

## **Trish Lowe - Perth Australia - July 7, 08**

God is on the Move!

The last couple of months in Jakarta:

We have continued to see incredible breakthrough in this city over the last couple of months. I have personally been embracing and enjoying the Indonesian culture! I've loved learning some of the language, getting to know the locals, making life long friendships, and enjoying prime Indonesian cuisine :) We used literally hundreds (we counted) of taxis! Jakarta is known for it's traffic jams.

A group of 3 of us have been facilitating 23 outreach teams into the city over the last while. We meet with the teams every week to support them, hear how they're doing, and pray for them. One of our teams was working with a church, and taking them out into the slums to show them how possible it is for them to reach their city. After going in, the pastor of the church started receiving threats from a local Muslim man in the slum - threatening that they better not come back. After hearing God, they have continued to go into that slum with the protection of God, and have seen many saved and healed. The pastor of the church now is looking to move his family to live in the slum area, to be with the people and reach out more directly. He is ruined for an ordinary life!

One of our teams jumped into these drains in a slum area to dig out all of the garbage. These are the grossest drains you can imagine, with green/brown bubbly water and oil, dirt and garbage floating throughout. They jumped in and cleaned them, and as they were cleaning them out the locals jumped in with them and helped with cleaning out the drains. This is what we are all about, not just doing it, but seeing the locals catch a glimpse of transformation so that they can see it happen themselves! Very exciting.

Another one of our teams felt to put mud on a blind mans eyes, and he was healed.

During my time in Jakarta we have seen 448 salvations, 140 healings, 7996 people prayed for, 8789 people received teaching, and many many people and places transformed. There are literally hundreds of stories we can tell.

On a personal note, as I said I have been enjoying the culture - well, most of the culture. I was sick for 2 weeks and in the hospital with Dengue Fever, a disease you get from mosquitos in some parts of the world. I don't think I've ever been that sick for that long in my life. Also, I had a friend in YWAM who passed away while I was in Jakarta. A wave swept him into the sea and he went missing. They still haven't found him, the Newcastle base has had a memorial service for him. It's been tricky carrying responsibility and grieving at the same time. God has been my strength though, and from what we have seen happen in the city, every bit of it is worth it.

I'm back in Perth for a while now - still working on megacities in Jakarta, from here, recruiting more teams to go and see that city changed. I love you guys, thank you so much for all of your prayers and support. I need it :) What a great family I'm part of.

**Love Trish**