



## Exploring Macau

As a neighbouring city, Macau shares many things in common with Hong Kong since the two cities are populated mainly by Chinese. Bonnie and Titus Koon, a couple from Hong Kong, have embarked on a journey of tasting the culture of Macau.

Bonnie and Titus served in Macau when OM started offering cross-cultural training there in 2000. After a year or so, they went to the UK to start a Chinese ministry. Twenty years on, they responded to God's call to serve in Macau, hoping to engage with churches and believers and equip them to fulfil God's mission.



The focus of the Macau ministry has changed over the years, and, for a period of time, OM did not have any long-term workers there. In February 2020, Bonnie and Titus reactivated the ministry in Macau.

Macau has changed a lot in the past ten years as the economy has grown. More people from Macau travel and study overseas, and more believers join short-term mission trips. "I think they have a better understanding of mission work than before," said Titus. "At the same time, they need support in nurturing people to participate in long-term missions."



"Many churches in Macau are planted by missionaries and Hong Kong churches. In some way these churches are run in a foreign or Hong Kong style. I think Macau has its distinct culture and we can develop a new approach to missions that can better fit the needs of Macau believers," said Bonnie.

## You can offer love and relief to those affected by COVID-19

OM has teams in over 110 countries who are sharing God's love to those who need it most. During this global pandemic, OM teams want to continue serving those who are lost and afraid.

The coronavirus pandemic has taken thousands of lives and impacted every country in the world. People who have not yet experienced the hope and promise of the gospel are isolated in their homes, without community or care, and often without income. Refugees and the homeless are more alone than ever as camps and shelters fight to stay open amidst dwindling resources and panic over communal living.

God's workers are committed to honouring the precautions and mandates delivered by prevailing government and healthcare officials during the coronavirus pandemic, they also know they have an opportunity and a responsibility to deliver peace amidst the chaos.

Do you want to support our workers in this unsettling time in our world? If so, please consider donating to OM's COVID-19 Relief Fund (0001802555).



### OUR PURPOSE

We want to see vibrant communities of Jesus followers among the least reached.

### How to support us?

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## Moving forward in this volatile world

Living in a volatile world where political conflicts and the coronavirus pandemic are impacting all of us, we are experiencing unprecedented changes in our lives. Everything seems out of control, and we might constantly feel uncertain what the next step would be.

Before we ask “What should we do?” (doing), perhaps we should ask “Who am I?” (being) because our identity in Christ determines what we do.

### OM's identity: Who we are?

As a global community of Jesus followers, OM teams are committed to working together with believers in fulfilling God's mission. Our identity is grounded in our relationship with God. Because God first loved us, we are motivated by His love to serve people in different parts of the world, hoping that they can experience His love too.

God created the world with His creativity. We are endowed with the creativity to share God's love in a multitude of ways – from the OM ship, arts, sports, farming, trekking, disaster relief to medical care.

Wherever we go, we engage with people around us whilst also being ready to partner with other organisations to serve the community.

### Mission amidst pandemic: What did OM do?

As the coronavirus pandemic hit the world, we were plunged into uncertainties and anxieties. Though social distancing continues to limit our activities, the OM team in Hong Kong recognises that people need the peace of God. We therefore try to reach out to our neighbours while taking precautionary measures.



### Ethnic Minorities Ministry

We distributed masks to Pakistani families and partnered with churches to help students who could not catch up on their studies when classes were suspended.

**Medical Ministry** We kept on caring for medical students, doctors and nurses through online Bible studies and prayer groups.



**Online Media for Missions Course** The course addressed topics such as online church and online discipleship. Over 100 people from Europe, USA, Australia and South East Asia enrolled for the course.

### Sharing Experience

We taught the “Mission in a New Era” course organised by the Chinese Mission Seminary, sharing how we fulfil God's mission through demonstrating truth, goodness and beauty in our ministries.



**Sharing Resources** We opened our office to offer a dining place for outdoor workers when all restaurants were banned from dine-in service in July.



## A doctor without a white coat

“Healing the body is important. Healing the mind is no less important!”, said Leo Poon, Medical Ministry Director of OM in Hong Kong.

As a doctor, Leo believes that his job should not just be healing of physical diseases, but that doctors should also address the emotional needs behind the symptoms. After working as a doctor for a few years, Leo decided to follow his dream of passing on the vision of whole person healing to medical students.

“I reach out to students in small groups at local universities. I also get to know them through teaching bioethics. By walking with them, I hope they can rely on God to cope with the hectic study life,” said Leo.

To help students learn how to communicate with patients, he visits homeless people with students regularly. “Homeless people often have health problems and are reluctant to seek medical care. Apart from doing health

checks, we need to listen to their hearts,” explained Leo.

While teaching students to develop a caring heart, Leo organises mission trips every year so that students can see the needs of the world. “I ask them not to plan too much on what to do during the trips. We should observe what people need before serving them,” he shared.

Joining OM this year, he believes that OM serves as a platform to provide students with the opportunity to join missions with multi-cultural teams. OM in Hong Kong has been participating in the Enrichment Year Program of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Hong Kong. Through this program, medical students can spend a few months joining overseas ministries of OM.

