

CHILDREN'S TIME ACTIVITIES

Partners in Mission is an annual campaign when Salvationists from across Canada and Bermuda come together to raise funds to support the international work of The Salvation Army. This year, the goal for the Canada and Bermuda Territory is to raise **\$2.4 million**. These funds ensure that The Army continues to be a beacon of hope in all 134 countries where it works. This year, the Partners in Mission campaign is focusing on the **Indonesia Territory**.

Below, you will find **six different activities** that will help bring awareness to children about Partners in Mission, the International Work of The Salvation Army and the Indonesia Territory. These activities can be done during children's time in the Sunday service, as part of a Sunday School lesson or as a family activity at home.

At the end of some of the activities there is a suggested donation of a certain amount which represents the cost of something that could benefit someone living in Indonesia. Work together to put the equivalent amount towards the Partner's in Mission campaign.



## **DID YOU KNOW?**



- That Indonesia has over 279 million people, making it the world's fourth most populous country?
- That Indonesia has more than 17,000 Islands?





## 4 HOME SWEET HOME!



PaperMarkers and Pens



Provide each child with a piece of paper, markers and pencil. Ask them who they consider to be their family and have them draw a family tree. After everyone has completed have them show their tree and tell who they included. Emphasize that sometimes we have people who care and love for us or are not related to us but can be like family.

For many children in Indonesia, there are different reasons why they are no longer able to live at home or with family – their parents have died, they live too far away from a school or their parents are unable to care for them. In these cases, the Salvation Army cares for the children in one of their children's homes where each child is loved and cared for and is given access to everything they would need to have a safe and happy childhood – school, nutritious meals, medical care, life skills and so much more. Often, when someone has no place to call home, The Salvation Army steps in and becomes their home and their family.

Cost to provide clothing for one child in a children's home: \$21



Dear God,

We come before you with compassion for the children living in homes across Indonesia. We thank you for their lives and the potential you have placed within each of them. Surround these children with your love and protection. May they always feel safe, cherished, and valued. Grant them the comfort of community and the warmth of caring adults who nurture and guide them. Guide their education and growth, providing them with opportunities to learn and thrive. May they discover their passions and talents, empowering them to build a bright future. Above all, instill in them a sense of purpose and resilience. Help them to dream big and believe in the possibilities that lie ahead. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- The Salvation Army in Indonesia operates 15 children's homes, providing a safe and loving environment to more than 500 children?
- Many children living on the remote islands in Indonesia have very limited access to food, water and healthcare?
- That flooding and landslides on the Indonesian island of Sumatra in March 2024 affected about 15,500 children and their families?

