SONS & DAUGHTERS

ANNUAL REPORT



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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Hong Kong had a very challenging year in 2019. From the ongoing political unrest to the beginnings of a viral outbreak, it seems that our city is being battered from multiple directions. However, we have also experienced God's immeasurable faithfulness, as He helped Sons & Daughters to adapt to these changing circumstances. We have also experienced a year of continued transition, as we fully ushered in a new season for S&D under the leadership of our new CEO, Janice Chan, whose passionate and hardworking nature has been a blessing to witness. While change is rarely easy or comfortable, it has been truly encouraging to see God provide us with this opportunity to prepare and reestablish S&D for its second decade of ministry. In this transient ministry setting, people will come and go, and methods and structures will change. However, it is the unchanging good news of Jesus Christ that gives us hope that God will continue to transform the lives of the men and women in our red-light districts, and empower them to walk as sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father. Lastly, we thank God for your ongoing support, which will enable S&D to continue helping those caught in sexual exploitation to reclaim a life of love, family, and freedom in Christ.

Jeremy Tam on behalf of the Board of Directors

MISSION & VISION

The mission of Sons & Daughters is to help those caught in sexual exploitation to reclaim a life of love, family, and freedom in Christ.

Our vision is to see customers, managers, and workers abandon the sex trade and witness transformation in red light districts of Hong Kong.



STAFF





Janice Chan CEO

Julie Tam Aftercare Director (until July 2019)



Brittney Tsang Outreach Director (until May 2019)



Angela Chin Culinary Training Director (until June 2019)

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Ellen Damaso Outreach Coordinator (until November 2019)

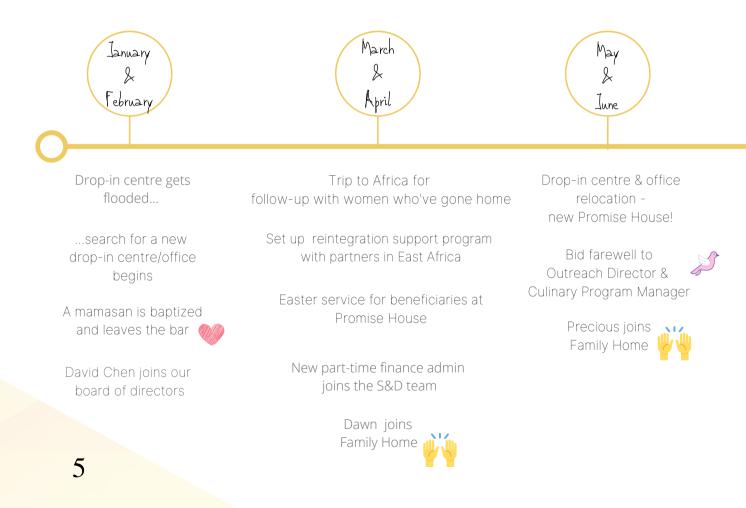


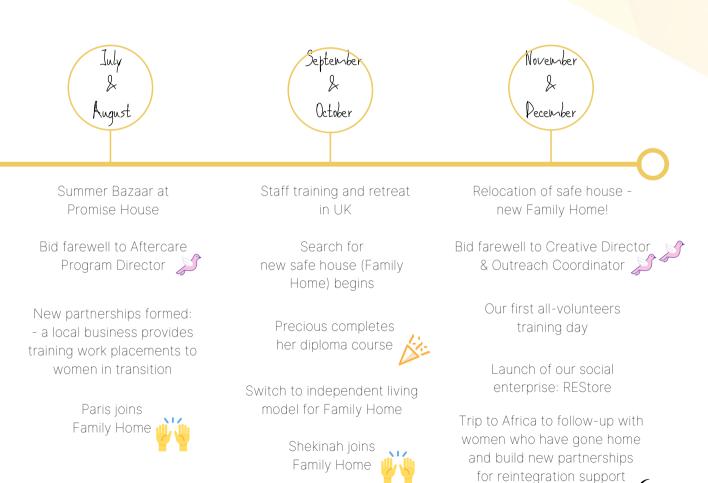
Emily Lai Drop-In Centre Manager



Katrin Gonser Creative Director (until November 2019)

