

### Dear Friends and Prayer Partners

We are deeply saddened by the recent news that a serious COVID outbreaks in Hong Kong, the war between Russia and Ukraine, the flood crisis in Queensland. During the flood in Brisbane, we thank God that we were safe when the flood ravaged in Brisbane last week. But many families are affected by the flood and have lost their homes. The people are facing much chaos in the world we are living. We pray for people to seek God to turn back from their unbelieving hearts. We ask God for His mercy to heal the land and give peace to the world. Also when we reflect on the flood, as it was in the days of Noah before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. This reminds everyone how to live wisely and prepare well in sudden in the second coming of Jesus.

### Beyond Brisbane 2022

Ken and Josh co-lead this Beyond Brisbane 2022 program. The completion of this project marks the beginning of participants' journey of their individual commitment to God. May God use them to serve Him in different ways as campus, family and church. Below are the participants' reflection.



#### From Allan

This year, I participated in Beyond Brisbane for the first time. Overall, the experience was positive and I am very glad to meet other like-minded young Christians who are passionate to spread the Gospel to the Unreached. The two-week project serves as a break from the earthly kingdom and reminds me of the importance of prioritising God's ministry in our life as a Christian. Through this project, I have learnt to share my faith boldly, which is something I reluctantly act in the past. Most importantly, I have learnt that we are not outreaching for personal satisfaction, but out of God's love for the world, as mentioned in John 3:16. Beyond Brisbane 2022 has completed, but the Great Commission carries on. I pray that every participant continue to carry out His ministry wherever we are!



#### From Edwin

Beyond Brisbane was a great time to learn about God's love and the scriptures. As a recent Christian, this two-week project has strengthened my faith. Also, through this training, I have learned so much about Jesus and would like to share the Gospel.

Praise the Lord! Last year Ken coached Allan to disciple Edwin for some time, Edwin received Jesus in November last year. We have been able to see them grow.

#### From Sandra

I'm so thankful I was able to participate in the Beyond Brisbane project. It was a great 2 weeks spent in grounding ourselves in the gospel message and growing in love for God.



#### From Welton

Beyond Brisbane 2022 has definitely been a spiritual journey in which I could never forget. I have grown in my spiritual desire and have gained bountiful wisdom to empower those around me through this project.



#### From Ocean

We got a lot of training for not just sharing the gospel, but for deepening our faith and learning how to work together as a team. I enjoyed most being able to build stronger relationships with those around me.

### New South Brisbane Team (SBT)

This is our new SBT emerge one to serve with Local and International Students at UQ and Griffiths. Florence's team is young and has focus on outreach and discipleship. Florence joins this team with ISM focus at UQ. However, she is adjusting to new team and norms. During the busy season and fast paced environment, she feels stressful. However, she is able to release through prayer and walking.



### O-week (Orientation week) – Market Day at UQ

The border is open. How excited it is! We see thousands of new students on Market Day (Feb 16). We would love to connect with them and they will come to faith. On that day, we had 56 students coming to our stall signing up. Praise God.



## Great Stories

How amazing God work! Florence followed up 3 Hong Kong girls, Crystal, Hillary and Janice who just arrived to study here. Florence had deep conversations with them. Crystal and Hillary are Christians. They want to grow in faith continually so Florence is discipling them. Janice is bringing up in Christian background but she still has doubts in her beliefs. However, she is willing to join our Catalyst fellowship.



Florence's student Levi contacted Queena to start Discovery Bible Study (DBS) program this week. Florence helps her to lead this DBS.



Florence met 2 girls April and Haiyi during the outreach. They had no religion. However, they are interested in learning about Jesus. They started DBS this week with Florence.

## Bible Study Group

Florence leads Bible study Group with local students and International Students on Thursdays. This group helps student become Christ-centered disciple markers. This is a new class and having new materials for Florence. New student Hillary and Nick, and student leader Ocean have been an encouragement to Florence. After we discussed the scriptures; explored why it is important for Christians to meet together; and shared Power to Change vision, Nick and Hillary to evangelise. Ocean suggested that we can now do on campus. So Hillary and Ocean paired up to reach out after the class. Praise God.



## Catalyst on Thursdays (5-7pm)

Catalyst aims to help students grow in faith and bring seekers to come to faith. In the first week, we had 41 attendees, 29 locals, 13 International Students (9 new friends, 9 non-Christians). They enjoyed that night through games, worship, talk, discussion and testimony.



## Personal News

Last week (week 2), University of Queensland was flooded. All students had no classes in persons and online classes. So our team worked from home through online for Bible study and different other meetings. Florence learnt new app how to deliver her documents and video during her teaching. IT is not her strengths. Team leader Nick is patient to teach her how to do it.



## Praise & Prayer

1. Praise God that Beyond Brisbane 2022 participants have been impacted by this project.
2. Praise God for 56 attendees who signed up our stall and pray for our team to follow up well. Also, pray for the students to come Catalyst regularly.
3. Pray for Nick, Hillary and Ocean to come to this Bible study group regularly and for more Christians to join.
4. Pray for Hillary and Crystal to be discipled by Florence and for their heart to share the gospel to others. Pray for Janice to gain faith again.
5. Pray for the seekers, Queena, April and Haiyi to join DBS. Pray that they will come to faith.
6. Pray for Yasmin and Florence co-leading the DBS trainings (4 sessions) and for Yasmin to lead the Christianity Explained (7 sessions) or our keys students. This training is to help our key students leading these program for seekers.
7. Pray for Florence's preparation well and her work productively.
8. Breakthrough (April 1-3) is to be equipped by our Christian students and for non-Christians to come their faith. Pray for many people to come, Registration deadline is March 16.
9. Ken started to apply for a chaplain role with Student Services representing Power to Change at UQ last week. Pray for God's accomplishment.

*The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Philippians 4:7

Yours in Christ,

*Ken & Florence*

**Kenneth and Florence Chan**