

## July – September 2019

### Gaza

Please continue to pray that women needing treatment in Israel will be granted permits to get access to hospitals.

Pray also that the stigma of breast cancer among women will be reduced and that husbands will be supportive of their wives when breast cancer is diagnosed.

Pray for disaffected youth in Gaza, where unemployment rates are over 50%.

### East Jerusalem

Thank God for the dedicated service of Jantien Dajani over so many years. Jantien has retired after 44 years of service to children at the Spafford Center

Thank God for the summer camp that was held at the Spafford Center during the 2019 summer period.

Pray for children who feel unsafe or who are experiencing trauma because of the political context.

### Vanuatu

Pray for the people of Ambae as many of them continue to relocate to their island home. Pray that people will be able to settle back into their lives and that children will be safe.

Pray for AOA as it seeks international help for the repatriation and resettlement of evacuees.

Pray for the work of our partner, the Anglican Church of Melanesia, as they promote self-reliance and provide income opportunities for women.

### Solomon Islands

Continue to pray for the new phase of our work in the Solomon Islands as it aims to create safer and more cohesive communities, especially among women and youth. This work is taking place in the provinces of Makira, Central, Isabel and Malaita.

Pray for community leaders and youth who are heavily involved in the project, that they will have wisdom and confidence in guiding their communities.

### Kenya

Pray for the Imarisha project as it works with communities on crop farming, seedling nurseries and raising chickens.

Pray for paralegals as they learn about their roles in upholding human rights in their own communities.

Pray that children would not be exploited or abused, including in child labour.

### Mozambique

Pray for communities as they continue the clean up after Cyclone Kenneth earlier this year. Pray that people will be able to resettle and re-establish their lives.

Pray for the new missionary Diocese of Nampula as it establishes relationships with churches and communities in the region. Pray that people will be able to respond efficiently to the needs of local communities.

## South Africa

Continue to pray for the Sinakho Safe Community Network Project as it aims to support vulnerable women by increasing their ability to feed their families through permaculture skills and community gardens.

Pray for the staff of the Diocese of Grahamstown Department of Social Responsibility as they seek funding for the continuation of their work.

## Ethiopia

Pray for traditional pastoralists as they try to navigate a changing climate and unpredictable rain patterns.

Pray for the Afar clan leadership to speak out about female genital mutilation and seek to take action under the clan legal system.

## India

Thank God that self-help groups in the rural areas have initiated producing finished bead products and candles as a result of training they have received which is yielding small economic benefits.

Thank God that the project is able to capitalise on the increasing market for candle making in India. It is generating income for housewives who are able to utilise their spare time for secondary income.

## Myanmar

Thank God that the first women's silver smith basic course was successfully completed and that five women finished the course.

Pray that the project will continue to change the male-dominated smithing culture by being able to train more women and rescue them from trafficking and harassment.

## Emergencies

Pray for those affected by rising sea levels in the Pacific, particularly those experiencing loss of land and possible relocation in the future.

Pray for displaced people in Syria, especially children, that they will have a sense of safety and security as they seek shelter for themselves.

## Australia

Thank God for the continuing generosity of our supporters, especially for our End of Financial Year Appeal which was again successful.

Praise God that we have been able to develop relationships with new churches, and for the generosity of so many faithful supporters.

Thank God that AOA was able to celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for the many communities we have been able to work with over that time.

Thank God for our continuing work as part of the CAN DO consortium, especially that we are able to work in collaboration with other Christian agencies.

Pray for our Marketing and Communications team as they plan for the future and seek to influence people to commit to participating in the work of alleviating poverty.