

# HOPESTREET URBAN COMPASSION **MISSION PARTNERS**

PLEASE PRAY WITH US...

## **WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP**

- > Give thanks for the great retreat held at Wisemans Ferry – 26 people, strengthened fellowship and worship time.
- > Pray for the congregation as they prepare for the transition with the McClellands moving on at the end of the year: thinking about the sort of pastoral leadership required to replace them and how that will fit in with HopeStreet needs.
- > Pray for Heather's counselees also facing the transition; the strengths group, Scripture classes.
- > Pray for a marriage enrichment weekend planned for November

## **WOOLLOOMOOLOO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- > Thanks for the commitment of State and Federal Governments to develop plans to tackle the issues of homelessness. Please pray that the implementation of these can be carried out wisely with better outcomes for homeless people on all levels.
- > Pray that affordable housing options in the inner city can be found, built and developed for those in need. Pray that as people move into housing they make a smooth transition, develop a sense of 'home' and healthy support networks.
- > Pray for more space for the community development team to be able to assist the community better.
- > Pray for the women on the streets who are violated continually and have nowhere to stay

## **RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- > Give thanks for the excellent support of HopeStreet's City 2 Surf team which ran and walked in support of Homeless Person's Outreach in the inner-city.
- > Praise God also for the faithful support of the various Churches and mission partners which facilitated ongoing ministry in times of financial crisis.
- > Pray for the funds to be sourced that are required to support the various projects that HopeStreet has been led to undertake over this coming year.
- > Pray for the team as we continue to grow and adapt to needs of HopeStreet's donors and supports, as well as the projects and ministries.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

- > Praise God for the volunteers who have been assisting Admin in 2009. They are much appreciated and valued!
- > Give thanks for Andrew who has joined our team, bringing some valuable gifts and insight.
- > Pray for the new systems that we are putting in place to better serve the organization and the wider supporters of HopeStreet.
- > Please also pray for the search for a new premises that will meet HopeStreet's current and future needs.

## GLEBE COMMUNITY CHURCH

- Thanks for Kath's ability to grasp the work and engage with people of Glebe. Thanks for her unflappable personality and personal Christian walk.
- Pray for Chris from Springwood – give thanks for her love of people in Glebe, her dedication to volunteering and pray for her family as they work through her son's severe illness and recuperation.
- Give thanks for new volunteers from Glebe community coming onto the Op Shop team. Pray for constancy and ability to stick to rosters. Give thanks for good community atmosphere which has brought in new shoppers who see the shop as a good place to call for a chat and some listening ears.
- Pray for those in the community who are being tested by some difficult events in their lives. Pray that HopeStreet may be able to walk alongside and provide comfort and help them find new directions and ways of coping.
- Pray for our worshipping community that new people may be attracted to worship with us each week. Give thanks for those who come along – especially several who have joined with us as guests/students for a period of time.

## URBAN EDUCATION

- Give thanks for education partnerships being forged amongst HopeStreet and neighbouring churches and agencies.
- Pray that our venue at the Black Stump Festival will encourage and equip many people to serve Christ and others in their own neighbourhoods.

## WOMEN'S SPACE

- Please pray for E. who can feel the Presence of God around her and is still battling a heroin addiction.
- Please pray for L. who is homeless and vulnerable suffering from debilitating panic attacks.
- Please pray for R. who is a grandmother at the age of 34 and has lung disease that the doctors can't help. Due to her lifestyle she will not be considered for a transplant.
- Please pray that all of our women will come to true wholeness
- Join with us in praising God for his peaceful presence in the house and His provision by way of amazing donors.

## INNER CITY GAMBLING COUNSELING

- Pray for one of our long term gamblers who is living on the streets, to be approved for priority housing. We hope he will be provided with safety, security and a home of his own.
- Pray for a family member who is very hurt, angry and confused about her father's gambling and pray that her honesty and support will lead him to seek help.

## EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

- One of our participants is starting to look for a job in the general workforce. Pray for insight into the type of job wanted as well as confidence and patience during the process.
- T is taking on new challenges in the workplace. Pray for T to have an increased awareness that it is ok to ask questions and have a sense of self in the workplace.
- New participants in the program as they find their feet and deal with unexpected challenges that arise.
- For the Induction Training being run in late September, that it is a time not only of learning but of team building and empowering of individuals.
- Guidance for staff as they implement changes in program culture and routine with participants who have been with us for some time.