



INDONESIA
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Dear Co-laborers,

The month of March seems a strange time to hold Vacation Bible School. However, since the children here have a very short break between school terms, alternative vacation times are sought. This year Idul Fitri, the Moslem holiday following their 30 days of fasting, fell on March 20 and 21. Government offices and many businesses closed for one week and schools closed for two. Since many of their Sunday School teachers work, this was the best time for Macedonia Baptist Church to hold VBS. Sessions started on Wednesday morning, March 18 and ran through Saturday morning, March 21. On Sunday we held the last session of VBS in the afternoon. Two other Independent Baptist churches in the nearby area joined us. We had wall-to-wall children and teachers with an average of 83 each day and a high of 91.



Mr. Edi teaching

Big Fish Bay was our theme with lessons taken from the life of Jonah. The children learned several new songs, listened to Bible lessons about God’s prophet, memorized Bible verses, played games, made crafts, participated in our daily quiz, and watched our closing puppet plays. We had different teachers present the lesson each day. Mr. Edi did a excellent job teaching the lesson to the older children our first day. Usually, he is working behind the scenes making our props, including the ship and the lighthouses in the photo, and helping produce some of our children’s crafts. It especially thrilled my heart to realize that many of the teachers and helpers at Macedonia had attended VBS years before when they were children. Now they are being used of the Lord to reach and teach others!

On April 4, I will be conducting another VBS workshop, preparing teachers and helpers in another part of Jakarta who will be holding VBS sometime in May when there is another holiday. Please pray that the workshop will go well and they Lord will use these teachers to reach and teach many more boys and girls in Indonesia.

Thank you so very much for your prayers and continued support that make it possible for us to have VBS workshops and to hold VBS throughout Indonesia. May the Lord richly bless you!

His for Indonesia,

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