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HEART TO HEART

Proclaiming God's Favour

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OUR HEART

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SENIOR PASTORS

In his first sermon at Nazareth Jesus was handed the scroll of Isaiah and read the prophecy about the king who would come to set up His eternal kingdom and announce the year of the Lords favour or the year of Jubilee.

In Leviticus 25, God had instructed Israel that every 50 years debts were to be cancelled, people who had sold themselves as slaves were to be freed, and land that had been sold was to be returned to the original owners.

Unfortunately the year of Jubilee was never fulfilled by Israel and it later became a sign that would accompany the coming of Messiah.

The prophet Isaiah introduced the idea that the year of the Lord's favour would go beyond simply cancelling debts. It would include healing of bodies and hearts. Sin would be forgiven. Those in jail and those taken as slaves would be free. This was all good news and Jesus came to reveal it.

I know we all agree, sharing and showing the good news is vital and as disciple of Jesus, He has called us to share the good news of God's favour. We can also play a part in financially supporting those

who have been called to share Jesus as a vocation. Our Heart to Heart month gives all of us an opportunity to hear from our local and global missionaries and allow God to move our hearts to take a step of faith and give generously, sacrificially and financially.

Will you join us in believing God for a great outpouring of giving?

Much love,



Pastor Paul + Michelle

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

LOCAL MISSIONS

Prison Inside/Out Chaplaincy	\$1,100
Ex Prisoner Ministry	\$1,000
Fishers Of Men	\$3,000
Open Haven	\$2,000
Rochedale Outreach	\$5,000
Chaplain - Rochedale High	\$2,500
Chaplain - Eight Mile Plains SS	\$3,000
Chaplain Rochedale South State School	\$3,000
Chaplain Rochedale State School	\$3,000
Chaplain Balmoral High	\$500
Chaplain Bulimba State School	\$500
FAB Breakfast Club RSSS	\$1,000
RI Expenses + Bibles	\$2,000
Radiance	\$1,500
Discipleship Internship	\$55,150
Internship Operating Costs	\$1,500
TOTAL LOCAL MISSION	\$85,750



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

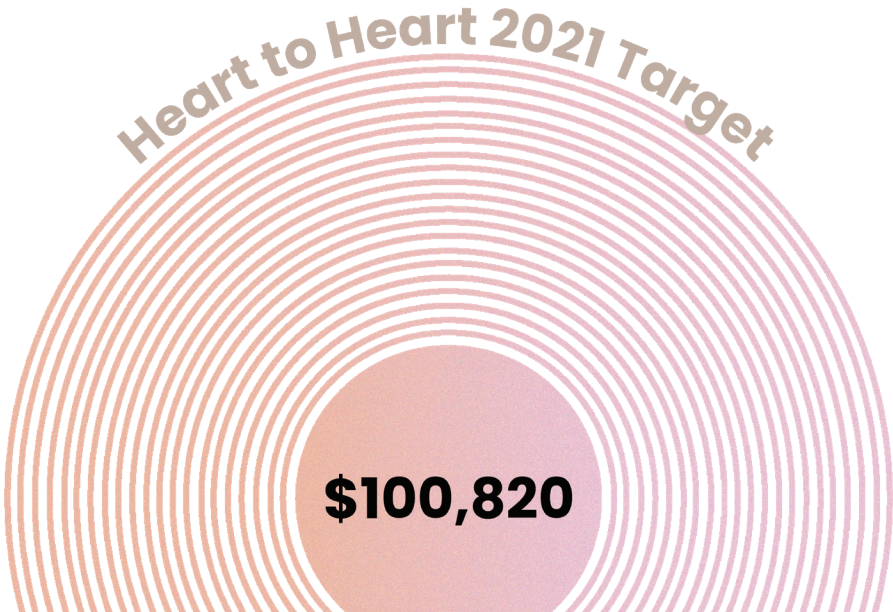
GLOBAL MISSIONS

Shord & Ann van Donge	\$2,885
Abby Penglase	\$10,645
Rachel Olsen	\$10,645
The Macks	\$21,290
Saul & Rebecca Thurrowgood	\$17,030
Unreached people groups (Hui)	\$5,975
Training Unreached People Church Planters	\$5,000
Emergency Fund Top-up	\$2,000
Other Global Missions Expenses	\$500

TOTAL GLOBAL MISSION	\$75,970
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TOTAL

Total Local & Global Mission	\$161,720
Less 10% of tithes and offerings	\$60,900





**HOW CAN I
GET INVOLVED?**

PRAYER

God uses our prayer to prepare the way for the things He desires. Prayer rescues us from the good ideas of human thinking and lifts our hearts into His purpose. So with this in mind, let's soak the whole purpose of the Heart to Heart offering in prayer at home and in Life Groups. We also want to invite you to join with us at our corporate prayer meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of August at both Rochedale and Balmoral where we will be praying about Heart to Heart together.

