



Borneo News

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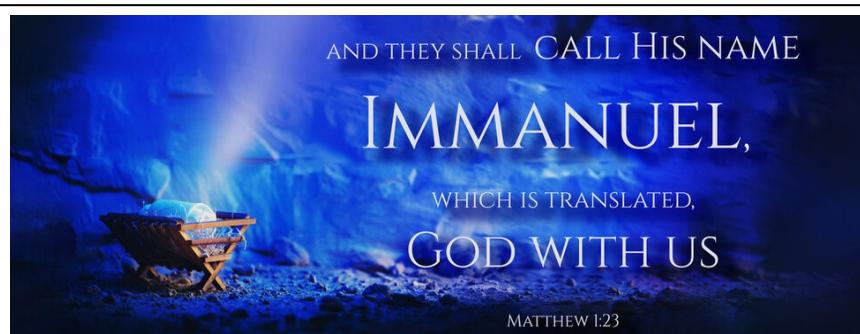


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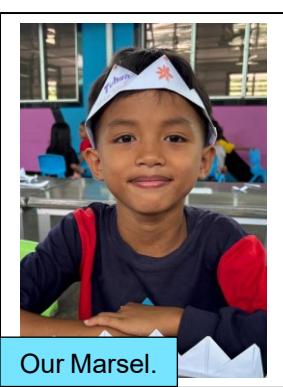


Some of our home-grown church-planters who are doing a tremendous job in various remote regions sharing the love of Christ in the midst of some pretty wild challenges. Awesome to hear how many, young and old, are coming to Christ and being baptized.



May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation – the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ - for this will bring much glory and praise to God. Phil 1:11

Warm greetings from us all here in the jungles of Borneo. We trust you are doing well and enjoying each new day with the Lord. The year has zoomed by and we are approaching yet again the last month of the year which is full of festivities, weddings, Christmas and New Year celebrations and school holidays as well as lots of work.



Our Marsel.

Looking back at 2025 we can only rejoice and marvel at how God has sustained and blessed us each day, each week and each month this year. It truly is a miracle how He provides us with more than 3000 meals a day, one million liters of fresh clean water each day from 9 springs on the property, electricity 24/7 due to the incredible amazing generators He has blessed us with through some amazing people, and a wonderful team of dedicated people, young and old, locals and missionaries, who are sold out for Jesus who are here to serve Him in whatever way, to help care for our tribal children and youth in every way and showing them the way to Christ. How can we ever thank God enough? Of course, we realize that God uses many of you to pray for us, send funds and resources as well as coming over to give us a hand in whatever needs to be done, hence a huge thank you to everyone who is partnering with us in getting God's work done here. To us you are part of our family here.

Half the people who have ever lived are alive today, and most of them do not know Christ. He is coming soon, and He wants to find His faithful believers ready for Him. It may be inconvenient to take a stand for Christ or to tell others about His love, but preaching the Word of God is the most important responsibility the church, (the body of believers) have ever been given. Be prepared, be courageous, be sensitive to the opportunities God gives you each new day.

It's easy to get discouraged, thinking that God has forgotten us. But God is never unjust. He never forgets or overlooks our hard work for Him. Presently you may not be receiving rewards and acclaim, but God knows your efforts of love and ministry. Let God's love for you and His intimate knowledge of your service for Him bolster you as you face disappointment and rejection here on earth.

NEVER FORGET
WHO YOU ARE
IN JESUS

Church Planters Fellowship:

We just finished our yearly church planters fellowship and what a fantastic time it was. This year saw almost 400 church planters/pastors from 29 church denominations come together for 4 days/3 nights to encourage and build each other up. Speakers for this year's event were some pastors/church planters from Sarawak, Malaysia to share God's Word and their many experiences on the field in the interior of Borneo Malaysia. Also, a speaker from New Zealand, Bali and a number of speakers from our own people here in our village shared from their hearts as the Holy Spirit led. Each speaker brought a wealth of wisdom and encouragement to everyone.

