

# ***CHURCH OF HOPE***

## ***2017 MISSIONS VISION NEWSLETTER***

*June, 2017*

### **EXPANDING BLACKTOWN OUTREACH MISSION**

The Church in Blacktown has continued to gain strength as we see those in our church growing in their spiritual walk. Due to the great needs of many of the people in our city, we have several meetings during the week so that people can be encouraged in their walk with the Lord. Our Monday Night Prayer meeting continues to grow and our family Saturday Cafe Style Church continues to see lives being changed. Our Street outreaches in Blacktown and Penrith have continued to impact the lives of many people as more and more people continue to make commitments to Christ.

We are now also running a fortnightly outreach church meeting at the St Clair's Skate Park with our youth pastor Moses who is overseeing this meeting. A key focus in the coming months will be on training up more leaders in our fortnightly Leadership Classes as we look at expanding our Care and Outreach ministries. This year we will also be holding our fourth Carols by Candlelight Outreach at the Blacktown Showground working together with a number of other churches. Over the coming months we will also be doing more evangelism outreaches in other parts of Sydney as we realise the urgency for people to hear the gospel message in the times that we are now living in. Below is a picture of one of our previous carols events at the Blacktown Showground. Last year 1,500 attended the Carols by Candlelight event. One big thanks to Metro Signs who provided all of the banners for this event.



### **MARCH 2017 AFRICA MISSIONS TRIP**



Pastor Conrad and Joe Askew had a fruitful Missions trip to Kenya and Malawi in March. All three of the Pastors workshops were well attended and many pastors were encouraged through the teachings. Tony Kauhiva also participated in the Nairobi workshop and preached at Bishop Benson's church. Around 300 Pastors Workshop Manuals were given to the pastors attending the workshops. Many new contacts for future Missions trips were also established during this trip. Pastor Conrad and Joe also preached at a number of churches in Kenya and Malawi as well as spending much time fellowshiping with Bishop Benson who is our Church of Hope Coordinator in Africa. In Mombasa many people responded to an alter call and committed their lives to Jesus Christ after Pastor Conrad preached a message on the importance of maintaining a right heart. (See picture above) Pastor Conrad and Joe will be returning to Africa in March 2018 to do further workshops in Uganda and South Africa. Pastor Conrad, Joe Askew and Tony Kauhiva are pictured together below at Nairobi Airport.



## OVERSEAS MISSIONS



### SEVENTEEN WEEK EMAIL COURSE

Pastor Conrad continues to run by email the 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course which has been so far run by around 1,000 pastors. For the first half of 2017 there are 195 pastors participating in this course with many also running this course for others. This course can be accessed on our Church of Hope Website [www.coh.org.au](http://www.coh.org.au). This free course had been designed to help equip and empower the poorer pastors in India and Africa who have had little or no bible college training. Being an email course it can be easily forwarded on to others who have a desire to complete this course and has the benefit of reducing printing costs for those with limited budgets.



Over 50 pastors attended the three day workshop in Malawi. All the pastors were greatly encouraged as Pastor Conrad and Joe Askew taught from our Church of Hope Pastors Workshop Training Manual

## MELBOURNE MISSIONS



The Melbourne Saturday Night Worship Meeting continues to grow with now around 100 people attending each week's meeting. Mick Thompson has now joined our ministry team in Melbourne and is now leading our street outreaches in Melbourne. This year we are doing outreaches on both Tuesday and Friday nights near the steps of St Paul's Cathedral as we realise the urgency for evangelism. Pastor David and the team in Melbourne continue to be supported by a number of other churches and Christian groups who supply the meals for the Saturday Night meetings. Diana continues for the 12th year in a row to do a great job of organizing the groups that provide the food.

### TRACTS FOR EVANGELISM OUTREACHES

This year we will again be printing 100,000 tracts to use in our evangelism outreaches. To help with the printing of these tracts donations can be made into our **CBA Church of Hope (NSW) account:**

**BSB No. 06 2121 Account No. 1089 6463**

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## NOVEMBER INDIA MISSIONS TRIP

Pastor Conrad will be returning to India again in September to speak at a Pastors Workshop in Haryana in North India. Pastors from several other North India States will be also attending this workshop. Dr Rajesh Malaki who helped to organize last year's Delhi Pastors Workshop will be again helping to facilitate this workshop. Moses Odur, who is our youth pastor, will also be joining Pastor Conrad on this 18 day mission's trip from the 9-27<sup>th</sup> of November.

The focus of this workshop will be on equipping those who attend to run further workshops for those in their network of pastors. Pastor Conrad is currently praying about which other states to visit in India after receiving many invitations from pastors to do workshops in their areas. The next newsletter will contain more details of the upcoming mission's trip to India in November.



