

# Outreach Team supporting HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Upon Malaysia closing its borders on 17<sup>th</sup> March, the following news followed:

- The Ministry of Manpower (MOM) together with tripartite partners swiftly went into action to help find temporary accommodations for affected workers.
- Malaysian workers unable to find accommodation slept at MRT stations and other public spaces.



How distressing it was for the stranded workers who were totally unprepared for the situation!

Hence, the project HOME AWAY FROM HOME was started as a collaboration between a group of churches and NGOs to provide urgently needed shelter and solace for the stranded workers.

Transit Point @ Margaret Drive, occupying the premises formerly belonging to Queenstown Polyclinic, was only recently

opened as a shelter managed by New Hope Community Services (NHCS) to house the homeless. It is now used to temporarily accommodate some of the stranded Malaysian Workers.

