

Borneo News

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A number of our teachers who have all been raised up in our ministry here, apart from a few. They all take their calling to be a teacher very seriously and do a wonderful job of it. What an incredible blessing they all are.

Shouts of joy to you all, wherever you are in this world, from our entire tribe here in Living Waters Village in the heart of Borneo. We trust that you are well and coping in these unprecedented times we currently live in. It seems that the world is being pulled in every direction causing much upheaval, discomfort, stress, fear and uncertainty. Here on the island of Borneo is no exception. People from all walks of life are having to deal with the effects of this prolonged Covid-19 virus that is decimating livelihoods. Factories and companies are still closed causing severe poverty particularly to the low income class who were already living in poverty. The government is helping where it can but the need is so overwhelming that any help seems like a drop in the ocean. We also are helping where we can, providing much needed relief for the sick and hungry. We are employing more and more people, creating jobs, so that families can eat. Children are arriving from all over the place. More than 110 children have arrived in the past few months causing our place to be filled to the brim. Bedrooms meant for 4 are now occupied by 8-9 children. We are franticly building 17 new children's homes and renovating 3 houses into children's homes so that we can house everyone. Each day we ask the Lord for much wisdom and advice on how to go about all that is going on in our surrounding area. We desire to share the love of Jesus to those around us and beyond, whether they are in need physically or spiritually. Thank you to all of you who are partnering with us to get the job done in sharing the love and salvation message of Christ to the Dayak tribes on this wild island, who are so desperately in need of Him.



There is one sure remedy for a world that is sick and dying in sin: "Come back to the Lord and live!" Sin seeks to destroy, but hope is found in seeking God. In times of difficulty, seek God. In personal discomfort and struggle, seek God. When others are struggling, encourage them to seek God too.



We often wish we could escape troubles – the pain of grief, loss, sorrow, and failure, or even the small daily frustrations that constantly wear us down. God promises to be "close to the brokenhearted" and to be our source of power, courage and wisdom, helping us through our problems. Sometimes he chooses to deliver us from those problems. When trouble strikes, don't get frustrated at God. Instead, admit that you need God's help and thank Him for being by your side.



All our house parents who have grown up in our ministry and most of them arrived here when they were children or teenagers themselves, went through our school and tertiary education, eventually fell in love and got married. Now they have their own families as well as a house full of other children to care for. We are super proud of them all as they do an awesome task in helping the next generation of needy children receive the love and care they received themselves when they arrived, as well as teaching them how to walk with Jesus every day.

Living Waters Village Bible College in the Making:

For a long time now we have been regularly praying and fasting to know when to start our own Bible College. Over the years we have been sending many students to various Bible Colleges around the country. It has been wonderful to see many of our students who have been trained up to become pastors, teachers and church-planters. Although we praise God for the opportunity for every student to be able to be trained up we



feel that the amount of students being trained up is still way too few. The vision that God gave us many years ago was also to reach the tribes of Borneo for Christ, urgently and fast. In order for us to seriously make a bigger impact in the remote regions we have to train up many, many more students quickly and release them as the Lord calls them. Hence we believe the time has come to start our own accredited Bible College. We finally have the required staff and lecturers (all home grown in our ministry) who will help raise up and train a generation of young Dayaks hungry for a move of God in the remote regions of Borneo. Our

aim is to provide enough training and equipping for the task, hence we will be offering a one year, two year and four year course, free of charge, for people living in our village but also outside our village, as most people here will not be able to afford such a training. We will be raising sponsorship for each student. Please pray with us for much wisdom and knowhow how to start such a huge undertaking.

The greater the presence of righteousness (obedience to God), the clearer the examples of God's blessings. This principle works equally in the life of a nation or an individual. The more we first seek God's righteousness and His Kingdom the more we will see everything else taken care of by God.

Many Christians are plagued by guilt. They worry that they may have committed a sin unknowingly, done something good with selfish intentions, failed to put their whole heart into a task, or neglected what they should have done. Guilt can play an important role in bringing us to Christ and in keeping us behaving properly, but it should not cripple us or make us fearful. God fully and completely forgives us – even for those sins we do unknowingly.



Living Waters Village family news.

Yet again we have been greatly blessed to be able to welcome babies into our huge family. Our Ratna gave birth on the 23rd July to a handsome boy which Ratna & Sebulon named Jordan. Our Sari gave birth on the 3rd Aug to a handsome boy which Sari & Joko named Jhos.

Our Mely gave also birth on the 5th Sep to a handsome boy which Mely and Rasul named Gheyan. Our Harifah gave birth on the 17th Nov to a handsome boy which Harifah and Ferly named Raynard.

