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light the way

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

OVERSEAS VALUES IN ACTION

TANJONG KATONG GIRLS' SECONDARY SCHOOL

BINTAN 10-12 NOV 2018

In November last year, 23 secondary three students from Tanjong Katong Girls' School spent three days teaching English through games to 80 kindergarten students in the school Towdah helped to build and which is run by principal Oma Elsje. They painted wall murals in three classrooms; learned about goats and composting, planted long beans on our farm; and blessed disadvantaged families with food rations. They also had two meals at our Warung which helped to support the cook who is part of our 5miles livelihood programme. A big thank you to the amazing Actxplorer team comprising Mindy and Danielle, for facilitating the travel arrangements and partnering us to design the itinerary which we hoped was meaningful to the students as they brought so much joy to the kindergarten children and principal, our farmers, the Lobam community and our Towdah orphanage kids.



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COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN UBAN

SOLES IN LOVE

We are grateful to Mr Cheong See Hock of New Life Church for suggesting the idea of a Soles in Love community project (Bintan) in December 2018. And appreciate the generosity of his friends and colleagues who funded the purchase of 120 pairs of black school shoes and 360 pairs of socks for underprivileged primary as well as junior and senior high school students. Below is a photo of one community receiving the shoes.



FEED IN LOVE FOOD PACKS

Every December, for the last three years, a care group from Wesley Methodist Church has been blessing the Tanjung Talok community and other beneficiaries with 100 packs of food rations. Thank you Ms Chan Yee Min and friends for your love and support.



FEED IN LOVE WEEKLY MEALS

Our gracious Lord continues to provide for our Dapur Berkat or Kitchen of Blessings (formerly Warung 541) to bless more than 200 underprivileged children and their parents every Friday. We changed the name to reflect more clearly the mission of the 'soup kitchen'. Our Kitchen of Blessing serves to feed those who are not able to afford a nutritious meal as well as to provide livelihood opportunities. The cooking is done by women who need the income to support their families. Our Towdah children are also actively involved in the packing and distribution so they learn what

it means to bless others and we are blessed to have local and Singapore volunteers join us whenever they can. Thank you to individuals and groups for their sponsorship, including friends from New Life Church, Bethesda Christian Centre; Diana Ong and team, Thomas/Gina and team and many others.



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MISSION TRIP

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS (YAYA) FROM BETHESDA CHRISTIAN CENTRE

BINTAN 7-8 DECEMBER 2018



From 7 to 8 December 2018, a youth mission team consisting of 12 youths and young adults from Bethesda Christian Centre to spend time with our Towdah family in Tanjung Uban, Bintan.

They taught the children about God's love and how He guides us as well as how to show love for one another through bible verses, games, hands-on activities and participating in our Friday Feed in Love packing and distribution.



They also restrung the guitars, helped to paint parts of the home and assembled chairs and tables and put up hooks for our children to use. Thank you, Charles Chong, for leading the YAYA group and setting such a great example to the others. The youths and young adults worked very well as a team. Our children enjoyed the interaction, games and lessons, and learned a lot from watching the team serve and have fun together.



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 CLUB MED BINTAN, NEW LIFE CHURCH & MANY MORE WHO HAVE COME TO BLESS OUR TOWDAH CHILDREN
 TEACHING MATH, PLAYING, PRAYING AND WORSHIPPING WITH THEM, BOTH IN BATAM AND BINTAN.



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