



ARE YOU READY TO TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE?

www.cagliero.org.au

Newsletter #39

Our volunteers are amazing!

At this time of year, we are especially grateful for the wonderful volunteers we have out in the field. All of our volunteers, both in Timor Leste and Cambodia, are settled and starting to really contribute meaningfully to their placement communities.

I (Lauren) had the opportunity visit two of the volunteers in Cambodia and have written more details about that visit that are included below. We continue to be so grateful for the ongoing relationship we have with Cambodia.

Of course, our current volunteers are doing wonderful things and we are continually inspired by our volunteers who come back to Australia and New Zealand and do great things!

We are always so appreciative of our volunteers who stay in touch with us...we love catching up on what you are doing and hearing all your news!

There is lots happening over the next few months – preparation programs for the immersion group and mid-year volunteers and lots of youth ministry activities! No doubt there will be plenty more news by the next newsletter.

Have a blessed and safe Holy Week and Easter.

Much love, Lauren and Romina xo



Follow us on Social Media!

Follow us on Twitter
@CaglieroProject

Facebook: The Cagliero Project

www.cagliero.org.au

Visitation to Cambodia

By Lauren Hichaaba

Every year the same thing beautiful thing takes place. A Cagliero volunteer comes to us to be formed and prepared for their volunteer experience. Often, they know very little about their placement country, however, there is a willingness and an openness to the experience that ensures, that despite what they may not know, they are willing and open to learn so are going to be great.

Then something magical happens over the course of the next few months. The volunteer who left Australia, knowing very little, learns, immerses and slowly starts to learn about their placement and the young people with whom they are working.

It is a privilege to be able to visit volunteers a few months into their placement to experience the dramatic change that takes place over those few months. Pisila and Finnian, both based at Don Bosco Technical Centre in Phnom Penh, have been no exception.

In the few short months that they have been here both have learned immense amounts about Cambodia and the culture. More importantly over that short time they have already been able to forge relationships and trust with the young people with whom they live and work. Both have committed to an active



presence with the young people and it is evident from the way that they interact with the young, and the way the young interact with them, that this commitment to active presence has enable them to build genuine bonds with the young. A genuine relationship goes beyond culture and sees only the heart for what it is. To be witness to this is humbling and a privilege.

Pisila is working in the classroom teaching with a local teacher, Ream. She is also working very closely with the border girls who live on the Don Bosco Tech School campus. Finnian is teaching music and working and living with the border boys. Both volunteers are making great contributions in the

classroom however as described their real contribution is in the 'in between time' when simply being present with all the young people.

The Cagliero Projects relationship with Don Bosco Technical Centre has spanned nearly ten years. Cambodia is a missionary country with Salesian priests and brothers from all over this great world – the Netherlands, India, Philippines, Colombia, Italy, Vietnam and many more. It is wonderful for the Cagliero Project volunteers to be such an integral part of the rich missionary history in the making.



Cagliero news...

SALESIAN MISSIONS DAY 2019

Every year the Salesian congregation has a 'Salesian Missions Day'. This is an area of focus for the Salesian Family throughout the world. The 2019 Salesian Missions Day focuses on internally displaced people in Africa. There are some great resources available to help celebrate this theme. In particular there are some excellent videos that give a great insight into life in many of the African refugee camps where the Salesians are working.

In the Australia Pacific Province, we celebrate SMD over the course of a month. The Salesian Missions Month will take place from August 15th – September 15th, 2019. We invite you to look at some of the resources below as they highlight the wonderful work being done by the Salesians in Africa.

During this month please keep all missionaries in your prayer and remember that we all have a call to mission in our life!

Please refer to the following page for the SMD 2019 Prayer.

The resources can be found at the following link:
<https://www.bosco.link/Missions/45773>

WELL DONE

Two of our wonderful volunteers who spent their time in Samoa, Catherine (2013) and Katie (2016) have just completed two years of teaching in the Tiwi Islands. Both of these women were great contributors during their time in Samoa and we are so pleased that they offered their gifts and talents to the young people in the Tiwis. Well done Cat and Katie.



CONGRATULATIONS!

A huge congratulations to Melissa who volunteered at Don Bosco Technical School in Phnom Penh during 2013.

Melissa and her husband Neat have just welcomed the beautiful baby Alina into the world. Melissa met Neat after returning to live in Cambodia after her volunteer experience.

We wish all three of them many blessings for a beautiful – and hopefully a little sleep!

CAGLIERO APPLICATIONS

Cagliero applications for a mid-year departure close tomorrow! Please send us in your applications if you would like to be considered for a mid-year departure!

All the details can be found on our website:
www.cagliero.org.au

O God, Father of all,

in your love,
you remind us about the joy that we experience
in giving and receiving hospitality.

Help us to open our hearts to welcome everyone,
especially those who are far
from their country and their dear ones.

We present to you in particular the situation
of the migrants, refugees and internally displaced people
who are in Africa.

Grant that our hearts may allow your Spirit
to enlarge them, so that we too may
recognise angels in those we welcome
– the messengers of your presence –
whom you continue
to send into the world.

Amen.



Salesian Missions Sector
Salesian Headquarters
Via Marsala, 42 - 00185 Roma
Tel. (+39) 06 656.121
e-mail: cagliero11@gmail.com

Editing: Salesian Missions Sector
Photos: IME Comunicazione s.r.l.
Poster: IME Comunicazione s.r.l.

Graphics and printing: Tipolitografia Istituto Salesiano Pio XI
Tel. 06 7827819 / 06 7848123 • tipolito@donbosco.it