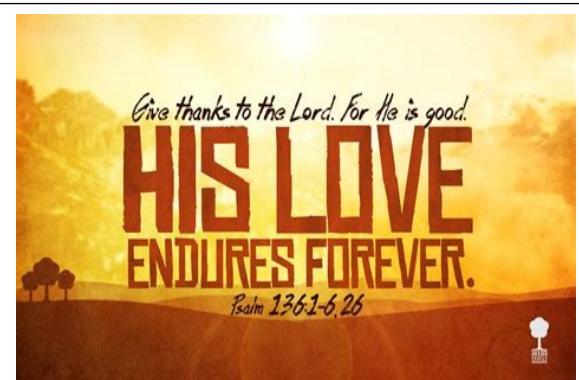


Almost 400 church-planters fellowshiping together at our river for a BBQ on the last day. All went home excited, refreshed, recharged and fired up again to serve Jesus with everything they have.

Years ago, as we were tracking through the interior pastoring our own church planters who were stationed in remote villages, we came across a number of church planters from other denominations who were doing it really tough, not receiving any contact or encouragement from their respective denominations. We weren't sure what the reasons for that were but we noticed these people were in great need of a shoulder to cry on, prayer, advice and lots of encouragement. We realized we needed to do something about it and after a time of prayer we came up with the idea to bring these people to our place for a fellowship time so that they can recharge their batteries and just get together to learn from each other's successes and failures, build each other up, pray for each other and just enjoy the body of Christ.



Our Dodo, Dito, Oki & Sahar



Our faith must go beyond what we believe; it must become a dynamic part of all we do, resulting in good fruit and spiritual maturity. Salvation does not depend on good deeds, but it results in good deeds. A person who claims to be saved while remaining unchanged does not understand faith or what God has done for him or her.

DON'T LOSE FOCUS

(MATTHEW 6:33)

NOT OF THIS WORLD

We deceive ourselves when we measure our happiness or contentment in life by the amount of wealth we possess. When we put riches at the top of our value system, we let power, pleasure, and financial security overshadow the eternal value of our relationship with God. We think we will be happy or content when we get riches, only to discover that they don't really satisfy, and the pleasures fade away. The true measurement of happiness or contentment is found in God's love and in doing His will. You will find true happiness if you put your relationship with God above earthly riches.

After the 4 days people were buzzing with excitement, filled with a fresh vision and encouragement and stirred in their hearts through the Word of God to go back to their respective ministries and give it their all for Jesus. It was an awesome time to say the least. What a joy to see so many hungry hearts for Jesus, desiring to obey Him by bringing the Gospel to those who have never heard it yet.

Transport money was given to each person who didn't have the means to come. For some it cost 1 month's wage, one way, to get to our place which they would never be able to afford. We paid this year more than USD10,780.- on transport costs for those who needed it but God is so faithful and has looked after this yet again. A huge thank you to all those people who have sent donations for this very purpose. You have blessed many of these incredible heroes in the faith.



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A little of my amazing family, Dylan, Tanja and Jade together exploring on top of the highest point on our property where our future airstrip will be built.

Family visit:

We had a wonderful 10-day visit from my beautiful daughter Tanja with our grandchildren, Dylan 18 and Jade 15. They had a fabulous time here getting to know everyone and were amazed how God is looking after this place. Tanja & Dylan were last here 16 years ago, needless-to-say a lot has changed since then. For Tanja particularly it was really great for her to catch up with all those young people whom she met 16 years ago and are now leaders in various areas of ministry. Dylan & Jade enjoyed helping out with a number of daily tasks that needed to be done. What they noticed most was that everyone seemed so happy here and that people had great respect for each other. We hope their visit stirred their hearts even more so for the

things of God and taught them how obedience can have a huge positive impact in so many lives in need of care and support. It was such a blessed time for us all.



