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

CLARIANT SINGAPORE CSR

On Friday, 13 Sep 2019 Towdah Uban was very blessed by a team of 58 volunteers from Clariant Singapore led by the head of Clariant's Southeast Asia and Pacific region, Mr Dieter Seng. They were divided into three teams — Team Kitchen, Team Petra, Team Supermarket. Team Kitchen with 18 volunteers cooked 150 meals consisting of rice with fried chicken, vegetables and egg for distribution. Team Petra of 26 braved the heat to paint the exterior of Petra Preschool walls and presented the students with a stationery set and water bottle each. Team Supermarket of 14 bought rations and packed 100 sets for the disadvantaged families in Tanjung Uban.

The giving doesn't stop there. Clariant Singapore will also sponsor 300 meals for the community every month for one year — a total of 3600 meals! Clariant Singapore will also sponsor new mattresses and boards for our 12 children's beds in Towdah Uban and books for Petra Preschool and Towdah Uban. In addition, 170 lunch meals were packed for Petra preschoolers, Clariant volunteers and Towdah children. Thank you, Dieter and Clariant, for your generosity and kindness! Thank you to Suzanne Soh and Jesque Poh for all the hard work and love put into this CSR project! Thank you for giving our Towdah children the opportunity to learn from your generosity too as they helped to distribute the rations.



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TOWDAH SINAR BATAM

The heavy rains made it difficult for us to complete the work but thank God we finally have a proper roof over our heads again! As the home is rented, we are trying not to spend too much renovating the house and will wait to see what our options are. We are also grateful for the help from our sponsors in getting a new washing machine (My Braces Clinic), a new oven as well as mattresses and boards for the Batam home.

The team from New Life Church has been helping the children with music lessons, cutting their hair, teaching them how to plant, make pizza bread, etc. We also like to thank the Math group from Singapore consisting of volunteers Diana Ong, Carol, Phylicia, Christina and others who have joined occasionally for coming regularly to teach the younger Towdah children Math. Thank you also to the teams from Paya Lebar Methodist Church and Zion Bishan BP Church for ministering to the children during their church camp in June.



FEED IN LOVE (BATAM)

5miles, through Towdah Foundation, was asked if they could help an orphanage with 23 children. They have had help before but only temporarily. We were happy to bless them with sembako or food rations and basic necessities. A couple of years ago, Towdah Foundation started Feed in Love (FIL) in Batam by giving out sembako to needy institutions.

As we got too busy with our ministry in Tanjung Uban, we could not sustain the FIL efforts in Batam due to lack of manpower and resources in Batam. Our children in Tanjung Uban are actively participating in Feed in Love every week but the home in Batam needs a little prodding to be more active in their service to the community. We understand that there are also many more children in the home to look after and many younger ones.

In the meantime, 5miles hopes to relaunch FIL in Batam and to help the less fortunate within the institutions.



NO KID'S PLAY



Farming is real hard work. We have failed in so many ways but thank God for the strength to persevere. As we embark on the expansion of our goat farm and continue to develop the land for farming crops and fruit trees, we thought it was time to create a logo or symbol that would represent what we believe the farm to be.

The different colours illustrate the different stages of farming. It starts with yellow and ends with yellow, symbolising the cycle of farming from sowing to watering to harvesting and then all over again.

Our farm land is drawn in the shape of an animal's horn, a shofar that declares that the Almighty God is Lord over the land. His long and loving arms stretch over our farmers, livestock and crops, covering all with His protection from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same.



A second goat shed has been built in preparation of the arrival of more goats. In mid-September, we went to Batam to learn from a veteran goat farmer and bought 10 goats from him - two male and eight female. We have also been blessed with new arrivals among our current goats.



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