

Blessings from the Veranda

Picture this: Every Sunday morning a handful of Christians gather at the Hub. They sing and pray, and dwell in the Word and bless one another. Then the blessings go out on the veranda and spill over onto the street!

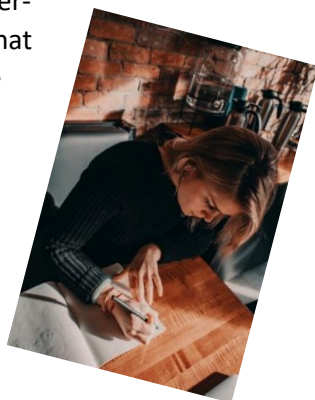


For a few weeks, a community art project creating a collage is set up inside, with a panel in progress on the veranda. Passers-by are invited to contribute to it with loss and challenges from the pandemic on one part, hopes, dreams and prayers for the future on another. People can draw or write something. Or inside there are paints and other media, artists at work, and anyone else who wants to, adding their colourful inspirations!



Some weeks it is a musician, giveaways, crafts, care and service projects, or other arts. There's prayer in the background. Some prayer-walk down the street. Some chat with people. Those in the core group have different parts to play according to their gifts.

Others just join in for specific projects and activities.



Engaging people from the veranda, looking for what Jesus is up to and connecting into it via arts, current affairs, prayer, care, and technology is the aim. A lively mix that shakes church, worship, and mission, out from the familiar box of bricks to be more like varied pieces of mosaic from which Jesus is creating his ever-changing kingdom picture: Spirit-infused shapes and colours spilling over the edges to include more people!

M missional, music, mutual, messy, more

O opportunity, open

S Spirit, spill-over, struggles, serendipity, sanitizer, sensitivity

A arts, appealing,

I inspiration, interaction

C Christ, community, challenge, change, creativity, church



This is a vision! Is God calling you to help bring it to life?