

Tikkun Olam is a core value of Kedem and underpins our social action commitment.

### **TIKKUN OLAM PROJECTS:**

#### **MITZVAH DAY – Sunday 19 November 2017 – 3 projects**

As part of Kedem's contribution to Mitzvah Day we will be collecting:

#### **1. SUNGLASSES NEW & PRE-LOVED PRESCRIPTION GLASSES**

Kedem will be collecting sunglasses and prescription glasses which will make their way to isolated villages in PNG. The office of Kelly O'Dwyer MP, Federal Member for Higgins will ensure the glasses are sent to Canberra, free of charge to Kedem. Warren Entsch MP, Federal Member for Leichhardt will organise the glasses to be taken to Cairns. Warren's wife Yolonde, volunteers on a YWAM ship (<https://ywamships.org.au/>) and will make sure the glasses go to people in desperate need who live in remote and isolated villages in Papua New Guinea.

**This charity is run completely by volunteers and relies heavily on donations.**

Please check the back of your drawers in the office, factory, home and the glovebox of your car. Pull out the glasses that you no longer need and donate them anytime between now and Mitzvah Day.

I have created a flyer which you may like to attach to a box and take to your optometrist. My optometrist has agreed to display a box in his store for customers to drop in their old glasses for recycling. Your optometrist maybe willing to the same. Flyers are available at Kedem services or I can email it to you.

**Drop off locations:** Kedem services at KDS or the office of Kelly O'Dwyer MP, Suite 1 / 1343 Malvern Rd., Malvern. For more information please contact: **Sylvie: 0413 223 102**

#### **2. DONATIONS of MEN'S CLOTHING (ON HOLD)**

**The Avalon Centre, 1936 Malvern Road, Malvern East – 9569 2240** <http://avaloncentre.org.au/>

#### **3. VOLUNTEER at the AVALON CENTRE**

Do you have time to volunteer for a few hours at the Avalon Centre? The centre could use an extra 5 people from Kedem to undertake various tasks on the day. Tasks may include: sorting of clothes, gardening, cleaning the kitchen and other areas of the centre. Please phone: **Sylvie: 0413 223 102**

#### **MAZON BIN**

Please consider bringing along to our Services a non-perishable food item with plenty of 'use by' date. A yellow and red Mazon Bin is brought out at each Service. The groceries go directly to **Christ Church Community Centre,**

**St.Kilda,** for their emergency relief pantry. For more information please contact: **Susan Kohn: 0408 349 292**

#### **BOOKS 4 PNG KIDS - [www.books4pngkids.org](http://www.books4pngkids.org)**

Do you have any pre-loved children's books in good condition? **No text books please.** The books will be forwarded, free of charge to remote villages in PNG. Please bring any books along to our services. If you are not a regular attendee but would like to donate books, please contact: **Judy Rassaby on 0419 315 248** to discuss collection.

For more information about Kedem's Tikkun Olam program please contact:

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*The Kedem community acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and offer our respects to the elders past and present. We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.*