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# NEW CREATION CHURCH AND PASIR RIS WEST CONSTITUENCY JOIN HANDS TO BENEFIT THE LESS FORTUNATE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Over 300 people from more than 80 families reached at inaugural charity event with Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean as special guest

**Singapore, 6 December 2014**: New Creation Church partners Pasir Ris West Constituency, of the Pasir Ris-Punggol Group Representation Constituency (GRC), to reach out to the less fortunate members of our community regardless of race or religion through Gift Of Love, a community outreach initiative that kicks off today at a special charity event called Christmas Gift Of Love.

Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean, Coordinating Minister for National Security, Minister for Home Affairs and Member of Parliament for Pasir Ris-Punggol GRC (Pasir Ris West), was the special guest for the Christmas Gift Of Love event held at Park View Primary School.

Deputy Prime Minister Teo said, "I am very heartened to see how the Government and our Community Groups can work together to give back to our community in meaningful ways, regardless of race or religion."

At the Christmas Gift Of Love event, over 300 people from more than 80 families from Pasir Ris West Constituency were treated to a sumptuous halal *nasi biryani* lunch followed by a programme featuring multi-ethnic performances in Singapore's four official languages – English, Malay, Mandarin and Tamil. Every family was also presented with gifts of daily essentials in a foldable shopping trolley.







The Christmas Gift Of Love event held today is the first of many Gift Of Love projects by New Creation Church to lend a helping hand to the underprivileged – up to 4,300 families in 2014 alone. New Creation Church members will either be involved in buying daily essentials like soap, toothbrush, biscuits, bath towel and milk, assembling them into gift packs, and delivering them to the recipients or contributing to the cost of the gift packs.

The church is also working with other GRCs and voluntary welfare organisations.

The chairman of New Creation Church, Deacon Matthew Kang, said, "Our church strongly believes in extending love and practical help to the less fortunate around us, regardless of race, language or religion. Christmas is a season of giving and we count it a privilege and honour to partner Pasir Ris West Constituency to reach out to more than 80 families in the constituency by blessing them with a sumptuous lunch and a trolley overflowing with gifts of daily essentials. God's love has no boundaries and, truly, we are united as one people, one nation in our diversity."

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#### **Media Invitation**

You and your photographer are cordially invited to cover Christmas Gift Of Love:

Date: Saturday, 6 December 2014

Time: 12pm - 2.30pm

Venue: Park View Primary School

60 Pasir Ris Drive 1 Singapore 519524

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#### **About New Creation Church**

New Creation Church is an independent, non-denominational church officially founded in 1984. Jesus takes centre place in the church, from the focus of its services, outreach efforts and worship to its day-to-day operations and volunteer activities.

An elected council has general oversight of the church and is led by Deacon Matthew Kang, its independent chairman. Senior Pastor Joseph Prince preaches regularly in the church, and his Christ-centred messages are broadcast to millions around the world daily.

The church has a congregation of 31,000 that meets at The Star Performing Arts Centre at Buona Vista and various venues in Singapore. It is a member of the National Council of Churches of Singapore.

For more information, please visit www.newcreation.org.sg

# **About Pasir Ris West Grassroots Organisations**

Pasir Ris West Grassroots Organisations (GROs) are part of People's Association network to reach out to residents of Pasir Ris West Constituency with over 500 volunteers and Grassroots Leaders lead by our Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Teo Chee Hean.

The Pasir Ris West GROs looks out for the residents through various engagement and outreach events or activities. One such example is through the ComCare team that is made up of committed and passionate volunteers who reach out to the needy families in the Constituency.

### **About Gift Of Love**

Over the three decades since its founding in 1984, New Creation Church has organised hundreds of outreach and humanitarian projects because the church believes that it is always better to give than to receive.

Christmas Gift Of Love is the first of many Gift Of Love projects by New Creation Church to bless those in the community – up to 4,300 families in 2014 alone, regardless of race or religion. In the Christmas month of December, over a thousand New Creation Church members will be buying, packing and delivering daily essentials to families around the island.