Harvest time in Indonesia! Oct 2022

Indonesia is the world's largest Islamic nation. It is an archipelago of 17,000+ islands running from SE Asia to the Pacific just opposite Papua New Guinea. A "come-to-Jesus" movement is taking place in this country. Thousands of reproducing little Churches are sprouting up all over the place. There is a huge need for Bible content and discipleship materials for the many new believers in this very geographically and linguistically



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complex nation. The majority of the languages spoken here are Bibleless.

Forming the Indo1000 Fellowship to Support the Harvest

A couple weeks ago I got an out-of-the-blue call from Larry, Director of Global Recordings Network (**GRN**). Larry wants to launch an effort to get Gospel recordings in 1000 languages/dialects of Indonesia in the next few years. He wants to leverage the **S**tory**P**roducerAdv (**SPadv**) app to facilitate this vision. Perfect! SPadv was designed for just this scenario! Larry is also networked with

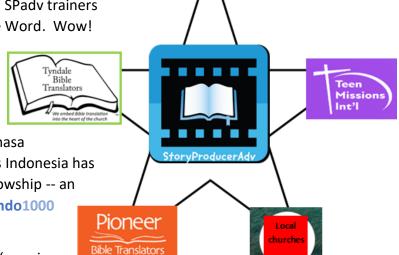
Teen Missions which graduate 70 Indonesian Bible students yearly from their 6 Bible schools across the country. These teenage "young apostles" want to be the legs and SPadv trainers to go to the many language communities with the Word. Wow!

Also, in God's providence, a couple years ago, a young American-Indonesian couple with Pioneer Bible Translators (**PBT**) took my virtual SP training and volunteered to start the big work of translating SP's 130 Bible story templates into Bahasa Indonesian. The same Spirit who is moving across Indonesia has also been at work bringing together a 5-point fellowship -- an informal partnership -- to carry out the vision of Indo1000 and to strengthen the new believers.

As we launch the Indo1000 effort, I am currently "popping over to Indo" during my evenings via zoom to coach a handful of

local church and **GRN** folks to learn the SPadv app and how to finish <u>localizing the app resources</u>. For example:

- getting the app interface into Bahasa
- finish translating and recording all the Bible story templates in Bahasa
- translating exegetical helps into Bahasa



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In a few months, Lord willing, when the materials are ready in Bahasa, these folks that I am training now will train other "young apostles" to scatter to the jungles and islands of Indo to introduce SPadv to many language communities so they can orally translate and publish

for themselves Bible videos – an efficient and effective way to get Bible content and discipleship materials quickly accessible in the languages the people understand.

I feel very honored to have been entrusted with the vision of developing and deploying SPadv. I have not always seen how God would make it all happen, only that he would. There have been many roadblocks, pitfalls and discouraging opposition along the way. But God has been faithful to move mountains, fill in potholes and bring encouragement at each juncture. I am amazed at all the <u>people</u> God has raised up – at all levels — to generously give their time, skills, money, prayers … never mind what organization they do or do not belong to, never mind where they live, their age or their social status. It's been a privilege to have a ring-side seat watching the Lord do miracle after miracle to fulfill His heart mission of reaching the nations to draw them into His family. The formation of this 5-point **Fellowship** for the **Indo1000 task** has materialized just this month like a blurry blob quickly coming into focus as a beautiful picture. It is the most recent miracle and I wanted to tell you about it. Thank **you** for your part in all this! Thank you for giving to the Lord! **Please pray for the success of this mission!**

Other Harvest Preparations in Progress to be Praying about:

- <u>courage</u>, <u>unity</u> and <u>provision</u> for the **Indo1000 Fellowship** and preparing resources into Bahasa; raising up 1000s of local language translators; preparation and sending out of the "young apostles"
- Wisdom for the techies working on the SPadv app as we launch v.2 (with remote checking capabilities)
- Cindy and her young YWAM team in Colombia as they continue to get the SP Bible story templates into Spanish
- <u>Provision</u> for **Gisele** from **Brazil** to finish her Bible College training and encouragement as she works on the side to get SP Bible story templates into **Portuguese**; launching SPadv into Portuguese speaking countries...
- Toyin in Nigeria as he records SP Bible story templates into French
- complete healing from tendonitis in my arm (I really need to start playing pickleball again ... ②)
- <u>thanksgiving</u> and <u>wisdom</u> for the **Honey Bee app team** formation and beginning to prep resources (more about this next update.)

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