# HOPE in 2018...

# SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

### This is what has worked well in 2017-18:

#### 1. Volunteer/Youth Corps

- International v local programs
- Global Service Interns (GSI), Dylan Panacheril
- 2 week program developing servant leadership, 50% evangelism, 50% service
- 23 programs across 16 countries. Popular programs: Nepal, Cambodia, Philippines
- SPA region: Auckland in Dec 2018. Expect 40 volunteers. Beneficiaries: 50-100

### 2. Ronald McDonald House- meal and entertainment.

- Serving sick children and their families who are going through cancer treatment
- Perth: 'big' breakfast events for 30-40 people which includes musical entertainment. Total beneficiaries in 2017 were 140 people
- Auckland, annual themed event (super heroes, the Olympics). Beneficiaries in 2017: 100

### 3. Seniors afternoon tea plus

- Addressing loneliness and general health and wellbeing of seniors
- Activities include: Zumba, Bingo, Art and Craft, Cabarets, Christmas parties and Quizzes
- Monthly or bimonthly social activities held at a community centre. Beneficiaries in 2017: 15

### 4. Homework club for refugee children.

- Supporting refugee children who are struggling with school work
- Refugee families matched with families in the church congregation needing support.
- Homework support at local library or in the home, fortnightly or monthly for 12 months
- End of term/program celebration meal and presentation of school bags to children
- Beneficiaries in 2017: five refugee families (20 people)

### 2018 Calendar

- HOPE Day of Giving-Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>. Supporting programs in the SPA region
- **HOPE AGM** TBC. Scheduled for mid-end Aug 2018 and likely to be held in Sydney
- SPA region Church Conference- Oct 26<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> in Sydney. HOPE Update and video
- HOPE Volunteer Corps in New Zealand- Dec 16<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>

### **Staff & Developments**

- HOPE Australia has been streamlined and simplified reducing administration costs
- The Board continues with the following members: Graham Gumley (chair), Mike Fontenot, Winvie Mendosa, Jun Pablo, Willem Hattingh
- HOPE reps are initiating small volunteer based programs in different cities: Jo Donado (Melbourne), Ricardo DelaCosta (Sydney), James McCauley (Brisbane), Melinda Smith (GoldCoast), Rowan McCauley (Adelaide), Duncan Wilson (Auckland, Nz).
- HOPE PNG continues to go through transition with a new country director and board

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# PROGRAMS ACROSS THE REGION



Fiji:

Programs delivered through the churches in Nadi and Suva Maternity packs for pregnant women

### • Papua New Guinea:

<u>2 Urban and 2 Rural Health clinics:</u> providing primary health care to poor communities TB treatment- DOTs program, HIV treatment and prevention program <u>Food aid to street kids</u>. <u>Literacy program</u>- planned

### • Auckland, New Zealand:

<u>Entertainment and dinner to sick children</u> at Ronald McDonald House – annual event. 100 beneficiaries. <u>Food bank</u>: Donations of food items given by church members. 20-30 beneficiaries. <u>Baking for a Hospice</u>: Donations given by church members. 20-30 beneficiaries <u>HOPE VOLUNTEER CORPS</u>: Developing Community Gardens with the Maori population (indigenous). Developing sustainable community gardens to the Maori community. Expected Beneficiaries 50-100

### • Melbourne:

<u>Assisting refugee families</u>- kids with homework, Fortnightly to monthly. 25 beneficiaries <u>Seniors social activities</u>- bimonthly program at a community centre. Beneficiaries: 15 seniors <u>Christmas event for refugees</u>: church service, lunch and gift giving- held in poor area of Melbourne Beneficiaries: 30-50 refugees. Held every second year

<u>Meeting physical needs for the poor</u>- church members donate items that are distributed to the poor Shoe boxes to the Philippines (size and gender matched). Beneficiaries: 25. Handbags and sanitary items for vulnerable women in Australia (Share the dignity). Beneficiaries: 30

<u>Christmas hampers for poor families in Australia</u> (Melbourne Basket Brigade). Beneficiaries: 100 School bags for refugee children. Beneficiaries: 20

<u>Art & Soul program:</u> arts and craft classes to promote health and wellbeing. Aimed at people who want to develop their art skills and also who may social or mental health needs. A series of 6-8 fortnightly classes. Planned for April 2018. Number of beneficiaries: 15-20

<u>Good enough Parenting:</u> helping refugee parents in parenting: meeting emotional needs and limiting Harm (exasperation). Planned for July 2018. Expected beneficiaries: 25

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### • Perth:

<u>Big breakfast:</u> entertainment and breakfast to families of sick children at Ronald McDonald House Biannual. Beneficiaries: 140

<u>Aged care:</u> visiting and socialising with the elderly and occasional singing. 15-20 beneficiaries Plan to involve more Bible talks in the second half of the year

### • Sydney:

<u>Assisting the running of a soup kitchen for the homeless.</u> Fortnightly activity. 40-50 beneficiaries Age care: visiting and socialising with the elderly. 8-10 beneficiaries Quarterly days of service for each region of the church. Expected beneficiaries: 100

### Gold Coast:

Signed up for Disaster relief response Researching projects. Considering supporting victims of domestic violence through a women's shelter Expected beneficiaries: 50

### • Brisbane:

<u>Material aid to various vulnerable groups in Australia</u>: Immigrant Women, women released from prison,

homeless people, women caught in domestic violence. Beneficiaries 50-100 Plan to assist marginalised migrants & refugees in 2018

### • Adelaide:

<u>Grape picking for the poor.</u> Grapes for wine to be sold with profits supporting the homeless Social events for seniors in aged care, buddies for seniors. Expected beneficiaries 10-15 Considering meal preparation and social interaction with sick children and their families through Ronald McDonald House. Expected beneficiaries 50

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