

# hopevalley church

a work of faith, labour of love,  
steadfast in hope

1 Thessalonians 1:3



ANNUAL  
REPORT 2021





## welcome

Our annual report is an opportunity to acknowledge the work of the Lord in our midst and also to reflect on the engagement of God's people in New Testament Community centred around new life in Jesus. It also allows us to look forward as a church believing that the promised kingdom of God will continue to break in through the whisper of the Holy Spirit.

In 2021, Hope Valley Church established new norms that were initiated through the turmoil of COVID related events of 2020. For many of us we learnt that being comfortable in the uncomfortable and unknown was a necessity. We learnt to trust that the mission of the Church when it is firmly established in its values and principles can adjust its methods accordingly. Hope Valley Church in true reflection of its long history continued to evolve to reflect the mission of making disciples who make disciples.

# WORK OF *faith*

The apostle Paul writes to the church in Thessalonica expressing his gratitude for their work of faith, labour of love and steadfast hope. It is this sentiment that is also expressed to the faithful people of Hope Valley who in 2021 tirelessly and with great enthusiasm embodied Christ and his ministry in the world.

By faith Hope Valley embraced the mission beyond what could be seen and became an online and onsite church. The commitment to using technology to provide services of worship, songs and to be used to train and equip has opened new opportunities. In 2022, Hope Valley will actively seek to establish new faith communities beginning with regional South Australia using the online resources now available.

The Church Council has offered discerning leadership that has enabled the mission of Hope Valley Church to be fulfilled. The Church Council celebrated this year the appointment of two new staff, a healthy financial position, a broadening mission into the wider community and a deep appreciation of the faithfulness of God. The Council members are a vibrant mix of ages and genders who are called and elected by the congregation. Of particular note has been the appointment of Christen Toft to co-chair with Rev. Scott Button.

# STEADFAST *Hope*

We know we are God's people for our time and through our calling. The overall rhythm of life impacts the people of faith with joy and sorrow. In the last year some faithful servants of the Lord have passed away. We give thanks to God for their incredible contribution to the life of Hope Valley Church over many years and seasons (please see the Friends of Hope Valley book available in the history cabinet).

We celebrate those who have given their lives to Christ, entered the waters of baptism, been born into the church family and those who have entered into the covenant of marriage.

We praise God for and extended a welcoming hand to people who are new on the journey with us. We bless those who for various reasons have moved on and we thank them for their contribution at Hope Valley.

With steadfast hope we look forward expectantly to what God will bring us. This includes development of our Youth and Young Adult ministries, extending community groups beyond the Hope Valley region, developing equipped leaders across the generations and planning the future development of the playground. In 2022, an outdoor basketball court and paving connecting the front carpark to the footpath will be installed. This was made possible by a successful application through a 'stronger communities' grant of \$10,700)



"I give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For I know that you are loved by God and have been chosen."

*1 Thessalonians 1: 2-3*





# LABOUR OF *Love*

The ministries of Hope Valley Church are a labour of love. Through every generation committed teams have served all ages with a heart for God and a heart for people. At camps, groups, events and through generous giving we praise God for all that has taken place.

Thank you Hope Valley for a year of dynamic kingdom building.

## finance 20/21

Thank you for your commitment to give generously to the cause of Christ through your tithes and mission offerings.

Income including ATO jobkeeper and cash boost \$627,160.

Expenditure \$545,544.

Budget offering 2021/22 \$10,800  
(currently \$9,658 July–Nov 2021)

## **2020-21 Mission Offerings**

### **Project**

India-Santhosa Vidhyalaya School	\$ 2,820.00
Bali Care	\$ 3,917.00
Hands of Hope Foundation	\$ 3,861.00
Samaritan Christmas Boxes	\$ 571.00
Uganda CoVid Appeal	\$ 2,798.00
Schools Ministry TTG	\$ 900.00
Gifts of Compassion	\$ 2,391.00
HVC Camps Offering	\$ 1,708.00
Uganda Mission Offering	\$ 2,254.00
Thailand Mission Offering	\$ 2,469.00
UAICC Oodnadatta	\$ 1,423.00
India - Pastors Mission Offering	\$ 3,673.00

**Total** \$ 28,785.00

## church council

Rev. Kynan Brookes – Lead Pastor

Rev. Scott Button – Co-Chair / Executive Pastor

Christen Toft – Co-Chair

Kevin Gruhl | Pavan Teki | Megan Thorpe | Tammy Foster

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