Many people believe that Christianity should offer a problem-free life. Consequently, as life gets tough, they draw back disappointed. Instead, they should determine to prevail with God through life's storms. Problems and difficulties are painful but inevitable; you might as well see them as opportunities for growth. You can't prevail with God unless you have troubles to prevail over.

Just as when a man and woman fall in love, so also new believers rejoice at their newfound forgiveness. But when we lose sight of the seriousness of sin, we begin to lose the thrill of our forgiveness. In the first steps of our Christian life, we may have had enthusiasm without knowledge. Do we now have knowledge without enthusiasm? Both are necessary if we are to keep love for God intense and untarnished. Do we love God with the same fervour as when we were a new Christian?

Nothing can stop God's plan for your life.
Isaiah 14:27



Dayak Festival:

A number of months ago we celebrated our yearly Dayak festival, traditionally called Gawai. This is a traditional festival amongst the tribal people throughout the island to celebrate the end of their rice harvest where they would normally honor their spirits and idols for a successful harvest. Families tend to come together from afar and celebrate with food, music and all sorts of rituals. Many times, the festivities turn into wild parties, drunkenness and brawls. In our village we have turned it into a thanksgiving festival where we honor

God Almighty for all that He has done for us over the year gone past as well as for the harvest of Dayak souls gathered into His Kingdom this past 12 months. We celebrate with traditional food, music & dance and worship the Lord acknowledging Him as Lord and King. We have children and youth from 74 different tribes in our village and a number of them performed incredible dances and songs in their own tribal language. Some of the choreography was stunning, showing a lot of talent amongst our children and youth from the various tribes. Visitors from many villages, and from afar, came to our village to celebrate with us. Prayer and preparations for such an event already begin months



The opening entrance parade of our Dayak festival with various representatives of a number of tribes.

earlier and everyone joins in to make sure the celebration will be a great success, and that it was. What stuns our Dayak visitors always is that we have such a wonderful, joyous time together but without a drop of alcohol. This is unheard of amongst the Dayak tribes. Often festivities amongst the Dayak tribes cause many getting drunk creating all sorts of tragic issues with grave consequences. Our village however is quite the opposite proving to the Dayak community that you can have much fun and joy without a drop of alcohol. A great testimony of God's goodness.



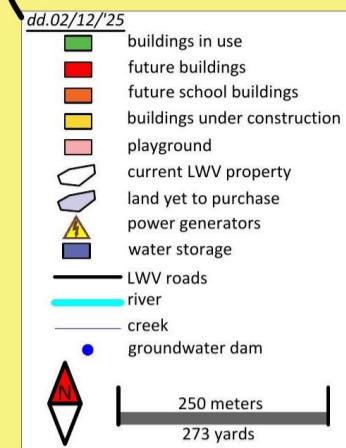
Some of our young ladies preparing the 1300 meals for the Dayak festivities. A huge undertaking but always lots of fun and laughter during such cooking events.



Our Arip.

Like a small root that grows into a great tree, bitterness springs up in our hearts and overshadows even our deepest Christian relationships. A poisonous root of bitterness comes when we allow disappointment to grow into resentment, or when we nurse grudges over past hurts. Bitterness brings with it jealousy, dissension, and immorality. When the Holy Spirit fills us, however, He can heal the hurt that causes bitterness.

Living Waters Village 2025



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7. aula El Shaddai
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21. R. Ester

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38. R. Mikha
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40. R. Lidia

41. R. Imanuel
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43. R. Zefanya
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45. R. Elohim

46. R. Amos
47. R. Yoel
48. R. Hosea
49. R. Daniel
50. R. Yehezkiel

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52. R. Yesaya
53. R. Stefanus
54. R. Titus
55. R. Paulus