**THE GREATEST IS LOVE** As Christians in the times that we are now living in, we can make a great difference in the world by loving others into the Kingdom of God. As God's love has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, we as believers can love all people and shine brightly. Jesus said, ***"Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven"*** (Matthew 5:16)

And now abide  
faith, hope, love,  
these three; but the  
greatest of these is  
**love.**

1 Cor. 13:13

## SOWING INTO THE OVERSEAS MISSIONS WORK

Given that many of the pastors that we minister to in India and Africa are very poor, Church of Hope has a real heart to resource as many pastors as possible with free Pastors Workshop Training Manuals. Due to the support of many other Christians and Churches we have been able to print out and distribute thousands of manuals to pastors in India and Africa. Pastor John Mark is running workshops every month for groups of 50 pastors in many of the more remote areas of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh in South India.

At present we have many pastors in Africa who are ready to run Pastors Workshops, but who are waiting for our next printing run of manuals to be completed. Donations towards the printing of more manuals can be made into our CBA Church of Hope Missions Account:

BSB No. 06 3001 Account No. 1036 2429



*A thought to ponder.....*

Then Peter began to speak: ***"I now realize how true it is that God does not show favouritism, but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right..."*** (Acts 10:34)

God has no favourites. He is a God of love irrespective of cast, creed, colour or race. There was no distinction between Jews and Gentiles for God in the past, and in the same manner we as Christians are called to accept and love people as they are, to preach the Gospel, and fulfil the mandate of the Great Commission irrespective of the differences between us.

It is God's will that none should perish, but be saved through repentance (2 Peter 3:9). Therefore, dear friends in Christ, in these last days let us not waste time anymore. Let us allow the Holy Spirit to take over control of our lives and use us as God's tools in His Kingdom for His work.

Remember: Jesus came to heal the sick, the broken hearted, and to set the captives free..... So let us follow the heart of our Father!

**Devotion by Devni Attygalle**

## OVERVIEW OF 2017 MISSIONS PROGRAM

- To resource overseas pastors to run more workshops this year by providing them with Pastors Workshop Manuals
- Supporting Bishop Benson and Pastor John Mark to run workshops this year to help equip more Pastors to run workshops in Africa and India
- Pastor Conrad with the assistance of Moses Odur, will be teaching at a three day Pastors Workshop in Haryana from the 22-24<sup>th</sup> of November to help equip pastors from several North India States. The focus for this workshop will be on equipping many pastors to run further Pastors Workshops throughout North India as well as helping them to run the 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course for their network of pastors
- A continuing focus on our street churches in Blacktown (See picture below) and Penrith and now also in the St Clare's Skate Park and our outreaches in Melbourne on the steps of St Pauls.
- We will be running more evangelism outreaches in other areas of West Sydney including Kingswood and Hornsby. As part of the Kingswood Outreach we will be providing a sausage sizzle and gifts for the children as we look at sharing the love of Christ in this housing commission area, and
- A new focus on training up and encouraging other Christians and Churches in the area of evangelism both here in Sydney and in Melbourne. We have many evangelism training teachings on our Church of Hope website: [www.coh.org.au](http://www.coh.org.au) (Downloads Page)



## ONE BIG THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SUPPORTED OUR CARE AND MISSIONS WORK

Church of Hope would like to thank again all those who have faithfully supported our missions work and ministry to the marginalized. We are now beginning to see many lives being changed in the Blacktown area as a result of this support.

*Thank you*

## TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CARE MINISTRIES



### SOWING INTO OUR CARE MINISTRIES

A big part of our ministry at Church of Hope is reaching out to the marginalized communities and providing tea and coffee at our street outreaches, blankets to the homeless and a meal to those who attend our Cafe Style Church meetings in Blacktown and Melbourne each Saturday. With winter now upon us, providing blankets and hot meals to those in need will be a greater focus for our Care Ministry.

Both Bishop Benson and Pastor John Mark (see picture above), who are our overseas coordinators in Africa and India, also care for several orphans. )

Where possible we like to support them in their care of these orphans. The following CBA accounts can be used to sow into our various Care Ministries. All donations into these accounts are fully tax-deductible.

#### Blacktown (West Sydney) Care Ministry

BSB No. 06 2121 Account No. 1089 6471

(Donations into this account also help to contribute to the running costs for our Church of Hope Care (NSW) van)

#### Overseas Care Ministry for Orphans

BSB No. 06 3001 Account No. 1045 1464

#### Melbourne Church Care Ministry

BSB No. 06 3001 Account No. 1027 6053



Every Saturday night as part of our Cafe Style Worship meetings both in Blacktown (picture above) and in Melbourne, we serve a free meal for those who attend.