

# Volunteers Thanksgiving Night

Our steadfast volunteers continue to be the soul of BCCS; we are thankful to their dedication and labour of love. The Volunteers Thanksgiving Night 2019, held on 11th January 2020, was a meaningful night of appreciation and reaffirmation to all our volunteers for their support to the outreach work of BCCS.



It was inspiring to hear several of our volunteers' heartfelt sharing of their anecdotes, of how they had the opportunity to be a vessel to bring hope to the lives of others through volunteering with BCCS, of how they felt empowered and fuelled by their volunteering journey.



As our programmes continue to evolve with the changing landscapes and dynamic needs of the community that we engage and serve, there would be a drive for more volunteers with the right-fit across the various programmes. We welcome passionate individuals to come forward, those who share the commitment to fulfil our vision.



Mr Kenneth Teo, Director of Programmes and Services, shared on what Being God's Hope meant for our beneficiaries:

- ♥ About building their foundation and confidence for tomorrow.
- ♥ About giving them a reason to hold their heads up in dignity.
- ♥ About filling the empty space in their hearts with your friendship.
- ♥ About bringing back their smile with your smile.
- ♥ About investing time, being present with them, and earning the right to speak into their lives.

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*Touching hearts, building lives.*



# Chinese New Year Cookie Sales Fundraiser

What's Chinese New Year without festive cookies? It has been a favourite and fun tradition for Bartley Community Care Services (BCCS) to have her Chinese New Year Cookie Sales Fundraiser at Bartley Christian Church each year. This Cookie Sales project was first initiated by a group of church members as a means to raise funds for the ministry's outreach programme to bless the community around the neighbourhood. Today it has evolved to a meaningful annual BCCS fundraiser, with continued fervent support from volunteers who serve alongside our staff team.

Our Chinese New Year Cookies pop-up stall was set up on the first 3 Sundays of January. Though many of our popular gift sets and favourite cookies were snapped up early, this did not dampen the joy of our staff, cheerful volunteers and enthusiastic buyers. We were able to provide the convenient option of online order with delivery via BCCS website for our cookie lovers.



**“A Big Thank You to all who have donated joyfully to the purchase of Love Letter Rolls for our elderly folks at Lorong Lew Lian this Chinese New Year!”**

Goh Wei Chuan & Tiffany Yong  
Programme Executives,  
FamilyZone

# FamilyZone's Elderly Outing at Chinatown

On 14th January 2020, our FamilyZone team organised an outing to bring some of our elderly folks to the Chinese New Year Bazaar at Chinatown for some festive shopping. A total of 16 elderly folks had signed up in anticipation for the 3-hour shopping day trip. Our group had fun sampling mouth-watering Chinese New Year delicacies, traditional goodies and preserved fruits. It was a rare opportunity for some participants to commute out of their familiar neighbourhood and they said they really enjoyed soaking in the festive atmosphere at Chinatown.



We ended the evening by giving each participant a bag of goodies comprising of packed dinner, a box of Love Letters Rolls and two mandarin oranges. Our hearts were content to see the sparkle in the elderly's eyes as we bade farewell after spending the precious afternoon together. This was indeed an enjoyable and fruitful trip for everyone.

