

## Bona Ni Pasogit in The Netherlands



*"Sahut-sahut ni sulu sai sahutma da tubontean  
Lolong hita mangolu sai sahutma tu panggabean"*

Bona Ni Pasogit is a social organization of Batak tribes in Europe, founded on 11 February 1966 in the Netherlands.

It is an association ("Perkumpulan") for and by the part of the Batak peoples residing in Europe and is based on the Batak Adat and the cultural principle of "Dalian Na Tolu."

It is not a religious or political organization, but focuses solely on social matters.

The association pursues the following objectives:

- To promote mutual social contact and to unite people of the Batak peoples who live permanently or temporarily in Europe.
- To maintain and promote Batak customs and culture among people of the Batak peoples in Europe and to anyone who is interested in them.
- To strengthen and promote unity among people of the Batak peoples, particularly in Europe.
- To build and maintain a sense of solidarity and helpfulness, as well as to promote family ties with mutual respect and appreciation.
- Wherever possible, we aim to further support society in the Batak regions.

Over the past 29 years, through our "Good Causes evenings," we have supported various projects in Sumatra. Examples of these projects include:

- Replacement and maintenance of the church organ in the leper colony "Huta Salim."
- Improvements to the water tower installation of the "Hepata Institute for the Blind and Deaf" in the village of Siloam.
- Maintenance of the water tower at the "Alpha Omega Institute for the Blind and Deaf" in Kabanjahe.
- Maintenance of the bathhouse for elderly singles in Gunung Tua.
- Installation of water pipelines in various villages on Samosir.
- Organizing a family event in the Batak tradition.

We expect to celebrate our thirtieth anniversary next year.

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