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Answered prayer 1

Glory to our Lord! Praise God for wonderful weather on Wed the 14th and 15th of March as over 180 Christians from 15 churches joined hands to distribute 40,000 masks into 4,000 blessing bags, including pandemic preventive kits and a small bag of rice, to our neighbours! We also cared for their spiritual needs when church volunteers prayed and shared the gospel with them. Amen!

Tomorrow is International Children's Day! 3

May God's message be instilled in all Christians' hearts Fri to embrace children and meditate on the verse, "whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me." (Matthew 18:5) Pray that more people will partner with us to support abandoned and disabled children in Qinghai. Amen!

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Our Sau Fung Avenue Centre will soon be relocated to Landmark North. We are in desperate need of funding to renovate it. Pray for our faith in our Lord who always provides and protects as we follow Jesus Christ's example to serve the deprived and needy in one of the poorest districts of Hong Kong.

This afternoon, 6 new arrivals from our Ethnic Minorities 7 Integrated Services Woosung Street Centre will Tue participate in an educational excursion to Tai Kwun -Centre for Heritage and Arts. Pray that they will learn more about the history of HK and get integrated into the city more easily through our ministry.

Give thanks! Over the past 2 months, our Ministry Coordination Team Long Ping Centre received donations Thu of thousands of surgical masks and disinfection products from different donors. Pray that more parties will partner with us to bless the deprived in our neighbourhood.

> In the midst of the epidemic crisis, all our training courses under the Employees Retraining Board (ERB) are on hold even though we got the approval in our 2020/21 tendering exercise. Pray for His direction, protection and provision to all our clients, volunteers, partners and staff of Christian Action; that our services would resume very soon.

The strain of poverty and scarcity are particularly felt by 13 the marginalized sojourners of the Centre for Refugees, Mon due to the pandemic outbreak, who have no other means to afford essential goods. The price rise and the lack of stocks further aggravate their predicament. May God's presence, providence and protection be with them.

Some of the families we serve under different programmes have been plagued by the fear and chaos arising from the epidemic crisis. To leverage their anxiety and worry, our front-line social workers learnt more about the pandemic diseases on-line and shared with our clients the precautionary measures and hygiene awareness. Please intercede with us for the needy and deprived we serve in HK and Qinghai.

Today is Ching Ming Festival (i.e. Tomb-sweeping Day). In Chinese tradition, people sweep the tombs and pay Sat tribute to their ancestors. Pray that they would also recognize the one true God "though he is not far from any one of us. For in him we live and move and have our being." (Acts 17:27-28)

On 1st April, our Ethnic Minorities Tuen Mun Centre 6 gave out 50 packs; and they will distribute another 50 of Mon epidemic preventive kits containing surgical masks and other sanitary items to the EM residents in Tuen Mun, Yuen Long and Tin Shui Wai next week. Pray for God's provision and protection for the marginalized community, that their pressure would be relieved at this difficult time through us.

Today is Christian Action's (CA) Board meeting. Pray for divine insight and protection for CA through the Wed dedicated board members who support our ministry for the disadvantaged sector both in HK and Qinghai.

Today is Good Friday! May the staff of Christian Action 10 meditate on the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. Fri Hope that we will be empowered by His word, His sacrificial example and His presence; and that we will uphold our vision and mission with passion and conviction despite the unfavourable environment.

The hearings of our clients in the shelter under the 12 Migrant Domestic Workers Programme have been adjourned until further notice due to the coronavirus Sun outbreak. Pray for inner peace, mercy and justice for these stranded women caught up with the Labour Tribunal court cases. Amen!

Due to the coronavirus attack, our Love for Every Home Drawing Competition has been postponed. Pray that the initiative will eventually help foster stronger family ties and closer relationship with our Lord through our endeavor.



Our Ethnic Minorities service team was invited to attend a meeting with the Census & Statistics Department in Wed mid-March to give advice on collecting the demographic and socio-economic characteristics in the upcoming Census 2021, especially relating to the ethnic minorities community in HK. Pray that our government will be more sensitive when formulating policies relating to ethnic minorities in HK.

This month, our Social Enterprise Division has launched several Green Collection Charity Drives in different private estates in Kowloon. Pray that lots of good-quality used/new items will be collected and sold through our charity outlets which partially finance our charity work in Hong Kong.

19 Give thanks! Our New Arrivals Mong Kok Service Centre is empowered by different partners or churches to give Out disinfectant protective kits to deprived families under its care. Pray that the beneficiaries feel loved and cared for by the community.

The On Tai Integrated Service Centre has begun to recruit female clients in the vicinity for a new initiative named as "Brightening Lives " or 亮麗人生, sponsored by the Women's Commission. A series of events with different themes ranging from seeking healthy ways of having fun, learning, visits and volunteer work will be launched from May to August. Pray that the beneficiaries would be fully empowered to pursue their dreams for a better future.

Please pray for the students sitting for the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (DSE)

Thu especially those under the care of our youth programme, that they would discover their dream and passion in life as they map out their future career path under the services we offer. Please pray that they learn that God has a plan to prosper them.

To contain the spread of the coronavirus, our Children Homes in Qinghai have been closed to outsiders. In March, we posted some facial masks to our office there. We are still fund-raising to obtain 28,000 masks for our children who will attend school soon. Pray that both the staff and children in the Children's Homes will be well protected from the epidemic despite the scarce supply of the epidemic prevention products.

Facing the pressing needs of the community, our Ministry Coordination Team needs committed and qualified staff to aid youth from vulnerable families to break the inter-generational poverty cycle; and they and their families, alike, would be coached to seek God. Please pray for this.

Please pray for our friends in the UK, that they would continue to spread the Word and increase our supporter base, especially prayer partners and financial supporters.

Pray that we strive to partner with different community churches in Kwun Tong and Tseung Kwan O when implementing the mentorship programme under the Child Development Fund. Together we help enhance mutual understanding between the mentor-and-mentee pairs; and deliver light and hope to the needy.

Christian Action Asia (USA) is launching the Spring Mailing Campaign. Pray that more hearts in the States would be touched and called to embrace our Friends of Qinghai Programme.

20 HK schools have been closed since February as the city battles to contain the spread of the coronavirus. Pray Mon that all beneficiary children and their families under the care of the Child Development Fund, the New Arrivals Service Programme and EM Integrated Services Programme will always be in the good hands of God. Amen!

Recently our Ethnic Minorities Integrated Services team has submitted a proposal for a pilot programme offering Wed employment support and employer engagement services for ethnic minority job seekers in Kowloon. Pray that we continue to empower our EM clients through different need-oriented initiatives.

Recent special work arrangements being adopted to contain the coronavirus spread has interrupted the installation of our e-receipt issuing system. Pray that we make up for lost time quickly when normal operations resume.

Our Sheung Shui Service Centre is preparing a part-time domestic helper matching platform for its clients on welfare benefits who have finished their housekeeping training. Pray that we strive to enhance the employability of the needy nearby as we follow Jesus Christ's example to serve to our best.

Despite the manpower shortage, our Centre for Refugees has planned to arrange home visits for its clients together with the food donations received. Pray that the team will draw on His strength and wisdom to serve the marginalized with love and compassion. Amen!

To prevent the coronavirus spread, many of our services have been suspended or cancelled. However, to keep our basic daily operations, our service centres, like the Sheung Shui Centre and others, will try to carry out case interviews and keep constant contact with clients via phone calls. Pray that we continue to build up steadfast faith in God's healing and protection.

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