



Indonesia



Introduction to INDONESIA

THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA is a sprawling nation in Southeast Asia comprised of thousands of islands and hundreds of people groups. Heavily populated, Indonesia is home to the world's largest number of Muslims. Terrorism, corruption, and poverty remain issues, although the government is experiencing an increasingly stable democratic rule.

The INDONESIAN people

Total population:	240,271,522
Children under 15:	67,499,548
Average Life Expectancy:	70.76 years
Per capita annual income:	\$3,900
% children in primary school:	94.83%
Average years of education:	11 years
Literacy rate:	90.4%
Internet users:	30 million
Cell phones in use:	140.578 million
Major/official language(s):	Bahasa Indonesia, English, Dutch, others

Risk issues impacting children:

- Damage from recent tsunamis have left many homeless and destroyed infrastructure.
- There is an HIV/AIDS crisis in the country.
- Malnutrition, lack of safe drinking water and sanitary conditions, human trafficking and child labor are all perennial problems.

More about INDONESIA

Capital city:	Jakarta
Type of government:	Republic
Square kilometers:	1,904,569
General terrain:	Mostly coastal lowlands; larger islands have interior mountains
Major industries/jobs:	Petroleum and natural gas, textiles
National motto:	"Unity in diversity"
Major airport(s):	Soekarno-Hatta International Ngurah Rai International

Reaching INDONESIA

Currently classified as World B: Somewhat Reached

Major religions:

Muslim	- 86.1%
Christian	- 8.7%
Hindu	- 1.8%
Other	- 3.4%

Christian groups:

Protestant	- 53%
Other	- 20.1%
Roman Catholic	- 17%
Independent	- 9.9%

Unreached People Groups:	199 (69.8% of pop)
Average annual Christian growth:	0.038
Average annual baptisms:	716,814
Foreign missionaries:	6,300
Per million:	27.87
National Christian workers/pastors:	50,000
Per million:	221.18
Number of churches/congregations:	47,764

Children's ministry in INDONESIA

- Overview:**
- While larger churches in big cities have good resources for children's ministry, funding for such ministry in smaller, rural churches is limited.
 - Children and families tend to be receptive to the gospel, but there is a need for more workers who are committed to reaching the large number of children in Indonesia.

Focus for Prayer

Training children's leaders for outreach in
47,764 congregations

Strategies for reaching and discipling
67,499,548 children for Christ