## **BEYOND MORIALTA MISSION PROJECTS: SUGGESTIONS FOR 2019**

Three to be chosen: Your input invited!

#### 1. Frontier Services

Support our South Australian Bush Chaplain for the Sturt Parkin Patrol as he cares for farmers suffering from drought conditions and those suffering from mental illness.

### 2. Women's Empowerment & Poverty Alleviation in Bali

In rural areas there is considerable poverty and the voices of the poorest, especially women, are often not heard. Uniting World supports our local partners Bali Protestant Church in providing vocational skills training for income generation activities e.g. basket weaving & raising livestock, also support with health & hygiene services & education. This project is supported by the Australian Government through ANCP

*Impact*: Annually since 2010 micro enterprise training & support for 300 families; clean water for 100 families. In 2017 28 villages received access to better sanitation facilities thru WASH program.

3. Education & Support for Girl in India (Partner: Church of North India – Diocese of Amritsar)
In India the Dalit caste is the lowest within the caste system. Girls are more disadvantaged than boys in the poorest of the poor. Uniting World supports a girls' hostel for high quality education, accommodation and care during school term. Many are children of single parents.

Impact: Every year the program has provided for 20-25 girls.

#### 4. Healthy Families & Safe Communities in Kiribati

Kiribati has the highest level of violence against women in the Pacific. The reality of climate change means women bear the brunt as food and water become scarcer. Uniting World supports women to grow fresh vegetables in raised beds to improve health, promote food security and increase family income across the 16 islands. Partner: Kiribati Uniting Church (Women's Fellowship)

*Impact*: Over 800 families across 12 islands have received education in gardening nutrition, child protection & family relationships. 28 women have been trained as trainers

# 5. Education for Syrian Children in Lebanon

This project supports Syrian refugee children to access schooling in Lebanon. Working through ACT Alliance members in the region, including the Middle East Council of Churches and local churches in Lebanon, Uniting World supports the National Evangelical Synod of Syria & Lebanon focusing on training teachers & educating refugee children.

*Impact*: Supported ACT Alliance's efforts to repair drinking water, hand washing facilities & clean safe toilets in damaged schools in Syria which has helped 800 students and staff.

## 6. Education access in squatter settlement, Fiji

People from remote Fijian islands seeking work in Suva live in informal settlement in cobbled- together housing & no municipal infrastructure. While education is free, squatter children miss out because basic school supplies are unaffordable. Uniting World through its partner the Methodist Church in Fiji & Rotuma provides school badges, school uniform, school bag & a pair of school shoes. There are future plans for women's education.

Impact: In the last 5 years 500 children have gone to school - with 2 attending University