

18 March 2019

Dear Crossroads supporter,

It is with regret that I write to inform you that the Committee of Crossroads Prison Ministries Australia (Crossroads) has made the difficult decision to cease the employment of Mr Mike Eastman as the Director of Crossroads, effective 21 March 2019.

This decision has been made due to the increasingly difficult financial position that we find ourselves in as a ministry. We have reached a point whereby we simply cannot afford to employ Mike any longer.

The Committee would like to put on record our thanks to Mike for his leadership of Crossroads over the past 20 months, his godly example to the staff and mentors, his tireless work in publicly representing us around the country, and the enthusiasm and energy with which he has led us.

The Committee wish to make clear that this decision is not a reflection on the character or actions of Mike, which have always been above reproach.

Rather, this decision has been made with a heavy heart, as under Mike's leadership the ministry of Crossroads has grown considerably.

A number of wonderful initiatives have commenced, including a strengthening of our working relationships with other ministries, chaplains, and churches. These strengthened relationships are opening exciting opportunities for the Gospel.

Mike has also led new initiatives to improve and enlarge the ministry in PNG and the Solomon Islands, which have seen considerable growth in the number of students in our programs from these two countries.

We understand that this will be unexpected news for you, but be assured; God's work continues and He is in control of all things.

The work of Crossroads continues, and Jack, Robyn, Mary and our team of volunteers are hard at work processing lessons, and answering your calls, and will continue to run the office while the Committee seek a new, self funded, Director. In the interim I, in my role as President, will provide oversight of ministry and operations.

The Committee asks for prayer as we undertake the search for a new Director, and is grateful for your ongoing support of Crossroads.

Please also be praying for Mike and his family as they look forward to the next phase of their lives, and seek God's guidance as to where He would lead them to serve Him next, as well as praying for God's provision for them.

Mike will be continuing his theological studies at Christ College as a ministry student, and he and his family will always be dear friends of Crossroads.

If you have any questions about this decision, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Christ,



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