

Worldwide University Update

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Update

Next semester, the students in Christian Studies will be doing missions and communicating the Gospel in the students' own contexts. We'll also look at planning the major project so that it has the most benefit for the each student's ministry.

Our group of research students are exploring various topics. One is writing on effective ministry to seniors, and another on theological student's literacy skills.

We hope to start another education group on improving the quality of education in Christian Schools.



Introducing Gideon

Hello, I'm Gideon. I'm married to Dewi Anjani and have three children, Vindy, Samuel, and Ester.

I currently live in the city of Pontianak, West Kalimantan. We've been here since 2012 and we focus on serving Unreached People Groups, that we often call "the Ignored peoples."

West Kalimantan has several unreached ethnic groups including Pontianak Malay, Ketapang Malay, Sambas Malay and Sanggau-Sekadau. We are currently focused on reaching the Pontianak Malay people. Several other groups are adjacent to them: Madurese, Bugis, Javanese and Chinese, so sometimes we also deliberately reach them too. We currently have two generations in the ministry between the groups that we reach, but it is inevitable that our evangelism ministry also touches the Dayak people. The Great Commission is not just an option or choice but a command that must be obeyed.

While I was studying at Worldwide, I was in front of the mirror and evaluating my spiritual life, character, perseverance and respecting the opinions of others who are connected to me. By studying here I learned an important lesson, that when we have a social status even in a state of failure, I realize all because of the opportunity and grace of

God so that there is no reason for me not to be grateful to the Lord Jesus.

I would rather close my mouth to His Voice that is speaking than to close my heart.

Thank you Ross. Thank you Respati. Your dedication as teachers will continue to be remembered and imprinted in our minds, so that we are not as students who only learn knowledge but also learn to appreciate and implement what we have so far. Greetings and love from His field.

Gideon.



Introducing Aprilia

Shalom, my name is Aprilia.

Besides being a housewife, I also serve at Living Stones School, which has a playgroup and kindergarten in Surabaya, East Java. This school has a vision and mission of "making lead-

ers with servant hearts." Children are educated and taught according to the Word of God.

Teaching has been my longing for a long time, and currently I teach a playgroup class consisting of eleven children aged 4-5 years with varying backgrounds. It's challenging when faced with several children who need special attention, such as delayed speech development, autism and several other kinds of special needs. At first I couldn't sleep because I was thinking about the children, and I believe I couldn't do this without God's help.

And Praise the Name of the Lord I was given the opportunity to join and study again with WU about change management. I am very grateful that God led me to be able to compile my final project, and through this study I was equipped to become a leader of children with a big heart and can make changes to the school I serve. Indeed, change is not easy, sometimes we have to lose something good to get something better. I would like to say thank you very much to everyone involved and who has always given me support. God bless every ministry of WU.

Editors note: Aprilia's project was to train a team of teachers in creative crafts.