



# Borneo News



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Shouts of joy from us all here in Living Waters Village in the jungles of Borneo. Another three months have zoomed past, and now we are fast-moving towards a close of 2022. And what a year it has been. Normally people tend to focus on the doom and gloom, the extreme difficulties of the past year, which it was and still



is for a lot of people, but I would like to focus more on the very opposite. Despite the many wars and rumors of wars this year; earthquakes, severe droughts, climate upheavals, civil unrest, enormous cost of living increases etc. (which we certainly need to keep praying for), God is still pouring out His Holy Spirit on mankind, bringing healing, hope and salvation to those who cry out to Him. God doesn't want anyone to perish but wants everyone to have the opportunity to come to know Him personally. Hence, many people around the

**Songs of joy and victory are sung in the camp of the godly.**

**Psalm 118:15a.**

world, this year again, have and are, receiving Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, even in countries where Christianity is forbidden or unpopular. No dictator, organization, government policy or religion can stop Almighty God pouring out His Holy Spirit on mankind. Jesus came all those years ago to show mankind the way to the Father through redemption, the price that He paid on the cross to pay for our sins and guilt. And therefore, whoever believes in Him will then not perish but have eternal life. This unconditional love for mankind, salvation, will remain available for everyone and anyone until He comes again. After that, it will be too late. Hence, now we need to work while we can. And that is why God brought us here to Borneo to bring this miracle message of salvation to the many Dayak tribes on this island. The time is ripe for many tribes to hear the message, hence the urgency for us to "go" but also to train up those who will also "go" and take the Gospel to the remotest regions in these wild jungles. Thank you for your wonderful involvement.



**Our Welson enjoying some food at break-time.**

**With joy you will drink deeply from the fountain of salvation! In that wonderful day you will sing: Thank the Lord! Praise His name! Tell the nations what He has done. Let them know how mighty He is! Sing to the Lord, for He has done wonderful things. Make known His praise around the world. Isa 12:3-5**

**If we are full of God's love, it will overflow to others. It's not enough merely to be courteous to others; we must actively and persistently show love to them. Our love should be growing continually. If your capacity to love has remained unchanged for some time, ask God to fill you again with His never-ending supply. Then look for opportunities to let His love spill over in refreshment to others.**

## **Our Rino:**

With immense sadness and yet joy, we report that our Rino was called home by the Lord on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. The intense Chemo treatment eventually didn't work anymore. The cancer continued aggressively to spread. The oncologist indicated that he could try some other treatment methods, but we decided it was time for Rino to come home to our village where he could be with family and friends. He was so happy to be back and enjoyed fellowship, prayer and praise time together. He was such an amazing 17-year-old who had such an incredible relationship with God.

He came to our village only a few years ago from an occult upbringing, believing in many deities and idols. Shortly after arriving in our village, he gave his life to Jesus and wasn't the same since. During all his hospital treatments, having gone totally blind, and even in his last weeks when the level of pain was increasing by the day, he never complained. Instead each morning he would thank the Lord for a new day and enjoyed singing to the Lord. Even the doctors and nurses marveled at his faith and relationship with the Lord. I don't think he realized it himself, but he was a real witness for Christ to many in that big hospital in Kuching.



**Everyone coming together to say good-bye to our Rino before the coffin is closed and brought to our cemetery.**

Although we have been faithfully praying for months for a complete healing, believing God to do a wonderful miracle in Rino's life, God decided to take him home. We are ever so grateful to the Lord that Rino's suffering wasn't prolonged. He is now with Jesus, totally healed and in the best place he can be. What a joy to know this. Thank you, to all of you who have been praying for him. Also, a huge thank you to all the doctors and nurses who did a fabulous job giving their best to Rino. And last but not least, a huge thank you to our Esther, Harry, Edward, Hero and Imel who have spent months in the hospital, in shifts, caring for Rino around the clock.

Their example of love and care was exactly what Jesus would have done for Rino. I am super proud of them all.



