

CHURCH OF HOPE

2020 MISSIONS VISION NEWSLETTER

March, 2020

BLACKTOWN CHURCH

This year we will again be focusing on both evangelism and helping those in our church to grow in their faith. To help achieve this we will be looking at cultivating healthy Christian community through our fellowship lunches and a greater emphasis on connecting those in our church to a small group. Pastor John and his wife Nicole with the help of Satya, Geoffrey and Kamari have helped to develop the Care side of our Sunday meetings this year. Our heart this year is to see transformation in the marginalized community through mentoring key people in this community and through our Thursday night street outreaches. From May we will also be holding a monthly Saturday night healing meeting in a hall with a key focus being on reaching out to the unsaved ethnic groups in Blacktown.



FOCUS ON MAKING DISCIPLES AND SOUL WINNING

Pastor Conrad is holding fortnightly leadership classes to train up future small group leaders and will be running regular evangelism workshops to help equip Christians to evangelise. Each Monday he also runs a coffee and chat meeting to mentor those who attend.



SYDNEY WIDE OUTREACHES

In 2020 we will be having a greater focus on running more evangelism outreaches in other areas of Sydney. This year we will continue to run fortnightly outreaches in the heart of Sydney on a Friday night in George Street as well as holding fortnightly outreaches in Bankstown, St Marys and the Sydney University again. This year we will also have a focus on equipping other Christians and churches to pioneer street outreaches in their own local church communities. Pastor Conrad will be holding several evangelism fire workshops both in the Blacktown Centre and in other local churches to help other churches and Christians to evangelise. A key focus of our weekly Thursday night street church meetings this year in Blacktown will also be to help equip and mobilise other Christians to evangelise.



OVERVIEW OF 2020

- Focus on creating healthy Christian community in Blacktown through mentoring and discipleship
- Sri Lanka Missions Trip 6th to 25th of March
- First Evangelism Fire Workshop Saturday 4th April
- First India Missions Trip 24th April to 4th May
- New Fortnightly Outreaches in St Marys (assisting a local pastor) and Bankstown
- Monthly Revival meetings in Blacktown from May
- Lismore Country Town Evangelism Workshops and outreaches 9th to 14th of June
- Second India Missions trip in September

MELBOURNE MINISTRY



The Church in Melbourne with the support of other churches such as CLA, will again be practically reaching out to the marginalized each Saturday with a nutritious meal. Ivan Bell and Chris Simmons will continue to run bible classes before the Saturday meetings to help people to grow in their walk with the Lord. Pastor David continues to faithfully lead the Saturday meetings with the help of a growing number of committed volunteers and key leaders such as Donato Diele and Matt and Belinda Thorne. Our Flinders Street Station outreach will again be a key focus as well as equipping others to evangelise.

STORING UP TREASURES IN HEAVEN: The importance of keeping our focus on the eternal things

Jesus Himself said, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." **(Matthew 6:19-21)**

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NSW COUNTRY TOWN MISSIONS TRIPS

This year we will also be having a greater focus on equipping other churches and holding evangelism outreaches in the NSW country town areas. In June this year Pastor Conrad will be taking a small team to Lismore to run evangelism workshops and to hold outreaches in the community. Working with local pastors in Lismore it is hoped that many Christians will be encouraged and equipped to share their faith during our time in Lismore. As part of this missions trip there will be an open air Saturday night revival meeting in the heart of the Town. We are also looking later this year at visiting Dubbo, Wagga Wagga and Newcastle to run evangelism workshops for Churches and Christians and to hold outreaches. The aim of all of our country town meetings in 2020 will be to leave a legacy of helping to mobilise local churches and Christians to evangelise more.



EVANGELISM FIRE WORKSHOPS

This year Pastor Conrad will be running several Evangelism Fire Workshops in the Church of Hope Centre in Blacktown with the first workshop on Saturday the 4th of April. The focus of the first evangelism workshop will be to train the trainers and to help equip those attending to run workshops themselves later on for other churches and Christians. With this in mind all connected to our outreach team will be invited to the first workshop. The following workshops will then be focused on helping to equip all Christians to evangelise. Pastor Conrad is also available to run workshops for other churches. He can be contacted on 0413 483 858. Each country town missions' trip will also include two fire workshops. Our evangelism workshop teachings can be viewed and downloaded from our church of hope website downloads page: www.coh.org.au/downloads.

