

Blessed to be serving Christ in North Kalimantan

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Jesus said "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" John 7:37-38

It is a gift from God to thirst for him, a gift from God to be satisfied by him and a gift from God to have his Spirit shine through us. There is great joy in getting a glimpse of this in our lives.

A glimmer of hope... Kathryn, once a week, has been going to visit a lady named Ibu U. This elderly lady is bed ridden, and over the past two years, has lost the ability to move any of her limbs. Kathryn spends an hour a week combing her hair, cutting her finger nails, helping with bed sores, feeding her and talking with her. Although Kathryn often shares about our Savior with her, there is usually no response. Last week Kathryn asked her what she thought about as she watched TV, which is what she does all day. Ibu U responded that she thought about death. Kathryn inquired whether she was looking forward to death or was scared. Ibu U responded that she was scared because she had lots of sins in her life. This was the most open she has been with Kathryn and provided another opportunity for speaking about forgiveness and the security of this hope. When Kathryn had finished sharing, Ibu U asked why Kathryn was so kind to her, so Kathryn shared again about the joy and love found in Jesus.

It was an exciting night around the dinner table when Kathryn shared this with us. **Will you join us in praying for Ibu U? May God speak light into her heart that she might find peace in her heart.**



We had a great visit with Pastor Brian Hoch and Brian Jensen from our church in Spokane, WA. It was fun sharing life in Tarakan with them, and we were encouraged by our discussions about ministry here. Photos below: Brian J. lands with John at Long Sule. Brian H. tries a young coconut drink.

Christ Redeemer Church,

Thank You!



Meeting Spiritual & Physical Needs



Rarely will a week go by that I do not fly several medical patients with their family members to the hospital in our city. They come from small villages and are carried to my plane on a blanket or they come from a larger town with a paved airstrip and are wheeled to the airplane on a stretcher. But MAF's care does not stop there.



MAF has provided a house next to the hospital with five rooms for family members to stay at while they take care of their loved ones. Ibu Mince oversees the building and has a heart for serving the people who stay there. Kathryn joins her once a week to help with cleaning and buying supplies but also to visit and pray with the families and patients. Evangelist V, one of the leaders of the church we attend, goes every Wednesday to visit with the families at the house or in the hospital and talks with them about the Lord. We're thankful for the opportunity to demonstrate God's love in this way.

We wish to thank everyone of you who are praying and supporting our ministry. It truly is a blessing to live and serve here.

Praise:

We have teachers for school this coming year. Thank you for your prayers. This is a huge blessing for the whole family.

Thank you for partnership
with us through MAF,

*John, Kathryn,
Nathan, Philip, Julia, and Emily*