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### **FUNDRAISING REPORT**

The clear blue sky, the bright sunlight and the mild temperature of the 70s made the Saturday late afternoon of November 7, 2009 a pleasant sundown. That evening, PKKA conducted its "2<sup>nd</sup> Music for Education Concert" at the Resurrection Lutheran Church (RLC) in Scottsdale as part of its effort to raise funds for the PKKA adopt-a-student program. The successful event resulted in the net gain of \$ 4,015.40.

All the monies from the concert will be hand delivered to our adopted students through the voluntary assistance of our PKKA carrier. The delivery will be at no cost to us. PKKA motto is "**one dollar collected** – **one dollar given away**". PKKA does not cover travel and travel related expenses, salary, or compensation.

For parochial education in our affiliated schools in Indonesia the *tuition fee ranges from \$50 to \$100 for the entire school year*. This means that our fundraising outcomes will allow us to adopt more than 40 students for the school year 2010/2011.

Our adopted students are truly grateful and appreciate your support for the concert which makes the concert a fulfilling effort. The following photographs on the back page display this memorable event.

#### **SPONSORSHIP REPORT**

PKKA scholarships are provided to Christian, Catholic, and non-Christian students who attend parochial schools in Indonesia. The recipients are expected to be successful in their study, achieve a Christ-like life and become the developmental catalysts for their communities. Our current affiliated schools are located in the municipalities of Klaten, Salatiga, Solo (all are in the Central Java province), and Nabire (the island of Papua).

As of the end of November 2009, the cash donation we received from our supporters for the current year totals to **\$ 2,225**. For the next school year, we plan to expand our coverage to include the municipalities of Mojoarum (in the East Java province) and Tana Toraja (the island of Sulawesi).

To meet the growing demand for our scholarship PKKA organizes fundraising events and solicits cash donation from its supporters. We anticipate adopting 100 students for the school year 2011/2012. We are confident that we will be able to achieve this goal because of your prayers and your monetary donations to us.

If you like to support our adopt-a-student program, please write a check to "PKKA Inc." and mail the check to:

PKKA Inc. 1955 W. Baseline Rd. #113-330 Mesa, AZ 85202

For more information about PKKA, please visit <u>www.EducateIndonesia.org</u>

# **AN EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE**

I am the eldest son and have a younger sister who is in the 6th grade now. Being the first born, my parents expect a lot from me. They expect me to be able to stand on my own and fend for myself as much as possible. I come from a simple family. My father is working at a small private company and my mother is a stay home mom. I love my family. We have a good relationship and communicate well with each other.

I want to be independent as soon as possible so I can help my family financially. As soon as I graduate I want to find a job even though I dream to pursue my studies at a higher level. I didn't expect to receive this scholarship as I am not the number one student of my class. What I do have is the best motivation. I will not disappoint you, my generous sponsors and promise to study well until I graduate soon.

May 26, 2009 PKKA student ID#0026

The scholarship I received from your foundation motivates me to do my utmost at my studies at this vocational school. One day with my skill and background of education I would like to create a job opportunity in the place I live to help my peers in improving their economic well being. I thank PKKA for helping me realizing my dreams.

My hobby is biking. I used to take my bicycle in for repairs. Aside from being expensive (parts and service) it is time consuming, having to wait for it before it is done. So, I tried to do the repairs myself. I saved money to buy the tools to do small repairs on my bicycle. After a while my friends and neighbors asked me to do their bicycles and with their encouragements I opened a small "bicycle repair shop" which I still own and work at after school hours.

May 26, 2009 PKKA student ID#0017

I would like to express my immense gratitude to the PKKA for granting me a scholarship. I experienced a lot of challenges while studying, but with your scholarship and my determination to succeed, I will do well.

I was born in a small village. My late father was a subsistence farmer and my mother is a home mom. I am the 5th child of seven siblings. When I reached 4th grade, I got the chance to stay at the boarding program of the school. I loved this because it enabled me to focus on my studies, discipline, be independent. I made the right choice as for the 2003-2004 school year I got the highest GPA over all the students studying at the eight local schools. I was so happy and proud.

I went to my current high school and stayed at its boarding school as well. While I was in this high school, I lost my younger brother and later my father passed away. I myself was sick for about six months from malaria. Regardless of all these misfortunes, I forced myself to give my best at school in order to become a good Papuan leader one day. Thank you again.

September 12, 2008 PKKA student ID#0020





# **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR**

PKKA wishes you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May the year 2010 bring us peace and joy, strengthen the spirit of giving and reinforce the sense of belonging as one caring community. Before leaving the year 2009 behind, let us revisit the wisdoms of the following philanthropists.

Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose. (*Helen Keller*)

I was fortunate to get a scholarship when I went to Lehigh University and Princeton. Somebody was kind enough to spend their money to educate people that they would never get to know. (*Lee Jacocca*)

Thanks to financial aid, loans, scholarships and part-time work, I was able to go to college. I was able to choose my destiny and realize my dreams. Money isn't everything but sometimes it's the only thing standing between deserving students and their dreams. That's why I'm a big supporter of scholarship programs. (*Gary Locke*)

In business, you're trying to make a buck. God was good to me and blessed me. I made some money. Years ago I started this foundation. It has grown in size. With the foundation, the bottom line isn't how you can make more money. It is helping the projects that you feel strongly about move forward. (*Lee lacocca*)

The practice of charity will bind us. It will bind all men in one great brotherhood. (Conrad Hilton)

### **APPRECIATION TO OUR INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORTERS**

Our PKKA started in 2007 when some donors collected monies for a scholarship fund. To help the fund growing, fund raising efforts need to be conducted. Since then, the organization is growing to its current state. PKKA acknowledges thanks to our institutional supporters which endorse our efforts, our programs, and our mission.

- An estate sale, the 1<sup>st</sup> PKKA fund raising drive, was conducted in February 2008 at the City Harvest International Glad Tidings Church (CHIGHT) at 2617 N. 32<sup>nd</sup> St, Phoenix. To learn more about CHIGHT, please visit <u>www.chigt.org</u>. Pastor Luther Bolung looks forward to meeting us in one of his services.
- On November 15, 2008 PKKA conducted its 1<sup>st</sup> "Music for Education" concert at the Mission Del Sol Presbyterian Church at 1565 E. Warner Rd, Tempe. Pastor Arthur J. Campbell invites us to visit <u>www.missiondelsol.org</u> and to meet us in person.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> "Music for Education" concert was held at the Resurrection Lutheran Church (RLC) at 4930 E. Greenway Rd, Scottsdale on November 7, 2009. Pastor John Geske invites us to visit RLC and its website <u>www.rlc-scottsdale.org</u>.
- Knights of Columbus Council 6627 located at 606 E. Broadmor Dr, Tempe sees PKKA activities are in line with its mission. The council is a Ministry affiliated with Our Lady of Mount Carmel (OLMC) Parish. Grand Knight Pat Kedrowski welcomes new members to the council and invites us to visit <u>www.kofc6627.org</u>.

