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The Turning Point

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The Turning Point Newsletter - April 2015

Dear Friends of The Turning Point,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

The past 6 months had been eventful for our staff and residents with all the celebrations and festivities for Christmas, the New Year and Lunar New Year. We were kept busy fulfilling our baking orders and attending various Churches outreach sessions. In addition we had booths set up in various churches to sell cookies and handicrafts made by our residents. With the invitations to buffet meals and outings to view the Christmas lightup at Orchard Road and Gardens by the Bay, last Christmas season was indeed a joyous time of praising God with brothers and sisters in Christ.

We would like this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Churches and individuals who had supported us in our baking therapy, generous donations and committed volunteers who had taken time off to organize and join our residents for the Christmas and Chinese New Year dinners.

I would like to highlight our residents activity in a "shadow drama" on "The Prodigal Son" based on an ex-resident's testimony on how God had turned her turned around after coming to The Turning Point. This annual Christmas event was organized on 6 December by U-fellowship, a support group which meets once every 2 months, with volunteers from Provident Presbyterian, our aftercare staff and ex-Turning Point residents. About 80 residents, their family members and ex-residents attended the event. Many were touched by the Testimony, and residents who participated in the drama had a great time preparing for the show.

Besides enjoying Church Services in different Churches, many of our residents were greatly encouraged by the positive response and warmth of the various Church members, while selling their crafts. One of our residents shared that before this experience, she was afraid of others knowing that she is in incarceration, but she no longer feels ashamed of herself. Many family members were very supportive of their daughters attending Church services with some of them indicating their willingness to accompany them to Church after their release.

Currently, we have 28 live-in residents from DRC, ranging from 18 to 57 years old with stay of 4-6 months. It's indeed more challenging for the staff with a large cohort of residents.

We are grateful and thankful that God has been with us all the way. As we look forward to receiving new residents monthly, we are being reminded of Jesus exhortation to his disciples, "The Harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord to send out labourers into his harvest". Please pray that the seeds planted in them will bear fruit.

Since December, we had been trying to recruit a Female Driver cum Office Aide. We are still looking for a Christian with class 3 license, minimum Sec 2 level. If you are interested or if you know anyone suitable, do give us a call.

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that our 23rd Annual General Meeting (AGM) would be held on 9th May 2015 (Saturday) from 2:30 to 4:30pm at 341 Jamaica Road, Singapore 757615.

We would be honoured by your presence at our AGM.

For catering purpose, we would appreciate if you can RSVP your attendance by 22th April 2015.

Together in His Service,

Joyce Neo

Executive Director, The Turning Point

Current Staff Workers:

Executive Director : Joyce Neo, Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel
Case Manager : Coreen Chong Ann Foong, Amazing Grace Presbyterian Church
Administrator : Violet Lim Siew Kiak, Trinity Christian Centre
Operations & Admin Executive : Sharon Law Lay Choo, Yio Chu Kang Chapel
Programme & Aftercare Executive : Tay Lee Leng, Full Gospel Church
Night Duty Staff : Emily Chua Bee Choon, Evangel Family Church
Night Duty Staff : Wong Youk Kheng, Faith Community Baptist Church
Staff Support : Wong Kim Huay, Yio Chu Kang Chapel