

Mission Trip to Sulawesi, 6/5 – 11/2011



A team of 7 people (Pastor N. Lintang, Minister Yanti, Deacon Stephanus T, Deacon Edy S., a young couple, and Deacon David Chan from the Torrance Bread of Life Church) led by Pastor Lintang flew 5 hours from Jakarta to M city and then drove another 3 hours to T village in the middle of Sulawesi, where there is neither electricity nor running water. They stayed with the family of Peter who is a local minister supported by the Kartini Ling Liang Church. The team ministered to the adults and children of 6 different churches in the area. Since Indonesia was under the Dutch rule for 300 years before becoming independent, most of the local people are Christians converted by the Dutch missionaries. However, the Dutch did not teach them daily prayer and Scripture reading. Many of the local pastors and church leaders smoke. Some are jealous of the financial support that Peter is receiving. More mission teams are needed to provide disciple training, even to re-evangelize the local Christians. According to Pastor Lintang there are 100 minority tribes in Indonesia, who have never heard the gospel of Jesus Christ. One minority tribe is called Kaili. Some of the Kaili people still live on trees and blow poison arrows.

While team members were visiting a local church there, they were told about a contaminated well which supplied water to 15 families by using buckets. The well was built of wood and is moldy. Its water caused people to be sick. With money from the team, Peter was able to buy concrete, cement and PVC piping and rebuilt the well. Water is now flowing from the well to the 15 families through pipes. Praise the Lord.