

Friends,

When we live Jesus-centred, Spirit-led lives, we open the way for God's hope to be revealed to us and to others. The annual Self Denial Appeal is an opportunity for us — The Salvation Army Australia — to put this message into action. We can prayerfully seek God and make a sacrificial, financial gift that helps reveal his hope to others around the world.

Many of you have generously supported the Self Denial Appeal in the past — thank you! I am so grateful for you. Your gift has enabled Salvation Army ministries to operate in countries where funds are limited.

This year's theme is "Hope revealed" and draws upon Paul's message in Romans 15:13, *"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit" (NIV).*

I have had the incredible opportunity of travelling to Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Indonesia over recent times. To open the intensive care ward in Indonesia, that our people sponsored, including a neo-natal section, was an incredible privilege. Hope revealed!

To sit with a young girl in PNG, who had just lost her dad, to hear her story, and then know we are able to help is both heartbreaking and beautiful. Hope revealed. To be able to support people in desperation across the world. Hope revealed.

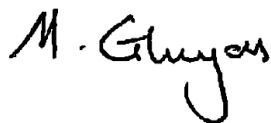
I am personally committed to being very generous so that hope is revealed. Our gifts can make a huge difference, and oh, to see those smiles!

Thank you for partnering with the international Salvation Army to transform lives in communities around the world. This year, our video series will highlight work being done in Bulgaria, Georgia, India and Tanzania. Many of these programs are focused on meeting human needs, all of them are bathed in the love of Jesus, but some are ineligible for government support as they are classed as evangelical.

When you give to the Self Denial Appeal, please consider whether you need a tax receipt, and, if not, give to our Evangelical Mission Support fund to help The Salvation Army with this under-funded missionary work.

Thank you for prayerfully seeking God's heart for this year's Self Denial Appeal, placing your trust in him and believing hope will be revealed.

Bless you.



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