WAYS TO GIVE

1

One-off or regular gifts via direct deposit labelled 'H2H'

Acc Name: New Heart Baptist Church

BSB: 704 913 Acc No: 400038857

2

Via cash or cheque in the Heart to Heart collection

3

You can make a pledge to share God's favour in a practical way. Fill in a pledge card and drop it in the box for 'Bring it in Sunday' on August 29.

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GLOBAL MISSIONS

ABBY PENGLASE

I am hoping to return to Ecuador in the second half of this year, with Serving in Mission (SIM). I will be returning to the Saraguro people, to work alongside local believers in discipleship, evangelism, and children's ministry.



During this time in Australia, I have been grateful to stay in touch with some of my families in Saraguro and hear their stories of God's faithfulness and protection from the virus. Also I have loved being able to reconnect and invest back into my amazing church family at New Heart.



Though there are many uncertainties on the journey to get back overseas, I am trusting God to make a way, and I invite people to partner with me through prayer and finances to see a movement of Saraguros reaching Saraguros with the good news of Jesus Christ.



THE THURROWGOODS

Deaf Bible Translation



2020/2021 has been a time of ups and downs for us and probably for many of you also. Despite Jesse's death last year and the loss of the Deaf Bible Society's funding and support early this year, we have surprisingly continued to see progress in the software development and to have all our personal and project funding covered. It has been a wonderful experience to know God's favour and complete covering despite the difficult circumstances.



Whilst many of the future decisions in regards to the project are out of our hands, Saul is able to continue working full time on the project with the hope that soon the software will be rolled out to the sign language translation team in Spain, and other potential teams. We have been pleased to know that a team in South East Asia has already been able to use the software for their translation production.





RACHEL OLSEN

G R A C E
I N T ' L
S C H O O L

Thailand

Thank you New Heart family, for your continued encouragement and support of what God is doing in Thailand and beyond. The school I serve at, Grace International school, exists primarily to serve missionary families who are serving in South East Asia by providing a God-centred education for their children. The school has seen God's favour as we worked through two separate stints of online learning during the last year. Despite the hard circumstances, the school continues to expand so we can provide quality education for more students.



In this coming school year, I will continue teaching Kindergarten and seek to walk in His favour by being attentive to where and to whom He is leading me.

Personally, I have experienced God's favour as described in Psalm 5:12: *"Favour wraps around each one and covers them under your canopy of kindness and joy".*



THE HUI

People Group

New Heart adopted the HUI (pronounced hway), the largest Muslim people group in China, in August 2003 - a commitment to prayer and mission until a reproducing church is established amongst them. Our church expresses this by supporting our Hui team, who are strategically located in a key city. Our monthly gift enables our Hui team's outreach to Hui villages, to sponsor Hui students with books, uniforms and dormitory assistance, to provide medical care for Hui contacts in severe need, and to cover the team's transportation costs. Several Huis have become believers! Our Hui team also runs a Language Centre.

Please pray for more Hui students to attend this Centre (Covid has impacted this) and that the believers being disciplined will grow strong in God's Word and, in turn, make other disciples of Jesus.

Pray the NH prayer: that 100s and 1000s of Hui will become true followers of Jesus



THE MACKS

To read the Macks update, please get a hard-copy from the office.

TRAINING CHURCH PLANTERS

Among unreached and least reached people groups

This funding will be directed to projects for training and mentoring church planters working among unreached or least reached people groups.

Each project will be proposed by missionaries with whom New Heart have a relationship.

Currently we have Roger and Leigh via Harvest Multipliers, a church planting training arm of YWAM Frontiers Missions, for consideration and endorsement from the GMT.



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THE VAN DONGES

WEC Care & Contingency Fund (IFF)

Thank you New Heart, for all your love and prayer for us and your sacrificial support. WEC's Care/Contingency Fund, the IFF that I manage, continues to assist colleagues who encounter crisis or need. We want the Fund to continue to effectively support our 1800 members as they serve unreached peoples around the world. We are therefore undertaking an extensive review. Responses to survey questionnaires sent out in June to over 100 WEC Branch and Area Leaders and younger generation colleagues, will shape our work on the review over coming months.



Mentoring two emerging African-Australian ministry leaders, Louis (Congolese) and Yohana (Sudanese), continues to bring me joy. Both men deeply desire to walk in God's favour, and to impact others' lives through Spirit empowered ministry and Godly leadership. We meet regularly on Zoom for insightful studies on leadership themes. I also get together individually with them for sharing, prayer, and tailored input into their lives.

THANK YOU JOHN + BETTY!

What a celebration!