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Private logging road

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cement factory

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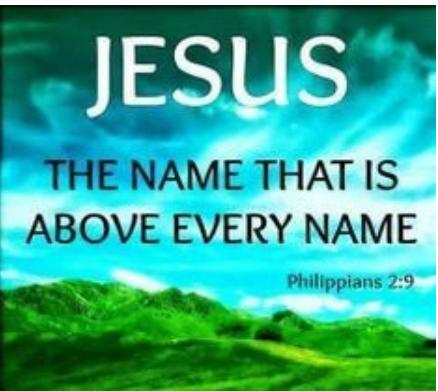
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Mrs Sheley, an incredible woman of 95 years from the USA, came for the 3rd time to serve the Lord here, volunteering to teach our teachers and leaders, and that she did. Many retired people in their sixties or seventies tell me that they would love to come over and serve the Lord here but can't because of their age yet if a beautiful lady of 95 still can come and serve then no one really has an excuse. 😊



How can we keep our conscience clear? We need to treasure our faith in Christ more than anything else and do what we know is right. Each time we deliberately ignore our conscience, we are hardening our heart.

Over a period of time our capacity to tell right from wrong will diminish. As we walk with God, He will speak to us through our conscience, letting us know the difference between right and wrong. We need to make sure we act on those inner tugs so that we do what is right, then our conscience will remain clear.



Annual scouts camp:

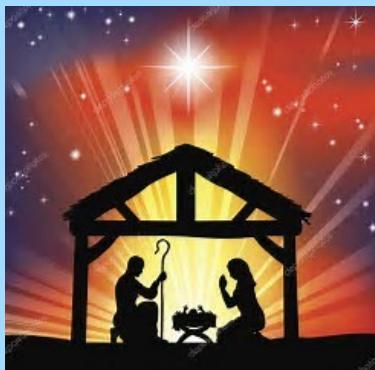
A number of our school children and youth had an awesome time again with our Christ centered scout camps filled with adrenaline driven enthusiasm. Our primary school children enjoyed a full day and evening while our high school youth had a sleepover in their self-made tents. Many survival skills were taught during the camp, friendships made and creative minds put to the test. All great ways in kneading and forming their character. Needles-to-say they were all exhausted once back in their homes again and slept like a log. We have a lot of respect and gratitude for the teachers and volunteers involved who did an excellent job in providing an unforgettable, educational, fun-driven camp.



How we react to a moral dilemma often exposes our real motives. Frequently we are more worried about getting caught than about doing what is right. If we are worried about getting caught, we are probably in a position that is less than honest. Let our fear of getting caught be a warning to do right.



Our Putri, Noelle, Kila & Salsa enjoying hanging out together.



How can we learn to be satisfied with what we have? Well, strive to live with less rather than desiring more; give away out of your abundance rather than accumulating more; relish what you have rather than resent what you're missing. We become satisfied when we realize God's sufficiency for our needs. Christians who become materialistic are saying by their actions that God can't take care of them, or at least that He won't take care of them the way they want.

Insecurity can lead to the love of money, whether we are rich or poor. The only antidote is to trust God to meet all your needs. See God's love expressed in what He has provided, and remember that money and possessions will all pass away.



Our one-and-only Dr. Toni and our Yanti doing an awesome dental job on one of our kids.

from Australia, and together with a number of our own medical team did a fabulous job with all the dental work that needed to be done here. They were able to check 819 children and youth, performed 126 extractions and 406 fillings. Much of the work was from mainly new children and youth who have never had access to good nutrition and dental care. The dental team always work long hours in order to get as much done as possible in the 4 weeks they are here. Dr Cathy also taught a lot of dental education to our various schools which was very informative and practical. We are so enormously grateful to them and can't thank God enough for sending them each year here to do all this extremely important work for our children and youth. What a blessing they are.

