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TMC OSC

Trinity Methodist Church Outreach & Social Concerns

**Update to the Small Groups on
12th November 2011**



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OUR MISSION

**To be lights that shine that
all may see the good being
done and glorify our Father
in heaven.**



To show the love of Christ and touch lives:

- through practical social , emotional and spiritual care
- by collaborating with homes, institutions and other public assistance schemes
- by integrating outreach elements of other ministries in TMC for effective follow-up
- networking with OSC of other churches
- growing, developing all in the church to connect with each other and others in joyful service.



OSC Focus - those in the vicinity of TMC

1. Needy families living in the area
2. Needy families in the MCS125 project not living in the area, where TMC volunteers have opted to continue as befrienders
3. Residents and day care clients of VWO Homes and Institutions located in the vicinity
4. Families of those in 2. above



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Collaborations with Homes, Institutions & Other Organisations

1. **St. Luke's Eldercare** - aims to enhance the total well-being of the elderly by providing a range of day support and other services.
2. **Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home** - provides loving, Christian nurture for needy and disadvantaged children to prepare them to be happy and responsible members of the family and community.
3. **Others** - Institute of Mental Health (IMH), Methodist Welfare Services, Serangoon Citizen's Consultative Committee (People's Association)



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St. Luke's Eldercare Serangoon Centre

- TMC, Bless Community Services and St. Luke's Eldercare Ltd. jointly fund and manage the Serangoon centre.
- TMC OSC Devotion and fellowship – last Thursday of every month at SLEC centre
- High integration with Chinese ministry and Senior Ministry especially the attendance of the monthly Yum Cha fellowship on the first Wednesday of every month
- More want to attend church and be baptised.
- Volunteers required to lead in devotion and fellowship, supporting the elderly who are not steady on their feet, organising food and beverage.



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Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home

- Sundays - Children 12 and below attend Children's Ministry curriculum. Some youth join the Youth Ministry.
- Youth who are not ready to join the Youth Ministry assemble at the Gideon room for girls and Nathaniel room for boys for some interaction with OSC volunteers prior to joining the 11:15am service.
- CSL kids are encouraged to integrate and serve where they feel called to do.
- CSL Alumni being developed
- Volunteers are required to guide the children in their spiritual growth and to build a relationship where TMC is a safe haven for them to turn to in times of need.



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Institute of Mental Health (IMH)

- Devotion and fellowship – last Sunday of every month at IMH for 10 months in the year and 2 organised outings for the other two months
- IMH residents also take the lead in praise and worship
- Chinese New Year and Christmas party
- All volunteers have to be registered with IMH
- 1:1 resident volunteer ratio is required for taking residents out of the wards

