

## OVERSEAS AND NORTHERN OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

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### NEWSFLASH- NEW OVERSEAS PROJECTS

#### PEACE and RECONCILIATION FORUM

Thank you all for the work you have done over the past two years in promoting Mothers Union's "Peace and Reconciliation Forum." The work done so far has encouraged Mothers Union Worldwide to plan for a gathering of Bishops' wives from South Sudan to be held in Uganda in 2019, during which they will share in a program designed to help them deal with personal trauma as well as training to enable them to present the program to others in South Sudan. Obviously this is of great importance for those who will participate, and has the potential for much wider application, so AMUA has accepted the challenge of funding it.



#### PARENTING PROGRAM IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Mothers Union in PNG has long desired to implement the Parenting Program, and has done a lot of work in gathering facilitators willing to be trained to present the program across Papua New Guinea. We have agreed to support this training, partly through our "Papua & New Guinea and Melanesia Development Fund" as well as from member donations.

There are still details to be worked out and information to be obtained from Mary Sumner House about both projects, but I trust that they



will

resonate with our members, given that PNG is a very near neighbour (meeting the request of many of our members for a project in our Zone) and the effects of war on South Sudanese women and children is very close to the heart of many in our own communities. I hope to have more information available early in 2019 so that you can begin promoting them in earnest and that you and your members will be excited at the prospect of being involved in "helping those whose lives have met with adversity" through them.

#### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Thank you once again for all you do to promote the Overseas and Northern Outreach aspects of AMUA's work. I trust that you will have time for some R & R over the next few weeks, and that your celebration of the wonder of God becoming man for us is a time of great joy and encouragement.



With love and thanks, *Christine*