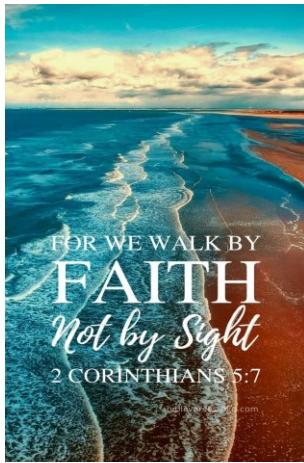


Our amazing Dr. Cathy teaching dental education to our primary school children with our Sudi doing a fantastic job translating.



and music and a whole lot more. They are such a wonderful example for our youth and children here of what a servant of the Lord means, putting God's Word into practice. A huge thank you to Deans Guek Ju & Philip Ong for their wonderful support in entrusting their students to our village for a little while each time. What a blessing,

Another wonderful team of all ages from Tung Ling Bible School, Singapore. Each year TLBS send a number of teams to come and serve the Lord here and that they do, serve. They come with a fantastic attitude, sleeves rolled up and are prepared to do anything from preparing meals, carrying concrete blocks, weaving steel bars for the road construction, painting, playing with our children in our children's program, praying, preaching the Word, sharing testimonies, worshipping in song



The atmosphere of God's eternal reign is holiness. Holiness will be the oxygen of heaven. Meanwhile, God's perfect moral character highlights his glory and can be seen everywhere. God will never do anything that is not morally perfect. This reassures us that we can trust Him, yet it places a demand on us. Our desire to be holy (dedicated to God and morally clean) is our only suitable response. We must never use unholy means to reach a holy goal because God says, " You must be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy".

LWV Family News:

Our family keeps on growing not just from children and youth coming in from the

interior but also from within.

Our Iwa & Krisna got married on the 21st September. They got married in the interior in their village and some of our people went over to celebrate with them. They had a wonderful wedding enjoyed by all. Iwa is one of our roof construction team members. He is an excellent worker and learnt his skill from Daniel, our Belgium missionary. Krisna is serving the Lord in our high school and also doing a great job.



Our beautiful Yanti & Nelson.

Our Nelson & Yanti recently got married on the 18th October. They got married in their village and a few of our village went over to celebrate with them. They had a beautiful wedding. Yanti is one of our nurses and Nelson is one of our mechanics both doing a fabulous job.

Our Jek & Putri got married 16th November here in our village. It was a very large wedding which is understandable considering we already have over 1000 people living here in our village plus all the guests from both of their families and friends. It was absolutely amazing and enjoyed by everyone. Everyone helped with all the preparations, even cooking for 1200 people. It all went smooth and we were all very tired at the end of the day. Jek is one of our electricians



Our great couple Krisna & Iwa.

and plumbers and does a fantastic job with his team. Putri helps out at our high school and Bible College.



Just born our beautiful boy Exchel. Mum is our Ratna and dad our Darius.

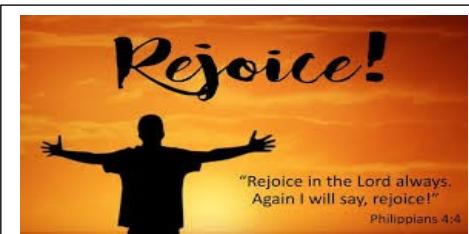
We had one birth since our last newsletter. Our church planter Ratna gave birth to a healthy son which Ratna & Darius named Exchel.



Most of the new children and youth that have arrived since last July. They are from various tribes with different languages and dialects yet all come under the umbrella of Dayak.



Our beautiful Putri and Jek.



Parents help shape the world's future by the way they shape their children's values. The first step toward helping children live right is for the parents to live right. Your actions are often copied by those closest to you. What kind of example are you setting for your children?

THE GIANT IN FRONT OF YOU IS NEVER BIGGER THAN THE GOD INSIDE OF YOU.

Some people hope that they will receive eternal life. Scripture tells us we can know we have it. Our certainty is based on God's promise that He has given us eternal life through His Son. This is true whether you feel close to God or far away from Him. Eternal life is not based on feelings but on facts. You can know that you have eternal life if you believe God's truth. If you aren't sure that you are a Christian, ask yourself: Have I honestly committed my life to Him as my Savior and Lord? If so, you know by faith that you are indeed a child of God.



Our Ferly, Titin & Musa all graduated with a masters in Theology. Fabulous people.



