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Standing Firm - Parents & Youth Retreat



It was such a blessing for parents from the community under the Yayasan Pendidikan Pelita Harapan (including Sekolah Pelita Harapan, Universitas Pelita Harapan, UPH College, UPH Teachers College, Sekolah Dian Harapan and Sekolah Lentera Harapan) to attend “Standing Firm,” a Parents & Youth Retreat at Universitas Pelita Harapan. (February 27, 2016). It focused on Celebrity narcissism, moral relativism, tolerance, materialism, bullying, youth violence, cheating, cruelty, cohabitation, fatherlessness, overt sexuality, body image pressures, lack of human relationship, the power of visual imagery, anxiety and depression, lack of shame, and the impact of media on brain development. Talks were delivered by speakers in the Theology, Psychology, and Education fields among others : Dr. (HC). James T. Riady, Charlotte Priatna, M.Pd, M.Min, Ev. Jimmy Pardede, MA, Martin Elvis, D.Min, Mercy Matakupan S.Th, Ev. Pieters Pin, Ir, S.th, M.Div, Sutjipto Subeno, Drs.Thomy Matakupan, S.Th.

Minister of Education Visit to SLH Kampung Harapan



Muhadjir Effendy, the Minister of Education, visited Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH) Kampung Harapan on October 7, 2016 due to the implementation of the Indonesia Smart Program and the planning of character education. Our Kampung Harapan elementary school was chosen for the pilot study, and the junior high school as a model school.



Australia and Indonesia Partnership Development Program

During the review visit of the Australia and Indonesia Partnership Development (AIPD) program on September 8, 2016, Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH) Kampung Harapan was chosen to be the model school for this program, and our primary school was chosen as a model in educational management.

They also asked for our input with regard to the development of the future work plan of the AIPD in Indonesia, especially in educational management. The teachers and staff of SLH Kampung Harapan are excited and ready to share all that they've gained from this program with their students and colleagues at Yayasan schools in Manado, Bangka, Daan Mogot and Karawaci.

In the future, it's possible that other SLH schools will be involved after reviewing what has been done in this school. We continue to pray for the development of education for children with limited financial resources throughout Indonesia.

Ten new schools under the patronage of Yayasan Pendidikan Pelita Harapan started to operate for the new academic year of 2016-2017



YPPH presented 10 new schools in the 2016-2017 academic year. Those schools were Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH) Tomohon, Sangihe (North Sulawesi), Rote, Labuan Bajo (East Nusa Tenggara), Sekolah Dian Harapan (SDH) Bangka (at the eastern end of Sumatra), Kupang (East Nusa Tenggara) and SDH Holland Village Paniki, Manado (North Sulawesi).

SLH Sangihe, which includes K1 to grade 12 of High School, is under the management of Sekolah Kristen Taruna (Taruna Christian School). SLH Rote includes K1, K2 and grade 1, SLH Labuan Bajo includes Playgroup, K1, K2, grades 1-3 and junior grade 7, and lastly SLH Tomohon includes junior grade 7 to High School grade 10.

SDH Bangka includes K1-K3, Elementary grades 1-3, junior grade 7 and High School grade 10. The same classes, but with the addition of grade 4, also started at SDH Kupang.

The new school in Papua, SLH Mamit (rural area of Tolikara) includes kindergarten and elementary grades 1-4, and at Karubaga (Tolikara) and Daboto (rural area of Nabire) there is kindergarten and elementary grade 1. There are a total of 1,500 new students in all ten schools.

Parents enthusiastically accompanied their sons and daughters on the first day of school where they were warmly greeted by their new principal and teachers. The new students and their families appreciated the neat and clean appearance of the schools, as well as the hospitality and knowledge of the principals and teachers.

May these schools participate with Yayasan Pendidikan Pelita Harapan in providing a high quality holistic education for Indonesian students across the nation.

