

## 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear Friends of SUMMIT,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! I am writing this brief note this morning to represent our Pioneers refugee ministry in Sydney which many of you may know as the SUMMIT Network. Our SUMMIT team has been reaching out to the refugee community for almost 5 years now, in particular we have a significant connection with many refugee families from Afghanistan.

In this past week, we have, along with the local church in Australia, all experienced a level of distress alongside our Afghan friends at the emerging plight of the nation of Afghanistan and its people. In light of this, we have decided we would like to express our love and concern for our Afghan neighbors here in this city through the development of 'care boxes' for about 50 families in our network. Many of these families, along with experiencing the distress of their extended family and friends in Afghanistan being in crisis, are also under enormous economic and mental pressure with the current Sydney lockdown.

These 'care boxes' will contain key nutritious food, fruit and vegetables, mental health tools and activities, special Afghan sweets and goodies, items for children and youth, along with spiritual encouragement. Our intention is to express love and hope to these friends.

We welcome any contributions to this initial project. Our anticipated budget is at least \$5000. Contributions can be made to:

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Thank you for your support!

Grace and peace in Christ,

Ash Seaton Regional Leader, Pioneers Oceania CEO, Trellis Oceania Foundation Ltd



