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‘Stay in Be Free, even when you have problems talk with the staff and keep going forward with God. I now have a certificate and a good job which I love and I’m so thankful for my time in Be Free and now my life is better.’ - S

‘When I talked to the staff in Be Free about where I could work full time I wanted to work in one place but God surprised me with an even better job. I thank God for changing my life, I thank Paul and all the staff in England for helping me have a better future than I could imagine.’ – S

These are quotes from two trainees who recently graduated from Be Free and are both working in full-time employment at a Christian run restaurant. We are thrilled when we pop in for lunch or dinner and see them working with big smiles on their faces. Their graduation ceremony was an opportunity to honour them and celebrate with them for completing their time in Be Free. We are so proud of them both and the manager at their place of work is delighted with how well they have both settled in and are a joy to work with.



In the same week of our graduation ceremony two new girls joined our program. On their first day one of our graduates called in to see us before she started work. We had devotions together and it was such a special moment as one girl who has completed her journey in Be Free gave advice to the two girls who were just commencing. It was a beautiful thing to witness as we, as staff, can encourage and give advice to the girls but to have someone who has actually walked in their shoes share from their experience and speak from the heart is priceless. During the year we regularly take the trainees to where the graduates are now working and it gives them hope and determination that they also can have a full time job which they enjoy and can be proud of.

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Our two new trainees have a 4 month old baby girl and an 8 month old baby boy and they are both being cared for in our Early Learning Centre; we are so thankful for this ministry and it is vital to enable the girls to be part of a program where they are content that their children are being looked after.

One of our trainees who graduated in May 2015 led worship for the first time at church this month and she did an amazing job! She has been part of the worship team since shortly after she came to Be Free and it was another big step on her journey with God. I took a photograph which I privately sent to her manager in work as I knew she would be thrilled and her response was 'that is just beautiful, thank you for sending that to me, my heart is full seeing this'. We are so proud of our girls with every achievement they make as we know they are doing it through the



strength of their Lord and Saviour. Through him their lives are changed forever, where there once was sadness there is now joy, when life seemed hopeless, they now have hope!

On behalf of the staff and trainees in Be Free Cambodia we want to thank you for your love, prayers and support during 2015. Without you we could not do what we are doing. We all play a part to make our vision possible 'to see lives restored, hearts mended and women with lives filled with God's joy and peace!' We are excited and expectant of what God is going to do in 2016 as we continue to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. It is our prayer to witness more women declaring 'Freedom in Christ', women who didn't know it was ever possible to 'Be Free'.

Closing words from Sokim, Be Free's manager –

First of all we thank God for what he has done in Be Free and then we would like to say thank you so much for your support which blesses us so much. This gives the girls such a good opportunity to change their life and have a new life in God. Please keep praying for us to be strong, patient and for the girls to keep God in their heart and follow him. Pray that Be Free Cambodia grows more and more this year. God bless you all.