On 24 November 1980, a young married couple with 3 year old twins set off to share the good news of God's favour with a remote tribe in Indonesia. They had been commissioned by New Heart and sent with much love and prayer to join two other young couples and live among Tugutil people. They learnt their culture and language, recorded that language and gave it a written form, taught them to read, translated the Bible into Tugutil and then shared the gospel. They planted a church and raise up new leaders and elders who would take the message further afield.

WOW! Now 41 years later, they are retiring. They have told their story of what happened along the way in their book, "Tugutil". This will be available at the Expo's on August 15 (Balmoral) and August 22 (Rochedale).

What are we celebrating with them?
God's faithfulness, provision, anointing



and equipping. A pagan tribe now Christian and doing their own outreach – disciples making disciples.
Survival in a hostile context.
Lives dedicated to serving God and mankind.

But also, from the church's point of view:

- An opportunity to support, love, pray and encourage John and Betty.

- An opportunity to be part of their team.
- A way to invest in God's global plan.
- The joy of welcoming new brothers and sisters into the global family because of their efforts.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if this was not a story of retirement but of passing the baton?

John and Betty will always be ready to share about God's love and saving grace, and being "retired" won't change that! But are there others in our congregation now ready to catch the vision and keep the momentum going? To take faith steps and to share God's favour wherever He directs? To take the baton and start running?

Could this be you?



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LOCAL MISSIONS

PRISON MINISTRY

Written by Ps George Stubbs

Since 1998, NHBC has had a number of folk from the church visiting Brisbane prisons and sharing the gospel of Jesus. Now this year with the retirement of Debbie Glasson, as a chaplain, there are opportunities for others to follow after her as chaplains. Could that be you?

Meanwhile, there are those who do continue on in varying capacities to visit the prisons for:

- Church service support with music (Russell Horton)
- Shine program, led by Karen Willcocks and ladies' team.
- Card-making, led by Jean Davies and Kara Davies
- Positive Lifestyle Program with Margaret Stubbs
- Kairos Program with Able Wong and George Stubbs

Could you offer to be a helper in one of these other areas? Speak with George Stubbs or those mentioned above, if you would like to join a team.

NHBC contributes financially each year to prison ministry through Inside/Out Prison Chaplaincy, an arm of chaplaincy work through Carinity, the social work organisation of Queensland Baptists.



CHAPLAINCY

Written by Cassie Love

Our local Scripture Union School Chaplains, Emmalea (RSHS), Sue (RSS), Adeline (EMPSS) and Cassie (RSSS), are part of a team of over 700 Chaplains in state schools across Queensland bringing hope to our younger generations.

School Chaplains provide social, emotional and spiritual support to school communities by giving pastoral care to students, staff and parents; leading support groups, helping in classrooms, and coordinating breakfast programs, grocery hampers and more. We can do this because of the generous support of our local churches and donors, that helps boost the National Schools Chaplaincy Program grant which provides 1.5 days of school service.

In the past 12 months a new family to our school lost a significant family member. The mum approached me for help and asked me to pray with her. I've been able to organise support in getting furniture delivered, help to cover school fees relieving financial pressure, and link them to a local

church, where the mother was then baptised. The children are signed up to our school Chappy Lounge, a Christian input group where we read the Bible and learn to follow the way of Jesus. The children are also regulars at Breakfast Club and Lego Club!

This year we launched "CONNECT" events that take place one Saturday per term and provide an opportunity for families to connect, join in a range of fun activities and share a meal together. CONNECT events have so far seen more than 50 families come into contact with our service, and our volunteers from local churches. We look forward to how God will grow this important ministry.



DISCIPLESHIP INTERNSHIP

Written by Ps Brad Gardiner

Since August 2020, New Heart has pioneered our Discipleship Internship. A program focusing on the development of skills and abilities in people who are serving Jesus in areas of New Heart Baptist Church.

This last year we have had four interns representing Balmoral and Rochedale.

They have been actively involved in:

- Youth Group and local schools to connect with students
- Specific areas of training have included:
 - Training in discipleship
 - Go Sow Grow
 - Running Life Groups
 - Training in leadership
 - Program development and activation

The Interns have developed discipleship frameworks to connect the community and Church. There has been growth and awareness for discipleship opportunities and execution, strengthening the public profile of New Heart and relationships.

In all the interns, personal growth and intimacy with Jesus is clearly visible.

In 2021/2022:

This year we have expanded our Internship to have three first year Interns (Simon Kiani, Steve Fritz and Craig Behrens) and three second year Interns (Eve Keech, Emmalea Lingard and Mitchell Brown). Two Interns are from Balmoral and four from Rochedale campus. The Interns will complete eight ministry hours per week, covering areas of street outreach; leading Life Groups; assisting at Logan and Balmoral; Deeper; Youth Group and High School outreach.