TIMELINE a journey through 2019





STATISTICS

24 volunteers trained	28 Bible studies	150 Aftercare Program classes	40 Promise House classes	
48 casework sessions	58 counseling sessions	4 new women into our transition program	39 befriending meetings	
176 outreaches	7 home visits	9 special events	4 health/medical referrals	
1,945 total beneficiaries				

Yuen Long: 41 outreaches

Jordan: 44 outreaches

Wan Chai: 49 outreaches*

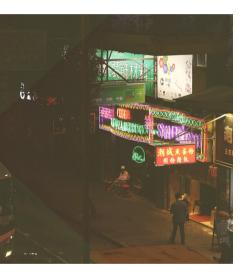
Causeway Bay: 38 outreaches*

Online outreaches: 4



OUTREACH

In 2019, Sons & Daughters conducted 176 outreaches, reaching over 1900 people in the commercial sex industry. Due to protests breaking out across the city in the second half of the year, some outreaches had to be cancelled for safety reasons, and lack of transportation.



JORDAN -

This year, God drew our attention towards the women coming from mainland China. In the past our focus was the international women in the Jordan area, but as more Chinese speakers were added to this outreach team, new opportunities opened for us to build beautiful connections with Chinese women, as well as the mamasans and pimps

WAN CHAI (bar district & late night) -

Due to the political issues that Hong Kong experienced in the second half of the year, business in the bars and strip clubs drastically decreased. This created more time and opportunity for our outreach teams to connect with the women.

Our late night outreaches (2am-4am) also take place in Wan Chai, but

we typically see a different set of women out at this time of night. Our late night ministry has led to several women coming to the drop-in centre (Promise House) to join our classes and activities.

YUEN LONG -

Early in the year, we observed were many police raids in red light district of Yuen Long, and women

were arrested and prosecuted. We saw very few women out during this time. However, when the protests started in June, the police turned their focus towards the political situation and the women began to re-emerge. Our Yuen Long outreach team leader sadly reports that close to 90% of the girls that she has met through outreach have been raped, and that other physical violence against them is a common occurence.

ONLINE OUTREACH -

We started online outreach this year as a pilot initiative. Due to a lack of staff/volunteers, we were not able to continue. We communicated with many transgender people who are working in the commercial sex industry. Though we were not able to meet anyone face to face, it was a good start in approaching/researching other locations of the commercial sex industry.

TESTIMONY

One night we were giving out nail polish to the girls. We came across our friend Lily. Lily really wanted to put the polish on straight away, so our team mate, Staci sat in an alley with her and painted her nails. Lily often tries to rush through conversations, so it was really precious to have her sit down and converse with us. We were able to share God's love with her. Another team member joined and we prayed together.

DROP-IN CENTRE

The Sons & Daughters drop-in centre, Promise House, bid farewell to its original location of 4 years as we moved premises in June 2019 to a more functional space.

In the first half of 2019, God used Promise House to host beautiful encounters and special events. A group of women regularly attended baking and cooking lessons, which included encouraging times of Bible study and prayer.

Special events at Promise House included a Spa Day and an Easter Service during which S&D staff and volunteers loved on, and ministered to, the women who attended.

As Sons & Daughters developed as an organisation, we outgrew the first Promise House and moved down the street to a less conspicuous part of the red-light district in Wan Chai.

The second half of 2019 welcomed a new wave of Aftercare beneficiaries as skills training, counseling, caseworking, and discipleship were held at the new Promise House.



AFTERCARE

Four women decided to leave their lives of sexual exploitation and joined the Sons & Daughters Aftercare Program in 2019. Dawn, Precious, Paris, and Shekinah started their journey of Love, Family, and Freedom.

DAWN -

Dawn was the first woman to move into Family Home in the Spring of 2019. We had tried to reach out to her for a number of years, but she was never interested. A major event happened in her life which caused her to arrive at a resolute conviction to change everything about her life. She looked for Exodus, whom she remembered had left the commercial sex industry, with the help of Sons & Daughters. Exodus connected her with us.