All boys this time. Deliveries went without any complications for which we praise and thank the Lord for. All mums and babies are doing fine. Thank you all for your prayers.

December is going to be a very busy month for us not only just because of Christmas celebrations but also because various of our young people are getting engaged and others married. Our Samuel & Yulmika are getting engaged on the 5th December. Our Prengki & Ilin and our Nasius and Meri are getting engaged on the 12th December. Our Samsudin & Cerina are getting married on the 23rd December, our Susan & Tulo are getting engaged on the 27th December and our Herianto & Adeline are tying the knot on 27th December. It's fantastic to see our young people choosing partners who are also passionate for God and so desiring to do His will in everything. We are super proud of them all. They are also such a great example to their peers and to all the new children coming into our village.



Some of our new children that have arrived in the last few months. For some it's like moving to another world, totally foreign to them in every possible way. But praise God they are doing great.

Our Yolanda is struggling more and more with her health. Her kidney treatment each day is putting an enormous strain on her heart which affects everything else it seems. Some days she looks fabulous and you wouldn't even know she is ill, and other days she looks a real mess. Please pray with us for that wonderful miracle that we have been praying for years.

Our Okto is doing absolutely fantastic. His three tumors have shrunk substantially and each day he is feeling and looking more and more amazing. He so enjoys life and is so grateful that he is here with us. Awesome also to see him growing in his walk with the Lord. He is such a delight to have around. Thank you all for your prayers for him. Do continue to pray for him as he is still in need of a miracle.

A sincere purpose to please God will result in an alignment of your desires with God's desires. You will love what God loves and hate what God hates. If you love the Lord, you will hate evil. If you do not despise the actions of people who take advantage of others, if you admire people who only look out for themselves, or if you envy those who get ahead using any means to accomplish their ends, then your primary desire in life is not to please God. Learn to love God's ways and hate evil in every form – not only the obvious sins but also the socially acceptable ones.



Our lpir had a nasty accident getting a piece of screw or nail flicked into his eye causing damage to the pupil of his eye and now he can't see through that eye. Of course he is devastated and so are we. His eye is painful and around the eye it is swollen and infected and he has been now under medical care for a while but still only a little improvement. Please pray for him as he is very depressed and afraid. He is one of the new youth that arrived here a few months ago. Please pray for complete healing and a boost in his faith.

Many of the new children that have arrived recently came with a lot of emotional and physical scars caused through broken homes and demonic tribal rituals. They would experience times of deep depression, fear, anger, rejection etc but as we, and many of you, started to pray for them in Jesus' Name, a wonderful release and healing came over them. It is so good to see them smile now and enjoy every aspect of life here in our village. I remember a number of years ago when a doctor from the UK came here to help, asking me if we had a psychologist or psychiatrist here to help these children with all sorts of traumatic experiences to which I answered "yes we do". "His name is the Holy Spirit." I wasn't trying to be super spiritual but wanted her to know that although we don't have all the facilities and specialists here, which people are used to in the modern world, we are totally dependent on Him for everything and know that God still does miracles today. He doesn't leave us to fend for ourselves. We certainly believe that God uses doctors but we also believe that God can heal people by himself.

Email addresses:

Our September newsletter was sent to everyone via email for those who had one.

Unfortunately many came back as their email addresses were not in use anymore. In the meantime we have had communication with a number of those people who have given us now their current email address. However there are still those whom we haven't heard from as yet. If that is you could you please email us your current email address? Also a number of people in our database didn't have an email address when we met them first but perhaps do have one now. If that is you could you also please email us your current email address? Many thanks for responding. sponsor@livingwatersvillage.com



True repentance is more than talk – it is changed behavior.

Sometimes we feel as if we don't understand ourselves – what we want, how we feel, what's wrong with us, or what we should do about it. But God's understanding has no limit, and therefor He understands us fully. If you feel troubled and don't understand yourself, remember that God understands you perfectly. Take your mind off yourself and focus on God. Seek to become more and more like Him. The more you learn about God and His ways, the better you will understand yourself.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US: From the 27th July-2 August 2023 we

will be having a huge celebration for Living Waters Village 20th birthday. We invite all ex-missionaries who have served the Lord here in the past to join us as well as everyone who have come in the past to help us for a few weeks or months. Also all our children/youth/adults who used to live here at one stage and left

our village for whatever reason. And last but not least we would like to invite **YOU** who would like to come and celebrate with us this momentous time where we will be honoring and worshipping our Lord, thanking Him for His faithfulness, provision and protection over this place. During that time, on Saturday 29th July, we will be having our annual Dayak celebration as well. It is indeed still a long way off but this gives people hopefully enough time to save up for such an exciting trip. Hopefully and surely by then the Covid-19 virus is only a memory of the past.

