

Indonesian Challenge

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Reaching Indonesia for Jesus

“Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit says the Lord of Hosts” Zechariah 4:6

BOB'S BIRTHDAY RALLY COMING SOON

Bob's 75th birthday rally is next Saturday, October 10th. We are eager to greet as many of you as possible that day. The rally starts at 4:00 p.m. The rally will feature an inspirational sermon by Bob. He wants to outline mission projects and goals for the next several years. You will also hear from former mission leaders, our current



Bob - always ready for cake -

president, Ed Jones, and a former missionary to Indonesia who plans to teach in the new school program. There will be congregational singing of songs you love. We plan to honor some long-time friends and leaders too. Supporters are encouraged to sit in on the annual board meeting from 1:00 - 3:00. You can come early and stay late at the 5:30 social hour enjoying a meal featuring cake and lots of pies. Most important you will have time before and after to ask all the questions you want. See you there.

DIRECTIONS to the CHURCH

Rosemead Christian Church at 8705 E. Valley Blvd. is about

four blocks north of the 10 freeway west of Rosemead Blvd., east of Walnut Grove on the north side of the street. It is most easily reached by taking Rosemead Blvd. north from the 10 freeway or south from the 210 freeway. From Rosemead Blvd., it's west about five minutes to the church.

ICM BOARD MEETING

Our Indonesian Christian Mission board meeting is also Saturday, October 10th from 1:00—3:00 p.m. Visitors are welcome. Some of the items on our agenda are:

1. Elect new board members
2. Leadership training school
3. Publishing projects
4. Church planting
5. 2010 Budget Proposal

\$7500 for Bob's 75th

Please join other supporters of Indonesian Christian Mission in commemorating Bob MacLean's 75th birthday by raising \$7500 to fund the reopened college level Christian leadership training program.

Over the past 35 years Bob and Jan have always had the goal of developing a consecrated, committed independent and free Indonesian church. Over the years we've seen many programs to evangelize the Indonesian people. Many Indonesians have worked to build the church, but the ultimate full-fledged complete and independent church has eluded

them because they simply could not believe they were capable of paying their own way.

Now one of our very first graduates from 1988 working in the second largest city in Indonesia, Surabaya, has had a breakthrough. For some four or five years he has been planting Bible studies destined to be churches. His only means of support has been "Tuhan" (the Lord) as he puts it. Where does his money come from? Answer: The people he helps. So he is building churches that are self-sustaining from the beginning. Not only that, but he has recruited four businessmen who are planting churches for free deriving their living from the jobs or businesses they hold.

This man will become one of our teachers in a program open only to job-holding Christian adults who want to serve God by establishing new Bible studies and growing them into churches.

The \$7,500 we want to raise for this program is start-up money and seed money, but not sustaining money. The seed money will offset expenses for some five Indonesian nationals, a visiting professor from America, and myself. The fee schedule and the actual teaching plan is flexible to meet student needs, and will be decided by the Indonesian nationals working with me. I hope they will quickly take the leadership and financial responsibility out of my

hands. By the grace of God, we hope to set in motion a training program that will train leaders and plant churches that will mushroom out from at least two selected locations, will overcome the huge burden of dependency, and give the Indonesians the joy of success in serving God.

**NEWS FROM
EVANGELIST BINTANG**

“Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Thank you for your prayers for our family and our ministry in West Java. The small church at Kedaun includes a faithful couple who seem poorly matched, but listen to how God can lead. The husband is Batak, a race noted for being loud and very direct; the wife is Javanese who are known as very quiet indirect people. This Batak husband is well educated, but his Javanese wife can’t read or write. Pak Gotma had become impatient and abusive toward her, and she in turn began to spank her children. Although Biya and I prayed with them and counseled many times, they weren’t listening, but praise God, faithful prayers have finally caused the husband to humble himself and begin to show patience and understanding with his wife. They haven’t reached JOY yet, but things are definitely better, and they continue to see God’s leading for them. Do pray that the Kedaung congregation will continue to grow spiritually and in number. Please also pray for the

communities of Pondok Miri and Pasar Jengkol where we are trying to open new Bible studies. Thank you and God bless you,”
Bintang



**A NEW BABY
BOY AT OUR
HOUSE**

Our secretary, Linda is very happy her little guy is finally here. He was born September 30, and weighed about 7 1/2 lbs, big for an Indonesian baby. We talked to Linda October 2, the day she came home from the midwife, and she’s already sent us an e-mail, but not yet working officially.



PRAYER & PRAISE

PRAISE FOR:

1. Linda’s healthy baby boy born September 30th 2009
2. A garage for our car 20 minutes from LAX - Bob and Della Andrew have cleaned out their garage and have room for us to park our car when we leave for Indonesia October 28.
3. A blessed time of worship and fellowship with two of our

supporting congregations, and a time to hear from other missionaries on how God is working in their lives. Thank you Mission Viejo Christian Church and Redding Christian Fellowship.

4. Gifts already received for Bob’s birthday fund to be used for the INTINI evangelist training night school total \$1,155.00, a wonderful beginning towards our goal of \$7,500.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

1. Bob’s birthday celebration in Rosemead, Oct. 10.
2. Safe delivery of Bintang and Biya’s baby due the middle of October.
3. Full title on the Bukit Indah property.
4. Dedicated Christians to be career missionaries in Indonesia.
5. Indonesian couples to plant new churches.
6. Safety & guidance for our evangelists, new believers, and seekers of the Truth.
7. Ev. Bintang’s ministry with the Kedaung church, Pondok Miri & Pasar Jengkol.
8. Pak Subardi and Pak Sobirin to be released from the occult and accept Jesus as Savior.

FINANCE REPORT

General Fund Income
September income \$ 5,045.83
Average to date \$ 4,483.60
Needed per month \$ 4,648.00*
* This is a new figure caused by recent exchange rate increase.

75th Birthday Fund for INTINI
September \$ 75.00
October to date \$ 1,080.00

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