

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION IN ATAMBUA

This month, construction began on a three-room school building in the city of Atambua. Through the generosity of numerous sponsors, FCI volunteers were able to collect sufficient funding for this project. It is estimated that construction will take two and half to three months. The building will serve as an addition for the original school



Mrs. Ross discussing the new project

that was built in 2009. After contacting friends in Jakarta, a new 2,000 watt electrical generator was also donated to the school.

This is the second school building in Atambua that FCI has helped to facilitate sponsorship for and is part of our long-term vision for educational improvement in East Nusa Tenggara.



School and playground that was built in 2009



Frances visiting with some of the local community on Bangka Island

TEAM TO BANGKA ISLAND

FCI often sends volunteers to remote areas of Indonesia. Usually this comes about through friends we've met while conducting our volunteer activities. These friends then invite us to conduct special projects in other areas of Indonesia. Recently, one such invitation brought two FCI volunteers to Bangka Island, east of Sumatra. FCI volunteers spent two weeks on the island visiting schools and teaching school children on a daily basis as the focus of this particular trip was teaching and counseling. Volunteers visited many members of the local community and were able to hear first-hand the problems and challenges that the people face. This was an opportunity to establish contacts and survey the potential for future FCI projects in this area.



Sharon on Bangka Island

BNN REHABILITATION CENTER

The number of residents at the BNN Lido Rehabilitation Center has increased so much that FCI volunteers recently had to restructure their teaching schedule there. BNN residents in the 2011 first quarter classes had an opportunity to practice their English with law students from Northwestern University in the U.S.A. The law students, who were in Indonesia as part of a research program,



Students from Northwestern University

concluded their visit with an evening at the FCI centre in Jakarta. A former resident and counselor at the Rehabilitation Center, now self-employed, joined the evening event.



Language study with Mrs. Joanna



Learning computer with Mr. John

Students study Microsoft Office in order to open up wider job possibilities for their future drug free life.



Visiting residents at Lido and the students at FCI Center in Jakarta

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