

YOORALLA YOUTH MINISTRIES

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

1994 - 2019



It only seems like yesterday that a group of 8 people with a crazy vision met together to discuss and pray about how we could equip and empower young people to serve others and share the love of God through meeting the holistic needs of our neighbours and friends. Yet here we are today celebrating 25 years of serving others. At our recent Annual General meeting we reflected upon our "Christ Calling" and the solid foundations that continue to underpin our Ministry. Our reflections included:

!. Our Calling

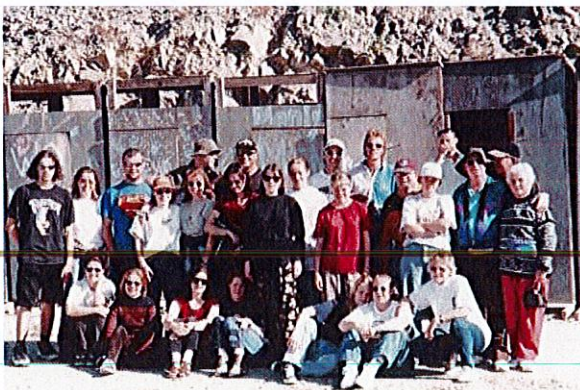
The word Yooralla is an indigenous word meaning "Place of Love". As an organization comprising of 100% volunteers, we seek to serve others through life changing relationships and partnerships where there is a deep sense of calling and care for each other. This "Christ calling" is expressed in our values which have been at the heart of Yooralla from our beginnings.

A LOVE people where they are

B STAND with people their point of need

C CONNECT people with God through Jesus,

D CELEBRATE with people when they find their place in God's family



2. Our Commitment to Serving Others

Over the years we have continued to have the privilege of serving our amazing friends in their "Christ Calling" in a number of countries and settings

3. Our amazing leadership team who continue to provide clear and wise oversight of our vision, values, programs, activities and finances.

4. Our extended Community of supporters and team members. In 1 Corinthians 12 Paul describes the Church as a body "One body, many parts, everyone significant."

The many, many people we have met along the journey so far and also the anticipation of friends and ministries we are yet to meet.



OUR JOURNEY SO FAR

- 6 Interns with our 2-year traineeships
- 8 countries served
- 12 "In-Field Saints" supported
- 12 active partnerships with other groups
- 15 traineeship students across 4 years
- 15 community infrastructure projects
- 56 separate teams serving into partners in 8 countries
- 108 family homes constructed
- 300 families in the clean water today pilot (current)
- 1,100 team members (average 20 members per team)
- \$4.5 million invested into changing lives across 25 years

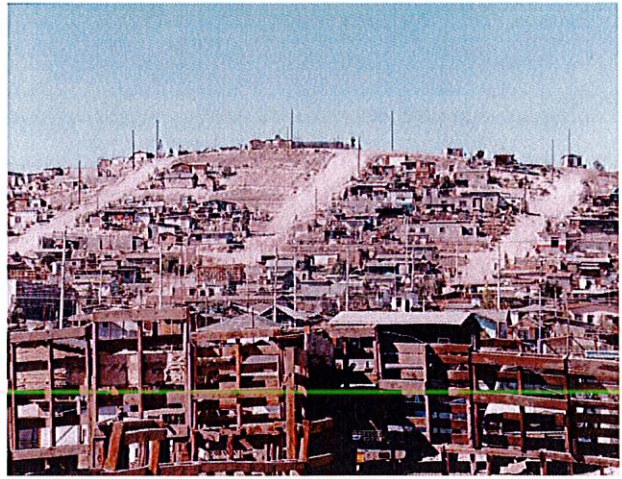
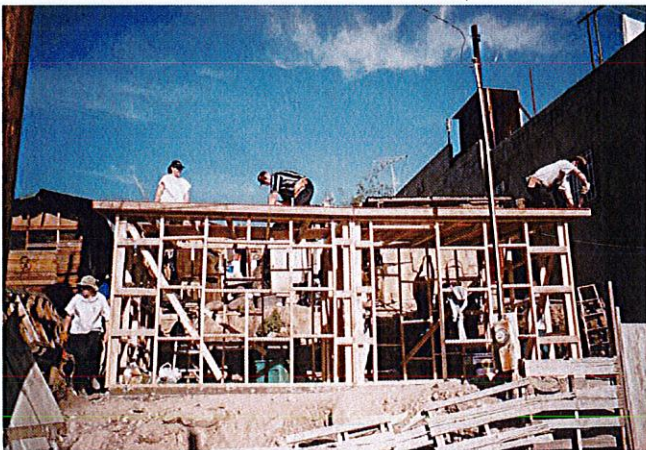
TIJUANA MEXICO 1995 - 2005