**God could miraculously and instantaneously change your life. Usually, however, He chooses to help you gradually, teaching you one lesson at a time. Rather than expecting instant spiritual maturity and solutions to all your problems, slow down and work one step at a time, trusting God to make up the difference between where you should be and where you are now. You'll soon look back and see that a miraculous transformation has occurred.**



**Our Ujang**

*This is what the Lord says: "Be just and fair to all. Do what is right and good, for I am coming soon to rescue you and to display my righteousness among you.*

*Isa 56:1*



**Our Edi (right) helping our Danang in the tools distribution centre. Tools are checked in and checked out each day.**

### Update on our Edi:

We are so thankful to the Lord for our Edi's progress. He has put on quite a bit of weight which is great although he still needs to work on his muscle-buildup which he mostly lost when he was so deathly sick. He feels great and looks great and started to help each day at our tools distribution center. It's not a physical demanding job which is what he needs while recovering, but something to keep him occupied and stimulate an interest in different daily activities. Spiritually he is growing as well. He is well aware of the promise he made with the Lord when he was dying and so desires to serve the Lord now wherever God leads him. A huge thank you to everyone who has been praying for our Edi. Please continue to do so as Edi still has a long way to go.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS

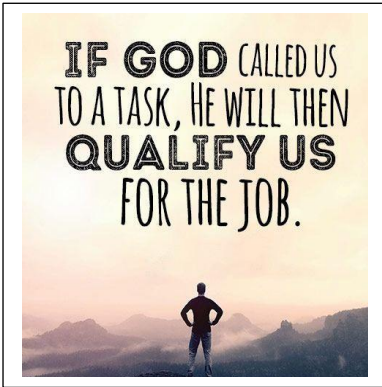
For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on His shoulders. And He will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isa 9:6



**Our Genoy & Not, great young women, both attending our Bible College.**

**We fall into trouble when we dwell on what God forbids rather than on the countless blessings and promises God has given us. The next time you are feeling sorry for yourself and what you don't have, consider all you do have and thank God. Then your doubts won't lead you into sin.**





**Today, fair-mindedness (uprightness, honesty, integrity) is difficult to find. Society rationalizes sin, and even believers sometimes compromise Christian principles in order to do what they want. It is easy to convince ourselves that we deserve a few breaks, especially when “everyone else” is doing it. But the standards for honesty come from God, not society. We are to be honest because God is truth, and we are to be like Him.**

**Our Dental Clinic back in Full Swing:**

We have been so blessed with the return of Dr. Toni, the amazing dentist from Australia who came for 4 weeks again to do dental work for the multitudes in our village. Because of Covid lock-downs here in Indonesia she was unfortunately not able to come for a number of years but praise God that has changed. Together with Sue (another Australian who stayed for 2 weeks) and Drs. Paul & Alison (both dentists and Australians who stayed also for 2 weeks), they worked tirelessly every day from early morning to late at night. 500 new children were checked, 353 extractions were done, 370 fillings and over 100 major cleans. What an incredible achievement.



**Dr. Toni, our Yanti and Sue treating our Dimas.**

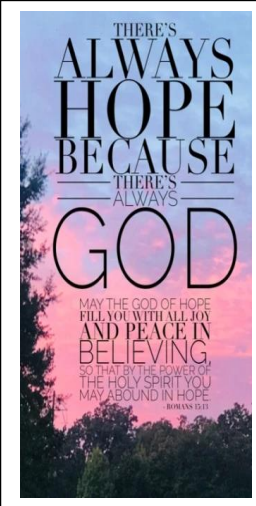


**Our Eldo enjoying all the attention.**

Our clinic was once again a hive of activity with these wonderful dentists. A number of our own nurses, doctor and missionaries helped with sterilizing all the equipment throughout the days and organizing all the admin that goes with it all. The Lord worked a number of miracles getting all the medical supplies they needed to our place, sometimes with only a day to spare. We can't thank the Lord enough for sending people like Toni, Sue, Paul, Alison to give their services to help with such an urgent need.