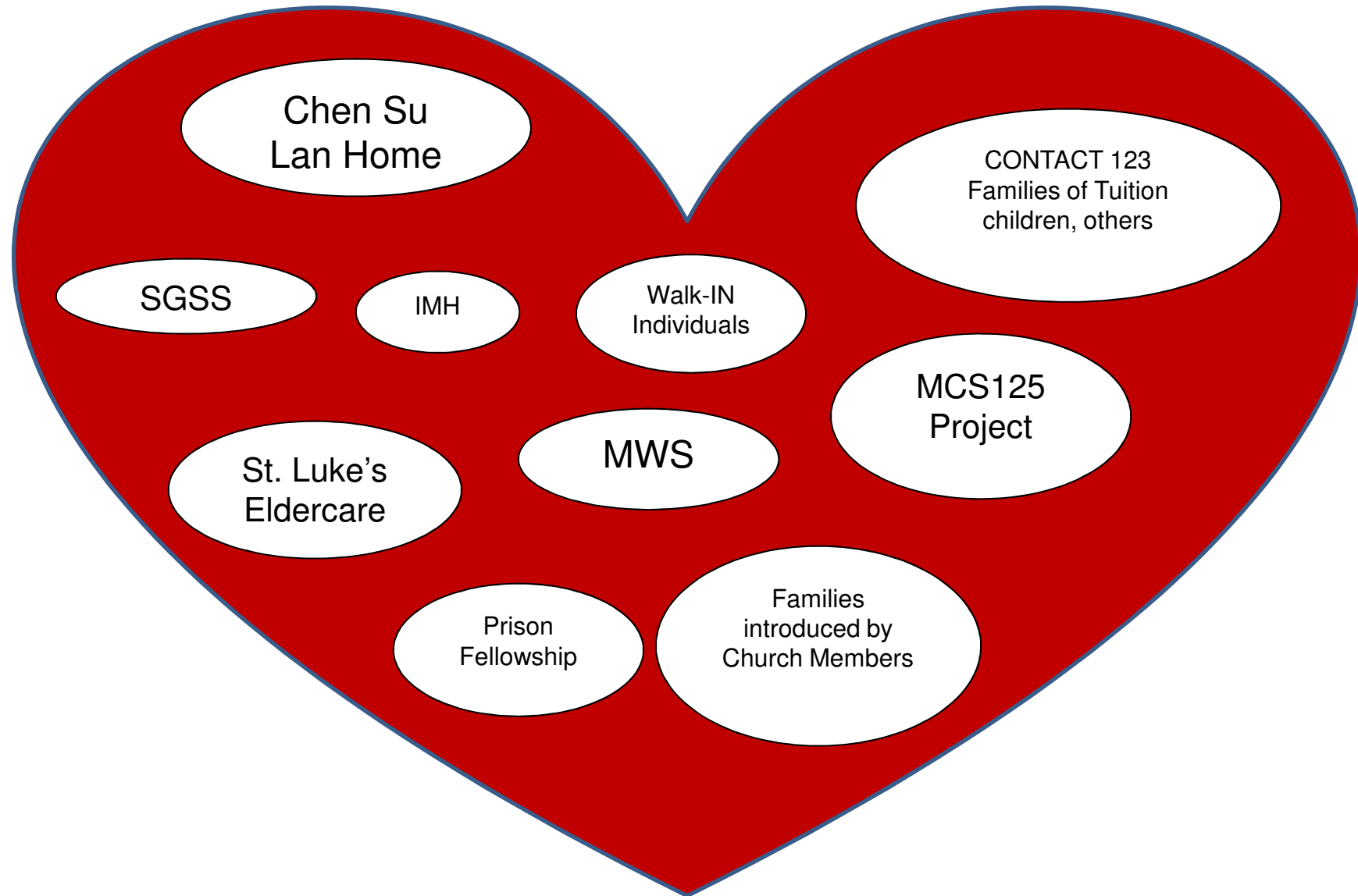


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Contact 123

- An initiative by agreement with the Serangoon Gardens Citizens' Consultative Committee. Operated autonomously by TMC OSC. Scope for further development of new programmes to reach out to the community.
- IT training, Internet access for those without home computers and internet games for children
- Homework help & Tuition classes for primary school children
- Organised Outings with family for children using the centre
- Legal services by appointment
- Volunteers required for admin and general supervision, teaching classes and new outreach programmes

BEFRIENDING PROGRAMME – held together by the HEARTS of all in TMC





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TMC OSC Befriending Programmes Going Forward

3 Categories

- Long term financial assistance (>6 months) with emotional/spiritual care/mentoring for chronically poor in collaboration with MWS or CSL Alumni programme
- Short term financial assistance (<=6 months) with emotional/spiritual care
- General befriending programme - Quarterly or Festive period visits e.g. Christmas, Easter, Moon Cake festival, start of school year.



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Integrating with Outreach Elements of TMC Ministries

- First meeting held on 8th October with Witness & Evangelism, Seniors, Youth, Small Groups, WSCS and the Chinese Ministry.
- Outstanding Action Points Arising
 - W&E to advise their outreach activities by mid November 2011 for integration with OSC befriender follow-up.
 - Building up the list of families under the general befriending programme for further involvement in W&E Alpha.
 - Expanding the OSC volunteer list to cover outreach volunteers in other ministries.
 - 12th November communication with small group leaders to incorporate OSC project or befriender activities in their small groups.
 - Youth ministry to advise jamming facility needs(schedule, etc) and how to include CSL/Contact 123 kids in jamming sessions.
 - In addition to befriender training, more talks by Pastor Peter to know your shape and stir the hearts for joyful service.



Action for Small Group Leaders

- to incorporate OSC element in the small group gatherings - through prayers and volunteering to make a difference one life at a time
- fill up the form of where the small group members currently volunteer
- encourage each small group member to plan to undertake an OSC activity within their respective skills and schedules.
- the small group adopt an OSC activity to reach out to non-church members