Our Andini graduated in computer informatics.



Our Natalia graduated in computer informatics.



17 of our home-grown students graduated with a Theology degree. From the left to right above: Our Rikus, Susi, Sinoy, Andri, Wiki, Kardi, (Bambang) Iyo, Ajon, Awang, Jelita & Veronica. From left to right below: Our Nomi, Rini, Desi, Wanti, Endas & Awen. We are very proud of their achievements. Most of them will become church-planters.



Our Agus graduated with a Mathematics degree.



Our Sumarno graduated with an add-on nursing degree.

A stingy Christian should be an extinct species. Generosity proves that a person's heart has been cleansed of self-interest and filled with the servant spirit of Jesus himself. That is why acts of generosity result in God being praised. Do people see generosity in your actions?





You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. Ps 139: 13-16a



Our Agung, Sam & Aldi doing an awesome job studying praise & worship music on Java.

Building Program:

Much has been achieved since our last newsletter. Because of the many projects we are building at the same time we have been able to hire 25 more workers from outside. We do try and create work for people from outside so that they can receive an income and feed their families. There is no such thing as social security payments here. No work simply means no money and no money simply means no food hence they are very grateful when we offer them a job.

Many of the buildings in progress which we mentioned in our last newsletter are still in progress and going well. Massive amounts of concrete have been poured over the many building projects such as the new primary school building (photo right), the high school sports areas, the 13 new houses, huge sewing atelier and massive storage areas for food supplies and non-food supplies.

Our road construction is still in full swing but what a job it is. So much preparation work always needs to be done in order to build good roads that will last for decades. We have had a few setbacks with landslides while building the road but unfortunately that comes with the job at times. One landslide has been fully repaired which took us a few months and the other one is being done now.

Plans are being drawn up for our Bible College. Currently our Bible College operates in a section of our high school but we need to vacate those class rooms soon in order to make way for the student growth in our high school. Our Bible

College will require 8 class rooms, hall, library, teacher's quarters and storage facility. On both sides of the Bible College there will be a children's home as well, to make sure there is always human activity on the entire plateau. Please pray with us for a speedy development of this Bible College which will raise thousands of church-planters, pastors & teachers over the coming years.

Plans are also being drawn up for a new concrete block making facility. Our current one is well and truly in great need of replacing. We make thousands of

Some of our boys unloading the container.



concrete blocks per week which we use for our many building projects, road gutters and retaining walls. The new site is across the road from the old site but at least 3 times as large. The facility will also have a house next to it.

We also need to build a new facility for our rice storage. We already require 15.000 kg (15 ton) per month and rice is not always available, hence we try to stock up for a number of months. Currently our rice stock is stored in a number of Sunday school

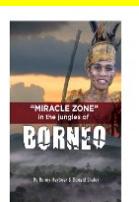
class rooms which is ok for a little while but not for long term. Our Sunday school, or Children's Church as we call it today, is growing each week and they need their facilities. Would appreciate your prayers for this need too.

For donations and/or sponsorships please visit our website

www.livingwatersvillage.com

under "sponsorship/giving" and click on your country for details.

Our book "Miracle Zone in the jungles of Borneo" is available now in many countries. Please visit our website to find out how you can order and purchase via the internet. Makes a great gift for anyone



Frequently asked question:

How do I leave something to LWV in my Will?

It is best to contact your legal advisor, solicitor or the Public Trust Office or its equivalent in your own country, on how to do this.

Our ministry name:
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and/or Living Waters Village Borneo
(Yayasan Sungai Kehidupan Borneo)

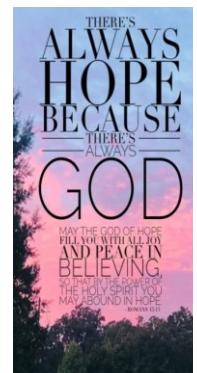
Have you recently moved and **NOT** let us know your new address and/or email address yet? Please email us on ronnyheyboer@gmail.com to let us know your new address. Thank you in advance.