Recruitment Coordinator from Calvin College Visits Indonesia



Mrs. Kristy Dykhouse, the Recruitment Coordinator of Calvin College, along with her husband, Mr. Timothy Dykhouse, visited Indonesia from January 5-10, 2017 to learn about the Pelita Harapan school system. During their visit, they visited SPH Lippo Village, SPH Sentul City, SPH Kemang Village, SDH Lippo Village, SLH Curug, UPH College, UPH Teachers College, International Teachers College, SDH and SLH Kupang. They also enjoyed cultural experiences in Jakarta and Bali.

They participated in discussions with the founder of YPPH, Dr. (H.C.) James T. Riady; his wife Mrs. Aileen Riady, the School System Coordinator; Dr. (Hon) Jonathan L. Parapak, M. Eng. Sc, President of YPPH; his wife Mrs. Anne Atkinson; Dr. Niel Nielson, Executive Director of YPPH; Mr. Phillip Nash, Head of School of SPH Lippo Village and Coordinator of Pelita Harapan schools; and other SPH, SDH, UPH College and UPH leaders. They also had a chance to meet with Calvin College alumni who teach at several Pelita Harapan schools.

"It has truly been a pleasure and a life-changing experience to visit many schools in the Pelita Harapan school system in the beautiful country of Indonesia", said Mrs. Kristy Dykhouse. "God is doing a mighty work through these schools to reach children and their families at all levels of the culture with the love and true knowledge of Jesus Christ." It was a blessing to hear others recognize God's work and his glory displayed through Pelita Harapan schools. May Yayasan Pendidikan Pelita Harapan always contribute to advancing the kingdom of God through a holistic and Christ-centered education for children in all socio-economic levels of society.

Calvin College Master's Program



Four teachers from Yayasan Pelita Harapan spent June 2015 through August 2016 studying for their Master's in Teaching degree at Calvin College in the US. Some of their memorable experiences included seeing snow, getting to know people from different cultures, fighting against feelings of homesickness, introducing the cultural diversity of Indonesia, spending hours in reading and discussions, thinking through a variety of issues related to education, and finally, celebrating the success of finishing their studies. Throughout the year, they experienced God's faithful presence and provision.

During their time at Calvin they grew as Christian teachers and were challenged to grapple with a wide range of issues surrounding Christian education. They experienced a strong sense of community with fellow learners in each of their classes, and their professors recognized and valued them as people created in the image of God. They were consistently able to connect what they learned in class with their own life and professional contexts. Over the course of the year, some of their colleagues became dear friends.

They are excited and ready to share all that they've gained with their students and colleagues at Yayasan schools in Manado, Bangka, Daan Mogot and Karawaci.

Hikari Japanese School First Graduation



On March 31, Hikari Japanese School (HJS), held their first graduation. The celebration was enlivened by the presence of parents and students and was conducted in a spirit of affection and hospitality towards each other. The whole event went very well with two graduates, Shin Kwan Sung and Hitoshi Inada officially finishing their studies in Youchien (Kindergarten). They will continue to study in this school at Syogako level (Primary School).

Oyako (Toddler) Class also celebrated the end of the academic year. The parents were very appreciative of the teacher and for the opportunity for mother and child to study together, learn Japanese, and get to know Japanese culture.

Students performed in the graduation ceremony, and parents also gave a surprise performance. One of the parents, Mrs. Kathryn, shared her daughter Shin Kwan Sung's (Nicknamed Sung-sung) story. At the beginning of the year Sung-sung couldn't speak Japanese fluently, but after studying at Hikari for a year, she is able to communicate clearly and fluently in Japanese, even with those who are older than her.

Hikari Japanese School hopes to provide a quality Japanese education for children who have Japanese nationality and live in Indonesia.

Andy F. Noya's visit to YPHPapua



1 : Andy F. Noya signing a photo of Papuan children

2 : Left to right : Jessy Quantero, Nursari Lugito, Aileen Riady, Andy F. Noya and Hannah Achmadi together with Yayasan Pendidikan Harapan Papua support the education of Papuan children

Karawaci - March 29, 2016. Yayasan Pendidikan Harapan Papua (YPHP) had a visit from Andy F. Noya, a host from the "Kick Andy" show at Metro TV which is aired twice weekly. The theme of the show is to look at humanitarianism and invite special guests who contribute to the welfare of the underprivileged in Indonesia. These guests sometimes come from remote areas and share stories of their work that inspire and impact many people.