From our first adventure in 1995 when we travelled to Tijuana Mexico to serve into the work of Amor Ministries and built a home for a Mexican family, more than 1,100 people have joined the journey and been part of the "stories of God" in transforming lives and communities across 8 countries



Our first team and home built in Tijuana Mexico

By serving into the work of Amor Ministries (amazing Christian organization who have been serving in Mexico for more than 35 years), Yooralla teams built approximately 63 homes (and a Church) for families in Mexico for 10 years



The church being built

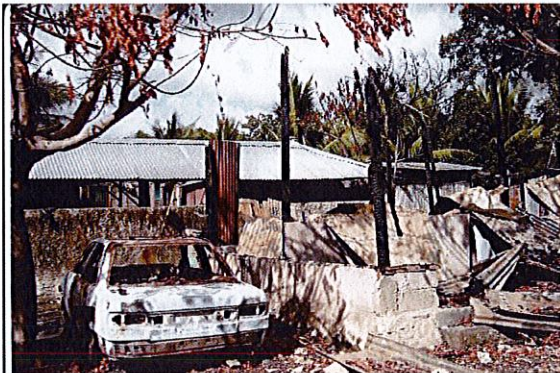
TIMOR LESTE 2004 – 2019 onwards

In early 2002 God somehow kept taking Bucko's prayers and thoughts to the needs of people in Timor-Leste. By June 2002 in the space of one week, Scotty Hall and Ben Fleming, 2 young men who had been connected with Yooralla for a number of years, contacted Bucko to say that they sensed God was calling them to Timor-Leste and Yooralla and so began God's calling of Yooralla serving into a number of Timorese Ministries which today come under the umbrella of the Yooralla and partners. Timor-Leste Children's Fund

(www.tlc.org.au)