EVANGELISM AND MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE

(Weekly email course using Website Teachings)



FREE EVANGELISM AND MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE

This year we are again running the free 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course by email. Since 2015 around 1,300 pastors have participated in this course. This year we have 31 pastors from Africa and India participating in the first running of this course for 2020. Several pastors like Pastor Naveed Akhtar (pictured above) from Pakistan are also running this course for their own group of pastors at the same time. This course is also on our website and can be viewed and participated in by going to the following page on our website: www.coh.org.au/ministry_course. This course has now also been used by other bible colleges.



SRI LANKA MISSIONS TRIP (NEW MISSIONS FIELD)

Pastor Conrad has been invited to preach at churches in Sri Lanka and to speak at several open air gospel meetings organized by Pastor Alfred from Colombo. Your prayers for this trip would be greatly appreciated.

Pastor Conrad's itinerary for this trip is:

- Arrives in Sri Lanka Friday 6th March
- Meetings in Colombo 8-9th March
- Meetings in Kandy 10-11th March
- Meetings in Jaffna 14-17th March
- Open Air Meetings in Vanni - Kilinochchi 19th-22nd March
- House Meeting Colombo 23rd March
- Departs for Sydney Tuesday 24th March

SUPPORTING OVERSEAS PASTORS WORKSHOPS

(Providing Manuals for Pastors Workshops)



SUPPORTING PASTORS WORKSHOPS

This year Pastor Conrad will be returning to India twice to run Pastors Workshops in Haryana in April and in Andhra Pradesh and Bangalore in September. Pastor John Mark from Suryapet will also again be running Pastors Workshops during May as part of his month of outreaches in the states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. For all workshops both in India and Africa we give every pastor attending a free manual. Donations for the printing of these manuals can be made into our CBA Church of Hope Missions Account:

BSB No: 06 3001

Account No: 1036 2429



CARE MINISTRIES – OVERSEAS AND AUSTRALIA



ONE BIG THANKS TO ALL OF OUR SUPPORTERS

One big thanks to all those who have helped Church of Hope in the past years. Because of the faithful support of many Church groups and CLA and many other Christians, we have been able to minister to many of the marginalized both in Melbourne and Sydney and overseas. One big thanks again to all.



CARE MINISTRIES (Local and overseas)

As Church of Hope ministers primarily to the marginalized in Australian and to the poorer remote village pastors in the third world countries, we depend upon the support of other Christians and churches that have a heart for the work that we do. As a church we have been connected with Pastor John Mark from India for 13 years and with Bishop Benson in Kenya for 9 years. Both of these pastors care for orphans.

In Blacktown we provide free meals to those who attend our Sunday Community worship meetings and who join our Monday Coffee and Chat fellowship meetings. Throughout the week we also provide free tea and coffee to all who attend our centre. Following are our tax-deductible Care Ministry Accounts:

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

OVERSEAS MISSIONS TRIPS 2020

This year the Lord has placed on Pastor Conrad's heart to again have a greater focus on our missions work in India. This year we will also be having our first missions' trip to Sri Lanka. A great focus of all of our missions' trips, both overseas and in the NSW country towns, will be to encourage churches and Christians to evangelise more and to remain strong in their faith. Truly the harvest is ripe but the labourers are few.

Pastor Conrad is currently working together with pastors in India to set up a month of meetings in Andhra Pradesh and Bangalore in September. As we have our manuals and the 17 week Evangelism and Ministry Training Course translated into Telegu we will be able to train up many of the local non English speaking pastors to run courses for their own network of pastors using our manuals. Pastor Conrad is looking at taking a team with him for these meetings in India.



AS A TEAM WE CAN ACHIEVE MUCH

As we work together with other believers in the body of Christ we can make a great eternal difference in the lives of many people in the world around us. Every believer has a unique and important part to play in the body of Christ. **(Ephesians 2:10, 1 Corinthians 12:12-28)**

Hope for humanity is only found in Jesus Christ. As we work together as believers in the challenging times that we are now living in, we can truly make a great difference in the world around us. We all need one another in the body of Christ. We are better together.



Visakhapatnam Pastors Workshop in 2017