In this meeting, Yayasan representatives discussed future plans to support education for Papuan children in the hopes that more people would get to know about the life and needs of children in Papua who lack access to quality education.

Some of these needs include education, training about hygiene and nutrition, healthcare facilities, agriculture and animal farming, electricity (solar panel and hydro power), telecommunications and internet access. These resources will enable them to develop and make a contribution to the modern world.

MPPA Donates Rp 334 Million to Yayasan Papua



PT Matahari Putra Prima Tbk (MPPA), a modern wholesale chain of stores in Indonesia, collected Rp334,069,685 of customer donations for Yayasan Pendidikan Harapan Papua (YPH Papua) as part of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Company. This donation was collected during the first period of the campaign “Dukung Pendidikan Anak Papua” which ran from April 1 to May 31, 2016.

YPH Papua is a Foundation that promotes education and builds schools for students from Sekolah Lentera Harapan in Papua. Donations were collected at Hypermart, SmartClub, Foodmart, Boston Health & Beauty and FMX.

Carmelito J. Regalado as Deputy CEO MPPA said, “We feel so grateful and honored to donate this money to YPH Papua. This money will help YPH Papua build more schools and provide teacher development opportunities. We want to say thank you to all our customers for their support and participation. The next period of Dukung Pendidikan Anak Papua will be held from August to September 2016.”

Education for Papua

Management Development Program (MDP) Trainees PT Lippo Karawaci, Tbk and Yayasan Pendidikan Harapan Papua (YPH Papua/ Hope for Papua Education Foundation), invited the community to take part in developing education for children in Papua. They opened booths in Maxx Box, Lippo Village and Lippo Mall, Kemang on Saturday, May 28, 2016, and Lippo Mall Puri, Pluit Village on Sunday, May 29, 2016. They asked mall visitors to make donations for the cost of uniforms, school shoes, stationary, personal necessities such as soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and detergent, and for the support of building classrooms. They also designed “Education for Papua” T-shirts in black and white, and sold them for Rp 100,000. They hope this project raises awareness about the conditions in Papua, and that it will move people to advance children’s education there.



SPH Lippo Village | Students' Space Science Experiment



Grade 11 students from Sekolah Pelita Harapan Lippo Village, Bennett J. Krisno, Gisella Austin and Marie Felicia Surya along with other students from SMAN 1 Sentani, SMA Advent Doyo Baru, Binus School Simprug, and SMA BPK Penabur 2 Serpong, had the honor of engaging in an experimental project with NASA.

The objective of their experiment was to grow rice in space. The students worked hard for months and prepared a micro lab that could go through many tests like security, endurance and flight tests by NASA. They wanted to compare the growth of rice on earth with its growth in space to test the possibility of growing rice in near-zero gravity.

Bennett Krisno, team leader from Sekolah Pelita Harapan Lippo village, explained that they began this project in October 2015. The micro lab device designed by these students, equipped with a large digital sensor camera and micro controller was put in the Cygnus Cargo Freighter on the Atlas 5 Rocket which docked at the International Space Station (ISS) on Wednesday, March 23, 2016. This project is a remote experiment, so the students set the camera to take pictures four times a day and the pictures are sent back to earth every two days. They are now awaiting the final results and will prepare a report on the experiment.

SPH Lippo Village | Christmas Celebration

SPH Lippo Village held the school Christmas celebration on December 16, 2016. The Christmas program is an annual event celebrating Christ's coming to our world. Students from all grades gathered in Gym 2 to worship God and sing Christmas carols, accompanied by the SPH symphony orchestra and choir.

This year's Christmas celebration was unique, because the word of God was delivered by one of the senior school students. The student's message about God's great love for us even though we are sinners touched the hearts of the SPH community. It reminded everyone that Christmas is not about a tree, decorations, gifts or

shopping; it is about Jesus Christ, the beloved Son of God, who came to this sinful world and saved us sinners. May we always remember and be thankful for the grace granted to us through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, not only at Christmas, but every day.



