

2019 CREST Newsletter

April



Lombok, Indonesia Final Trip

One of our major projects in partnership with Methodist Crisis Relief & Development (MCRD) has been completed. A total of 70 transitional houses and a school were built in Northern Lombok for survivors of the earthquake. A team of 4 visited Lombok on 15-17 April 2019 to witness the project closure.

Our Executive Director had to cancel the trip as he had to attend his grand uncle's funeral in Guangzhou, China

We wish to thank our coordinator Bro. Deky for managing the project and working closely with our local partner Menonite Diakonia Service (MBS) for almost 1 year to complete it successfully. We give glory to the Almighty God, and may the love of our Lord continue to comfort the survivors in Lombok.



Group Photo During the Distribution of School Kits at the School



Handing Over Final Report – From Left: Bro Jacob Lee (CAC Lay Leader), Rev Ezra Kok (CAC President), Ms. Nina (MBS Project Leader), Rev. Dr. Ng (CAC Secretary)

Disaster Preparedness & Response Training

6-7 & 13-14 April, 19 participants attended a 3-1/2 day training hosted by Taman Chi Loong Methodist Center, Klang.

Majority of the participants are not from Klang. We thank those who had travel from far, especially to a brother who had travelled all the way from Johor Bharu.



Group Photo with the Participants

Networking, Partnership and Moving Forward

18-22 April, Singapore – TOUCH International and CREST is looking forward to strengthening our partnership in disaster response and training. During this 4 day meeting in Singapore, we reviewed the trainings that we had conducted and evaluated the feedback from the participants. Besides these, we shared about the challenges we face and pray and encourage one another.

Our main task for the coming year is to change our training syllabus. The new syllabus shall be:-

- a. 30% classroom, 70% practical
- b. Case study and content shall be relevant for Asia
- c. A smaller module so that the host will be able to host the training according to their available time
- d. Participants can choose core and elective modules according to their area of interest
- e. Networking, the content shall contributed by our partners in Asia.



Discussion & Collaboration for Upcoming Training