The arrival of two new passenger trucks which is such a wonderful answer to prayer. Thank you immensely to those who prayed for this and those who send funds for this.



Our Welly will undergo plastic-surgery in January. Please pray for a wonderful miracle. He is such a great youngster.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS

Praise Points:

- Two more pieces of land have been purchased since our last newsletter. (Shown on our map in pink) One piece of 2.5 (6.1 acres) hectares and one piece of 1.3 hectares (3 acres). Slowly but surely, we are reaching our goal of owning all the land within the natural borders so that there will be no more border disputes now and in the future. Please do keep praying for the pieces of land in light blue colour which we still need in order to prevent border disputes. The names of the owners are mentioned so that people can pray more specifically.
- For the container from Holland full of goods from various people. What a blessing again. It was filled by a fantastic team of people and sent and received by another group of fabulous people. The container arrived safely in Kuching and unloaded by a number of our wonderful guys. The goods will be transported to our village early January. A huge thank you to everyone who made this possible.
- For all the marriages, engagements, birth and graduations that have taken place in past few months.
- For funds that arrived for the two new passenger trucks. Absolutely awesome.
- For all the incredible training programs by various teams from Java and overseas such as Kids Reach Ministry & House Spectrum Ministry who train onsite counsellors to help new children coming in who have been traumatized. Also, they helped with specialized training for our "special needs children" and program training how to keep children safe.
- For the successful ministry trips to Singapore, Holland & Germany.

All of us here in our village thank you all immensely for your huge input in the lives of all our children and youth.

You are a blessing.

Thank you again.

May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you abundantly in all you do for Him.

Ronny (in Borneo), (Kay in Australia) and all our children, youth and team at LWV.

Prayer Points:

- For all the pregnant mums in our village. Our Rosi, Sari, Elvi, Rina, Mona & Harifah.
- Land still to be purchased, approximately 26 Hectares. 1 Hectare = USD3,009. - x 26 = USD78,234. -
- For all our new children to adjust well to their new home and environment.
- For a continuous outpouring of God's Spirit on our village, in our lives and all our ministries.
- For much wisdom for all the building projects, infra structure and with overseeing and managing the entire village as well as dealing with many people's issues.
- For our Welly's facial surgery and Ngahuk's artificial eye.
- For funds to arrive for all the furnishings of the 13 houses which are being built. Some of the furnishings required are: Bunk Beds x 78 units x USD233. - = USD18,174. -, **Matresses + cover x 78 x USD116. - = USD9,048. -**, Large Stainless Steel Sinks x 13 x USD397. - = USD5,161. -, Tables x 26 x USD46. - = USD1,196. -, Chairs x 130 x USD7. - = USD910. -, Water Pumps x USD173. - x 15 = USD2,595. -, Filters x 15 x USD65. - = USD975. -, **Washing machines x 13 x USD1,156. - = USD15,028. -**, Fridges x 13 x USD456. - = USD5,928. -, **Aluminium Racks x 78 x USD60. - = USD4,680. -**, Desks x 26 x USD43. - = USD1,118. -, Fans x 39 x USD32. - = USD1,248. -, Kitchen utensils/electrical/Misc x 13 x USD318. - USD4,134. -



One of our workers named Ngahuk whom we are helping to receive an artificial eye in January. In the meantime, we are praying for a real miracle eye.

- For continued favour with all the government departments that we have to deal with regularly.
- For a wonderful healing to take place in those here that need a healing touch physically, spiritually and/or emotionally.
- For continued safety of all our missionaries, local leaders, families and all our children and youth.
- For continued freedom to be able to preach the Gospel and plant churches with much wisdom and caution.
- For anointed ministry trips from 10th Jan – 1st Feb to Belgium, 13th Feb – 2nd Mar to Singapore, 3rd Mar – 23rd Mar to USA and 18th April – 10th May to United Kingdom.



Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

Eph 3:20