SPH Lippo Cikarang Loving and Caring Month



On Thursday February 11, students from Sekolah Kami visited our school and played games and had lunch together with our Junior School students.

"Sekolah Kami, or "Our School", is an informal study group for scavengers and underprivileged children situated on the outskirts of Jakarta" (<http://www.sekolahkami.web.id>).

Other Loving and Caring Activities included:

- Senior school spread the Love Day: during devotions each student was encouraged to write note(s) to be given to another person in school. The students could write to their classmates, friends at school, teachers, or staff.
- "Gift in a Box": in groups, students prepared and gave a special gift to the school janitors, gardeners, security staff, general staff, drivers and administration staff to show their appreciation for their work.
- Sharing to our Community: students helped the local school SDN Cibatu 3 by buying some equipment needed for their learning activities as well as collecting plastic bottles and used paper to be sold.

Independence Day Celebration



August 17, 1945 is a historic day for Indonesia as a nation. On that day, Soekarno and Hatta declared Indonesian independence from the Dutch. To commemorate that day, Sekolah Pelita Harapan held a flag ceremony as well as a variety of traditional games. Primary, Middle, and Diploma students were all excited to participate in the festivities.

Sekolah Pelita Harapan's celebration was built around the theme "Unite to Build the Nation," and encouraged students to feel unified and proud to be Indonesian. Through IB curriculum, our educators were able to help the students explore and discover their cultural identity as Indonesians. The event also encouraged upcoming graduates to follow their dreams whether they take them locally or to another country, but to then return to impact and build the nation of Indonesia.



SPH Lippo Village In The Lap of the Gods

In the Lap of the Gods was the first ever Junior School play at SPH Lippo Village. The shipwrecked kids in the story told Greek myths to pass the time while they waited to be rescued. Teachers and students had discussed their beliefs as Christians and what it means to be Christian actors. The drama itself was performed three times; on February 23 and 25 at 10 AM and February 26, at 7 PM in Gym 1. The students prepared for more than a month.

SDH Makassar | Book Week “POETRY”



Due to the rapid development in the field of technology, the habit of reading is disappearing. The rapidity of technological advancement means media devices keep children away from reading. Sekolah Dian Harapan (SDH) Makassar responds to these challenges by holding a BOOKWEEK event every year. This year, the theme was “POETRY”, Pour Out Excitement in Reading lovely words. The main purpose of the event was to explain poetry to the SDH Makassar Community. Many people think that poetry is hard to understand, complicated, old-fashioned and not fun. This event encouraged students to see poetry differently. We wanted our students to see that poetry is not boring or unapproachable, so that when they read the poetry sections of the Bible, they can enjoy and understand writings such as Psalms and Proverbs.

Book Week activities involved the entire SDH Makassar community: students, teachers, and staff. Other programs in the week were Read Aloud, Book Donation, SSR (Sustained Silent Reading), Reading Buddies, Book Launch, Book Fair, and a culminating activity with student performances. The students also had a chance to launch their own books: “The Fairy Sisters Forever” by Clarissa Tandian, and “The Space Helmet” by Stephanie C. Wempy. The senior high school, held a musical poetry competition in which the students read and sang poetry.

The event was wonderfully successful. The students dressed according to the story of the poetry they read. The committee also invited the parents from Kindergarten – Junior High School to watch the Nursery Rhymes show. The students of senior high school also had a chance to go to Poet’s Café in Senior High School where students demonstrated their poems and put on a musical drama.

SDH Lippo Cikarang | Book Week 2016



Book Week Activities bring delight to students every year. GOAL (God’s Story Over All People’s Life) was the theme for this year. Students not only came to better understand literature, they also saw God’s story in someone else’s life. They read the wonderful story of a soccer player named Ricardo Kaká, whose faith in God and perseverance enabled him to achieve all his goals (Biography Book: Toward the Goal, The Kaká Story). The activities were held on February 15-19, and all Dian Harapan students, teachers and staff participated. They were excited to visit the book fair and read their favourite book during DEAR time (Drop Everything and Read). Furthermore, senior students prepared a reader’s theatre which was presented for junior students. Finally, the focus and enthusiasm culminated on the final day when lots of sport games were held. It was a tiring, yet fun day. Students learned to persevere and keep their faith in everything we do, as 2 Corinthians 5: 9a states, “So they make it our goal to please Him.”

