

'He is not here, he has risen, just as he said.'
Matthew 28:6

The Ministry that **shares the Gospel**
by **reaching out** to the homeless,
the poor and **vulnerable people**
of Sydney, **telling them**
the **good news of**
Jesus Christ

AUTUMN 2023 NEWSLETTER

Together for the Kingdom

Due to the Covid outbreak, we had to close down our Surry Hill Sunday service where we were also serving a cooked lunch for the homeless. Many were praying for a partnership with a city church where we could invite our street friends to be a part of a church family. God heard our prayers and provided.

We are in the process of relocating to the South Sydney Anglican Church at Redfern. We are excited to embark on this new partnership, as we believe God has led us to this new meeting place and that it will be a blessing for the people on the street, us, and the church. We have been warmly welcomed by the minister, Mathew Johnson and the elders and are thankful that they are opening up their church building for us. Please join me in praying that we might build up and strengthen one another as we seek to serve on this journey.

Fernando

We met and became friends with Fernando at Martin Place. He has shared his life struggles and concern that he will soon be homeless due to rent debt.

He was quite desperate, but thanks to the initiative and generosity of our volunteers, the money was raised to bridge the gap. Fernando is now attending church with us regularly. We are grateful to God for His provision of a home for Fernando in more ways than one.

Telling the Gospel on the day of Mardi Gras

Mardi Gras has been a challenging time for the ministry. Friday we did not go to the city and Saturday was the day of the parade. We thought it best not to go in with the van. However, Alex and a few volunteers went to distribute Gospel tracts and evangelise in the streets, not without apprehension I must say. They were in for a big surprise. Many people were genuinely interested and took the tract. We pray seeds were planted and that our merciful God will touch the lives of many.

Valerie



FUND- RAISER DINNER

**Saturday 3 June 2023
6pm for 6.30pm-10pm
THE EPPING CLUB,
45 Rawson Street,
Epping**

**COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
FUNDRAISING DINNER! COST: \$95 PER PERSON.
DINNER WITH LIVE AUCTION AND ENTERTAINMENT.**

Jesus Cares have been serving the poor, the homeless, and vulnerable people of Sydney for over 30 years. As this dinner is at cost, an opportunity will be given to contribute to the work of Jesus Cares. We are looking to raise sufficient funds to be able to continue with the vital work we do, always looking forward to the next decade at least.

**To Book go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/>
and search for Jesus Cares.**

Thank you for your support

Perseverance is one of the greatest assets and this is what I have been experiencing with Jesus Cares Ministry over the past six months. Jesus Cares strives to demonstrate God's love and to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by meeting the physical necessities of impoverished individuals. The aid and assistance are provided without regard to the recipients' race, creed, gender, religion, or ethnicity. Jesus Cares has existed for more than three decades. Not only did I learn from the disadvantaged, but also from every Volunteer. Thank you to every Volunteer for your devotion. We sincerely appreciate your willingness to volunteer your time and services. Your contribution enables us to continue fulfilling our mission and serving the people of Sydney.

I would like to express thanks to all the Donors for their generous contributions, your impact is felt.

Your dedication keeps Jesus Cares Ministry growing and carrying out the Lord's mission. The dream is to grow and expand to every city in Sydney, Australia, and the globe.

I just want to show appreciation to Elwyn Chapman, your hard work is on display every day, and we truly appreciate your dedication. Your many years of service are a true testimony of your dedication to the organization, and you are truly valued for your contributions.

I am reaching out to everyone who wants to become more involved with the ministry of Jesus Cares as a volunteer, a donor, or by praying for Jesus Cares. Thank you ahead of time for your donation, time, or prayer. Here are the ways you can donate: visit us online at www.jesuscares.com.au or attend our fundraising event on June 3, 2023.

Nadia

Meet Ajitha

Ajitha is our loyal volunteer who joined the ministry about one year ago. She has so much love and passion for God, for the people on the street, and the zeal to tell the Gospel to the lost.

Why did you join Jesus Cares Ministry?

As a Christian, I believe it is my duty to tell the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth as Jesus commanded us to do - that is the greatest commission.

Which outreach are you attending and how often?

Every week on Tuesday at Blacktown, Thursday night in the City, Friday night, and Saturday night.

Could you share one of your favorite stories while you were serving?

The transformation of Jared - I use to be scared of him as he was using bad language and was loud. The first time we met him at Belmore Park about a year ago he was lying on the ground screaming and swearing. We were praying with him and spent time with him regularly. Seeing him week after week the change in him is radical, he hardly swears, and he is decent and in much more peace.



Ajitha

I can honestly say that I used to look forward to Friday so I could go to Jesus Cares and return home extremely satisfied after spending time with the homeless and the Jesus Cares crew. It gives me great joy to be part of this wonderful ministry. I seldom feel tired even on late nights and God gives me the strength to soldier on. I never thought I would be part of something this good. I consider myself blessed and privileged to be part of this ministry.

Alexandra



Jared

Pray

For the homeless and less fortunate people we meet on the street. God might provide a home for them here on this earth and in heaven as well.

For our Volunteers and teams, the Lord might protect us, and give us strength and boldness to keep bringing the Good News to many and give hope to those who are hopeless.

Pray for us on those days and times listed below.

'Pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored.' 2 Thessalonians 3:1



At Jesus Cares we feed and clothe the needy, and also share the message of eternal life, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the only way to a permanent home.

BLACKTOWN OUTREACH

Tuesday from 6.45pm (Main street).

VAN MINISTRY - BREAKFAST

Thursday morning from 8.30am,
Belmore Park (Eddy Avenue).

CITY OUTREACH

Thursday evening from 6.45pm, Martin Place.

VAN MINISTRY - DINNER

Friday night from 7.45 pm,
Surry Hill (Eddie Ward Park),
then Belmore Park (Eddie Avenue) from 9pm.

Saturday night, from 7.45 pm,
Martin Place (Phillip Street),
then Belmore Park from 9pm (Eddy Ave).

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Your donation today will make a real difference
to supporting the homeless, isolated and at
- risk people in our community.

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