**Rotten teeth can cause major problems for organs and stunt growth in early childhood development.**



**Our Mia quite relaxed in the dental-chair.**

**I am overwhelmed with joy in the Lord my God! For He has dressed me with the clothing of salvation and draped me in a robe of righteousness. Isa 61:10a.**

**When you follow God's guidance, you know you are where God wants you, whether you're moving or staying in one place. You are physically somewhere right now. Instead of praying, "God, what do you want me to do next?" ask, "God, what do you want me to do while I'm right here?" Direction from God is not just for your next big move. He has a purpose in placing you where you are right now. Begin to understand God's purpose for your life by discovering what He wants you to do now!**



**Our Oga a little sore after some teeth extracted.**

Healthy teeth & gums usually mean a healthy body. Most of our new children have never seen a dentist in their lives until they get to our place. Toni and all the others have indicated that they will be back next year which is fantastic and such an incredible blessing for us. Not all our people were able to see these dentists due to lack of time. Hence, there is a need for other dentists to also come over to help out. So, if there are any dentists out there looking to serve the Lord somewhere, please do contact us on [ronnyheyboer@gmail.com](mailto:ronnyheyboer@gmail.com) for



**Our Jesen not at all worried about getting some teeth extracted.**

any information about how to go about this.

### **Invitation to Living Waters Village 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations:**

A number of people have already contacted us to let us know they will be attending our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations from 27<sup>th</sup> July – 31 July 2023 which is wonderful. Anyone is of course welcome to come if their application form has been approved by us. This is for people who have never been before.

Ex-missionaries, ex-visitors and volunteers of course don't need to fill out an application form as we already know them, but please do still inform us of your plans.

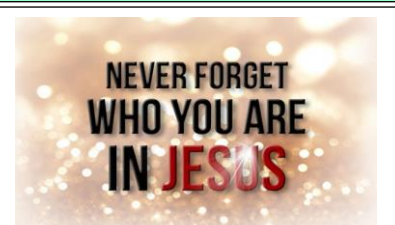
If you too would like to come over and celebrate with us, please get in touch via our website at [www.livingwatersvillage.com](http://www.livingwatersvillage.com) where you can contact us for an application and information form.

Our Marlies, who is our volunteers-coordinator, will quickly get in touch with you along with the results of your applications so that if approved people can start booking their flights. We look forward having you here with us.



**Some of our Bible College students helping out with drinks at our 'Independence Day' activities.**

**I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.**  
John 14:27



**We live in a fast-paced age where everyone rushes just to keep up. It is easy to get caught up in our tasks, becoming too busy for what God says is most important – listening to His words. Before making your schedule, take time to focus on what God wants from all your activities. Knowing what God has said before you rush into your day can help you avoid foolish mistakes.**

**THANK GOD  
FOR WHAT YOU HAVE.  
TRUST GOD  
FOR WHAT YOU NEED.**

**Graduations:**

A number of our University students have finally graduated and are eager to serve the Lord where He wants them. They have all studied hard over the years and all have done well with their exams and theses. We are super proud of them all.

Our Naga Bonar graduated with a Bachelor of Education. He will be helping us in our Junior High School. Our Welly and Indra graduated with a Bachelor of Computer



**Our Indra and Welly.**

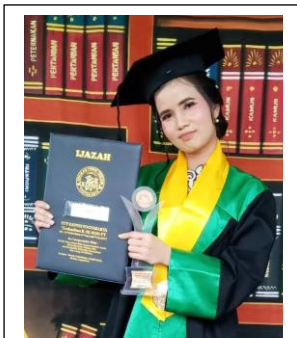
Science. Welly will be helping us in our administration department and Indra will for the time-being serving with our roof building team but will be called upon to help with computer issues at school as well. (Indra will later be helping with administration in the Primary school when the new term starts) Our Ima, Pera, Melati, Pagun and Elni have all graduated with a Bachelor of Theology and will be located in various

remote regions to take the Gospel there.

The Lord has given these students a wonderful opportunity to go to tertiary education to achieve great things for and with Him. A huge thank you to all you sponsors who have been praying and supporting our students financially. You're incredibly important input in their lives is helping to make it possible for our children/youth to reach their full potential in God. What a blessing you are.