OPEN HOUSE SEKOLAH DIAN HARAPAN A Second Home for Your Children



Following the opening of several new SDH, YPPH held a series of open houses, educational seminars and new student admissions in several cities. They were held on January 14 at Manado and Kupang, and also at Bangka on February 13, 2016. During these events, Dr. (HC) James T. Riady, the founder of YPPH and the Chairman of Lippo Group, never ceased to proclaim God's grace, the grace that enables him to keep improving education and health in Indonesia through the presence of Sekolah Pelita Harapan (SPH), Sekolah Dian Harapan (SDH), Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH), Universitas Pelita Harapan (UPH), and Siloam Hospital.

Dr. (HC) James T. Riady and Dr. Gunawaty Tjioe, SDH School System Coordinator, presented the open houses and educational seminars. The open house in Manado was located at Cinemaxx Lippo Plaza Manado and was attended by more than 700 people. The open house and educational seminar in Kupang was located at Atrium Lippo Plaza Kupang, and was attended by more than 1,100 people. The last in the series of open houses and educational seminars was held in Bangka at the ballroom of the Santika Hotel Bangka, and was attended by more than 300 people.

May Sekolah Dian Harapan be a blessing to the nation of Indonesia.

Easter Celebration SLH Palopo



The pre-Easter and Easter Celebration held in SLH Palopo had the theme “Proclaiming Christ,” based on the verse in Matthew 28:19-20 to go and make disciples of all nations. During pre-Easter, students of Lentera Harapan did an activity called “Easter on the Road”. Our choir sang hymns and praise songs in churches and helped clean the area around the church and school. SLH Palopo also collaborated with the local PMI (The Red Cross of Indonesia) to hold a blood drive. The students, teachers, staff and parents of Lentera Harapan were all encouraged to participate and donate blood.

During Easter week, March 28 – April 1, 2016, SLH Palopo held devotions every morning that were accompanied by instrumental songs. Friday was the climax of our Easter Celebration: just as Jesus humbled himself and washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper, a foot

washing ceremony was held where teachers washed the feet of students, and then leaders of the school washed the feet of teachers and staff. After the foot washing ceremony, there was a time of personal sharing. We hoped that through this special time, students would come to receive Christ’s sacrifice on the cross for themselves.

UPH College Visit to SLH Kupang

On October 26, 2016, some of the students of UPH College (UPHC) visited the Kindergarten students at Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH) Kupang Bonipoi. Their visit started with a worship session in which UPHC students led the singing and preaching of God’s word for the students.

After the worship session, the Kindergarten students were divided into three groups to do activities together with the UPHC students. The first group gathered in the school outdoor field to play games: the boys played soccer, while the girls played “cat and mouse”. The second group gathered in the classroom to do coloring, and the third group folded colored papers in the other classroom. Each student got to participate in all three activities.

The visit was a fruitful and enjoyable experience for all; the UPHC students learned to teach and interact with young children, and the SLH Kindergarten students had a new and fun learning experience.



Sport and Art Events at SLH Way Pangubuan and SLH Tomohon



Each student has God-given talents that must be developed to glorify God and bless others. One SLH Tomohon student, Pingkan Rambing, has been especially gifted in sports. On Thursday, October 13, 2016, SLH Tomohon sent her to participate in the All-Students Badminton Competition for Tomohon city. By God's grace, she received the first place in the competition. Throughout this significant achievement, she glorified God in her win, acknowledging that he is the one who gave her this skill.