2006 Timor -Leste – A time of unrest



2006 – Our team helped wherever we were needed

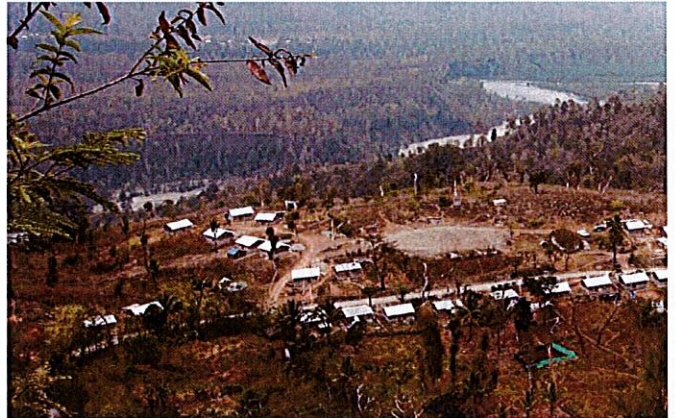


2007 – 2009 – Baucau, Laleia and Manatuto



Teams built 9 homes for war veterans

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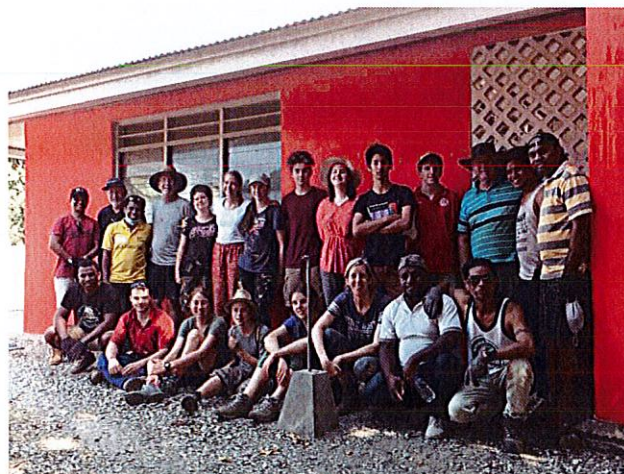
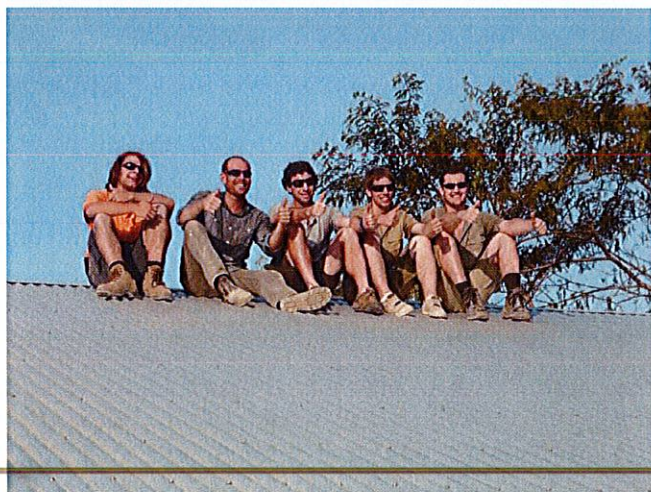
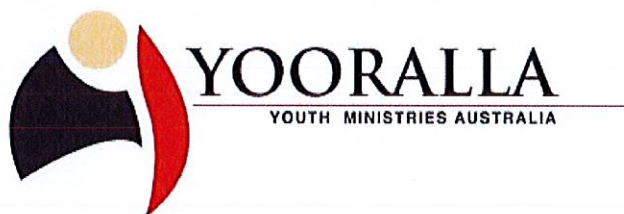


3 homes, 9 teams, 37 homes and the village of was transformed

2011 – Kids Ark Preschool - Hera



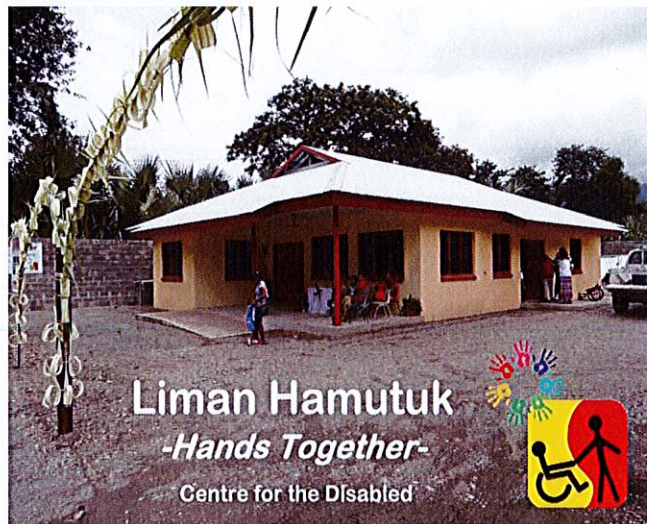
2012 – Timor-Leste Children's Fund was established with our partners in Timor-Leste



OVER THE 15 YEARS

Over the 15 years that Yooralla has been able to serve our Timorese partners in many ways (including Dental programs, ESKADA Teachers Development programs, Youth Leadership programs, Clean Water Community Development programs) through the Timor-Leste Children's fund as they transform lives. In practical terms, Yooralla has also assisted in project leasing the construction of more than 45 family homes and 10 Community development infrastructure projects including the Disability Centre at Hera, Medical Centre at Lebuton, the Dental Clinic in Aileu and Children's home in Dili.

2012 – 2013 Disability Centre in Hera



2013 – 2014 - Casa Vida Children Homes - Dili



2014 - ESKADA Teaching Program – Shallom School Dili



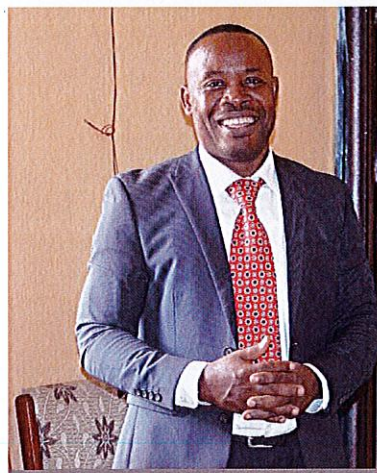
2015 - Home for mum with four children - Tibar



Bona and Florence Archinefu in Nigeria

We first met Bona Achinefu in Hong Kong in 2000 when Bona was undertaking voluntary work. Since that time, we have supported Bona and his ministry in Nigeria including supporting the construction of a number of facilities including a Primary School, Computer Training, Medical Clinic and Church. The support group has also raised much needed funds for equipment, vehicles and training resources.

