

## Blessed to be Serving Christ in Indonesia

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*“Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.” Hebrews 10:24*



Last year I read Tim Keller’s book, Prayer, and it had a powerful impact on my daily time spent with the Lord. So, when I was invited to speak at a church conference in the village of Alango with my coworker and good friend, Tom, I knew what I wanted to speak about. It was a blessing to share about the importance of daily opening God’s Word, listening to what his words are saying and then having a conversation with God (prayer) on the implications of how that affects our relationship with Him and with those He has placed around us. As Westerners, we have so many resources to help encourage us and strengthen our walk with the Lord. The churches here have so little that I have felt a real desire to share what I am learning with them.



Another way I have found to do this is through writing short devotionals for my passengers. The first one I wrote was from Psalm 19:7-11, and was a testimonial about why I came to Indonesia and why I love to read the Bible. My goal is to write one a month. Kathryn and I translate the half page devotionals into Indonesian and email them to Tom so that he can check our Indonesian and make needed correction. It has been fun working together and very encouraging to hand these out on all my flights. This aspect of ministry has been one of my greatest joys in terms of my flying in Indonesia.

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# Open House Christmas



Kathryn's final English class before the end of the year was held in our living room. She took the opportunity to explain why we celebrate Christmas, the birthday of our Savior. She shared in Indonesian with the hope that the message would be better understood. The lesson ended with our kids passing out glow sticks to represent Jesus, the Light of the world.

During the Holidays, it is part of the culture to open your home (if the holiday is one you celebrate) or visit your friends' and neighbors' houses (if it is one they celebrate). This year Kathryn did a lot of cooking and we opened our home to our neighbors.



**Thank you for making this possible!**

