

Full Gospel Assembly (FGA) Childcare Centre Overview

Location: Kampong Speu, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Nature of the Centre

The Full Gospel Assembly (FGA) Childcare Centre is dedicated to supporting underprivileged children, with a particular focus on those who have lost or are at risk of losing family support. These children come from diverse backgrounds—half are orphans, while the other half come from families facing extreme financial difficulties. Many children have been rescued from dangerous situations, including those affected by refugee migration. The centre provides a safe and nurturing environment, addressing the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the children.

History

The FGA Childcare Centre was established in 1996 by FGA Kuala Lumpur as part of Antioch Church's broader vision to assist street children. The Cambodian government provided a hectare of land, and the Ministry of Social Affairs requested that FGA Cambodia create a home to assist poor children in the Phnom Penh area. Prior to arriving at the centre, many children lived on the streets, collecting and selling recyclables such as plastic, scrap metal, and tin cans to survive. The centre serves as a refuge, offering a stable home and opportunities for education and personal growth.

Financial Support

The centre is sustained through a network of generous donors, with FGA Kuala Lumpur playing a central role in overseeing financial contributions. Funding supports food, shelter, clothing, education, healthcare, staffing, facility maintenance, and extracurricular programs. Donations come from church members, local and international sponsors, and fundraising efforts organized by the centre and affiliated churches. This support is vital in ensuring the children continue to receive quality care and opportunities for a brighter future.

Key Facts

- Number of Children: 38
- Age Range: 7–14 years
- Staff on Shift: 10

Education & Daily Routine

Monday–Friday school hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- 5:00 a.m. – Wake-up and morning preparations
- 6:00 a.m. – Breakfast
- 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – School
- 11:30 a.m. – Lunch (served at school)
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Return from school (depending on grade)
- 6:00 p.m. – Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Homework or scheduled activities

Scheduled activities include prayer meetings on Wednesdays, church services on Saturdays, and movie nights on Thursdays and Sundays. Bedtime is 9:00 p.m. The structured routine is designed to promote stability, discipline, and personal development.

Volunteer Opportunities

1. Assisting with Education

Volunteers can accompany children to school during the week and assist with English and computer lessons, helping them develop essential academic and practical skills.

2. Organizing Recreational Activities

Volunteers can organize sports, arts and crafts, team-building games, and other engaging weekend activities that build confidence, creativity, and teamwork.

3. Village Outreach

Volunteers frequently participate in village rebuilding projects, providing practical assistance such as repairing or rebuilding homes and supporting wider community development initiatives.