The next month, at Way Pangubuan, Lampung, SLH Way Pangubuan held a Week of Arts and Sports (Lentera WAS) from November 7-10, 2016. Recognizing how important it is for students to explore their God-given talents, this event was a combination of several activities: performing arts, Lentera Cup, language week and also SLH Way Pangubuan Open House. All the junior and high school students were involved in this event to display their talents in art and sports. Other surrounding schools were also invited to participate in several competitions. This event is designed to help students discover their talents and use them to bring God glory and honor.

Tree Planting Day 2016



UPH College held a Tree Planting Day in January 2016. The event was held to raise students' awareness about the importance of environmental stewardship, and to participate in the government's initiative to invest in our environment for the sake of future generations.

While planting trees can certainly promote multiple environmental and health benefits, sustainable gardening can also have a positive impact on the environment. With this in mind, the Student Council organized an event where all classes in Grades 10, 11, and 12 planted orchids. The Student Council aimed to cultivate habits that nurture the environment among their peers through this program. Each class planted a number of orchids, and decorated the flower pots. They then had to assign and rotate students to care for the plants every few days. They also had to learn basic gardening skills such as when would be the best time to water the plants and prune the leaves.

All the flowerpots now stretch along the main building of the school, adding color to the campus. This program is expected to continue in the years to come, impacting both the school community and the society.

UPH College Imagination Celebration



UPH College Music and Art Department hosted an art exhibition that was open to the public from May 25-27, 2016 at UPH College campus. The showcase featured artwork produced by approximately 400 students as part of their final semester assessments. Their works included 3D models, paintings, drawings and logo designs.

UPH College believes in the value of art and encourages potential young artists to develop their artistic talents. This semi-annual event gives students an opportunity to be acknowledged, while also allowing them an opportunity to further explore their creativity and imagination. Additionally, it helps improve students' confidence and self-esteem as they see positive responses to their artwork.

Mission Trip - April 2016

UPH College students went on a Mission Trip to Ngabang, Kalimantan and Toraja for a week in April. The school program provides students with an opportunity to experience hands-on mission work in a different cultural setting, and helps students to understand more about poverty, perseverance as well as the joy of service. Through this, students are equipped to reach the world for Christ.

The journey to each of the locations requires a 3 hour and an 8 hour road trip each from the nearest airport. Nonetheless, it does not stop students and teachers from participating and exploring the beauty of the area and interacting with the locals. During the trip, students teach and help in the schools as well as in other village outreach places.

On the Mission Trip, students gain more than just a cultural experience. They get the chance to reflect on their life and on the things they have been doing that really matter. As the students return to school, they are able to testify to the mission and its importance. It is hoped that the experience may bring a lifelong impact to them as well as the people they meet during the trip.



Celebrating the Accomplishments of UPH College Graduates



By God's grace, 221 UPH College students persevered through years of hard work to reach a wonderful milestone: their graduation. Teachers, staff, students, family members and friends celebrated this momentous occasion on Friday, June 10, 2016 at the UPH Grand Chapel.

The commencement theme, "Be the Light," embodied the school's vision and mission, and reminded the students to shine the light of Christ to those around them. In the commencement address, Mr. James Riady, the founder of Pelita Harapan Foundation, congratulated the students and shared how important it is to cultivate right theology in their lives. Ms. Wiginy Kusliawan, the UPH College System Coordinator, recognized graduating students' accomplishments and celebrated the new paths opening before them as they continued to university.

Fifty-five percent of the 2015-2016 graduating class are continuing their studies at Universitas Pelita Harapan, while the remaining students are enrolled in other local, state and overseas universities.

UPH College hopes that graduating students will seek God's guidance as they pursue their future endeavors, and that they will continue to serve God and others with integrity.

UPH College Festival 2016



UPH College Festival is an annual event in which students have the opportunity to display their learning. The event is part of the academic special program and the preparation is included in the syllabus in both Semesters 1 and 2. It also aims to enrich students' lives by increasing social interaction, fostering confidence and inspiring creativity.

