CHURCH OF HOPE

2019 MISSIONS VISION NEWSLETTER

March, 2019

MELBOURNE CHURCH

The Church in Melbourne with the support of other churches such as CLA is again this year practically and spiritually ministering into the lives of those who attend our Saturday meetings at the new Drill Hall venue. Pastor David along with Donato Diele, Ivan Bell, Chris Simmons and other leaders are again running discipleship classes before our Saturday meetings as well as speaking into the lives of those who attend. They are now also holding a monthly Sunday meeting for all leaders and volunteers. Those attending our Saturday night meetings enjoy a free nutritious hot meal and are strengthened in their faith through fellowship and the ministry of the word.

The Friday night street outreach is also still a key focus.





This year is our fifteenth year as a church ministering to the marginalized in Melbourne on a Saturday night

CHURCH OF HOPE INC:

(Affiliated with Australian Christian Churches)

Inc. No. A0044845W ABN: 12 198 982 157

GPO Box 3552, Melbourne, 3001 WEB SITE: www.coh.org.au

Director: Conrad Fenton 0413 483 858 Senior Pastor: David Palmer 0411 370 767

BLACKTOWN CHURCH – Helping people grow spiritually

This year we have seen a number of people that we have met in our street outreaches beginning to connect with our church and grow in their faith. A key focus this year will be on helping those that come to our church to grow in their faith from being just converts to disciples.

To help those struggling in their Christian walk, Pastor Conrad will now be available to mentor and encourage people over a free breakfast and lunch each Monday in our Room 9 Care Centre from 8.00 am to 1.30 pm beginning from the 8th of April. A key focus of this time will also be to help train up and equip more Care Pastors. With winter fast approaching it will give people the opportunity of enjoying some good fellowship and food.

This year Anish Abraham has commenced a children's class before our Sunday meeting in our Care Room to disciple the children that come to our church. Beginning with three children we are praying that this class will grow and also help to encourage many of the parents in the marginalized community to also come to church. Pastor Conrad is also encouraging those in his leadership small group to start small groups themselves. Moses Odur and John Botitu continue to take on greater leadership and preaching roles as we look this year at further developing our Youth and Sunday Community Church services.





LOCAL MISSIONS







SYDNEY EVANGELISM VISION: (CITY-WIDE)

Church of Hope (NSW) is now also holding fortnightly outreaches at the Hornsby Railway Station, George Street in Sydney and the Sydney University (pictured above). There are now also many other religious and different interest groups at the University influencing the students there. From April we will also be working with other churches to help establish fortnightly outreaches in Liverpool and Scholefield. We now have a team of ten Christians from various churches who regularly participate in our outreaches including our weekly Thursday night street church in Blacktown.



CARE MINISTRIES (Local and overseas)

Church of Hope in conjunction with CLA and other church groups has a heart to also practically reach out to the community with the love of Christ by providing meals, food, blankets and hygiene packs for the marginalized both in Melbourne and NSW. We have also been able to buy sleeping bags that will be given to the homeless this winter. We will also now be providing a free breakfast and lunch to those in need in Blacktown each Monday as part of our Care Ministry.

We also as a church have a heart to help support the orphans that are being cared for by pastors that we are partnering with in India and Africa. Pastor John Mark, who has partnered with Church of Hope for 12 years, has now commenced the construction of a new building for his orphans. The old building had many leaks and was flooded three years ago. *All donations into the following Care accounts are fully tax deductible*

BSB No: 06 2121 Account No: 1089 6471 (Blacktown)
BSB No: 06 3001 Account No: 1045 1464 (Overseas)
BSB No: 06 3001 Account No: 1027 6053 (Melbourne)



FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

A free breakfast and lunch will be provided in our Care room as part of our Monday mentoring and discipleship group meetings at our Blacktown church.

Construction has commenced on Pastor John Mark's new building for his 20 orphans. Several of the orphans that he cared for in the past are now married with good jobs.









NEW SEASON – Equipping Christians for Evangelism

Last year Pastor Conrad and a small team from Church of Hope NSW helped Pastor Gani Echo and his Church to establish an outreach in Riverstone. In February this year Pastor Conrad taught at an Evangelism Fire Workshop for 30 Christians and pastors at our Blacktown Centre as part of a combined churches outreach in Lalor Park. Equipping Christians to evangelise will be a bigger focus this year.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS



MOSES ODUR RETURNS TO INDIA FOR MISSIONS TRIP

Our Youth Pastor Moses Odur has just returned from a one month mission's trip to India. After joining Pastor Conrad on a mission's trip to India in November 2017, Moses felt the Lord's leading to return to India. During his time in India he ministered in many of Pastor John Mark's branch churches and in two Pastors workshops.





