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Newsletter



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Hope for All!

Easter is such a beautiful time, especially in the USA. It is the season of springtime. Winter's coming judged the earth with its cold harshness. It made the plants die, and the trees shed their leaves. Old man winter did not allow the ground to yield any fruit. When everyone has had more than enough of the winter season, Spring appears, and new life begins! The daffodils, with their bright yellow bells, start to push their way up from the cold, wet ground. The trees start blooming in preparation for their leaves. And in Kenya, the Resurrection flowers pop up out of the ground.

The new life of Spring is symbolic of the Resurrection of Christ. When Christ died on the cross, the sky turned black; death seemed to prevail. All hope was gone! AND THEN came the third day! There was hope! There was life! Christ rose from the dead! Christ brings hope and life to all!

Christ brings grace and hope to so many lives. He is hope for the hopeless! I want to share a few stories of students who have received grace and hope. I will use pseudonyms.

Alice comes from a poor background. She joined ANU on a Basketball Scholarship, which pays only half of her academic fees. She doesn't have enough money to meet her daily food and lodging needs. As a result, an older man offered to "sponsor" her some cash in exchange for sexual favours. She complied with his demands. When my colleague told me about Alice's situation, she related that Alice had contracted a medical disease. After discovering this, the colleague revealed that Alice was suffering physically. We started mentoring Alice and helping her to find a better solution for her financial needs. Thank God He has provided for her, and she has left that way of life. Today, she is happier and doing well. She still is not rich, but God is supplying her needs! She now has hope!

Jeff comes from a Muslim background. When he was a junior in high school, he became a Christian. As a result, his family kicked him out of the house. He had to find a way to survive. A missionary supported him through the rest of his high school. God provided for him to come to ANU to study peace and conflict, and he is now a leader in the Christian Union. He is now sharing hope with other students!

Jenny is a second-born child from a single-parent home with five children. Her mother struggles to make ends meet and to pay for her children's school fees. Jenny came to me in need of financial assistance for school fees. A male offered to sponsor her (like Alice) for sexual favours, but she thankfully refused. She is doing what she can to support herself and her mother. She brings hope to her family by educating herself and working as she does.

Eddie did not have any family but came to ANU to study business. He was receiving some government aid. One day, my colleague shared his story with me and asked me to find a place for him in the work-study program. His living situation was pitiful, with only an iron sheet over him. His clothes were not always the nicest and cleanest, but he did his best in his studies and work-study position. He was a hard worker. Eddie is a picture of hope for the hopeless. He has graduated in 2022 and works at a bank.

Johnny was another poor government-sponsored student. He struggled to make ends meet. He also had some physical challenges that destroyed his confidence. He came to me and my colleague seeking guidance, counsel, and prayer. We helped him financially through some personal support and scholarship funds. He got a job washing dishes but didn't want his family to find out because they would be ashamed of him. He tried to find other jobs to help support him, too. He started having more confidence. Johnny delayed in graduating, but finally, he graduated this past year! Praise God for the hope he found! He is now married and working. He and his wife have a child - a miracle for him and his wife.

Christ, indeed, does bring hope and life! May His name be glorified!

Happy Easter

Happy Easter to you and your family!



Praises and Prayer Requests

- Thank God for sending his son, Jesus, to give eternal life to all.
- Please pray for Russ as he travels to Argentina for the Global Theology Conference in April.
- Pray for ANU's leaders, faculty, staff, and students. May we glorify the Lord!
- Pray for Russ and Carla as they travel in May. Russ will travel to the UK for research, and Carla will go to the US.
- Pray as we travel later in the States for Deputation.

Here is the link if you wish to give toward our mission: <https://give.nazarene.org/category/region/africa/frazier>

Upcoming Home Assignments

Our deputation schedule for 2024 is quite full. Below is our schedule. We don't know the churches that we will visit yet. We would love to see you in one of these churches. Stay tuned!

- July 14-21: Indianapolis District
- July 24: Marksville, LA
- July 28-August 1: Northwest District
- Aug. 4-10: Intermountain District
- Aug. 11-18: WAPAC District
- Aug. 20-25: Kentucky District
- Aug. 27-Sept. 1: North Carolina District