**Our Pagun.**



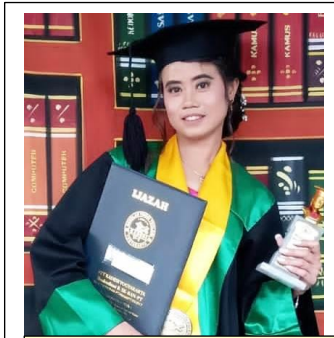
**Our Ima.**



**Our Melati.**



**Our Pera.**



**Our Elti.**

**Open up, O heavens, and pour out your righteousness. Let the earth open wide so salvation and righteousness can sprout up together. I, the Lord, created them. Isa 45:8**

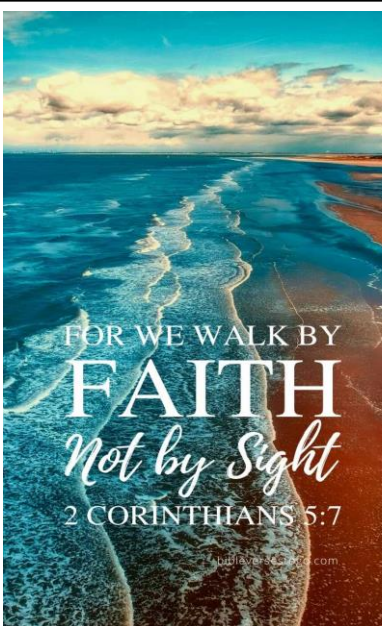
**You are  
BLESSED!**

Your talent is  
Gods gift to you  
What you do  
with it  
is your gift  
back to God

Often people avoid God because they see evildoers in the world and hypocrites in the church. They don't realize that because God is slow to anger, He gives his true followers time to share His love and truth with evildoers. But judgment will come; God will not allow sin to go unchecked forever. When people wonder why God doesn't punish evil immediately, help them remember that if He did, none of us would be here. We can all be thankful that God gives people time to turn to Him.



Our Hen, Aldo, Donna and Hengki during a scout weekend at our school.



### Our Newsletters and Your Sponsor Child Updates:

Due to the Covid lock downs we were forced to send our newsletters and updates via email to those sponsors who had an email address. However, a lot of feedback came to us from various people who mentioned that they were not receiving any newsletters anymore nor updates of their sponsored children. In many of the cases (more than 40% of people in our database) our newsletters and child updates ended up in people's Spam Box or didn't arrive at all in their email address. This is a bit puzzling to us as to why. We are still working on it to find out the reason behind this. But the other point which a lot of people also mentioned was that they would rather receive the newsletter in print form than via email. To them a printed copy of the newsletter is more viewable to others as it is lying around the place or easily left with others to read. But then there are also others who prefer to receive our

