CHURCH OF HOPE

MISSIONS VISION NEWSLETTER FOR 2012

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LOCAL MISSIONS



CHURCH OF HOPE MELBOURNE

Church of Hope will again be partnering with CLA to reach out to the marginalized people in the inner city area. Last year many people were touched during the Saturday night meetings by the love of God as they enjoyed a hot meal. This year we will be holding our meetings at the Loughnan Hall in Richmond. Refer to our website www.coh.org.au for full details of our meetings and how you can support this work.



STREET OUTREACHES

Pastor David Palmer and Michael Zombos will again be ministering on the steps of Flinders Street Station and in other locations this year with Chris Simmons. Last year several people were saved during these outreaches. During these outreaches people in need can also be invited to our Saturday night meetings. Christians interested in joining these outreaches can call Pastor David on 0411 370 767.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS



HELPING TO SUPPORT LESS ADVANTAGED PASTORS

Pastor John Mark has now partnered with Church of Hope for 5 years. He runs workshops for other pastors and has a network of 25 pastors. He also looks after 20 orphans. This year we are praying for financial partners who will help support John Mark to run pastors workshops to equip the poorer village pastors and to feed and clothe his orphans. One big thanks to all those who have given in the past.



NAIROBI MINISTRY TRAINING CENTRE

After interpreting for Pastor Conrad during his recent trip to Africa, the Lord put on the heart of Bishop Benson (holding manuals) to train up pastors in Nairobi to run pastors workshops throughout Kenya and to help pastors in other countries to pioneer ministry training centres. With the support of other pastors pictured above, he ran his first workshop in Nairobi during January. (See page 3)

VISION FOR INDIA: TO HELP EQUIP AND RESOURCE INDIAN PASTORS: Training up Indian pastors to equip other groups of pastors in the remote villages of India.









SPONSORING PASTORS WORKSHOPS IN INDIA

During 2011 Reverend David and Pastor John Mark (pictured above) ran several pastors workshops in the states of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Due to the generous support of many Christians and CLA, over 1,200 sets of manuals in total, were given away to pastors during these workshops. Thanks again to all those who have given to this missions work. As many remote village pastors have had little or no training and often experience much opposition, we are again this year looking at helping Pastor John Mark and Reverend David (pictured below) to run pastors workshops in the remote areas of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. This year we would also like to support Pastor Aaron's workshops for pastors working in the slum areas of Bangalore. If you would like to support these workshops you can sow a financial seed into the bank account below.

CBA Church of Hope Inc. India Missions Account

BSB 06 – 3001 **Account No.** 1036 2410





PROVISION OF VEHICLE FOR JOHN MARK For many years Pastor John Mark has faithfully served the Lord with no vehicle for outreaches. Often up to 15 have squeezed into an Auto Rickshaw to participate in outreaches. We are praying to help him to get a vehicle this year.

OVERVIEW OF INDIA MISSIONS WORK IN 2012

- Supporting and resourcing Pastor John Mark to run workshops for Village Pastors in Andhra Pradesh (AP)
- Resourcing Reverend David with manuals to run pastors workshops in the remote areas of Karnataka
- Supporting Pastor Aaron to run workshops every month for pastors in the slum areas of Bangalore
- Pastor Conrad Fenton to travel with Pastor Emmanuel and Pastor John Mark to run fire conferences and gospel meetings in four AP cities and towns (August)
- Pastor Conrad Fenton and Reverend David and team to train up pastors in Tamil Nadu to run pastors workshops for other networks of pastors (September)
- · Helping pastors to feed orphans and beggars

CARE MINISTRY

(Supporting orphans, widows and those in the slum areas of Bangalore and Kakinada)



HELPING TO FEED THE ORPHANS AND BEGGARS

This year Church of Hope would like to help Reverend David who has 60 orphans to care for (pictured above) and Pastor John Mark who has 20 orphans to feed and clothe in a greater way. Reverend David also has several churches in the slum areas of Bangalore where there is great poverty. Where possible his ministry (Christ the King Ministries India) tries to practically assist those who attend his churches. All money donated into our CBA Church of Hope Care Overseas Missions Account BSB No. 06 3001 Account No. 1045 1464 is fully tax-deductible and will go towards feeding and clothing orphans, supporting those in the slum churches and feeding the beggars in Bangalore and Kakinada.

