

Dear Sumba Mission friends

We are nearing the end of the year; how short it is. So much to do and the time seems to fly away. How have we spent our time this past year? We cannot redo it.

What is the increase or the result of our God-given time, the time of grace? Also for us as we try to teach the 90 children entrusted unto us. We are very grateful that everything may go as planned; in this we may observe God's caring hand and help. Also by inclining many hearts to support the home and the school, especially in these hard times live in. Sometimes we worry, how will it go next year, but we must work as long as it is day. Then we may trust in the Lord who will supply when it is needed. We need to pray, "Lord grant us wisdom".

We are short of living space for the teachers and Rev. Samuel, who hopes to come in January, the Lord willing. We are planning to build a duplex, one side for Rev. Samuel and the other side for teachers and volunteers. The building will be very plain; .build from cement blocks and steel roof with tiles floors. On one side 2 bedrooms, living room, kitchen and a bathroom outside. The other side the same but with 4 bedrooms enough to house teachers and volunteers.

This is an extra cost not included in the budget for next year. The total cost of this project is estimated at \$75000. US

We would like to ask for your help to realize this project. Pass the word around and pray that the Lord will also incline hearts to donate for this project. We pray that the Lord will show us the way in this matter.

It is November and once again more than 300 children come from the neighbouring villages to practice Christmas songs and text for the Christmas Program. They come every Saturday to practice, full of excitement.

Christina's apartment is near completion, it is an extension to the children's home.

The new generator is finally installed, It is digitalized, which caused a lot of problems at first. The girls have to learn to be more careful with their use of electric appliances and not run them all at the same time otherwise the computer shuts off.

The school is doing well , we are trying to get more financial help from the government to cover some of the cost. We are grateful to those who sponsor a child and all the financial help we receive for the home and school.

We plan, the Lord willing to be in Holland from April 10-25.after that 2 weeks in Canada. Please help us find places to show slides of our work here. Or organize events for the Building Project.

We wish you all a blessed Christmas and New Year.

Greetings from Bill Sommer and staff