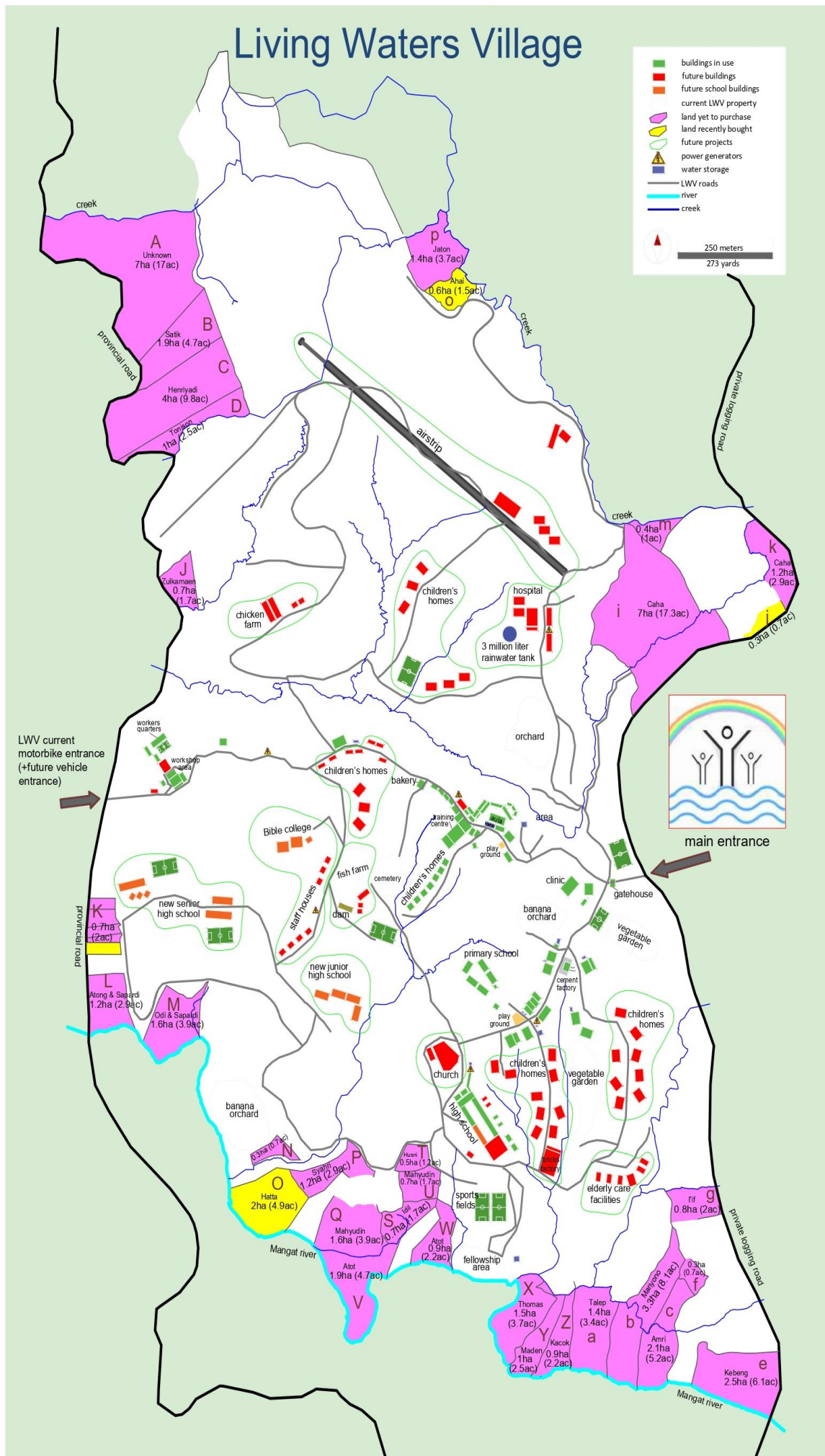
newsletters and children updates via 'email only' and no longer via snail mail to help cut our costs and workload. In any case, this newsletter will be sent via email until the next edition, March 2023, when it will most likely be a printed form again and sent via snail mail. We will however give people an option to let us know if they would prefer the email version so that we can make a note of that in our database.

We had planned to send people a new update of their sponsor child/youth with this newsletter but unfortunately, we will not be able to make it. We unfortunately just don't have enough helping hands at the moment which is the problem, and the hands we do have are much too busy with other things. Hence, our humble apologies for this but we definitely will have it with the next newsletter in March. We trust that you will understand our predicament and we thank you immensely for your patience.



Our Yeriko.

# Living Waters Village







When the righteous King comes, people's motives will become transparent. Fools will not be regarded as heroes. Those who have opposed God's standards of living will be unable to maintain their deception. In the blazing light of the Holy Savior, sin cannot disguise itself and appear good. Christ's revealing light shines into the darkest corners of our hearts, showing sin clearly for what it is. When King Jesus reigns in your heart, there is no place for sin, no matter how well hidden you think it is.



Some wild American team surveying our land in/on our 4-wd named 'canary'.

### Our pursuit for more land:

As you can see on our land map, we have only been able to purchase a little bit of land since our last map in our newsletter. Negotiations are in progress to buy more land but it is ever so slow. We continue to bring this to the Lord in prayer and believe for breakthroughs as time goes by. It is imperative to our ministry here that we get all the land we believe the Lord wants us to have so that no border challenges will occur in the near future and beyond into the next generations. Please pray with us for the release of these plots of land. We still have a total of 49.4 hectares (122 Acres) to purchase at a cost of US\$3,197. - per hectare

(US\$1,322. - per acre). Funds for 12.5 Hectares have already come in and negotiations with owners are still ongoing. The remaining 26.9 hectares (66.5 Acres) will cost US\$85,999.-.



Loading the container in Holland with lots of volunteers to help.

### The Arrival of Containers filled with Urgent Goods:

We were greatly blessed with a container of goods that arrived in Kuching from the United Kingdom. It has taken months to get the various goods to our place but by the time you receive this newsletter all the goods will have arrived in our village. All the UK goods (mostly electrical goods for our new 12 class-room school building but also sporting equipment etc.) were a gift from various people, churches and companies. We are often blown away at the generosity of so many individuals who just want to be a blessing. A huge thank you to all of you.

