

# WINTER MINISTRY REPORT 2022



After years of persevering through the pandemic, it can become difficult to determine if life will ever return to normal. The past year has been extremely challenging. It required us to stay agile and flexible to the twists and turns of the pandemic measures. Nevertheless, it was a year full of hope, with the city gradually opening up, and the ICM community bouncing back with resilience and optimism.

Looking ahead, we will continue to build on our strengths – nurturing KIDS, TEENS, YOUTH, MEN AND WOMEN – while addressing our daily struggles and challenges, and creating an environment where we can build genuine trust in the community.

We also have an ambition to enhance ICM's role as an ambassador – connecting the needy in Hong Kong to get the best support possible. We strive to serve individuals and families to help solve the most urgent societal problems in the city. We hope and pray life will return to normal so we can operate as we had done before the pandemic. However, we still looking forward to advance our reach in developing our existing programs in the coming future. And I would like to express my special gratitude for all the love and support we received from wonderful people like you. With your support and the work of the Holy Spirit, in the past 5 months we have accomplished a lot together. Your love and prayers made this possible.

## SHARING THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas is an opportune time to let Jesus's love, grace and compassion flourish amid the suffering of people in many areas. This year we are so blessed to share this joy with our community members through some exciting events.



## LOVING THE CITY

To truly love is to truly serve. Love without service is nothing. Loving and serving go hand in Otherwise, love hand. is meaningless. 120 Rice 4000 face masks and some other supplies along with medical gospel tracks have been distributed beloved to our community members' working day and night to keep our city clean.





 Over 350 people joined us to celebrate our Annual community Christmas event in St. Andrew's Church on 14th of December 2022 We had various cultural programs such as dancing, drama and our kids had an excellent performance Over 150 kids have received the Christmas gift boxes. We are so blessed to share the joy of Christmas with our sewing ladies with some cultural programs and of course with the delicious food.



We share Nepali cooked food and pray for the people living under the flyover.



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND BBQ WITH OUR YOUNG ADULTS, TEENS AND MEN'S MINISTRY.





## YOU ARE SPREADING THE LOVE OF GOD THROUGH INNER CITY MINISTRY:

You have honored God through your giving.
Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker,
but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.
Proverbs 14:31



## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**



In past five months you helped us to distribute 1,410 kg of rice, 12,000 face masks and 1200 RAT kits to the street cleaners.

Over HKD 50,000 supermarket vouchers have been distributed to refugee family and single moms.



Over 50 cooked meals have delivered to the people living under flyover (Drug addicts).

Over 600 students have heard the gospel during the outreach program to high school students.



## **COMMUNITY CRISIS FUND**

During the 5th Wave of Covid, ICM launched the Community Crisis Fund to support vulnerable communities who were deeply affected by the pandemic.

With the support of many of you and the community of Hong Kong, we raised over HK\$ 300,000 to support families with various needs including medical supplies (medicine, masks, RAT tests), personal protective equipment, food vouchers, paying rent, and a lot more. The generous contributions from resource partners helped over 350 families dealing with unemployment, underemployment, elderly, low-income families, single moms and refugees.

#### **IMPACT**

- From early April 2022, we received over 40 applications for rental assistance. And we have helped them to pay their 50% of their rent for two months.
- Food vouchers for Low income families, single moms and refugees. Over 100 families have received supermarket vouchers worth of HKD 1500/family.
  - Over 5 families have received support to pay their medical expenses.

### **CANTONESE CLASS**

Learning Cantonese can be tough for the community. However, Our Cantonese course is designed to develop practical communication skills in Cantonese while working and living in Hong Kong. This year, with the help of a team from C&MA Hebron Church we were able to run 8 sessions for our ladies. 14 ladies have successfully completed the course.



### **MOMS IN PRAYER**



Over 10-12 moms from the community are regularly meeting every Friday afternoon to share their life stories, struggles and challenges. With prayer we consider to provide a holistic approach to support their needs. We praise the Lord that recently one of the families accepted Jesus.

