Advance #00779Z: Missionaries Around the World

Gary and Cindy Moon, United Methodist missionaries in Thailand, walk with the girls who live in an orphanage they founded in Chiang Mai. The girls they serve are orphans, and all are HIV positive.

Photo: Paul Jeffrey

Dear Friends at St. Andrew's UMC, Virginia Beach,

At Easter we celebrate the hope of the risen Christ. Through your partnership and generous support, we are able to share this hope as United Methodist missionaries serve in partnerships with local churches and communities all around the world.

I ask you to join me in continuing to pray for our ongoing work on behalf of the people we serve and those who are serving.

Thank you for your longtime commitment, prayers and participation in UMC mission and ministry.

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Thank you!

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Happy Easter!

Dear Friends.

It's again time to celebrate Easter! Our Jesus who came to save us is risen indeed!!! Halleluiah!!!

The Church in Cambodia happily celebrates Easter with the rest of the Christian World. We are very blessed to be celebrating Easter with the children with whom we minister - the orphans, the less privileged and out of school youths. It is a joy to see them happily dancing, singing and playing as we celebrate the Season. Thank you very much for this possibility to minister to them. Truly, God is very good. We feel and experience God's goodness through your generosity. Challenges are around. Yet, they are opportunities to bestow God's goodness to the needy especially here in Cambodia. Poverty lurks and we are saddened when we think we cannot do anything about it. Albeit with your continuous assistance, we can reach out to more and more less privileged children and their families. The harvest is plenty. We need your prayers and concrete assistance. As I roam around the country, whether in the cities or the villages, my heart grieves as I see people suffering. Lives are transformed. A child goes to school, graduates and gets a job. Families are being helped. Who can't be joyful to see them? This is our mission. One day I hope you could visit Cambodia to see and realize the vast disparities. With its fast development, the poor continues to be poor while others get rich. I thank God for this privilege to minister to them. Thank you for making this possible. I am your steward in caring for them. Please continue to stretch out your love to bring back their dignity as children of God and restore their hope. In behalf of these children and their families I sincerely express my gratitude. We spread the Gospel through our gifts. We make disciples. We help them believe in God. Jesus said, "Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I will be with you always to the end of the age. (Mt. 28: 19, 20) Happy Easter 2015!!!

I am attaching a picture draw by our children to express their joy and gratitude to all of you.

Very truly yours,

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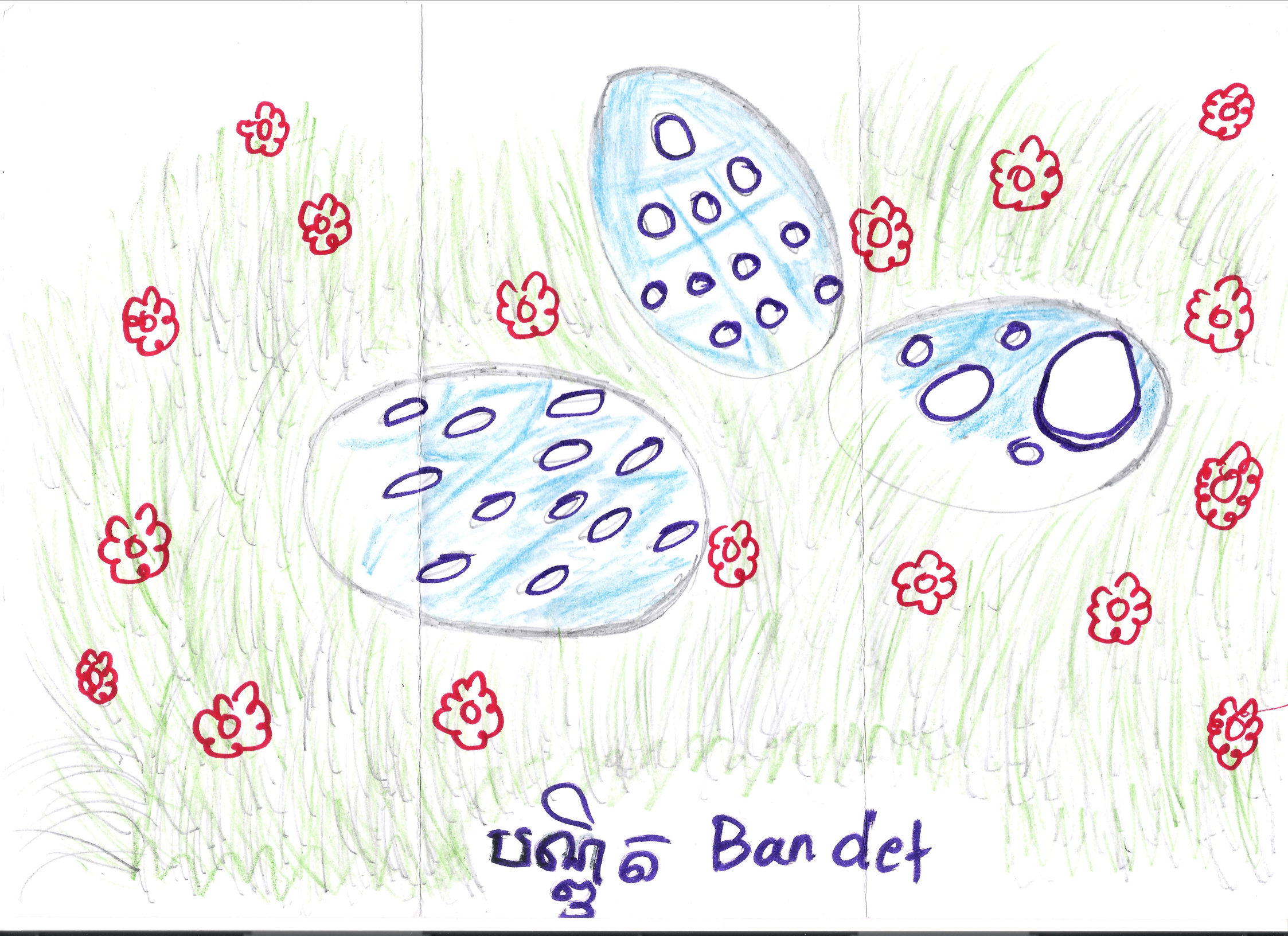
Happy Easter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