We have helped over 135 young men in 2017 with one month still remaining. Considering there are 23,000 identified gang members in Fresno County, 135 sounds like a drop in a bucket. To get the full impact, we must look at the influence those 135 have on friends and loved ones.

We estimate for every gang youth we help, at least six others are lifted from a life of hopelessness and despair. Girlfriends, wives, moms, sons, daughters, close friends; all are impacted by a changed life. If six others make progress toward changing, 135 grows to 810. Now consider the impact those six others have on their friends and loved ones. The number grows exponentially.

Perhaps those we help this year will have a holiday season like never before. Maybe this will be the first time they can claim Christmas as the most wonderful time of the year. Thank you for helping make this happen through your monthly gifts.

Jobs are a key to success. Thank you to the many employers who caught the vision to help a young man turn his life around.


Thank you for your support in 2017. We look forward to helping even more young men and their families in 2018. May this Christmas season be one of joy and hope for your family.

Merry Christmas,
Roger Feenstra
We remember the reason for the season. "For unto us is born this day a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year

*It's the most wonderful time of the year* to think about stock market investments. The stock market is booming, and it is easy to make a donation of stock to Hope Now For Youth.

Hope Now for Youth, Inc. has an account with Ameriprise Financial for the sole purpose of receiving gifts of publicly traded securities. Upon receiving the securities, we immediately liquidate all shares and transfer the funds to the Hope Now general fund. This helps us finish the year strong and prepares us for 2018. There may be significant tax benefits from gifts of this kind.

Please provide the following information to your financial advisor or investment firm when making arrangements for the transfer:

1. Name of publicly traded security and desired number of shares to transfer.
2. Destination account number: 67844735.
3. DTC clearing number: 0756.

Cambodia Corner

Dr. Marty Martin, a member of our board of directors, after serving on a medical missions team to Myanmar, took time to make a *house call* to Phnom Penh.

He attended our Saturday Bible study and got to meet and encourage several of the young men in our Hope Now program. Thank you, Dr. Marty, for being a part of our team!