Hi,

My name is Rupa, I started coming to ICM since 6-7 years ago. I first joined the sewing classes and I did the parenting courses offered by ICM too. I am a full time house wife for 12 years to look after my son. My husband is the only bread winner of our family. Everything was going well untill the pandamic brought a tragic situation in our family. Since my husband stuck in Nepal for long time we were going through many challenges. Financially, mentally and emotionally I was wrecked in pieces. I went in to depression and that effected my relationship between me and my son. I am so grateful to God and the staff from ICM for their fervent prayer and support.



Although, I have heard the gospel many times but didn't take it very seriously. But now I realize that every single word of God shared by the ICM staff have had positive impact in my life. Which has given me a strength when I was weak, A hope when I was hopeless. They not only provided me financial assistance, but also mental and spiritual support. All I am now is just because of God's grace through His people. I am so grateful.

## **TEEN'S MINISTRY**

In view of the growing number of teenagers (recently graduated from our kid's club) ICM has provided a safe place for them to grow and nurture through fellowship and one-one counselling and various other activities. Recently we have hired a new staff to develop our teen's program. We are looking forward to start a after school tutoring and sports program to engage these young people.

Hi! my name is Lungma and I'm 16 years old. I was raised in Hong Kong, and I've been involved with the ICM's teens fellowship for quite a while. I knew ICM through a friend and we used to come together to join other teens and learn about God and learn build a relationship with God.

Coming and learning at ICM, I've learnt in my life that He has forgiven me of all my sins and I have to have more faith in God. The brothers and sisters of ICM have helped my faith grow stronger.



God has given me a wonderful place to know more about Him and a wonderful people that I can call my family in Christ. During this year Christmas outreach program, I've built a stronger bond with the brothers and sisters of ICM's Youth by being involved with dance & drama. I received a lot of God's love and care from them. It was truly a blessing for me to have that experience.

Whenever it's hard for me go back to Him, ICM would encourage and guide me back to Him because I know that He forgives me and loves me, and I know ICM will always be there for anyone that needs God's love in their life.

## **KID'S CLUB**

In past five months we have seen a huge growth in our kid's club ministry. In late October, we ended up having over 55 kids. It is such a great joy to see all our kids in person to learn and help them know Jesus.

Hello, my name is Pratik and I am 10 years old. I'm currently studying in P5. I started coming to ICM because my mum was in ICM's sewing class which happened on Wednesdays. Then she was told about the kids club and that's how I became a regular at kids club.

In Kids Club, I get to meet new friends and volunteer teachers who are so friendly and always helping us. I also got to join the Cantonese lessons in ICM because my Cantonese is not that good. Joining that course was really helpful and the classes were really fun. It made me more confident in speaking Cantonese language with others.



My most memorable moment was when we got to do the dance recently. It was my first time doing a cultural dance. I was really nervous but excited and it made me realize that I want to continue learning dance and sing songs at kids club.

It's a really fun place to be at where I also learn about Jesus, gets to do interesting crafts and activities. I would love to invite me friends here so that we can come here together.

## FUTURE NEEDS

- VOLUNTEERS FOR KID'S CLUB
- VOLUNTEERS WHO CAN TUTOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS EVERY WEDNESDAY 7-9 PM.
- VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM EVERY MONTH TO STREET CLEANERS AND DRUG ADDICTS.
- VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT AT TEEN'S MINISTRY EVERY SATURDAY 6-8 PM.
- VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUR DAY CARE MINISTRY DURING SEWING CLASSES.
- VENUE FOR OUTDOOR-INDOOR EVENTS, SPORTS AND GAMES.
- MEDICAL FACILITIES, HEALTH CARE WORKSHOP.
- PARENTING CLASSES.

ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FERVENT PRAYER AND GENEROUS SUPPORT FOR THIS MINISTRY. WISHING YOU A BLESSED AND JOYFUL NEW YEAR 2023. IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT-



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