Dishonesty is a difficult sin to avoid. It is easy to cheat if we think no one is looking. But dishonesty affects the very core of a person. It makes him untrustworthy and untrusting. It eventually makes him unable to know himself or relate to others. Don't take dishonesty lightly. Even the smallest portion of dishonesty contains enough of the poison of deceit to kill your spiritual life. If there is any dishonesty in your life, tell God about it now.

Progress in purchasing the various pieces of land we believe the Lord wants us to obtain.



Since our last newsletter in September we have been able to purchase quite a few plots of land, thanks to many of you. As you can see on the map all the white and yellow areas belong to our village. The yellow areas are pieces of land we purchased since our September newsletter, a few months ago. The purple areas are pieces of land which still need to be purchased. A lot goes into buying land here on this island. Some of our leaders, Charles, Barnabas and Yosep have tirelessly been searching for owners, checking the validity of each piece of land, endless research in various government departments and negotiating prices and drinking lots of cups of coffee with owners and extended families. The battle is now on for the purple pieces of land. Some owners are willing to sell but for ridiculous prices, which of course we are not paying, hence we keep praying. We so believe that the Lord wants us to own all the purple area's before the end of this year. Please pray with us that our 3 guys will find favour with the various owners who will be willing to sell their piece of property quickly for the right price. Please pray also with us for funds to turn up to be able to purchase everything.

Some people have requested the cost of each piece of land still to be purchased. Land sizes and costs in red are the plots just recently purchased.

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A = 7.1ha(17.5ac) =
                     US$ 16,415.- (7ha from plot A14.1ha already purchased = US$16,184)
                                                        B=1.9ha(4.7ac)=
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C=4.0ha(9.8ac) =
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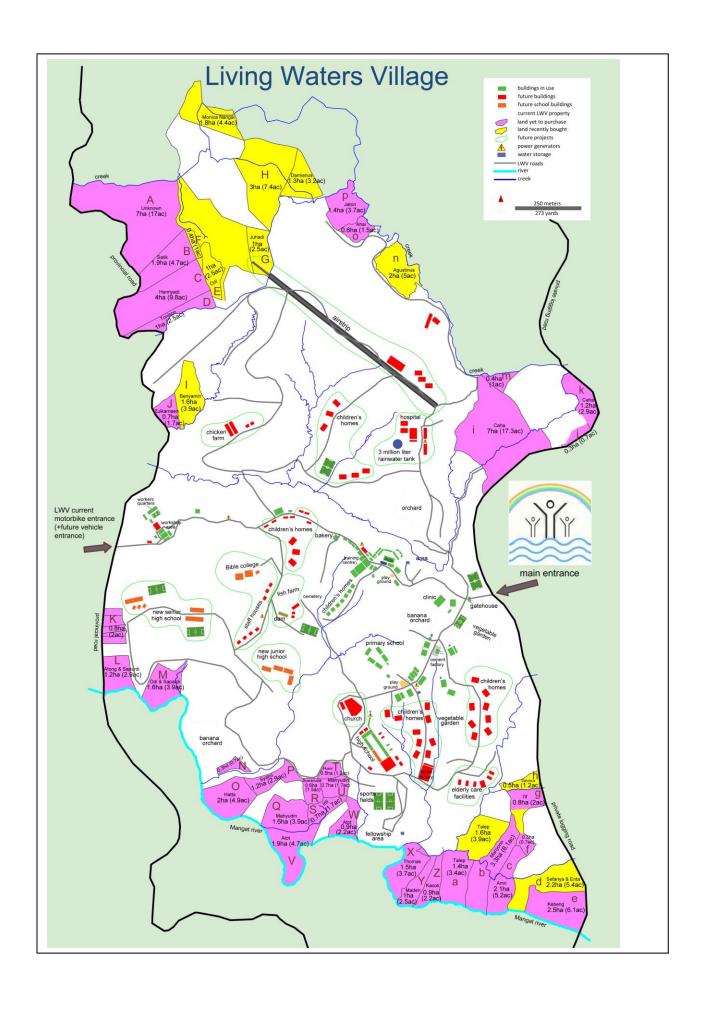
Total was 74.8ha(185ac) = US\$172,936.-

Total purchased in last 3 months 21.7 ha(53.6ac) = US\$50,170.- (yellow areas)

Total still to purchase 53.1 ha(131.2ac) = US\$122,767.- (purple areas)

(1 Hectare = 10.000 m^2 = 2.471 acres) (1 Hectare costs US\$2,312.- / 1 Acre costs US\$936.-)





The world may ignore the plight of the needy, crushing any earthly hope they may have. But God, the champion of the weak, promises that this will not be the case forever. Wicked nations, which forget the Lord and refuse to help their people, will be judged by God. He knows our needs, He knows our tendency to despair, and he has promised to care for us. Even when others forget us, He will remember.