Bona married Florence and this year were blessed with twin boys named Nathaniel and Joshua.

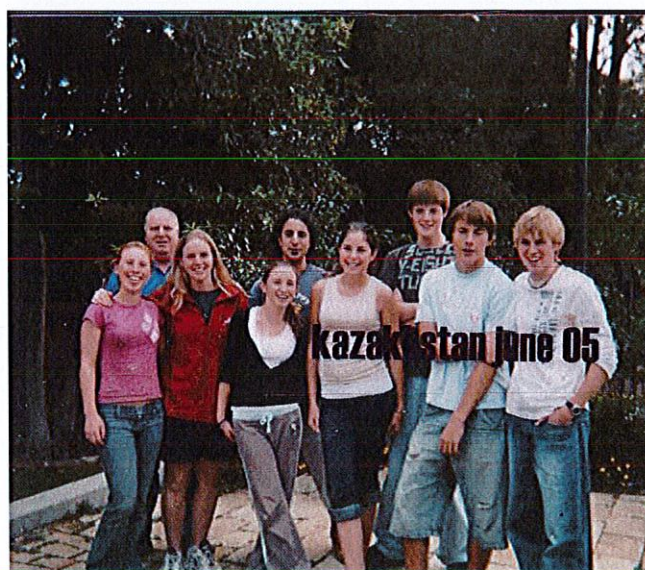


SERVING CROSSROADS IN HONG KONG



SUPPORTING OTHERS IN

- India
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya



2019 TEAMS AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

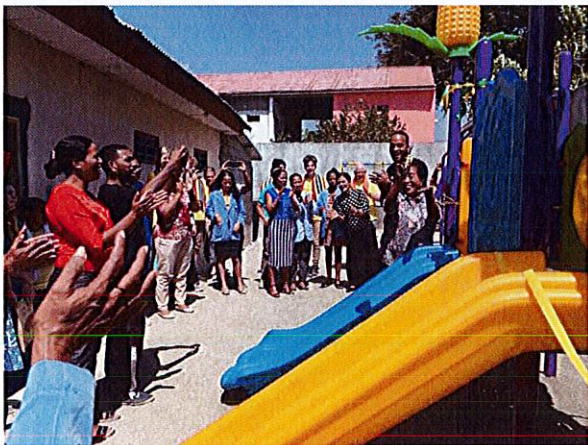
1. April 2019 Team:

Construction of the external fence for the future Medical Clinic at Hera.



2, July 2019 Team

Construction of the Shallom School Playground and painting homes for Casa Vida



3. Sidara Pre-School

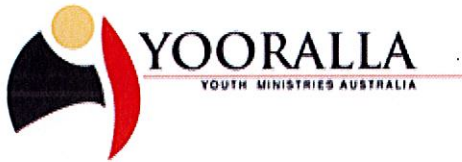


4. Launching the Clean Water Today Pilot program



Our Community Development Plans for 2020

1. Assist Projeto Montanha construct a bridge to the new property.
2. Develop a 5 Year Property Development Plan for Casa Vida in Tibar
3. Commence the construction of the Hera Hospital and Medical Centre for Kids Ark
4. Formally launch "Clean Water Today" as the new ministry of Yooralla in Timor-Leste.



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REFLECTIONS

Micah 6:8

"He has shown you, o man what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?"

"To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God"



HOW TO CONTACT US

1. Email: yooralla@yooralla.org.au

2 Websites

- www.yooralla.org.au
- www.tlcfund.org.au
- www.cleanwatertoday.org.au
(launching in early 2020)

3 You can also contact Bucko direct on
his mobile number 0466391988



A BIG THANK YOU

To all the many hundreds of volunteers that have supported us over the past 25 years.

Our mission trips have taken people to Mexico, Timor Leste, India, Hong Kong, Nigeria, China, Kazakhstan and Thailand.

And all these trips have been a life changing experience for those both here in Australia and for people we have met overseas.

We have a faithful, committed executive team and feel very blessed.

We are so thankful for what God has done through this little ministry and we give Him all the praise.