

### Director's Message

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is widely adopted in various aspects lately. Use of media could generate tremendous effect in conveying important messages. As a member of Christian ministries, we also join hands as a forerunner so as to keep our communication effective with different stakeholders. In light of this, we will post a monthly newsletter at the beginning of each month commencing in October. Anticipating you can acquire latest update towards our trend and development.

With support from the Beat Drugs Fund, our free Home Minor Work Project is entering into its second year. This project primarily aims at facilitating our drug rehabilitees to acquire essential vocational skills during their stay. Afterwards, they can contribute to the society by serving low-income families or deprived groups. The overall response from users are very positive. Besides, we have granted an extended project in outreaching program this year. Contemporarily illicit use of etomidate is devastating especially among youth groups. We will reach out proactively and dedicatedly, providing early intervention and appropriate referral for those in need. Furthermore, another new project called Beat Drug Run aims at strengthening physical and mental wellbeing of our drug rehabilitees through exercise. Hopefully we can help them to sustain from reinstate and say no to drugs.



Lantau new site design

Finally, we will soon relocate our two DTRCs in Tung Wan, Shek Pik of Lantau Island south. The preliminary work has been started for nearly two years. We are now entering the tender stage and expect completion of renovations by end of next year. The entire project costs approximately HK\$130M. We are grateful that the government will fund majority of the costs. However, we have to shoulder up the first HK\$7M so as to kick off the project. Our imminent needs required participation and support by every one of you.

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

### Fitness Class

Our drug rehabilitees have attended fitness class not merely try to strengthen their bodies and muscles, but also their minds. The Association provided with them opportunity to improve their health, promote holistic development, as well as sharing among buddies the importance of taking good care of themselves.



### Dragon Boat Practice

Our brothers participated in dragon boat practices and races. The goal is to motivate them as well as adopting a healthy lifestyle. This will not only foster teamwork but also enhance their reintegration into the community.

### Rescue Team

As we are expected to relocate into Lantau Island in 2026, we have recruited a troop learning how to become a rescue team. As the future location is rather remote, we foresee the need to setting up such a team to protect ourselves, as well as serving our neighbours whenever in need. From receiving external resources to contributing to the society, it is a real breakthrough for our brothers. As their lives are reconstructed, the chance of reinstate will be largely reduced.