The Festival this year ran from February 29 to March 4 at the UPH Campus, and was open to the public. During this time, parents had the opportunity to see the work their children had been doing through various exhibitions, such as a science fair, cultural festival and Community Development Program. Students and teachers from other schools were also involved in various activities at the Festival. There was a traditional costume parade and competition, a talk show: *"Inspirasi Negeri: Kisah Hidupku"* (Nation's Inspiration: My Life Story), an educational seminar *"Menghadapi Tantangan Abad 21 (Facing 21st Century Challenges): Higher Order Thinking Skills"*, a musical play and various academic and non-academic competitions. This year there were over thirty schools participating.

The talkshow *"Inspirasi Negeri: Kisah Hidupku"* was one of the highlights of the Festival and starred the Indonesian Minister of Law and Human Rights, Mr. Yasonna Laoly and the founder of the Lippo Group, Mr. Mochtar Riady. Mr. Yasonna Laoly spoke to UPH College students about his life, beginning from his educational background in law. He shared how this led to his career in education, and then provided the foundation for his political role as the Law and Human Rights Minister. Mr. Mochtar Riady focused his speech on the digital era as well as competitiveness in the era of the ASEAN community. He highlighted the importance of hard work and perseverance. Their insights and thoughts truly inspired students, teachers and parents.

Free of Drugs Campus



On Tuesday, February 16, Pelita Harapan University signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Narcotics Agency at its campus in Tangerang, on the western outskirts of Jakarta.

UPH founder James Riady served as a witness, while Rector Jonathan L. Parapak and drug agency (BNN) chief Comr. Gen. Budi Waseso signed the MoU.

“Here at UPH, we teach our students to be disciplined, especially the freshmen, so they will learn that they are not allowed to do things freely [without consequences]. No one is allowed to smoke, including our lecturers, and they do not smoke at all. We are certain that smoking allows other bad things to come along including drug [abuse],” Pak James said.

The MoU addressed the P4GN (Pencegahan, Pemberantasan, Penyalahgunaan, dan Peredaran Gelap Narkoba), or four areas of cooperation between the two institutions: Prevention, Eradication, Abuse and Illegal Drug Distribution. For the plans to materialize, as part of the MoU, an anti-drugs task force will be set up on campus. Additionally, reading materials on drug abuse and prevention will be added to the library and classrooms.

General Budi expressed his support for the MoU and commended UPH's initiative to create the task force.

“It is not only the government's job to combat drugs, it is ours, just like [what] UPH [has done]. Drug crimes have grown into serious threats,” Budi said.

In 2010, UPH promoted an anti-drug campaign “Stay Away” in which the students and university staff symbolically pledged to combat drugs.

Since then, the campaign has evolved into a larger one: “Stay Away: No S.A.D. [Sex, Alcohol, Drugs] Be S.M.A.R.T. [Study, Maturity Abstinence, Responsibility and Talent].”

UPH student life director, Novel Priyatna, said that the university implemented several programs to carry out their goals, which included assigning 500 senior students to mentor their fellow students on non-academic issues and educate them on the dangers of drug abuse.

“We also use electronic and non-electronic media platforms, seminars and other student-related activities, such as sports or student organizations, to inform them [about the dangers of drugs],” Novel said.

<http://jakartaglobe.beritasatu.com/news/uph-signs-mou-bnn-anti-drug-campaign/>

The 23rd UPH Festival: Rector Inaugurated 3,637 New Students at UPH



The Rector inaugurating the representatives of new students from the 12 faculties at UPH.

Approximately 3,637 new undergraduate students were officially inaugurated at UPH on Thursday, August 18, 2016, by UPH Rector Dr. (Hon) Jonathan L. Parapak, M.Eng.Sc. In his message for the new students, the Rector of UPH explained the vision of UPH as the cornerstone for the transformative holistic education at UPH.

“Here, we believe that our vision shall be a guide for you all to undergo your studies in this place, they are True Knowledge, Faith in Christ and Godly Character. Aside from that, we also have to commit ourselves to keep this campus clean: clean from smoke, drugs, bullying, profanities, plagiarism and much more,” said the Rector.

The Rector also expressed his hope that the new students can enjoy their time in university without having to deal with bullying, but instead, that they can get assistance from older student mentors.

