

CARE IN CRISIS ETHOS

As God our Father has continued to keep his hand on Care-in-Crisis, and allowed it to grow, it is of utmost importance to look at the principles underlying its organisation that must NEVER be forgotten or in any way diverted from. May they literally take root and flourish within every project and every co-worker of Care-in-Crisis.

The whole ministry belongs totally to God, and not to anyone individual. Since it is his work, we must strive at all times to work together as 'his body', with our aim being to bring glory to him.

PRAYER is the cornerstone of everything.

Without it we are nothing of ourselves, and we have nothing. Each project of Care-in-Crisis must at all times be a matter of earnest prayer for all concerned.

- 1 God has led this work to be established, and he continues to increase the outworkings of it. Each of us, within the organisation therefore have the responsibility to fulfil our role for him to the best of our abilities given to us, and with a passion and enthusiasm, knowing that it is God we ultimately serve, and not man. Our commitment to Him must be our motivation at all times.
- 2 Our aim in Care-in-Crisis at all times is to demonstrate the love and compassion of the Saviour we know, to others. Our aim must never be to "preach" or impose our views on others. It is only as we care for those in society around us that we can hope to be the salt and light that He has called us to be.
- 3 Everything we do must at all time be above reproach. It is vital that we are open and totally honest in all our dealings; financial and otherwise.

FINANCIALLY

Specific guidelines are needed and these are as follows:-

- We rely on our Father for the increasing financial needs within the organisation, as ultimately it is he alone who provides for all our needs. We must never forget this.
 - If we have a particular concern or need we will, if we feel it appropriate, make it known to our supporters, but never in a "begging" manner. This goes totally against all that we stand for. To date God has provided so graciously through the love and generosity others, and we have no reason to doubt that he will continue to provide in part, in this way.
 - As an organisation we will engage in fund-raising activities from time to time to help our funds, and we are also open to others doing fund-raising, if appropriate, on our behalf.
 - Where at all possible, for any of our projects we will seek out "Funding" from various trusts, bodies and organisations, when appropriate. In doing so we will never compromise any of our objectives.
 - It is our aim, that the work never operates at a deficit. We will look to God to provide through the above means, or as he sees fit, or else the work will not progress further until God has provided the means. If in the future we ever should have to borrow for new buildings, then such a loan must be repaid as soon as possible.
 - With regards to "outgoings" we must also always be above reproach. This therefore will involve paying all bills as promptly as possible, and being "thrifty" with all that God has entrusted to us. From the smallest item to the largest one we endeavour to be good stewards and not to waste anything.
- 4 We would also endeavour as we work together to care for one another, in the same way as we would hope to care for all those who come to our centre.
 - 5 CONFIDENTIALITY is of utmost importance at ALL times, and everyone working within the organisation must sign an agreement whereby they agree to treat as confidential all cases within the centre.
 - 6 All working within the organisation should be able to subscribe to our doctrinal basis, which is the equivalent of that of the Evangelical Alliance. While we endeavour in all areas of our work to adhere to the above principles, may we do it with such a passion and a commitment to him that we cannot fail to influence the world around us.

"WITHOUT PRAYER WE ARE NOTHING"
and
"WITHOUT HIM WE ARE NOTHING".

May it be an "unwritten" principle that for any one of us, if our own glory or our own importance becomes a priority then we need to reassess our role within the organisation. For Jesus Christ has truly ordained and blessed this ministry. It truly belongs to him. May everything we do within it, be done for him, in a spirit of love.