The second year Interns will also be trained in team building, conflict resolution, emotional intelligence, and activation of spiritual gifts.

This is an exciting development in our continued mission of training leaders and disciples making disciples. Please be praying for the Interns and the spiritual fruit flowing from their ministry.



CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION (CRI)

Written by Ps Monita Dujmovic

CRI is outworked as a ministry of the local churches reaching both primary and high school children (currently primary school children) in our local state schools.

We have the exciting opportunity to explore the Christian faith and bring the Bible into the lives of many children who would otherwise never hear the words of God. They are able to read, sing and dramatically recall stories from the Bible, according to an approved curriculum.

As they learn, they begin to understand that our God is a personal God, and His son Jesus came that we may know Him. A highlight is seeing and hearing the children openly pray to God and express a desire to attend church. It's truly amazing to be part of this journey of children discovering Jesus.

We are always searching for more volunteers who are passionate about delivering the good news to these young and hungry hearts. Classes are run weekly or fortnightly, and each class runs for 30 minutes. Currently we have over 250 students at Rochedale SSS, over 450 students at Bulimba SS, and around 100 students at Mackenzie SS opting to attend CRI.

The CRI program is funded by local churches, funding the full cost of the supply of course material and Easter/Christmas concerts. Heart to Heart contributes to this financially, as well.

Your continuous support, prayer and encouragement in CRI is greatly appreciated. Remember that some children get to know God for the first time through your help. Many thanks and God bless you.



FISHERS OF MEN

Written by Ps Branwen Mearns

Fishers of Men (FOM) have been continuing the work of reaching out to the lost and broken with their bi-weekly meals delivered to the city and Logan, (Wednesday & Sunday 300 each). We then offer support and a discipleship pathway, for any from the streets who wish to change their lives and break free from addiction, through the discipleship houses. Many broken, but awesome people have rebuilt their lives with Jesus' help. FOM has also provided free food parcels for people in need, and helped those needing assistance with the provision of free furniture.

Other examples of our ministry:

- Tracey: An indigenous woman from Cherbourg, with four children under 5 years old, who exited a domestic violence situation with nearly nothing. Fishers of Men helped her with a full house of furniture, clothes, kitchenware as well as linen, blankets and a food parcel. Hopefully, this will help give them a head start they might not have otherwise had.
- One of our team going into the city with meals for the homeless, was able to encourage a desperate young woman with hope and the message of

Jesus to answer her heart's cry.

- Others walking around in the cold with torn and ripped singlets and shorts, or without shoes, received warm food, clothes, shoes and blankets, knowing that it was in the name of Jesus that these items were supplied.

All in all, we want to lift up the name of Jesus, and are privileged to be able to do this within the city of Brisbane. On average, we are assisting at least 3-4 people and/or families a week with furniture provision, over 600 meals a week, washing heaps of cars on Saturdays to help pay for some of the costs, (BP Underwood Rd and BCAC, Rochedale Rd), and providing accommodation and support for up to 15 men at a time, every day of the week while pouring our hearts out for the lost.



OPEN HAVEN

Written by Sabeel Burgess

Open Haven exists to empower women survivors of domestic violence, and restore them back into community. We currently run a local drop-in service in Balmoral which is staffed by 12 amazing volunteers. We sit with these women, we understand what their circumstances are, and together we create a personalised plan that sets them on a path of empowerment.

We offer services such as driving lessons, English and literacy lessons, access to child psychologists, lawyers

and health providers, provide food and fuel vouchers. The potential list is endless, but Open Haven always finds a way to meet these requirements, and at all times, there is no cost to the women.

We have seen some of these women come to know Jesus, two of them were baptised last year and some have come regularly to church. We are so honoured to come alongside them in their journey to faith. Thank you for partnering with us!



RADIANCE

Written by Karen Willcocks

Radiance is a program that seeks to instil value, purpose and strength into Grade 7, 8 and 9 girls. We run this program currently in Rochedale High under the Chaplaincy arm. The program runs for nine weeks with up to 25 girls. We run two programs a year, with a team of four. We thank God for favour with the principal, staff and students. Here is some feedback from the girls:

Radiance helped my confidence, I gained new friends.

Radiance teaches us how to deal with many different sections of growing into young women.

Radiance was fun and I learnt to be more confident in my own skin.

Radiance helped me to change negative things into positives .

Radiance helped my confidence in social areas & helped me to be resilient.

Overall Radiance is about understanding their value is not set by others' opinions, but by the One who made them.



HEART TO HEART SERVICES

SUNDAYS AUGUST 1 - 29

GOING GLOBAL EXPO BALMORAL - AUGUST 15

GOING GLOBAL EXPO ROCHEDALE - AUGUST 22

BRING IT IN SERVICE - AUGUST 29

