



New Beginnings

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Dear Friends,

Another extremely busy year has gone by!

Teen Challenge has assisted 7 new students via the Living Free Program this past year and countless numbers of homeless young people through the Adelaide Living Free Centre. Many parents have been given hope, assistance and advice as to what to do with their young teenage kids. Sadly many are continuing to rebel and enter the party atmosphere of drugs and alcohol in Adelaide.

Living Free Program

This last year we have had to relocate the Living Free Program due to major renovations of our existing site however, we are looking forward to moving back into our newly renovated building to resume our men's program with plans to re-launch the Living Free Program.

Women's Program.

I cannot begin to tell you about the frustration of not having a safe place for vulnerable women to go to in their efforts to escape the scourge of alcohol and drug addiction. We expect to be able to relocate and resume operations in the newly renovated Elizabeth building in October.

If you, or women you know of, are interested in volunteering to assist with the new Living Free Women's Program please contact Vicki our volunteer coordinator on 0458 101 184.

Careline Telephone Counselling Service:

Teen Challenge continues to receive hundreds of calls via the Life FM Careline from people needing a friendly listening ear along with requests from people needing prayer for many concerns in their lives.

New Teen Challenge SA Counselling Centre:

Teen Challenge has established our new Teen Challenge Counselling Centre at Salisbury. This service provides counselling in particular to parents and grandparents of young people getting caught up in alcohol and drug abuse. In establishing this centre, our desire is also to assist wives and husbands of addicts attending our rehab program. We believe it is very important to counsel and assist spouses of addicts and to help them understand the positive changes each client / student is going through whilst on our program. In addition all of the students require some counselling as they go through our Living Free Program.

If you are a qualified counsellor and sympathetic to Christian Values please contact Vicki our Volunteer Coordinator on 0458 101 184



Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program:

Our Drug and Alcohol prevention program continues to be presented to young people via schools, church groups universities, Non Government Organisations etc. Recently we attended the Orroroo school and received the following feed back:

What did you like about the TC presentation ?

- “Everything was excellent”
- “The stories”
- “The guy on the table. The people and their stories”
- “When he stood on the table. People sharing their stories”
- “Him standing on the table”
- “That we got to have some personal stories and how drugs and alcohol can spin someone’s life out of control.”
- “The story about the anorexic because I have an eating disorder and once thought about drugs but glad I decided against.”
- “The presentation”
- “That it’s so interesting and unbelievable”
- “Testimonies from real people”
- “That the discussion is an open discussion”
- “I like everything about it.”
- “People telling stories”
- “How everyone had the courage to talk to all of us is great and inspiring”
- “The thought of the process”
- “All of it”
- “Just about everything”
- “The TV ads”
- “People’s personal stories”
- “I liked to see how the people bring their life back together”
- “The people’s stories – how they said it really happened”
- “How open everyone was”
- “The people talking about their experiences





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What did you learn from the TC presentation?

“A lot, it’s all new information”

“A lot about drugs and alcohol”

“A lot x 2”

“Drugs are harmful x 2”

“I learnt that drugs and alcohol have major mental effects and physical”

“About the effects of drugs”

“That even though it’s hard, you can escape it.”

“I learnt it could be so dangerous and I’ll never use drugs”

“I learnt a lot about what drugs can do to you.”

“Not to do drugs”

“How supportive Teen Challenge is.”

“A lot about drugs and alcohol”

“What I didn’t know”

“About what happens when you do drugs”

“About what happens when you do drugs and the effects it had on you and others”

“Everything – it was amazing”

“Not to get into drugs because it could kill you.”

“How much drugs/alcohol damage your brain”

“That they have 800 centres all over the world”

“About Teen Challenge”



Aboriginal Missions Program:

Our trips to Coober Pedy and Fregon Aboriginal Communities continue and are always very rewarding to all who participate in this ministry. We continue to encourage young people to attend these trips so that they can experience what it is like to visit “another country”, another community, another race. Information about these trips can be obtained by going to our website: www.teenchallengesa.com.au

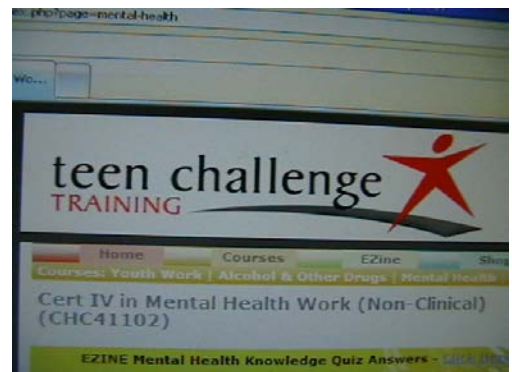
*Maybe your youth group would be interested in coming as a team to the APY land communities. If you would like to be a part of these trips, please contact our office on **Ph. 8431 9847***

Staff Training Program:

Many people continue to suffer with Mental Health issues.

*To this end we are now seeking expressions of interest from people who are willing to take part in the Ministry of Teen Challenge SA with an interest in acquiring formal qualifications to obtain their Certificate IV in Youth Work and Mental Health thanks to funding we have received from the Federal government. **Teen Challenge is now offering to provide some financial assistance to people intending to obtain the above Certificate and prepared to work voluntarily in the Ministry of Teen Challenge SA. Applications for enrolment into the course are available by contacting our Training Coordinator***

Louise on 0458 101 183





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Future Directions

Some thoughts about the future:

We here at Teen Challenge are believing that the TC Chapel is again to return to the CBD of Adelaide to provide food for people and spiritual food for Adelaide's homeless Street Outreach Ministry is to become a high priority Aboriginal Ministry and Aboriginal Rehab work is to be developed The development of future rehabs throughout SA are to be implemented Country Ministry drop in Centres are needed.

Prayer Points:

Please pray for the relocation of the Teen Challenge Living Free Rehab / Discipleship Program back to its newly renovated building.

Please pray for all staff and servants/volunteers within Teen Challenge SA Inc

Please pray for the students within the Living Free Rehab / Discipleship Program and in particular the re-establishment of the Women's Living Free Program.

Pray for the newly established Ministry of the Teen Challenge Counseling Service

Pray for (future Teen Challenge) workers of the harvest – Amen

Please pray about your financial contribution towards this ministry. In tough economic times the strain can get greater if it were not for your financial support – giving regularly each month enables us to plan for the future.

Your Tax Deductable Donation is greatly appreciated at this time. Your donation will help us plan the year ahead and venture into ongoing and new areas of Ministry.

I wish to thank you for your ongoing and future support

Yours in Christ

Graham Ross

Executive Director

Teen Challenge SA Inc



God's Priority:

In **Matthew 28:18-20**, we have the top priority on God's list,

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Just imagine after the Resurrection that an angel comes up to Jesus and says, "Jesus, this is wonderful! You have paid the price for mankind's sin. What are You going to do to let the whole world know that they can be saved and they won't have to perish and spend an eternity without God? What is Your plan? How are You going to do it?"

And Jesus replies by saying, "Well, My few disciples are going to tell people, who in turn will tell other people, who are going to tell other people, who are going to tell other people." Puzzled, the angel then asks, "Well, do You have a backup plan?" And Jesus says, "No." Still confused, the angel asks, "Well, no offence, Lord, but what if they fail?" Jesus replies by saying, "I have confidence in them."

My friend, there is no Plan B. God has no backup plan. You and I are it! We are Plan A! The problem is, too many Christians today do not have God's priority as their priority. I encourage you to actively share the Good News of our risen Saviour!