



Mission Inspiration

ANDONG CHROH CATHOLIC CHILD CARE CENTER KAMPONG CHAM, CAMBODIA



The Andong Chroh Catholic Child Care Center was founded in 2004 in Kampong Cham, about 120 km from Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh. From the beginning, it has been supported by the Missionary Childhood Association (MCA) and run by a team of dedicated volunteers. The Center was created to meet the urgent needs of families who struggle daily to provide for their children.



Each morning around 6:00 AM, parents bring their little ones to the Center before leaving for work. Most families earn their living as street vendors, farmers, or taxi drivers, and cannot afford childcare or early education.

The Center provides children with:

- Early childhood education for ages 3–5
- Nutritious meals: breakfast and lunch every day
- Safe, loving care in a faith-filled environment

Since 2004, the Center has made a lasting difference:

- 340 children welcomed between 2004–2018
- 280 children prepared to transition into public school successfully
- 30 children currently enrolled and cared for each day

Thanks to MCA's support, these children receive not only food and education but also the chance to grow in faith and hope for a brighter future.



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The Andong Chroh Center is more than a childcare program. It is:

- A mission of mercy, where children are loved, safe, and nourished.
- A place of learning, where education opens the door to new opportunities.
- A community of faith, where the youngest discover God's love and presence in their lives.

For parents, the Center is a lifeline, giving peace of mind while they work. For children, it is the first step toward education, dignity, and opportunity.



The **Missionary Childhood Association** helps make all this possible. Through MCA, children and families around the world join in prayer and sacrifice to support one another. By caring for children in Cambodia, MCA reminds us that every child is a missionary disciple—called to share faith, hope, and love with others. Together, we are raising up a generation of children who know they are loved by God and who can share that love with the world.

Prayer and Reflection:

Prayer

Loving God, thank you for the children at the Andong Chroh Center and for the volunteers who care for them. Bless their learning, their meals, and their friendships. Help us to remember that even small acts of kindness—like sharing, helping, or praying—can make a big difference in the lives of children everywhere. Amen.

Reflection Question

How can I share what I have—my time, talents, or prayers—to help other children around the world, just like the MCA helps children in Cambodia?



How You Can Help You can be part of this mission!

Your prayers and sacrifices provide:

- \$1 can help pay for daily meals for children in need
- \$10 can buy Books, toys, and classroom supplies
- \$25 can support training and resources for volunteers



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