By the time you receive this newsletter a container will also have arrived in Kuching from Holland. All these goods (toys, towels, sporting equipment, clothes, blankets, weed-cloth, brooms, pots, etc.) are also gifts from various people, churches and companies in Holland and Belgium. It's wonderful to see how people pool their resources together to meet a need. Thank you to everyone who have participated in making that container possible. All the goods will be transported to our village at the beginning of December. Your prayers for this will be much appreciated.



Container finally arrived in Kuching.

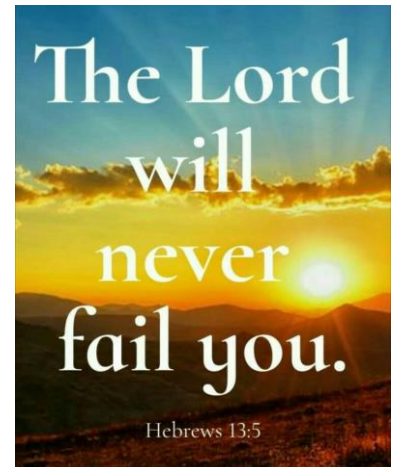


The arrival of one the many trucks loaded with urgent goods

If you are often dissatisfied, skeptical, complaining, or bitter – beware! These attitudes lead to rebellion and separation from God. Any choice to side against God is a step in the direction of letting go of Him completely and making your own way through life.



**Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them, and do not hide from relatives who need your help. Then your salvation will come like the dawn, and your wounds will quickly heal. Your godliness will lead you forward, and the Glory of the Lord will protect you from behind. Then when you call, the Lord will answer. Yes, I am here, 'He will quickly reply. Isa 58:7-9a.**



**Pastors and Church-Planters Fellowship.**

Finally, after all those years of horrid Covid lock-downs in the region we have been able to have our yearly 3-day fellowship for pastors and church-planters from remote regions again. We had no idea who would really turn up, but we ended up with over 150 people attending which was wonderful. A number of speakers from Jakarta, Bali, New Zealand and Singkawang came to bless us all with powerful messages from God's Word. Also, a number of church-planters were able to share their successes, failures, difficulties and joys in their ministries in those regions. To us these pastors and church-planters are our hero's in faith. Many of them live and minister in primitive, dark places where the rule of law is in the hands of the witch-doctor. But despite their difficulties they continue to shine for Jesus and share the love of Christ with people wherever they go, and as a result they see much fruit, tribal people saying yes to Jesus, turning their backs to the occult and embracing the Kingdom of God. Really awesome.



**Times of passionate praise and worship during our wonderful church-planters/pastors fellowship.**



**Our Yakob baptising a number of people amongst the Matee tribe.**

Our own people in Living Waters Village did a great job organizing accommodation and catering for everyone. We are getting rather used to and good at catering for large crowds now. What is an extra 150 people on top of the 900 we already feed every day, right? On the last day of the fellowship, after everyone was prayed for, we were able to bless them with transport-money, so they could return home. Many of them would otherwise not be

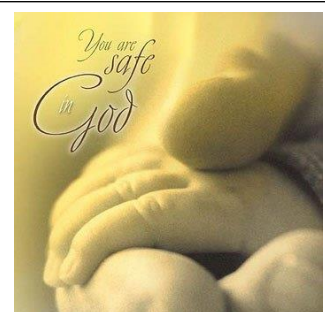


**Our Moktar baptising some people from the Uud Danum tribe.**

able to attend. We so thank the Lord for a fabulous 3 days in which pastors and church-planters from various denominations could come together to encourage and build each other up. The body of Christ, serving the Lord together. What greater joy. Thank you to everyone who have been praying for this wonderful event and who have sent financial gifts towards this important aspect of our ministry here.

