



Helen de Leon Camarce is a missionary of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church currently serving as Treasurer the Cambodia and Southeast Asia Missions. She has been a GBGM missionary for 23 years.

The Cambodia Mission, which is inter-Methodist, and the United Methodist Southeast Asia Mission are fast growing. As of August 2011, there were more than 400 congregations in the four countries. Each involves missionaries and expanding church and community development, including women, youth and children outreach and building projects. The growth is projected to continue well into the future, necessitating a regional treasurer to provide leadership in fund management and to equip local Methodists to assume financial responsibilities.

Prior to her current assignment, Helen was Global Ministries' regional mission auditor for Asia, and earlier served for 10 years as the agency's area financial executive based in the Philippines.

Helen has always convey in her training modules "that every blessings that we receive, big or small, all these belong to God that we should account for and we should be good stewards."

Aside from her work fund management leadership and training treasurers of local Methodist in Cambodia and other Southeast Asia Mission, she is also serve as the Coordinator of Women's Program which includes Women Livelihood, Women Empowerment and Young women scholarship.

She believes in the hardship and struggles of being born as a woman in Southeast Asian countries which is mostly patriarchal in culture especially here in Cambodia. Giving them the education, knowledge and skills to participate in the family and the community's development and economy, gives them the confidence and to learn to value themselves as a daughter, a wife, a mother and a member of the community.

Originating from Manila, Philippines, Helen has been an active member of the Philippine Central Conference, a woman leader of the Women's Society of Christian Service (WSCS) of the UMC in the Philippines.

Helen is a member of the Parañaque Central United Methodist Church in Parañaque City, Philippines. She lost her husband in 2019 in Cambodia. And her three children, Jielen Monica, Jamel Lorenzo, Amiel Tristan and 3 grandchildren are in the Philippines.

Her sister's family is in New Jersey and a member of Princeton UMC.

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