

ABSTRACT

Interpersonal communication is communication that is very important to know each other, communication that is built by two people such as spouses, parents to children, friends with other friends. This communication is also useful for couples who are married to the "Manjalaki Boru" tradition. This tradition is very common in the Sidapdap area, South Tapanuli, North Sumatra. Not only in Sidapdap but in other cities there are also many traditions of "Manjalaki Boru". Marriage with this tradition has a very fast process and does not have time to get acquainted with or know the background of each partner. Therefore, interpersonal communication is very important for a married couple's relationship with this tradition, to know each other and to know more about the background of each partner. This study uses a qualitative method with a narrative approach and is supported by a constructive paradigm, with data collection techniques through in-depth interviews with key informants and expert informants via virtual conference. The study obtained data information through two pairs of key informants who married with the tradition of "Manjalaki Boru" and two expert informants, namely a customary expert and a psychological counselor.

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