**I have cared for you since you were born. Yes, I carried you before you were born. I will be your God throughout your lifetime – until your hair is white with age. I made you, and I will carry you along and save you.**

Isa 46:3b-4





**Many people think that life is based on satisfying their appetites. If they can earn enough money to dress, eat, and play in high style, they think they are living “the good life.” But such things do not satisfy our deepest longings. In the end they leave us empty and dissatisfied. Real life comes from total commitment to God and living by every Word that comes from Him.**

### Building Progress:

Much has been achieved again during the last three months. The primary school renovations are coming along nicely. All the roofs have already been replaced. New class rooms have been added and the surrounding play areas are now being levelled, fenced off and extended to make more room for outdoor activities. Ceilings for all the class rooms still need to be replaced as well as everything needing a new coat of paint. Hence much is still to be done but we have until June next year to get it all finished, which, God willing, we will achieve. We have also added a children’s home on the primary school location which will be named “Maria House”. This house will accommodate 8 children plus house parents and their children. The presence of this house will just give the primary school location a bit of security at all times. The second floor of the new 12 class-room high school building is coming along great. We have almost finished the concrete slab for this second floor and will soon commence on the walls and roof trusses. Also still a long way to go but must be finished in June 2023 for the new school year.



**Preparations for a concrete slab for the second floor of the new 12 classroom school building.**

**For donations and/or sponsorships please visit our website [www.livingwatersvillage.com](http://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



We have so many urgent buildings still to do that it is sometimes difficult to know which ones to start first. Thirteen Children’s homes, a two-story storage facility, Bible College building, concrete block making factory and five staff houses are all urgently required; however, the children’s homes are the most urgent of them all as the flow of new children just keep on coming in, and so requires more and more accommodation. Please pray with us for much wisdom to know how to balance things. We only have so many builders and laborers who can only do so much each day.

**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.**

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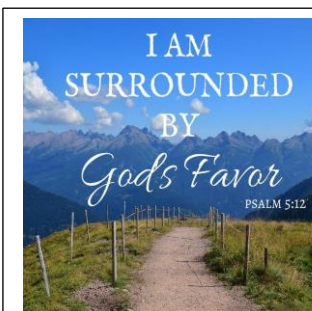


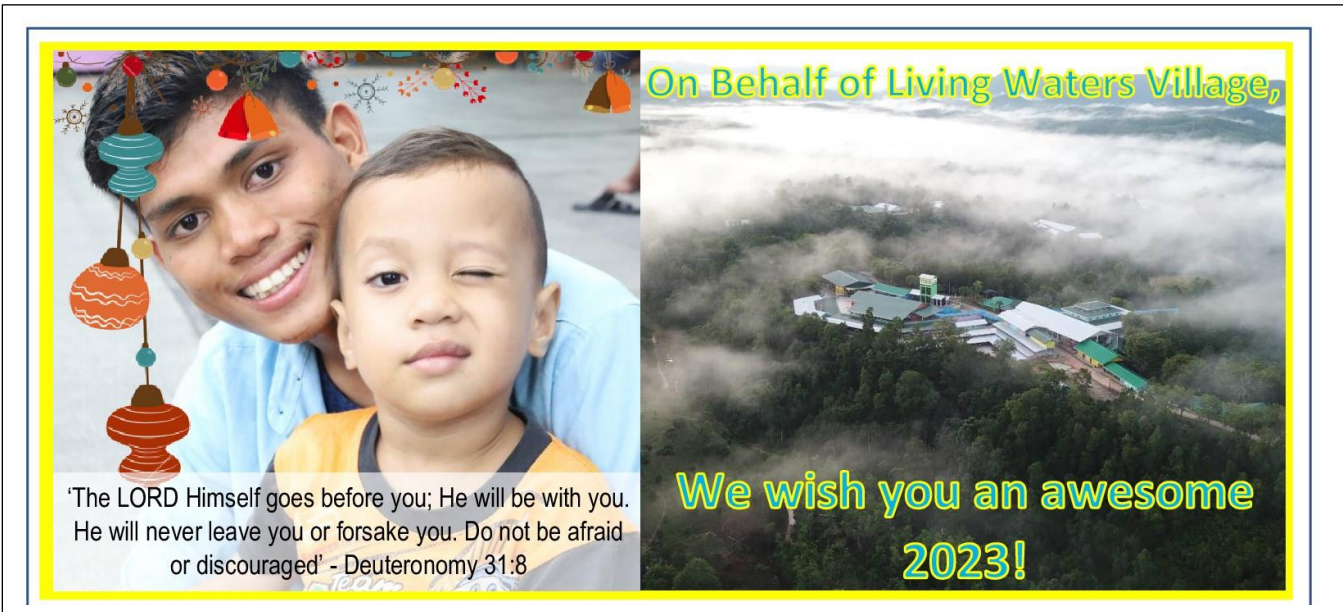
**Our Gabriel showing off his pet bug.**

