

Identifying and rescuing a young, at-risk child is just the beginning of our Ignite Program (previously Angel Rescue). The rescue, the provision of food, transport, clothes and immediate medical care are followed by placing the young child into a safe and secure environment. Here they can thrive in an atmosphere of nurture and care, and a flicker of hope is ignited in their young lives.

We would love for you to see the difference first hand that your donation makes in the lives of these precious children. That is not usually possible, so today we want to share just two stories with you.

### *Meet Srey Mey*



Srey Mey lost her father at a young age and her mother worked very hard to support her and her sister for many years. This hard work, at the neglect of her own health, has resulted in Srey Mey's mother becoming severely physically and mentally ill. For years local organisations supported Srey Mey and her sister within their home and ensured that they were safe and healthy. Recently Srey Mey's older sister got married and was forced to move away with her husband for work, leaving Srey Mey home alone with her mother. Her mother is now so ill that she is often not coherent and is totally unable of caring for and protecting her daughter. Local organisations have committed to the ongoing care of Srey Mey's mother. However they insisted that Srey Mey's situation was too risky for a young lady to be so alone. She was referred to Light of Hope where she came and settled in February 2020. Srey Mey has settled well into the study program and into living with a large family of girls. She was reticent and overwhelmed to start but is now more confident and has made some good friends.

### *Meet Rathana*






Young Rathana was referred to care at Light of Hope as a six-year-old boy who had never really known any stability in his short life. From local reports, he was left alone in the village by his parents as a toddler in the care of others while they went away to work. His parents made no contact with Rathana or his carers over many years, and no-one is sure where they are right now. The family that had been caring for Rathana are now no longer able. Once again, Rathana has been left without a home or a family. Rathana came into Light of Hope full of energy and vitality for life. He was sometimes uncompliant, as he had not been given boundaries in his life. But Rathana is learning fast that those around him care about him and his life here is secure. His future is looking bright.

Thank you again for your support of this worthy program and know that your funds are rescuing high-risk children or children already suffering trauma and indignity.

*Thank you for supporting me and loving me!*

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