

Sabah Thanksgiving 2018



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“**And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him**” (Colossians 3:17, NIV)

In this day and age, it can be easy to get caught up in activity after activity. Serving in Malaysian CARE is no different, and so it was a challenge to set aside time for the first Malaysian CARE Thanksgiving in Sabah. However, God calls us to give thanks in all circumstances and it is always heartening to remember His goodness and faithfulness to us in the midst of our work.

On 11th November 2018, partners, donors, volunteers, and other friends of Malaysian CARE gathered at Christ Church Likas in Kota Kinabalu to celebrate what God has been doing through CARE. CARE’s first East Malaysia office opened in Sabah in 2013 and we have since started various projects such as financial literacy training, inclusive preschool programmes, agriculture income-generation projects, and a Bumblebee mobile toy library.

The attendees had a chance to hear the testimonies of some of the financial literacy programme participants from Kudat. Puan R shared, “I learned

how to improve the standard of living in my village. I also learned a bit about the Bible... it really encouraged me to change the way I think.”

Finally, one of our regular volunteers, Ms Ooi Saw Kim, shared her experience volunteering with the children’s Bumblebee programme and challenged the audience to do likewise:

“[S]eeing lovely children, and a local community that still cares for each other, especially in today’s day and age, has opened my eyes and moved my heart. It triggered my desire to care for others, and show the love of Jesus to them. This is your opportunity to feed His lambs, tend His sheep and feed His sheep. I was blessed and I hope you and your church will be blessed also.”

Thank you to Saw Kim and all our volunteers for your priceless support. If you or your church are keen to be involved in the work of Malaysian CARE in Sabah, do contact us. We are always open to working with new ministry partners. ■

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