was baptised on 16 August 2014. When I finished my study at PKH Centre, Teacher Susan brought me and my classmates for interview for jobs or training in the hotels. Many of my friends were accepted only me and my short small friend Sun Sambo. Teacher Susan tried again to bring us to other hotels and finally I was accepted to work at Dara Airport Hotel. I thanked God for giving me this chance although I was not expecting it. But God can make it happen. I started work on 1st Dec 2014.



Name:
Try Vanthen

Hometown:
Kandal Province

Age:
20 years

Job:
Maintenance

Hotel:
Dara Airport Hotel