Since coming to Family Home, Dawn's physical, mental, and spiritual health have improved drastically as she learned practical skills and grew in confidence of her abilities to work and live well. Her transformation is a miraculous work of God!

PRECIOUS -

We first met Precious in April 2019, and she joined our Aftercare Program later, in June. Due immigration complications, her stay at Family Home was cut abruptly cut short . We asked God what to do. He provided us with a new strategy! Although challenging, God made a way for us to support Precious to complete a nail technician course and fundraise remotely. She safely returned to reunite with her children in her home country with her newly acquired qualification, and the funds to start up her own small nail salon business

PARIS -

In the Summer of 2019, Paris joined our Aftercare Program after being amazed by the incredible and undeniable transformation that she saw in Dawn. She came to Promise House classes to start with, and as our relationship with each other grew, she made the brave decision to change the course of her life. Paris moved into Family Home during a huge typhoon, but getting soaked from the raging wind and rain did not stop Ellen and Emily from helping her transport her suitcases across the city into safety. She became skilled sewer in lightning time, and looks forward to starting her own business with the aim to help her community, when she returns home in 2020.

SHEKINAH -

Shekinah joined Family Home in the Fall of 2019 and was also so impacted by Dawn's transformation that she decided she wanted in!. She was amazed by God's work in Dawn, and wanted the same change in her life. After several years of working on the streets in Hong Kong, Shekinah finally took a courageous step towards freedom from sexual exploitation.

FAMILY HOME -

Family Home moved to a new location and transitioned to a semi-independent living model (with no house parents) in October 2019.



RE STORE

Sons & Daughters celebrated the launch of our social enterprise, RE Store, in November 2019. The mission of RE Store is to increase the personal capacity of individuals who have chosen to leave exploitation, empowering them to achieve sustainable independent means of living. The goals of RE Store are to:

RECLAIM FREEDOM -

Empowering men and women caught in exploitation to reclaim a life of independence and autonomy

REFRESH VISION -

Providing a holistic care program and skills training for all our participants to recover their talents and abilities, enabling them to re-imagine a positive and fulfilling life

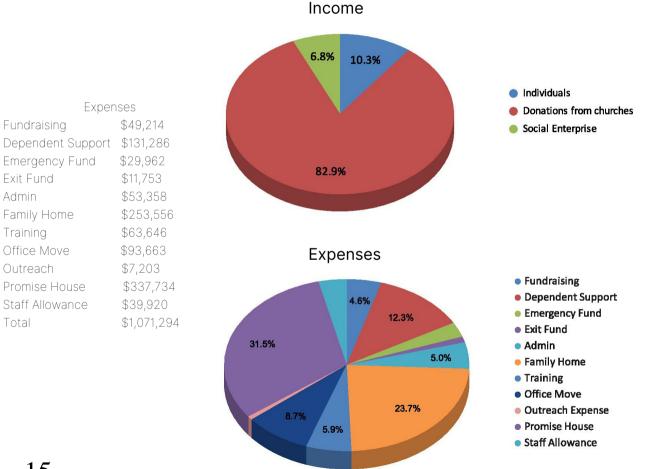
RESTORE IDENTITIES -

Walking alongside every individual, helping them discover their intrinsic value, leaving behind their past and restoring self acceptance and dignity.



Throughout the year, our Creative Director developed the business as she taught the 4 women in the Transition Program to sew aprons, cosmetic bags, and tote bags. Our lovely volunteer Winni taught the women to create scented soy wax candles. All of the products were made by the women in the Aftercare Program and 100% of profits go into their exit funds. We were delighted to launch our online store in November!

FINANCIAL REPORT



THANK YOU!

Sons & Daughters is grateful for the generosity and support of our donors, intercessors, volunteers, partner churches and service partners.

With your support in 2019, we were able to move into a new drop-in centre, relocate to a more secure safe house, assist women to gain new skills and qualifications, and continue to minister the hope and love of Christ to those caught in sexual exploitation.

Thank you all for partnering with us to make all of this possible.

I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot;

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Mother Theresa