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Mary and Martha's Refuge

**"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell
you, whatever you did for one of
the least of these brothers and
sisters of mine, you did for me.'**

Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

In this Bible text, Jesus shared about
caring for others, Jesus is saying this...

**"Whatever you do for one of these
children, you do for me."**

Your ongoing support is needed to help our church continue the good work for children and families experiencing domestic violence. Mary & Martha's refuge offers help, security and support to women and children who come to our service at a time when there is nowhere safe for them to go. Here at Mary & Martha's women and children find safety, emotional support and a non-judgmental welcome on the start of their new path.

Mary & Martha's refuge has been part of our community and church mission since its inception by the Nazareth Lutheran Church in Woolloongabba more than 35 years ago. Last year the refuge helped 84 children and 43 women find a new path and new hope.

As well as the purpose-built accommodation we also provide a number of houses and units to those who require longer term support to re-establish a safe and normal life for themselves and their children. We could fill these houses many times over as the demand is very high.

Children are a large beneficiary of our service. This is a wonderful opportunity to assist the next generation to find a new path. With this responsibility and privilege in mind, your 2018 Lenten Appeal donation will enable more children to attend and experience the Christian influence of Lutheran Youth camps - a place where they can witness kindness, love and peace in the community. The camps are an opportunity for children to experience good role models, take a break from a stressful situation and to have fun.

An 11-year-old boy who went on a camp recently said:

“I got to do a lot of firsts, everyone was really nice.”

Our clients have access to a number of on-site programs:

- an art and music therapy program that enhances the parent-child attachment
- a parenting programme
- a male Mentor/ Volunteer who assists with children's activities
- chaplaincy
- dedicated children's worker who provides activities for children, social skills and some cooking
- support workers assist women to learn how to budget their money and how to cook on a budget

We are often unaware of this need in our community but through the Lutheran Services department of our Church we offer to those in need a safe place with your help, both by donation and prayer for those who are facing and who have faced domestic violence.

Thank you again for your help, prayers and gifts. God bless.
