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light the way

If someone forces you to go one mile,
go with him two miles.
Matthew 5:41

SPREADING THE LOVE

Batam and Uban, 8 February 2017—As part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), this energetic and caring team of hairstylists from J's Salon and Medi Spa (Grand Copthorne Hotel and Marina Bay Sands) led by owners Johnny and June, spent a hectic but fruitful day at both our Towdah Sinar Batam and Towdah Uban children's homes to trim and clean up the hair of 28 children and four adults in total. Not all of our 33 children were available as some had not returned from school.

Thank you, June, Johnny, Tony, Oscar and Lawrence for spending your day with our children and looking after their crowning glory! We are grateful for your kindness and loving hearts.



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SHOWERS OF BLESSING

Bintan, 19 January 2017—The monsoon season brought more than just heavy rains and flash floods. It brought showers of blessing from afar.

We had been thinking about getting bikes for the children in our Uban home for a while and were praying for funds. Imagine our delight when God answered our prayers by sending a team from DELL to Bintan for their training seminar!

The 140 participants came from all over the world—Australia, USA, Hong Kong, China, Indonesia and Singapore—and assembled the bicycles during their team-building and giving back to society (CSR) activity.



We had the opportunity to share about our mission to provide impoverished, orphaned and abandoned children with a safe home, an education, and a godly upbringing. Some of the DELL staff banded together to bless the orphanage with a love gift and we were able to buy three larger bikes for our older children, who will need them in July when they move up to senior high school.



TENDING TO THE SICK & NEEDY

While our two homes have been blessed with so much love, we also face many challenges with those who are sick and needy, from the old to the very young.

Words cannot describe the pain of seeing young children and babies suffer. Ferdi (aged one) is doing better after a severe bout of fever, diarrhea and vomiting. His hospital bill has been settled by 5miles and he has been discharged.



Our latest beneficiary is Sabila, who is two weeks old as of 14 February. Her parents are from Sulawesi and arrived in Batam five months ago to look for work.

Together with a group of sales and marketing personnel in Batam, we are currently seeking a second opinion on how to proceed with her treatment. Surgery has been advised by her current medical team. In the meantime, we support the family by simply being there for them and helping them with diapers, and milk powder supplements recommended by the doctor to boost Sabila's weight.



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