

Boys' Dorm

Appeal

The city of Manado on the island of Sulawesi is home to the Indonesian Theological Seminary, known as STTI. This seminary was founded in 1970 by the Convention of Indonesian Baptist Churches (KGBI) to train the denomination's pastors and missionaries.

The school has graduated more than 600 (men and women), who are serving the Lord as teachers, pastors, church planters, evangelists, and social workers. These graduates currently serve in over 20 provinces in Indonesia, the 4th most populous country in the world with 85% Muslims and people groups who do not know Christ.

Dr. Edwin Karwur and his wife Helmi, both born and raised on Sulawesi, were appointed as missionaries at STTI by Fellowship International March 2006. Dr. Karwur is currently serving as president of the Seminary and vice-president of the KGBI organization.

Some STTI students are from Christian homes and others from a different faith background. For many of them, the decision to believe in Christ and to join in study at STTI has meant being disowned by family for turning from their family faith. Steve Jones, President of The Fellowship, on his first visit to the seminary in 2011, described the students as "chameleons", noting that unlike others, they were able to fit in and be accepted by the various people groups with the many dialects. These are Indonesian nationals, empowered by God's teaching at the Seminary in this 4th most populous area of the world, are making a difference for Him, not just in Indonesia but beyond with their drive to take the Gospel to the lost. The door is open and God is at work bringing thousands of Indonesian Muslims and others to faith in Christ. This is truly one of the largest mission fields globally.

They need our help NOW!

The seminary has a serious housing crisis. The most critical need is for a new boys' dormitory. Most of the students need accommodation while studying in Manado. The current boys' dorm, built 45 years ago, was meant to be a temporary structure. It has deteriorated over the years to the point where today the floors are constantly soggy and the walls are moldy, cracked and crumbling in places.

Recently, part of the dorm was closed because of ground water that caused students to become seriously ill. Many now look for housing off campus at a greater financial burden.

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This picture shows the boys mopping floors, cleaning mud from walls, beds, and furniture during the annual rainy season. With growth in the student population, the 10-room dorm is an overcrowded unhealthy residence.

How can you be part of this amazing ministry to reach the lost people of Indonesia with the gospel of Jesus Christ? By donating to build a new Boys' Dorm that is a healthy and safe environment for the young men who are housed here. It will have a profound impact on their health and studies and future work for Christ.

We are seeking to raise \$175,000 by the end of 2019, to build a modern 2 story boys' dormitory to house up to 84 students. This will cover construction and furnishing of this facility including dining/study areas and washrooms. Please consider as a church, an organization, or an individual, to donate to this appeal to build this new Boys' Dorm ***providing a healthy environment for these students to live.***

Should donations reach the target by the end of 2019, construction will begin early in 2020 and be completed within 6 months. Together we can show the love of Christ to these students and make this image a reality.

