



## Praying for our partners

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer Romans 12:12

al-Ahli Arab Hospital, Gaza (Director: Suhaila Tarazi)

Prince of Peace, we thank you for the initial phase of a ceasefire in Gaza and pray that it will bring stability to all people in the region and a more long-term solution to peace. We pray that as Gazans return to what remains of their home and families, you, Lord, will be with them in their time of grief and sorrow. We pray that they will feel the support of people and governments both near and far as they begin to rebuild their homes and their communities. We pray that our government will give generously to ensure that the families of Gaza have homes, children have schools, people have medical centres, and places of significance that we in Australia take for granted.

We give thanks for the generous donations of supporters through the Christmas Appeal, which will go directly to those who are sick and injured and who attend al-Ahli Arab Hospital. We thank you for the medical workers who risk their lives daily. Restore them and bring healing to their minds, bodies, and spirits as they care for those in need. We ask that you flood al-Ahli Arab Hospital with all the food, medical supplies, fuel, and trained staff required to provide people in Gaza with a high standard of healthcare.

## Wise Choices for Life, Uganda (Joyce Kidulu, Country Director - Uganda)

We praise God for all that Wise Choices for Life Uganda achieved in 2024, including 301 training sessions on reproductive health and life skills. We pray that this training will continue to decrease the high birth rates that are leading to intergenerational poverty and maternal mortality. The request for more training in other areas of Uganda has been growing, and this year, Wise Choices For Life Uganda hopes to expand its work. We ask for your wisdom, Lord, as staff work on their expansion plans. We pray that the program can receive the financial support required to grow for a broader impact.





## **Church Agencies Network Disaster Operation, Solomon Islands**

We thank you Lord for the lifechanging results of work to prepare communities for natural disaster in the Solomon Islands.

In Langalana Lagoon, two neighbouring communities have united to share resources so that each community can access food when disaster hits.

Surabuta and Fo'au have joined together to make cassava flour, a long-lasting food which can be used when storms or floods damage their regular crops. It means sharing Surabuta's equipment – and the cassava grown in Fo'au's fertile soil.

The partnership came about through a Disaster READY training run by an Anglican Overseas Aid partner the Church Agencies Network in Fo'au, which inspired the two groups to collaborate.

We thank you Lord that this project has thrived under your blessing, and we thank you for the increased food security for people in Surabuta and Fo'au.

## **Australia**

Anglican Overseas Aid is recruiting for an <u>Effectiveness and Learning Advisor</u>. We pray that someone who brings relevant experience, knowledge, and insights and provides effective and accountable program delivery will fill the role.

CEO Jo Knight will visit AOA's partner, Cathedral Relief Service, in India in February. We thank God for this opportunity and ask for safe travel and a fruitful time with our partner.

We pray that God will bless and grow our work this year, ensuring that we continue to work towards our vision of a restored world free of poverty and injustice.