

## GiveLight Newsletter

### Letter From Dian Alyan, Founder & President

Dear Friends and Supporters of Orphans, May peace be upon you.

I returned from a five week trip to Indonesia less than a month ago. That trip was like none I had ever taken before. Seeing the home we built for our orphans and meeting the children for the first time were such moving experiences. In the beginning the children were shy and kept their distance from me, especially the younger ones. But after spending a few days together, singing songs in three languages, reading poems, sharing many meals, talking about their pains and dreams, we became very close. The day before I left, we took the children to the lake for a picnic and a swim.

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### Testimonial from US volunteers @ Aceh orphanage

“Saya tidak bisa, saya tidak tahu”.(I can't, I don't know)

Fanni glanced at me, looking confused and embarrassed. It was a simple arithmetic problem, just basic multiplication, but Fanni did not know how to answer. I told him he did know and he could answer, he just had to try and work hard. Fanni looked at me determinedly and then nodded. After that night, he told me that he could not answer. He never again told me he was not able. He was ready to learn.

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### Sponsorship Update

“From our deepest hearts, we are conveying our gratitude for all the love and attention sent for us from the distance.” writes one of GiveLight’s orphans to her sponsor. With your help, GiveLight has been able to sponsor 50 orphans in its orphanage and another 146 throughout Aceh, Indonesia. GiveLight has also been able to respond to the earthquake disaster in Pakistan by sponsoring another 50 orphans, while working on building a permanent home for these orphans. Our hope is to sponsor at least 200 orphans by the end of the year. GiveLight has also been able to respond to the earthquake disaster in Pakistan by sponsoring another 50 orphans, while working to build a permanent home for these orphans. [Read More](#)

### Pakistan Construction

The construction of our second orphanage located in Rawalpindi, Pakistan is already underway. Through partnership with International Education and Welfare Society (Saba Trust), we hope to complete the orphanage in the Fall of 2007. Because we were fortunate enough to have the land for the Pakistan orphanage donated, the funds that we raise at our March fundraiser will go towards the orphanage construction costs.

In closing, we thank you for trusting us and for choosing to share our passion to help our orphans. We wish you and your family peace, enlightenment and the good fortune of appreciating the bounties that God has blessed upon us with food, shelter and our friends and family. For more information and to see more pictures please visit [www.givelight.org](http://www.givelight.org).

For more info on sponsoring an orphan visit — [http://www.givelight.org/index\\_files/sponsorship.html](http://www.givelight.org/index_files/sponsorship.html) and get our latest updates at <http://www.givelight.org>

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Aceh orphanage children.

### Latest News from Aceh

GiveLight is sponsoring 146 orphans in Banda Aceh, bringing our total sponsored orphans close to 200. Although we are pleased with how happy our children at our Noordeen orphanage were, the condition of others in Banda Aceh and orphans living out side of our facility were concerning. People are living in barracks and as many as 40 orphans live in one small confined room, with no beds to sleep on. We need to help more kids and remember that even two years after the tsunami, the sufferings continue for most people.



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### Winners of MP3 Players

Meet Miko and Nursamawi, our most intelligent and conscientious kids. They did well in Quranic memorization, English and social studies. They are most likely the only children in Aceh who won MP3 players and both were overjoyed to receive the gifts. [Read More](#)