

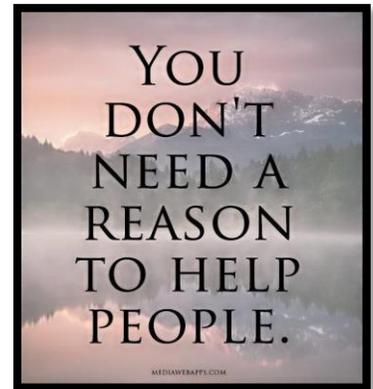
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NEWSLETTER

NICOSIA MERCY CENTRE

Serving the needy in the local community since 2009



Dear Supporters and Friends,

This is the **ninth** edition of our **quarterly Newsletter**. We value you very much and we would like to keep you updated on what is going on in and through Nicosia Mercy Centre (NMC) in our local community. We believe that this will encourage you as you partner with us, enabling you to see for yourselves the fruit of your contribution through NMC. You can read more news on page 2!...

NEW!

NEW SERVING HOURS! As of 6th April 2022, we will start to give out the take-away food parcels on Wednesday, at 7:00 pm. On Friday, breakfast is served between 9:00-10:30 am.



Our volunteers preparing the food parcels



Standing in line to receive the food parcels



Meal portions ready

We are happy that we have a good steady number of volunteers helping us every week! Nevertheless, we can still use some more. If you are interested to help in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us (see contact info on page 2).

Dear Supporters and Friends,

We are already 3 months into this new year, and we've been quite busy! On Saturday, 29th of January, we organised a **celebration event** at the Russian Cultural Centre in Nicosia. The aim was mainly to inform people (members, associates, supporters, friends) old and new, about the work done by NMC. We shared some statistics, as well as a few touching real stories of people in need (refugees and others) and how through humanitarian aid given to them at the right time, had a huge impact on their lives and they managed to stand on their feet and make a new start. On the other hand, the evening was also a token of our appreciation towards our faithful volunteers, since we wanted to offer them a special night to remember. One of our volunteers, who came to Cyprus from Romania, shared the story of her journey on how she became a volunteer after she herself had received help from NMC at the time of her need. At the end, there was a reception at the hall, where all people present had a chance to talk with the NMC committee members and volunteers and learn more about NMC.



Sharing some statistics and stories about refugees and other beneficiaries of NMC.

Numbers have steadily been on the rise, so we are currently giving out about **150** take-away food parcels every Wednesday evening. Friday numbers also skyrocketed from about 20 to **100** people, serving sandwiches, pastries, bread and hot coffee. Food parcels are now given out on Fridays as well, when supplies are available. So the needs are still there, and we want to be ready to meet them, as best as we can.

On 22nd March we had our **Annual General Meeting**, as announced in our previous newsletter. We had a chance to share what has been accomplished the previous year so the President, Director, Secretary and Treasurer gave a report to the members present. The President and Director also shared their plans for the future, as we are currently looking into the opportunity of **relocating to a new place** that will better serve our mission and be able to expand our services even more. We would like to be able to serve additional needs, like teach English/Greek/computers, a new skill, offer shower/laundry services, etc. Since we can't afford to buy a place, we need to rent, and this will be a monthly expense that will have to be covered by donations. So please spread the word, and share this with people you may know who would be willing to help. We will keep you updated with the developments. Once again, **we thank you** for partnering with us at such a time as this!

With sincere thanks,

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