Building Progress:

As a result of so many new children arriving in the past few months, we have started to build 17 new children's homes and re-modelling 3 others into children's homes. which will alleviate our chronic shortage of accommodation for children and youth. Hence some of our builders are building retaining walls, septic tanks, laying electrical cables and plumbing to the various building sites getting everything ready for the foundations of each building. A number of foundations and walls of some homes have already been made and are now waiting for the trusses and roof sheets.

We did have a few set-backs with small landslides in a few precarious places which cost us a lot of time and quite a bit of money to resolve, but thankfully those works have been completed and have made those areas very safe.

One of our building teams is back at concreting more of our roads. We have decided that we need to keep one team of concreters for only building new roads so that existing unsealed roads don't constantly wash



away which costs us a fortune each time in repairs. This years' rainfall has been enormous. We haven't had a dry season this year at all. Prolonged heavy downpours have caused a huge amount of erosion on various sites, hence we are always careful to build wisely and use lots of weed cloth on cut out and cleared hills which prevents a lot of erosion.

The many downpours have also caused major flooding in many villages and towns in our region. Because our village is located high up we don't ever experience any flooding but for the low lying villages and towns around us they receive the full brunt of

flooding. Nanga Pinoh, the large town nearby where we go to the market for shopping, was under water for many days. It was chaos everywhere but people still went on their way trying to survive. People here are very resilient, ready for almost any drama. They can't be bogged down for anything, covid or no covid, floods or no floods, life goes on. They have to feed their families.

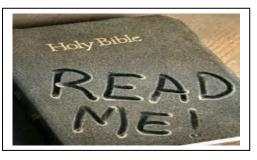
Six trucks with a huge amount of building materials have finally arrived from the border. The long awaited materials are heaven sent. Many people have been praying for this and the Lord has answered our prayers. In fact another four trucks have arrived shortly after that were also loaded with roof trusses, roof sheets, milk, milo, screws, wheelbarrows, wood preserver, beds, galvanised fences, aluminium doors, wooden doors, pumps, fire extinguishers, stainless steel sinks and much more were all in these trucks.

What an incredible relief and what an incredible blessing. A huge thank you to you all who have prayed for these trucks to be released so that our building program can go full steam ahead; so that more and more children and youth in need can be well cared for and looked after.

When we think of faithfulness, a friend or spouse may come to mind. Friends who are faithful accept and love us, even if we are unlovable. Faithful people keep their promises, whether of support or made in marriage vows. God's

faithfulness is like human faithfulness, only perfect. His love is absolute, and His promises are irrevocable. He loves us in spite of our constant bent toward sin, and He keeps all the promises He has made to us, even when we break our promises to Him.

Words are powerful, and how you use them reflects on your relationship with God. Perhaps nothing so identifies Christians as their ability to control their speech, speaking the truth, refusing to slander, and keeping oaths (promises). Watch therefor what you say.



Our church-planting endeavors amongst the tribal people.

All our church-planters are doing a fabulous job in the regions the Lord has called them into. Many tribal people from various tribes have received Christ in the past few months and many of them have been water baptized for which we praise our Lord and Saviour for. Our church-planters serve Jesus amongst

tribes located in wild, primitive places riddled with the occult where evil has such an incredible hold on their lives. But time and time again, once the Word of God enters such a community, and people actually hear His Word, allowing it to penetrate deep in their hearts, the Holy Spirit helps them then to start a process of change in their lives, as they embrace Christ Jesus in their lives, renouncing the occult and everything that goes with it, breaking the strongholds over their lives, and setting them free. This is why it is so incredibly important to send out workers into His Harvest field. Time is running out, as we are witnessing now with signs throughout the world, hence all the more reason to train as many people as possible to help bring in this enormous harvest. A huge thank you to you all who sponsor and pray for our village and all our church-planters in the interior.

Happy Birthday Jesus

Our book "Miracle Zone in the jungles of Borneo" is available now in many countries. Please check on our website

www.heyboer.org to see how you can order and purchase via the internet. Makes a great gift for anyone.



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.

