



# MISSION INDONESIA

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## BATAM BIBLE COLLEGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to thank you for your faithful support of the preparing and sending men and women into the field of harvest. I have reported the wonderful blessings that the Lord has bestowed on us through the 33% increase of our student body. The increase and development of our teaching staff by adding to their numbers and all of them acquiring a bachelors degree from Sunset International Bible Institute. This degree was validated by the Indonesian Dept. of Education by having the teachers write a thesis which will also suffice as their thesis when they receive their master degrees. We were also blessed by brother Suci our custodian who is worth his weight in gold. The equatorial climate is hard on buildings and he has already made a huge impact on the condition of the building.

However as you know many times blessings are not free but have a cost attached to them. Last year we experienced an emergency in the lack of funds to operate the school. I returned to the States and through many generous one time contributions we were able to overcome that problem. I also sought monthly support for the school so that problem would not return. However I had not counted on the blessings they we received and their cost, along with two major economic burdens which are inflation and the devaluation of the dollar. At the very minimum these two things have added a 30% cost factor to our budget. The increase of the student body by 33% also added substantially to the budget for 2010 and then when the government demanded we add teachers along with a thesis program the budget simply kept growing. **The final result of all this is that we have a shortfall of \$2600.00 per month for the next four months.**

**To help overcome the shortage of funds for the next four months I have instructed that funds for my salary be applied to the school. Hopefully I will be able to recoup the funds in the latter part of the year. However my salary is not enough to cover the shortfall so I am humbly requesting your help to pay for the expansion and development of the school that the Lord has bestowed on us. Thank You!**

## CHURCH PLANTING

In February and March I visited a number of new congregations that have been planted by our alumni and I want to share this with you as it is the fruit of Batam Bible College and the reason for the expansion of the student body.



The Tebing Tinggi congregation in West Borneo grew from the church in the city of Pontianak, Kalimantan (Borneo). This is a result of the support from the South Baton Rouge church of Christ. Their support has now resulted in two congregations being planted in the last three years. We were able to help them purchase land next to the highway where they will build their own church building and we helped Bro. Mari-anus (the tallest one in the back) with a down payment to purchase a motorcycle so he can expand the work to other villages and towns in his area.



The Pekanbaru church in Riau, Sumatra is supported by the Bubba Warren family. The Batam congregation helped them rent a building and they hope to find land on which they can build a permanent house of worship. The three on the right entered the body of Christ that day.



**A family, bible class, or any small congregation can plant a church in Indonesia**

Your servant in Christ,

Dr. Winston Bolt