

...called a prayer meeting. Students and teachers knelt and pleaded before God in behalf of Forever. We asked that if God had truly called him, He would cause him to be so miserable that he could do nothing but return. We knew that such a return would only be a working of God in his heart, for the Cambodians are always afraid of "losing face." He would perhaps lose face in returning.

Back Again

Three days later, Merle had to go into Phnom Penh and when he returned we were all delighted to see Forever in the car with him. He had gone to Phnom Penh and had stopped at the home of his sister, who is not a Christian, and was waiting for money to enable him to get to his home. While there he became so miserable in heart that he could hardly sleep. He finally decided that if Mr. Graven came to Phnom Penh on Monday afternoon without being called, that he would return to school, taking that as a sign that God wanted him back here. As he returned to his dormitory room, he was given a real welcome and with face beaming and full of joy, he said, "The Lord has been working in my heart. It seemed that I just couldn't leave Phnom Penh. This is like the story of the ninety and nine. One sheep wandered away but now it has been found."



CAMBODIAN INSTITUTE STUDENTS

Forever is back in school and happy again. Please pray for him that he might grow strong in the Lord. We are sure that this experience has strengthened not only him but also the other students as they witnessed how God answered prayer. We will be counting on your prayers for us, too.

Sincerely in Christ,
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"FOREVER" STRUGGLES

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Dear Friends:

The Lord continues to give victories as prayers ascend to Him from those who are standing "in the gap" for Cambodia. Thus we relate how He answered in behalf of one of our Bible School students whose name is "Forever."

Hatred of God's Word

This young man is one of our first year young men. For two years he had attended the Youth Conference and did well in his classes, but left without finding forgiveness of sin. He is the son of a former pastor but hated the Bible and God. He tore up a copy of the Bible and a New Testament, both of which he had received as rewards. How he hated those Bibles!

Salvation Received

Last August he gave up a good job and returned again to the Youth Conference. He knew his unsaved condition and was under conviction and unhappy. Nevertheless, he resisted the Spirit's wooing until the last



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Sunday afternoon. After hearing a heart-searching message, he could not longer delay but went forward, along with several other young people, and wept his way to God.

He Becomes a Student

He returned home but felt that God was leading him to enroll in the Bible School, which started the following month. He had no money to get to Phnom Penh, but was given a ride there. Following that, God sent in all his fees. He studied hard and was doing quite well in his studies. All indications were that he was happy and contented.

He Forsakes It All

Suddenly and without warning, he arose before daybreak, packed all his belongings and left. When we heard the news, we im-