

CHURCH OF HOPE

MISSIONS NEWSLETTER

JUNE, 2010

MELBOURNE MISSION



Chris Kentley (above right), one of our leaders at Church of Hope, is pictured here with two of the regulars from our church who were at our first North Melbourne Town Hall outreach in February.

MELBOURNE MISSION HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2010

This year has seen much fruit out of our Church of Hope Mission in Melbourne. The major highlights have been:

- Seeing a number of churches working together to serve the poor in our Saturday night meetings.
- The continuing great support from Christian Life Assembly who partner with our City Care Ministry
- God opening up the doors to hold two outreach meetings in the North Melbourne Town Hall
- Seeing many of the volunteers now sharing testimonies and messages at our Saturday Night Meetings.
- Several people coming to Christ in our Friday Night street outreaches, and
- Pastor David Palmer has commenced a Tuesday Night Leadership Training Class for those at Church of Hope

MELBOURNE CBA MINISTRY ACCOUNTS

CHURCH OF HOPE INC.

BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account No. 1025 9368

CHURCH OF HOPE CARE INC. (Tax Deductible)

BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account No. 1027 6053

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SYDNEY MINISTRY

TWO-FOLD FOCUS

Church of Hope has a two-fold focus in Sydney this year. The main focus is the *training up and equipping of leaders* in the Kings Cross Church. The second focus is *holding revival and evangelism outreach meetings*. Many of those in the Kings Cross Church are now growing in their faith and becoming a part of the Wednesday night leadership class.

With so many people in need of salvation, we are now holding Fortnightly Outreach meetings in Kings Cross on a Saturday afternoon, where we take a team of Christians who have been saved and trained up through our work in Kings Cross over the past three years. Their changed lives are helping to see others in Kings Cross coming to our Sunday meetings and finding Christ.

In September we will also be starting a Friday night street outreach in Doonside (Blacktown) and a Sunday night outreach meeting for those that we meet in the streets. Marian Fenton and Michael Grace, pictured below, will be two of those helping to make worship a key part of these meetings.



SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP is a key to Christians growing in their walk with the Lord. Marian Fenton above and Pastor Conrad Fenton run small groups both in Kings Cross and Blacktown, to help encourage all Believers to grow in their walk with the Lord.

CHURCH OF HOPE INC. CHURCH ON THE CROSS ACCOUNT

(To support Sydney Mission) CBA Bank Account details:

BSB No. 06 – 3001

Account No. 1034 7640

APRIL KENYA MISSIONS TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- 50 Pastors were equipped and empowered in the Nairobi Workshop to run future workshops
- Around 70 Christians will now be pursuing further Bible College training following a two day meeting at Kitale Bible College
- An ongoing work has now commenced in Africa



NAIROBI PASTORS WORKSHOP (26-30 April)

Fifty pastors attended a 5 day Pastors Workshop held by Conrad Fenton. In this workshop pastors were equipped in several key areas of ministry. At the end of this workshop all pastors received a completion certificate.



KITALE BIBLE COLLEGE

Conrad Fenton shared for two days at the Kitale Bible College on a number of areas of ministry. He also shared on the importance of unity and having intimacy with the Lord. Several people were also baptised in the Holy Spirit. The Kitale Bible College has 16 groups of on average 30 students who are using the Church of Hope Ministry Training Manuals.



Kitale Bible College Students at two day meeting

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY IN AFRICA NEW BIBLE TRAINING COLLEGES BEING ESTABLISHED

After Conrad Fenton's visit to Kenya many Pastors are now looking at running workshops to equip other pastors. Pastor Obed from Congo, who attended the Nairobi Conference, will be running a workshop in Congo in September. Bishop Geoffrey from Kitale Bible College will be helping to establish a new Bible College in Tanzania in July. Pastor David Musunza (below) is our Church of Hope co-ordinator in Africa. He is a pastor and gifted administrator.



URGENT NEED TO TRANSLATE MANUALS INTO SWAHILI

Over 200 million people speak Swahili in East Africa. The manuals have begun to be translated into Swahili. However this work cannot continue until the translator receives \$ A 700 for this job.



Kitale Bible College Board of Directors meeting together

INDIA MISSIONS TRIP (12 August to 10 September)

Pastor Conrad Fenton will be returning to India for four weeks to hold a 5 day Pastors Conference in Suryapet working in with Pastor John Mark and Pastor Silvi. He will then fly to Karnataka and hold three 3 day workshops, one in Bangalore and two in other remote regions working together with Reverend David and Pastor Aaron. He will also be preaching every Sunday at different churches.



Four pastors workshops to be held to equip Indian pastors

CARE MINISTRY – SUPPORTING ORPHANS AND THE URBAN POOR

(ALL DEDUCTIONS INTO THE CARE ACCOUNTS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE)

THREE CARE PROJECTS TO SOW INTO

With the end of the financial year fast approaching, there is a great opportunity to sow into one of the three Care projects that Church of Hope Care is directly involved in. A full description of these three projects now follows.

2) CONSTRUCTION OF BORE WELL IN SURYAPET

Pastor John Mark and his family have been connected to Church of Hope since September 2007. When funds become available we send over money to help him to meet the expenses of looking after 18 orphans. This family lives in a tiny place on the grounds of the church. In August 2008 severe floods swept through Andhra Pradesh. During these floods the Bore Well at the church was damaged and is now not able to be used. Just \$ A 1,000 would enable Pastor John Mark to fix the Bore Well.