At the inauguration, the Vice Rector of Academics, Gunawati Tjioe, B.Ed., M.Pd., Ph.D., also reported that in the 2016-2017 academic year there are a total of 3,990 new students. This is broken down into 3,637 undergraduate students, 330 graduate students and 23 doctoral program students.

TC 10th Dies Natalis

The Teacher College celebrated their 10th anniversary this year, and praised God for ten years of being able to serve Him throughout Indonesia. The theme for the celebration was, Living His Story, and it quoted 2 Corinthians 4:1 and 18, acknowledging that this ministry comes from God, and encouraging everyone to maintain an eternal perspective despite challenges faced. On this occasion, TC also launched a book compilation of alumni's reflections, which tell of God's faithfulness to them during their time teaching throughout Indonesia.



UPH Inaugurated 1,260 Graduates at the XXIX Graduation



Prof. Dr. Bintan R. Saragih, SH., dean of the Faculty of Law at UPH, represented the law faculty in receiving an award for the best faculty at the 29th graduation ceremony of UPH. The award was given by Gunawaty Tjioe, B.Ed., M.Pd., Ph.D., Vice Rector of Academics.

Universitas Pelita Harapan (UPH) held its 29th graduation ceremony to inaugurate 1260 graduates of the 1347 students who had officially graduated. The procession was held at the Grand Chapel of UPH on Saturday, June 11, 2015, with 1055 undergraduates, 203 graduates and 2 postgraduates. 233 students graduated with a teaching degree, 98 graduated with a bachelor of medicine, and 35 with a nursing degree.

The graduation procession was led by the Rector of UPH, Dr. (Hon) Jonathan L. Parapak, M.Eng. Sc., and accompanied by student representatives from 13 faculties. Dr. Ir. Illah Sailah, M.S., the Kopertis (Coordination of Private Universities) Coordinator for Region III, Dr. (HC) James T. Riady, the Founder of UPH, and Dr. (HC) Mochtar Riady, the Founder of Lippo Group, were also present.

The Rector encouraged the graduates to continue living in line with the vision of UPH and thanked Dr. Illah for his support of UPH. In turn, Dr. Illah thanked UPH for being a role model for other universities, and expressed her hopes that the graduates of UPH would give back to their country. Finally, Dr. James Riady challenged the graduates to serve excellently in even the remote areas of Indonesia, and not be consumed by the love of money.

UPH Karawaci Christmas Celebration 2016

“The Greatest Promise Fulfilled”



The Universitas Pelita Harapan (UPH) Karawaci Christmas service was held on December 16, 2016 at the Grand Chapel UPH. It was both solemn and festive, and the singing was accompanied by the orchestra and choir from UPH Conservatory of Music. The theme, “The Greatest Promise Fulfilled”, was taken from the Gospel of Matthew 1:21-22 and became the core message delivered by Ps. Ivan Kristiono, M.Div., M.Hum. The sermon reminded all in attendance how the birth of Christ displayed God’s great love and faithfulness to his promise to save his people from their sins. Ps. Ivan also invited all the UPH community to respond to God’s love by striving to faithfully perform each of their roles. Moreover, UPH rector, Dr. (Hon) Jonathan L. Parapak, M.Eng., Sc. spoke and expressed his gratitude that the UPH community could come together for this event. He encouraged everyone to do their best for the glory of God.

After the Christmas service, the celebration continued with UPH Family Day and awards for employees who had served at UPH for 10 years. The ten years of service award was given to 45 employees; sixteen lecturers and 29 staff. UPH also collected a Christmas 2016 charity donation that was presented during the Christmas celebration. The money will be used for making the Sekolah Lentera Harapan (SLH) library in Daboto, Papua. At the end of the event, the Dean of the Conservatory of Music (CoM UPH), Antonius Priyanto, S.Ag., B.Cm., M.Mus., announced the launching of the “Hymn of Jazz” CD. The revenue from sales of this CD will be used to support SLH Daboto.

At Christmas, not only do we remember God’s love for us in sending us his only begotten son, Jesus Christ, but we are also challenged to share his love with others through serving those in need.