WORKING TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE MUCH

The Apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians, "...that now at this time your abundance may supply their lack" (2 Corinthians 8:14)

EQUIPPING AFRICAN PASTORS







OVERVIEW OF 2011 MISSIONS TRIP TO AFRICA

- Around 130 pastors and students were equipped and encouraged at the one-week Kitale Bible College Africa (KBCA) Fire conference
- Pastor Conrad preached at 6 Churches. During these meetings several people got saved and many were baptized in the Holy Spirit
- The Pastors Workshop held by Pastor Obed in Congo turned out to be a great success.
- Over 80 people attended a workshop in Nairobi where Pastor Conrad taught and shared vision on running bible training centres

VISION FOR AFRICA MISSIONS 2012

- To support Bishop Benson from Nairobi (pictured bottom right)
 as he trains up and resources pastors to run workshops in Kenya
 and assists pastors in Rwanda and Uganda to establish bible
 training centres
- To assist Bishop Martin from Uganda to pioneer bible training centres throughout his nation
- To help support Pastor Obed's Patmos Bible College in Congo. He has faithfully served the Lord for many years with little help
- To run a one week fire conference in Nairobi in August to encourage and empower all those pastors who are involved in running bible training centres
- To help finance the printing of ministry training manuals for pastors workshops and to give to bible college students at KBCA

SOWING INTO THIS VISION FOR AFRICA

It is hoped that many Christians and churches will partner with Church of Hope and the above vision to help equip and empower many pastors throughout Africa, who serve in areas of great poverty, to run bible training courses. Making disciples is the key to seeing the church making a difference in this world.

Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations..." (Matthew 28:19) All donations to our work in Africa can be made into our CBA Church of Hope General Missions Account:

BSB No. 06 – 3001 Account Number: 1036 2429

NAIROBI TRAINING CENTRE / UGANDA WORKSHOPS

During Pastor Conrad Fenton's recent trip to Africa, Bishop Benson at the last moment was organized to be his interpreter for the duration of his trip. As he interpreted for Pastor Conrad at the one week fire conference organized by Kitale Bible College Africa, the Lord put on his heart to establish a ministry training centre in Nairobi. Between the 19th and 21st of January this year, Bishop Benson launched this vision with a workshop to equip and prepare 81 pastors in Nairobi over three days to run bible training courses.

Bishop Martin, pictured with Pastor Conrad during his recent trip to Africa, has a heart to establish bible training centres throughout Uganda this year. Bishop Martin attended the five day fire conference at Kitale Bible College Africa and then travelled with Pastor Conrad to Congo, where he helped Pastor Obed to run the 5 day pastors workshop that was held there. To know more about our Africa Mission please call Pastor Conrad on 0413 483 858.

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CHURCH OF HOPE (NSW)

Due to the expanding work in NSW and the important focus of meeting the practical needs of those in the Community, at the end of last year we incorporated Church of Hope (NSW) and Church of Hope Care (NSW) Last year Neil and Pam Harvey also commenced a BBQ outreach in the Wagga Wagga suburb of Tolland. Around 60 people attend this outreach each Sunday. To know more about this outreach please call Neil on 0421 464 107.





WAGGA WAGGA COMMUNITY OUTREACH

After working 9 months for Anglicare in Tolland, the Lord put on the heart of Neil Harvey and his wife Pam to pioneer an outreach in that area to make known the love of Christ. Many Christians have helped Neil and Pam to run this Sunday community outreach which comes under the umbrella of Church of Hope NSW. One big thanks to all the business men who donated money to buy 30 bikes for Christmas presents. Donations to this ministry can be made into the following CBA accounts:

Church of Hope (NSW) Wagga Wagga (For ministry needs) **BSB No.** 06 2600 **Account No.** 1058 9681 **or**

Church of Hope Care (NSW) Wagga Wagga (Benevolent needs) *BSB No.* 06 2600 *Account No.* 1058 9702 (Tax Deductible)

SYDNEY MINISTRIES

OUTREACH AND SMALL GROUP FOCUS

This year Church of Hope in Sydney has a two-fold focus of outreach and establishing small groups. Given that many who come to our meetings have experienced broken relationships, or have come from a less advantaged background, connecting people to loving mid-week bible studies will be a key focus in Sydney.

This year we also commenced a Children's Outreach for the 4-12 year age group. We will now also be increasing our focus on street evangelism in both Kings Cross (Saturdays) and Blacktown (Friday nights). We are now also looking at ministering in the local High School in Blacktown and are in the process of finding a venue for our Saturday night meetings. To know more about our Sydney activities please call Pastor Conrad on 0413 483 858.





Major Focus: Street outreaches, Saturday night worship meetings and mid-week bible studies in Kings Cross and Blacktown



KIDS ZONE AND HIGH SCHOOL OUTREACHES

Given the challenges that many of our youth are going through today, Pastor Conrad and Marian Fenton with the help of John Nguyen and others, have commenced an outreach for children called Kidz Zone in Blacktown. This meeting is held every Sunday afternoon. Pastor Conrad will also be looking at approaching the local high school to commence a fortnightly lunchtime meeting. Doors have also opened up to speak at another school in Shalvey.

Jesus said, "Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest? Behold, I say to you, <u>lift up your eyes</u> and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!" (John 4:35)