3) COMPLETING ORPHANAGE IN REPALLE (pictured below)

Last year Pastor Conrad Fenton and his wife Marian held a number of gospel meetings and training workshops for pastors in Repalle. They stayed with Pastor Gummadi Ebenezer who also looks after 40 orphans in the downstairs part of his family home. He has partially completed the construction of a second level which will be used to house the orphans. Due to a lack of money, completion of this work has not been possible for two years. The total cost to complete this orphanage is \$ A 6,000.



DONATIONS (fully tax-deductible) TO THE ABOVE PROJECTS CAN BE MADE INTO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT:

Church of Hope Care Inc. Overseas Missions Account
BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account No. 1045 1464

If you would like to know more about these projects please call Pastor Conrad Fenton on 0413 483 858.

“ ... AND HE WHO WINS SOULS IS WISE” (Proverbs 11:30)

The Bible clearly emphasises the importance of sharing our faith with others and leading people to Christ. Every single Christian has a mission field. We must never allow the cares of this world to distract us from the things that really matter, the eternal things. Every day God can give us opportunities to encourage others to come to Christ. Gospel tracts are a great way of letting others know about Christ.

1) FINAL REPAYMENTS FOR KAKINADA FOOD VAN

In 2008 Church of Hope received a donation as a deposit to buy a van for Pastor Emmanuel to enable him to hold food outreaches to the poor and beggars in Kakinada. In 2008 Church of Hope took out a loan to pay the balance for the van through Pastor Emmanuel. This van has also been used to take his 32 orphans to church each week. The van is pictured below. There is still 67,500 Indian Rupees owing. (9 payments of 7,500 Indian Rupees) Around \$ A 1,800.



REDEEMING THE TIME

The Apostle Paul wrote, “See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.” (Ephesians 5:15-17)

Given the hour that we live in how important it is that we make the most of every God given opportunity in life. We have one short life in this body here on earth to store up treasures for eternity. God has a unique plan and destiny for every Believer's life. (Ephesians 2:10) We must never allow the distractions and cares of this world to pull us away from God's plan for our life. Staying close to the Lord and putting our entire trust in Him is the key to fulfilling all that God has planned for our lives.

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.” (Proverbs 3:5-6)

NORTH MELBOURNE TOWN HALL OUTREACH

Working in with Christian Life Assembly and other church groups, Church of Hope held a second Community Outreach at the North Melbourne Town Hall on Saturday the 5th of June.

Around 150 people from the marginalised community and from different churches attended this meeting. The City Singers Group, pictured below, provided a great selection of gospel songs. They were accompanied by songs from Marian Fenton and Daryl Raynor. All were encouraged by this time of worship.

Mark Bates gave a great testimony of how Christ had transformed his life. Several people responded to his testimony by coming to Christ. The presence of God was strong throughout the night and all those who attended could sense the love of God as the helps team served the people. Thanks to all those who contributed in any way.

Pastor David Palmer did a great job in overseeing the night and in co-ordinating the organising of the event. Finally, a special thanks to Khor & Burr Barristers and Solicitors who provided all of the food. A job well done by all those who helped.



MISSIONS BANK ACCOUNTS (CBA)

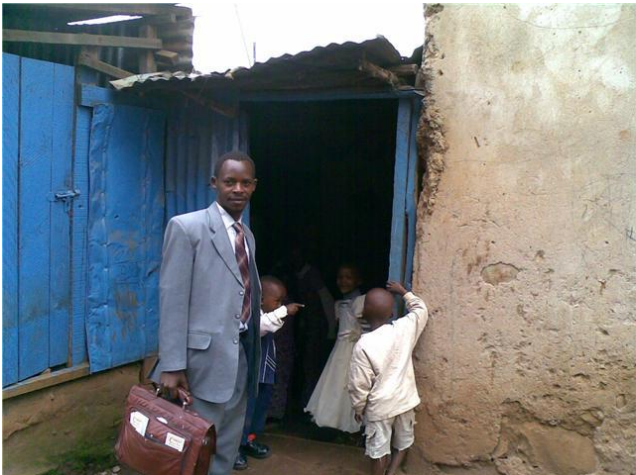
To sow into the translation of the manuals into Swahili and to print manuals for the African Pastors:

Church of Hope Inc. Missions Account
 BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account No. 1036 2429

To sow into the INDIA MISSIONS and the translation and printing of manuals for the remote village Indian pastors:

Church of Hope Inc. India Missions Account
 BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account No. 1036 2410

BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING



RESOURCING AND EQUIPPING THIRD WORLD PASTORS

Church of Hope has a heart to see the pastors in the remote areas of the Third World countries being given an opportunity of being trained up and empowered to become more effective in ministry. Many of the poorer pastors in the remote village areas of India and Africa cannot afford Bible College training.

Church of Hope has put together training manuals which are now being used by pastors in India and Africa. Last year we translated the manuals into Tamil and Kannada and gave away 300 sets of manuals to the remote village pastors in the state of Karnataka. We are now looking at translating the manuals into Swahili and Nepalese as well as Telegu. It is a great privilege to sow into the lives of Third World Pastors.



CURRENT PROJECTS TO SOW A FINANCIAL SEED INTO

- I) Translating manuals into Nepalese \$ A 1,750
- II) Translating manuals into Swahili \$ A 700
- III) Translating manuals into Telegu \$ A 1,500
- IV) Printing Manuals to give to Pastors (As finances become available)

Please go to www.coh.org.au to look at the Ministry Training Manual and the Leadership and Discipleship Extracts Manual which need to be translated into Nepalese, Telegu and Swahili. It is hoped that the Swahili version will be translated in time for the Congo workshop in September. Just \$700 is needed to make this a reality.