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We Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem! Psalm 122:6

NEWSLETTER January 2012

Shalom,

Thought you might like to know the results of my December trip to Jakarta, Indonesia. Our goal is what you find in this Report, building up the Body of The Messiah Yeshua, by evangelism and discipleship on toward maturity. This takes lots of time and patience – God is not in a hurry and we are therefore not in a hurry.

Next, full knee replacement Feb 2, if all goes well. Surely appreciated wheelchairs in big airports!

Then both Naomi and I go to the Philippines April 15 – June 14 for the 10th Annual APMF Bible Conference in Baguio City and a Regional Bible Conference in Cebu City for the southern provinces.

Enjoying our Blessings!! Roger & Naomi (My book, [According to Roger](#), is now for sale on Amazon.com)

GREETINGS FROM ROGER!! January 2012

Gereja Kehilat Mesianik Indonesia is the newly established government recognized “Messianic Christian” organization for Messianic Congregations in Indonesia. The government has only a few categories for recognition, with two for “Christians,” one for Roman Catholics and one for Protestants. There is no category for Jewish groups. They exist but with no recognition, so Messianics fit in the Protestant Christian category.

Benjamin Obadyah has been working toward this step for some time since he became Messianic himself. About 15 years ago, he inherited a church building and congregation from a pastor relative that emigrated to another country. Ben supports his family by a government job in the “Regional Planning” category, supervising Area Development Programs. He and wife Ira have three lovely children, Irene 17, Karen 12, and Joel 8.

You may remember in 2007 at our 5th Annual APMF Bible Conference in Baguio, Ben received a message from his wife that the denomination that this church was in had “kicked him out” because he was going Messianic. Therefore, Ben asked for and I gave him an official letter appointing him as an APMF Representative for Indonesia. The denomination later cancelled that action but before long, Ben decided it was time to resign anyway. When applying last year for recognition at the Office of the Religious Affairs, this letter proved to be very helpful! It showed that Ben was part of an on-going international group, not one of the many “here today, gone tomorrow” groups that the government will not recognize. It helped also that I met this officer in person on the first day of this 2-Day Inauguration Bible Conference, Dec 24 & 25. He came to welcome GKMI, to offer his advice and congratulations. He is a Protestant Christian in this predominantly Muslim nation.

Ben has helped develop 3 congregations in the Jakarta area who packed this venue with about 200 people on Shabbat Dec 24 for a Hanukkah service and program, with children doing skits. He also has an outreach in 6 other provinces including South Kalimantan and North Sulawesi (south border of the Philippines). He has two radio programs that reach into this and other areas, and had a TV program for one year. All of these are recorded on discs and can be sent to stations around the country for further airing. GKMI will now provide an “umbrella” for these and further groups to operate under, much like APMF-RP Inc. now functions in the Philippines. A Board of about 20 hand picked persons were “ordained under the hoopa” to assist Ben.

It was my privilege to teach on [The Congregation of the LORD](#) for the 2 days: what it is, the members and leaders, its activities, all in order “*to bring each one toward maturity, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for **building up the body of Messiah**, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Messiah, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.” Eph 4:12-14.*

The reason for APMF is to glorify and work with Yeshua in His commitment to **continue to build up** His Kehilah, His Ekklesia, His Congregation from Adam & Havah onward, as He told Peter & Co in Matthew 16:18. Thank you for your participation with us. The enemy is very active to try to prevent even the existence of Yeshua’s Body in the Far East and to confuse disciples with his lies and twisted Scripture. Pioneering is still the challenge, to lay a solid Foundation of Bible Truth from Genesis through Revelation. What a privilege we have to be working with Yeshua and with the quality disciples He has brought into His Family!