



## **One Church, Many Locations, Serving Brisbane**

### ***Brisbane Lord Mayor's Support***

The campaign has been given full support from Brisbane Lord Mayor Campbell Newman who said; "Yes We Care was a significant commitment from Brisbane churches to demonstrate generosity to the city. "Yes We Care" is a great initiative that is sure to touch people's lives and I would like to see it grow stronger each year, so that the quality of living for people in Brisbane, from all walks of life, is improved."

### ***The Potential***

Many of you are already active in your communities, and through this campaign we wish to get more congregation members, community groups and friends and family members involved, so we can show them that the church can walk the talk. That church is not just a building. It is about taking the church out and into the community.

Just imagine how different Brisbane would be if somebody mowed your lawn for you, cleaned those hard to reach areas or simply enjoyed a cuppa and a laugh with you. Sometimes, despite our best efforts we find that we all need help from time to time, whether it is a financial crisis, physical illness or just loneliness.

In the first year, 600 volunteers served in more than 300 homes. In 2007, we targeted 600 homes. This year, we hope to touch 1,000 households across Brisbane making a difference and bringing a smile to their day! This has given many volunteers the opportunity to form ongoing relationships in their community and I know of many volunteers that still continue to visit and have a cuppa, and who take people shopping and who do gardening for those who would otherwise be unable. Not only does this give hope to the recipient, but this also gives the volunteers a sense of joy and purpose.

### ***You can be involved***

Any church, regardless of size can be involved. Any individual can be involved. The homes we will be serving will be provided by council and word-of-mouth contacts. We have zone co-ordinators that are ready and willing to work with you to plan your involvement. We will also provide you with all the resources needed to make this event a success.

This is such a great opportunity to get involved. Please join us to make Brisbane a better place and ultimately expand the Kingdom.

### ***The Greater Brisbane Region***

The area being targeted for the Yes! We Care program includes; Redcliffe, Pine Rivers, Ipswich, Logan, Redlands and even the Beaudesert Shire. To indicate your interest and involvement simply contact the Yes! We Care office on 3343 8242.