



September **NEWSLETTER, 2019**

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Sponsorship - for children - yearly \$240, half-yearly \$120, quarterly \$60, monthly \$20. You may use a **Direct Credit** facility through the Bank - ask me for details.

For University students - \$300 yearly, for 2-4 years, depending on the course.

For Pastors - \$480 yearly, for 4-5 years..... this is intended to assist the 'growing' of a church, allowing the struggling pastor to attend to day to day needs without the worry of extra costs to do with 'growing his church'.

Sponsorship is intended to assist families send their child/children to school.

Please mark your sponsorship due date on your calendar each year - and I will put a small reminder in your newsletter if necessary. Many thanks.

Donations can be towards -

Petrus support

Administration

HFTC support of rural pastors

HFTC building projects

The Ricebowl

Please outline how you would like your donation to be spent. Thank you.

Our journey, from the 4th to 19th

August, was a great success. We found most people well and going about their daily work/activities with typical dedication and cheerfulness. It was so good to see them all. The children are growing so wonderfully well.

We met old friends and made new friends. We travelled to many interesting places and learnt the history of them. Climbing to the crater of Mt. Bromo, an active volcano, was quite an adventure. I've done it before, but the group hadn't, so that was a most challenging activity.

Independence Day was the day we left East Java and for several weeks prior to this, community groups and schools, in particular, worked on activities to be done for the public in general on the day. It meant that we didn't see as many children as usual because they were at school practising!

Java Journey '20..... will be in July. Please make your plans now so that we can be all ready to book as soon as the new year comes round.



The Safari Park provides so much fun for everyone. Some of our children really enjoyed the water challenge! We never get tired of visiting this park because we see so many different animals, participate in so many play activities, and the animal shows are very entertaining. Our sponsored children and other friends love it, too.

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Please pray for Petrus, Sri, HFTC helpers, sponsored children pastors and sponsors. Thank you.

Cantika Chandra, born on 25th April, 2013 needs a sponsor please. She is in Grade 1 this year.



The quality of these photos is not the best but I can say he is a lovely child and he needs a sponsor, please. His name is **Fidel Francis**, born on 28th May, 2013. He is in kindergarten.



Two children here, same age, different grades.....

Petrus now has his new glasses and can read and write well! He is so grateful and happy about that! It was a very long road to this end. He had the stitches out just before we arrived and now... success.



We met this family who live very simply in the forest. Their house is very poor. It amounts to a 'lean to' hut and houses five people. They have had to carry water to the house from a spring further into the forest. So every day they go to the spring and fill up the buckets to take back to the house. As you can see, Mum is carrying one on her head, (a usual mode of carrying a load for a woman) and dad has buckets hanging on each end of a pole balanced across his shoulders. All he dreamed of was having piped water to their house! So we gave him enough money to purchase these and I have had a letter saying he has bought the pipes, the connecting pieces and the tap, so he's put them together and now they have running water, with a tap, right to their door! How blessed we are for having this opportunity to bring such pleasure to this little family. AND, how much do we take for granted in our comfortable lives?



My aim here is to show you the state of their house, where, I might say, they appear to live happily in a Christian community without seeking assistance from others. I'm not asking for a fund for this family, as now the school age boy is sponsored and we will keep in touch with them. We will be able to help them from time to time and hopefully make their life easier as they grow older. The children will be given more opportunities as they get older, also. I wanted to show you an extremely poor rural family making the most of their situation. They are living peaceably in their isolation.

**Hope is the anchor of the soul, the stimulus to action, and the incentive to achievement.
Thank you for giving a child hope of a better future.....**