Our ministry name: Rivers of Life Ministries Borneo. and/or Living Waters Village Borneo (Yayasan Sungai Kehidupan Borneo)

Congratulations with Graduations: Our Lala, Elti, Susan, Tobik and Nika have all recently graduated in Theology College. Our Bandi, Tryana and Belin have graduated as primary school teachers and our Yanti has graduated as a nurse. We are all super proud of their achievements and know that the Lord will use them powerfully in His ministry.













Our friends and associates can have a profound influence on us, often in very subtle ways. If we insist on friendships with those who mock what God considers important, we might sin by becoming indifferent to God's will. This attitude is the same as mocking. Do your friends build up your faith, or do they tear it down? True friends should help you draw closer to God, not hinder

your relationship with Him.



Stop and consider the wonderful miracles of God.

Job 37:14

Let's give Him thanks together:

For the safe arrival of all our babies.

- For all our teachers who do an amazing job at our schools.
- For the many people in the interior who have received Christ and have been water baptized.
- For the 10 pieces of land purchased since our last newsletter and the funds for it from various people.
- For the graduation of our
- For the arrival of 10 trucks loaded with building materials.
- For all our house parents who are such a blessing in this ministry.
- For the blessed and successful ministry trip to Holland in Sep-Oct.
- For all the building activities currently going on in our village.
- For three new 10.000 liter fuel tanks we were able to purchase.

For donations and/or sponsorships please have a look on our websites www.livingwatersvillage.com & www.heyboer.org under "donations" and click on your country for details.

Please pray with us:

- For all our university students who are doing their studies on line which they find very difficult. Also for our other university students who are still at university, often in red zones, but still have to attend briefings with lecturers. Please pray they keep their focus on the Lord and also on their studies and keeping them safe.
- For all the new children that have arrived in the last few months, that they will adjust well and be set free from their traumatic backgrounds.
- For much wisdom to prepare and start our accredited Bible College in our village which will train multitudes each year to be equipped and released to bring the Gospel message to the many Dayak tribes, still yet to hear the salvation message.
- For all the engagements and weddings to take place in December.
- For all our builders and labourers we employ from outside our village. We thank the Lord that we can give them a job but we are also praying that those who don't know the Lord yet will have the opportunity to find Him here.
- For our Yolanda, Okto, Amel, Ipir and many others who need a healing touch from the Lord.
- For the protection and provision for all our children, youth, house-parents, church-planters, missionaries, board-members, staff and labourers.
- For funds to arrive for the land still to be purchased.
- For funds to arrive for the foundations for the High School auditorium. Est: US\$20,292.-
- Funds for the foundations of 17 new Children's homes. Est: US\$10,496.- each.
- Funds to finish the 12 homes for married couples. Est: US\$33,588.-
- Funds to finish Titus house (accommodation for 20 children) Est: US\$24,491.-
- Funds to seal another two km of our roads. Est US\$22.392.-
- For funds to come in for 2 new 80 KVA generators from the UK. Est: US\$33,605.- each.
- Funds to arrive for two small trucks to carry goods. Each truck costs approx.:US\$23,524.-
- Funds for a cement mixer truck costing approx.: US\$53,769.-

Jesus is the Light of our Christmas, the Joy of our Hearts and the Hope of our World.

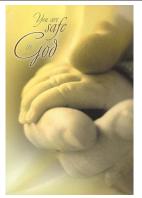
We wish you an awesome celebration of His Birth.
Blessed Christmas.

Have you recently moved and not let us know your new address yet? Please email us on ronnyheyboer@gmail.com to let us know your new address or write us: P.O. Box 3203, 93762 Kuching, Malaysia. Thanks for being a blessing.

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.
Ronny, (Kay in Australia) and all our children, youth and team at LWV.

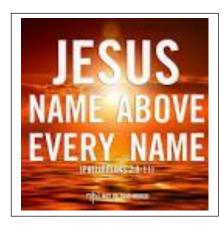
Satisfy us each morning with Your unfailing love, so we may sing for joy to the end of our lives. Ps 90:14







The end of the Holy Spirit's work in our lives is deep and lasting peace. Unlike worldly peace, which is usually defined as the absence of conflict, this peace is confident assurance in any circumstance; with Christ's peace, we have no need to fear the present or the future. Sin, fear, uncertainty, doubt, and numerous other forces are at war within us. The peace of God moves into our hearts and lives to restrain these hostile forces and offer comfort in place of conflict. Jesus says He will give us that peace if we are willing to accept it from Him. If your life is full of stress, allow the Holy Spirit to fill you with Christ's peace.



You will show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasure of living with you forever.

Psalm: 16:11

