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## **Press Release: JAKARTA GOVERNOR AHOK AND WIFE SUPPORTING THE FAMILY FIRST INDONESIA (FFI)**

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**May 15, 2016, Jakarta, Indonesia - Governor Ahok, one of Indonesia's Most Popular Leaders, Strongly Endorsing FFI.**

Governor Basuki Tjahaja Purnama, also known as Governor Ahok, is a highly popular leader of Indonesia's largest state, Jakarta. He and his wife Ms. Veronica Tan have endorsed [Family First Indonesia](#) (FFI) in its efforts to help all Indonesia families to be stronger, healthier and more united.

Governor Ahok is the first Chinese-Indonesian in history to be the Governor of the State of Jakarta. Indonesia is the world's largest Muslim country with a total population of over 250 million inhabitants and its capital, Jakarta, has over 10 million residents.

Governor Ahok's strong support of FFI is due in part to his strong anti-corruption drive and his significant successes in making the state government work more effectively for the average Jakarta resident. Last month, he met with the leaders of the Family First Asia movement; the Chairman of [Family First Indonesia](#), Mr. Handi Irawan, the Chairman of [Family First Malaysia](#), Mr. Tan Tek Seng, the Co-Chairman of [Family First Singapore](#), Mr. Kevin Graves, and the Chairman of [Family First Asia](#), Mr. [Gregory W. Slayton](#).



Governor Ahok \_front low\_ 2nd from right\_ and Ambassador Slayton share a laugh with some of the Family First Asia Chairs.

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Governor Ahok offered these comments,

Being the Governor of Jakarta is a position with a big responsibility. I must think and do the best for Jakarta as the capital city of Indonesia. I work really hard to fulfill the vision of the new Jakarta to become a structured and gorgeous modern city, a worthy living community with a public-oriented government. But my friends at Family First Indonesia, Gregory Slayton, the author of "[Be a Better Dad Today](#)" helps us all to realize that there is another more noble profession with a bigger responsibility. I, you and other married men have a profession as "father". This is a life-time profession from God. That is why, in the midst of my responsibilities as a governor of Jakarta, I commit to devote my time for family, wife and children. The fruit of my role as a governor will also be reflected in my role as a father. I hope Family First Indonesia's book, '[Be a Better Dad Today](#)' will help Indonesia to raise better dads. A better dad will build a stronger family. Indonesia will be stronger and more solid if we have millions of noble fathers and families.

"Governor Ahok understands the importance of families in Indonesia and around the world", opined Mr. Irawan, Chairman of FFI. "He understands that even the best government cannot substitute for the love and guidance of a mother or the strength and wisdom of a father. The Governor is doing an excellent job here in Jakarta on many levels and we are thankful of his strong support for Family First Indonesia. Our desire is to serve all Indonesian families regardless of ethnicity or religious background or socio-economic status. We want to help all families become healthier, stronger and happier over time. We are delighted to know that the Governor supports these goals", concluded Mr. Irawan.

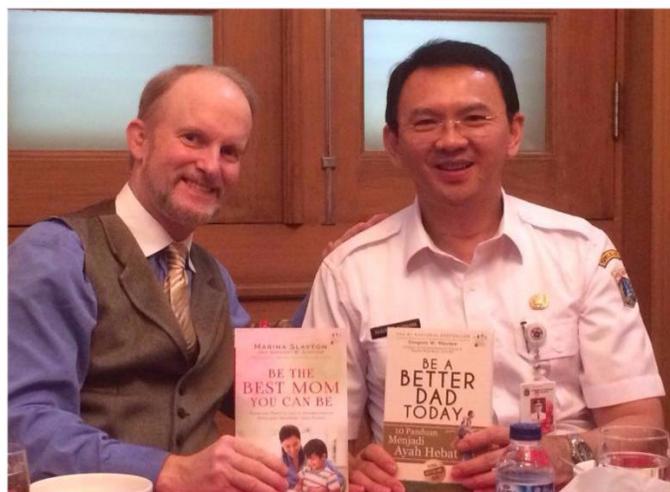
The Governor's wife, Ms. Veronica Tan added,

As women, we need to be grateful for our important and special role as helper for

our husbands, and also God's hand for our children. Marina Slayton and Gregory W Slayton's book "[Be the Best Mom You Can Be](#)" help us us as wives and mothers. I face many challenges in my roles in accompanying my husband as Governor of Jakarta and also in raising my children. But the "[Be the Best Mom You Can Be](#)" book reminds me about the important of Noble Family Vision to unify our hearts. I hope that Family First Indonesia can touch every heart and be a blessing for all Indonesia families.

"The Government of Indonesia is making great progress in cracking down on corruption and enhancing the lives of its citizens, and nowhere is clearer than in its capital city of Jakarta", said Mr. Tek Seng Tan, the Chairman of Family First Malaysia. "That takes leadership. Governor Ahok is to be commended for his strong and uncompromising leadership on behalf of all the people of Jakarta", added Mr. Tan.

Mr. Gregory Slayton, the Chairman of Family First Asia, summed it up, It is impressive to see the progress being made by the state government of Jakarta. Municipal service levels are way up and, as a direct result, Jakarta residents see an improvement in their quality of life. Many states and local governments in the US could learn from the high tech service programs the Jakarta state government has implemented. We are also deeply grateful for the Governor's (and his wife's) support for Family First Indonesia and its efforts to serve all Indonesian families. Service is what real leadership is all about.



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