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

Let’s give **Jesus thanks** together

- The safe arrival of our Asa, second son of our Abraham & Lydia. Quite a miracle as Lydia was told that she would never have any children yet here she is with her second son. Nothing is too difficult for our God.
- For the wonderful successful church-planters and pastors Fellowship.
- The safe arrival of many truckloads of urgent goods.
- The safe arrival of containers filled with urgent goods from the United Kingdom and Holland/Belgium.
- We thank and praise the Lord for the many volunteers who have come over in the past few months to help with whatever needed to be done here. Each volunteer, from all ages, have done a tremendous job and were a great example to our people here. A huge thank you to them all.
- For all our graduated university and Bible College students.
- For the plots of land that have been purchased.
- For the blessed ministry trip to Singapore and Holland from mid-August to mid-October.





Please pray with us:

- Please continue to pray for our pregnant mums. For our Adeline, Uci, Meri, Ilintria and Belin. That all them will enjoy their pregnancy and have an uncomplicated birth.
- For all our children and youth here, that they will learn to pursue and desire a wonderful relationship with Jesus. Many platforms today are screaming to youth around the world to follow all that opposes God. Let us pray that our children will remain protected under the wings of the Almighty. That our children/youth and everyone for that matter, will learn to make the right choices and run from temptations. To choose to shine for Jesus in this world that desperately needs Him.
- For the protection of all our people here, children, church-planters, families, volunteers and missionaries.
- For an anointed ministry trip to Singapore from 15 Feb – 28 Feb and USA 28 Feb – 14<sup>th</sup> March.
- For my Kay, children and grand-children.
- For healing for many of our children, youth and adults with tuberculosis, hepatitis, HIV, autism, deafness, physical disabilities etc. Jesus is able and willing.
- For all the new children that have arrived in the last few months, that they will adjust well, be happy, enjoy their new surroundings and learn to walk with Jesus.
- For funds to arrive for the 13 children’s homes we will shortly commence. Each building will cost approximately US\$27,783. - Funds for foundations are already in, praise the Lord.
- For funds to arrive for the double story storage facility. This almost 800m2 building will cost approximately US\$96,544.-
- For funds to arrive for our concrete block making factory. This building will be almost 720m2 which includes a house attached to it for security. Approximate cost US\$90,937.-
- For funds to come in for 1 new 100 KVA generator from the UK. Est: US\$33,605.-.
- For funds to arrive for:
 

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| • 1000 bath towels:            | US\$3,703.-  |
| • 1000 bowls/plates:           | US\$1,960.-  |
| • 1000 cups:                   | US\$ 210.-   |
| • 200 Matrasses:               | US\$5,412.-  |
| • 200 Matrass hospital covers: | US\$8,714.-  |
| • 200 Matrass protectors:      | US\$2,396.-  |
| • 500 pillows:                 | US\$4,357.-  |
| • 200 Bed sheets sets:         | US\$2,474.-  |
| • 100 Bunk Beds: Each unit:    | US\$ 217.-   |
| ▪ 10 Bunk beds:                | US\$2,170.-  |
| ▪ 50 Bunk beds:                | US\$10,893.- |
| ▪ 100 Bunk beds:               | US\$21,786.- |
- Funds to arrive for a large pick-up truck to carry goods. Urgently needed. US\$31,791.-
- Funds to arrive for a small truck to carry goods. Costs approx.:US\$23,524. -
- For funds to arrive for the land still to be purchased.
- For continued favor with the many government departments, we have to deal with including police, army, immigration, customs, education department, healthcare department, and many more.

**Jesus is the Light of our Christmas, the Joy of our Hearts and the Hope of our World. We wish you an awesome celebration of His Birth. Blessed Christmas.**

**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.**

**May the Lord bless you and protect you. May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you His favor and give you His peace.**  
Num 6:24-26

