

Crossroads

Crossroads Foundation is a Hong Kong based NGO serving global need. We work in four areas: distributing Hong Kong's excess goods as needed, both locally and internationally, offering simulated experiences of global need, a fair trade store offering goods from people in poverty, and a "matching" website for public-private partnerships.

Union will be participating in a "Struggle for Survival" simulation, experiencing the "hopelessness and intricacy of the poverty web." We will also get a site tour, learning about the many facets of Crossroads' work, as well as have time to visit their fair-trade store. For more information about the simulation, speak with Monte Peterson, Pastor Michele or Kate Falconer, long-time staff at Crossroads.

Time Commitment: All Day! We will leave on a bus at 10:00AM and return to Wan Chai around 5:15PM

Please bring: \$100 per participant for Crossroads, packed lunch (a cafe on the grounds sells coffee and light snacks, but not enough for lunch), and money if you would like to shop their wonderful fair-trade store.

No. of participants: 35, ages 10+, youth need to be accompanied by an adult.

Ebenezer School and Home for the Visually Impaired

Ebenezer is a Christian charity delivering support and education for the visually impaired community, from ages 0 to over 100! "Cedar Workshop" is the first local training-based social enterprise operated by visually-impaired youth, providing team-building, inclusive workplace and other workshops for companies and community organizations. Union will get to participate in an "experience blindness" workshop, run by visually-impaired youth, and will also learn more about Ebenezer mission and other ways to get involved.

Time Commitment: 10:00AM to noon

Location: Sanctuary of Union Church

Suggested Donation: HK\$100 per person to partially cover costs

No. of Participants: No limit, and perfect for families with school-aged children up to adults

Crafting for Charity

Join Theresa Cheung and friends in making napkin holders and bookmarks, which will then be sold to raise money to support Union Church's mission endeavors. This group will stay at the church, and socialize while working together, using hands and hearts to serve others!

Time Commitment: 10:00AM to noon

What to bring: no cost, but if you have old Christmas cards, please bring them to be recycled into bookmarks

No. of Participants: no limit, but please RSVP so we have enough materials

Elderly Home Visit

Do you have a burden and heart for serving our elderly neighbours, people who are often lonely and forgotten? Join a group sharing God's love with the residents of China Coast Community Home, a home for English-speaking elderly people. We sing for and with the residents. We connect personally with them too through activities and chatting one to one.

Note: This is an afternoon outing, from 2:00PM to 3:00PM. The group will meet at Union at 1:00PM.

Spots are very limited for this group. If interested, please speak with Monte Peterson.

Saturday, 10 November

**BLESS
THE
CITY**

God's Work
In Jesus' Name
For the Sake of the City

Serve one another humbly in love
Galatians 5:13



BLESS THE CITY

9:15AM
Gather at Union for coffee and worship

10:00AM
Go out in teams to serve our neighbours!

Of course we don't need an event to love our neighbour or take care of God's creation, but the Christian life was never meant to be a solo endeavour, and it's just more fun to do it together. So join us!

Some of the projects do have limits on the number of participants, and others will require materials, so registration is required.

Sign up via Union Church App or www.unionchurchhk.org

Questions? Contact Monte Peterson at monte.peterson@unionchurchhk.org.

Kindness Walk

Founded and directed by our own Jeff Rotmeyer, Impact HK seeks to support the homeless in HK with kindness and empower them for change. Kindness Walks are exactly what they sound like: walking together to show kindness to people who are less fortunate than ourselves. They provide Hong Kong's homeless people with food, drinks, toiletries, clothing, free laundry vouchers and more. The aim of these walks is to build trust through familiarity, in order that the homeless people within the areas that we serve recognise us and know that we care. Some individuals may be ready to share their stories, and so we develop friendships, and support them with a plan for positive change.

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Time commitment: around 2 hours
(including transport and Kindness Walk)

What to bring:
\$100 per person and your own reusable water bottle, plus Octopus for MTR.

No. of participants: 10

Habitat for Humanity

To achieve Habitat for Humanity's vision of a world where everyone has a decent place to live, Habitat Hong Kong recruits enthusiastic volunteers to clean and renovate homes in local neighbourhoods. We will partner with them for a meaningful day of cleaning as we support low-income, elderly families living in public rental housing. Volunteers will be provided with cleaning materials and safety equipment to enable them to improve the home environment for valuable members of our community.

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Time commitment: 10:00AM - 2:00PM
What to bring: suggested donation of HK\$100 to cover the cost of materials, plus snacks and reusable water bottle to sustain you!

No. of participants:
15, must be age 15+

Sons and Daughters

Sons & Daughters seeks to reach out to the men and women in the red-light districts of Hong Kong. Our mission is to interrupt the darkness by sharing God's love with those trapped in or vulnerable to sexual exploitation. We aim to help those who are caught in sexual exploitation walk freely into their destinies as sons and daughters of God.

This group will walk to the drop-in centre, spend time writing cards to be used in outreach, and perhaps assist with any chores at the centre.

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Time commitment: 10:00AM to noon

What to bring: yourself!

No of participants: 15