

Xuyen Dangers, Global Ministries, Laos and Vietnam



Xuyen has been visiting the Region of Virginia and was our guest for one week. She spoke of the five children centers she has started in Laos and how she has reached out to children who have been the victims of trafficking, abuse and drugs. Her centers encourage the children to relearn their culture. They raise mushrooms for marketing and silkworms for their weaving. Children as young as five weave silk and cotton tapestries and can make their own looms giving them a lifeskill. They also make baskets. These centers promote art, music and drama while giving the children an education and keeping them in school and off the streets. Xuyen is the author of the first book written for children in Laos “*Tammakhung Forever*” ... about making green papaya salad, a dish served in all homes in Laos, Vietnam and Thailand. While here she visited Sandy Hook Elementary school and met with over 290 students. Savannah Cook was in one of the classes and helped prepare tammakhung on Sunday evening as Xuyen and Sue Sourisak hosted a Lao meal. Xuyen spoke and showed videos of the children on Saturday and Sunday morning, and also spoke at “The Lunch Bunch” on Monday. Xuyen has been employed by Church World Service for over 30 years and 10 years ago the government of Laos asked the United Nations to send her to their country to develop a children’s center similar to the ones she had started in Vietnam... and now there are five in Laos.



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Donations to support this ministry to youth can be sent to: Global Ministries, Office of Resource Development, P.O. Box 1986, Indianapolis, IN 46206 - make checks payable to **Division of Overseas Ministries**. Be sure and note Xuyen Dangers, Laos/Vietnam on your check.

Evelyn Glasscock, Luray, is representing Virginia on the Woman-to-Woman Bosnia.

Circle Responsibility – Flowers - Circle 2 • Christian Concern - Circle 4

October 1 - Circle 1 - meet Forrer Parlor at 1 p.m.

Circle 2 - meet Becky Craun at 7 p.m.

October 19-21 - Women’s Retreat in Blackstone

October 21 - District XI Assembly/Joint with UCC in Woodstock

October 27 - Fall Dinner - 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall - Benefit: CWF Programs

As threads are woven into cloth and transformed, so have we been transformed through Xuyen by connecting to women in Asia. We have been blessed to have met, worshiped and connected with her,
Ginny Hamrick, CWF President