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New Beds for Girls' Dormitory



These students are sitting on a normal sized bed surrounded by the under-size wooden bunks which have seen long service in the girl's dormitory. FPET has now provided funding to have these bunks replaced with new full size bunks and mattresses. The hostel provides essential accommodation to enable students from the smaller villages to attend the high school in Atabae.

Water Supply



After arriving in Atabae as the new Parish Priest, Fr Sipri found the water supply was inadequate to meet the needs of all the buildings at the parish centre. He hired a local bore driller to establish and equip a new bore and FPET has agreed to pay the costs. He is now working with FPET on a project to set up additional water storage and reticulation to serve the school, girls' hostel, presbytery and convent as well as the health centre.

The bore has been working well but this has been an unusually wet "dry season" and we have a concern as to the bore's longer term reliability. With this in mind, FPET is seeking advice on this and the feasibility of combining rainwater storage to improve water supply security. FPET is prepared to fund this important project but needs to ensure that the project will provide a lasting solution.

Nick Delaney

Atabae Exchange Visits

Early next year, three FPET members will travel to Atabae for a friendship visit. The aim is to strengthen our relationship with the parish community and to progress some of our projects. The delegation will also discuss arrangements for the new Parish Priest, Fr Siprianus (Sipri) Kakut, to visit Brisbane in 2011, along with a member of the Atabae Parish Council and possibly someone from the Youth Group.



The culture of the Timorese is very different from ours. I believe the best way to understand each other better is to visit each other. These visits will be a wonderful way for our community to interact with our Timorese friends and vice versa. FPET is looking forward to the blessings these exchanges will bring to our partnership.

Jim Johnson (President)

Fencing and Landscaping



A substantial wire mesh security fence is now in place around the community health centre. Some of the fenced area is now being prepared as a safe children's activity area and a small vegetable garden is also planned. This FPET funded building is now well used by the community.

Jim Johnson

So, **WHAT CAN YOU DO NOW?** - You choose:

- Pray for the relationship, and
- Join FPET and participate in organisation, and/or
- Support FPET financially (tax deduction optional).

Let us know your choices and we will contact you:

Name:.....

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News from FPET supported trade trainees

I am 25 years old. My mum and dad raise eight of us in our family. I have five brothers but unfortunately one has passed away and I also have two sisters. I am the fourth child.

I received support from FPET to attend training in Dili at Don Bosco training centre in 2007/2008. I got the scholarship through the helping of Jose Asaca who helped me to submit my application to Mr. David and Mrs. Margaret Hall.

I did Mechanic course in Don Bosco Training Centre. During the period of my study, we studied eight hours in a day. Two hours for the theory and six hours for practical lesson.

I thank FPET for their great support, because through the support now I have got a job. I have been working in a company called Dragon Service Comoro – Fomento Dili since mid-October 2010 as a mechanic. I work to earn money to support my family and my brothers and sisters to go to school.

Again, I thank FPET for working hard to support us Timorese.



Leonitu Pires

I am 23 years old. I was supported by FPET financially to attend course at Don Bosco Training Centre Comoro Dili in 2007/2008.

I did electrician course. With the support from FPET, I could finish my training with success. After I graduated from the Training Centre I was offered a job to be a teacher at Don Bosco Training Centre, to teach other young people. I come from a very simple family, at that moment they could not support me financially to attend a course in Dili that is why I tried hard to get a scholarship which was offered by FPET to young people in Atabae.

Before I went to Don Bosco Training Centre I worked together with some other friends in our youth group called CYA (Comoning Youth Association) now CYO (Curiosity Youth Organization), which is established by us to gather together and to undertake youth activities in our sub district in collaboration with community and local authorities. At that moment our group was supported by Government, NGOs and our friends from FPET in Brisbane Australia.

Finally, I would like to thank our friends from FPET that helped me to achieve my dream or goal. I also do not forget to thank Atabae parish and the local Authorities that have established good relationship with our friends in Brisbane to support our community.

Jony Tavares



I am 26 years old. I come from a village called Tutababa, Suco Aidabaleten which is in Atabae Sub – district. In my family I have three brothers and two sisters.

I was supported by FPET to do my course at Don Bosco training centre. I did Automotive Course

during one year, from 2007 to 2008. At that time it was fully funded by FPET.

I was told by some friends in Atabae about this scholarship. I then submitted my applications and finally got this scholarship.

Until now I haven't got a job yet. However, I would like to say thank you to all friends in Brisbane that have helped me to do this course. Again thank you for your generosity in helping Timorese people.

Romeu Joaquim

I am 24 years old from Atabae. I was raised in a simple family that cannot afford to support me to study in a high level education. I was lucky to get support from the Dili Diocese through youth development fund and our friends from FPET to attend training at Don Bosco in 2007/2008.

At that moment I was trained to be an electrician. I am very happy because I had finished the training with success. Till now I haven't got a job, but I will continue try to find a job as an electrician.

I do not forget to thank FPET and the Dili diocese that working together to help me to complete my training in the area of electricity. Thank you very much for your great support that been given to Atabae young people in formal and non formal education.

I thank FPET for the support that we have received to undertake our activities in our youth group AJC that has been transferred to OJC (Organizasaun Juventude Curiozo).

I also would like to thank FPET for offer scholarship to Atabae young people to attend vocational training. I hope that FPET would like to continue support in capacitating young people.

Juvinal Antonio Pereira