OVERSEAS MISSIONS TRIPS – SECOND HALF 2019

Pastor Conrad has been invited to return to both India and the Philippines to both run Pastors Workshops and to preach in evangelism meetings. Pastor Conrad will be returning to both India and the Philippines for ministry in the second half of this year and will again be looking at taking others with him to help equip those that come for further overseas mission's work. Lito Obejas, who is originally from the Philippines, will again be coordinating the meetings in the Philippines and travelling with and ministering with Pastor Conrad during his time there.

Over the past decade we have seen much fruit from our overseas mission's trips. I have just recently received the following report from Pastor Charles from Malawi who hosted our Pastors Workshop there in March 2017:

"Last week Friday and Saturday it was another anointed, inspired and powerful weekend for Hope School of Evangelism and Ministry. I went to Southern region of Malawi where I went to advertise Materials and possibly see if Pastors have interest in manuals

I had 205 Pastors and Church leaders. All of them have loved the manuals and teachings. I will go back to hold a one week conference sponsored by the Member of Parliament for the constituency. He is a Member of Parliament for Thyolo North who sponsored and invited me to talk and teach pastors on evangelism. He had promised to help printing out manuals and binding. Praise God that we are in the work of finishing the great commission." Pastor Charles Maganga (Email 14/3/19)

FREE EVANGELISM AND MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE

Pastor Conrad is again running the free 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course for 58 pastors and leaders the first half of this year. He is also running a free Leadership Training Course for those who have finished the 17 week course and who wished to do further studies. The 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course is run twice a year. The second running of the course commences on Monday the 1st of July. Pastor Gideon Raju from India (pictured below), is one of many pastors in India and Africa and other countries who have facilitated the running of the 17 week Evangelism and Ministry training course for their own network of pastors. Those wishing to join our 1st of July course email **Pastor** Conrad churchofhope@hotmail.com



AS A TEAM WE CAN ACHIEVE MUCH

One big thanks to all those who have helped to support Church of Hope. Because of the faithful support of CLA and many other Church groups and Christians, we have been able to minister to the needs of many of the marginalized in Melbourne (with hot meals), in Blacktown and overseas. One big thanks again to those who have helped to support our Church of Hope ministries.

PRAYER POINTS: For God's presence in all of our meetings, for many salvations in all of our outreaches and meetings, for lives to be transformed in Melbourne and Blacktown, for God to bless the new youth and children's ministries, for those in our churches to become mature disciples and for all of our needs to be met.





YOUTUBE MINISTRY

This year we have commenced recording messages from our youth pastor Moses Odur and Pastor Conrad for our YouTube Ministry. In the coming weeks Pastor Conrad will also be recording evangelism teachings as part of our vision to help equip other Christians to evangelize.

NEW PHILIPPINES OVERSEAS MISSIONS FIELD





NOVEMBER 2018 PHILIPPINES MISSIONS TRIP

Last year Pastor Conrad was invited to speak in five meetings for the first time in the Philippines. By the end of the quick ten days missions trip Pastor Conrad had preached at 11 meetings including twice at the AOG Bible College. Lito Obejas (pictured above next to Pastor Conrad) arranged the meetings and travelled with Pastor Conrad assisting him by also ministering in word and song at each meeting. Pastor Conrad has been invited back to run pastors workshops and to speak at churches and in evangelism outreaches.





2018 COMBINED CHURCHES CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

On December 16th last year we had another successful Carols by Candlelight event at the Blacktown Showground. Several churches worked together to help make this event a great success. Our youth pastor Moses shared the Christmas message. Chris Booth, Marian Fenton, Lito and Debbie and the SPWC worship team helped with the carols items. One big thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors including Metro Signs, Battery World and CLA who made this event possible.

COMBINED CHURCHES OUTREACH - Lalor Park

On the 2nd of March we joined a combined churches outreach organized by UCF. It was a great time of getting to know pastors from other Blacktown churches.





FUTURE NSW COUNTRY TOWN OUTREACHES

Pastor Conrad will again be taking teams to country towns in NSW in the second half of the year to help equip Christians in the area of evangelism. In 2016 Pastor Conrad took teams to Orange, Bathurst and Wagga Wagga, as well as joining a team that ministered to the aboriginals in Murrin Bridge. (See picture below)



SOWING INTO PRINTING OF WORKSHOP MANUALS

Pastor John Mark and Bishop Benson run pastors workshops in South India and East Africa. All pastors are given a free copy of our Pastors Workshop Manual at these workshops. To help print more manuals please make donations into our CBA Church of Hope Missions Account:

THE HARVEST IS RIPE - THE LABOURERS ARE FEW

For free evangelism teachings go to: www.coh.org.au