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New Life – CTA Easter Special

Three stories of hope at Easter

Christian Television Australia, in association with international aid agency Samaritan's Purse (SP) presents three stories of hope and new life at **12 midday, on Good Friday** on the Seven Network.

“Each of the stories comes out of disaster,” said host Karl Faase, Senior Pastor of Gymea Baptist Church. “We look at the work of Samaritan's Purse in helping people recover from the Victorian bushfires, the work they are doing to bring relief and aid to the people of Haiti and how they are helping communities in Cambodia recover from the tragedy of the Pol Pot era,” Karl said.

Marina Prior, an ambassador for Samaritan's Purse is also featured in the program. Marina has seen the work of Samaritan's Purse in Cambodia first hand, having visited the country a number of times.

“The key message of the program is that no matter what type of disaster occurs in the world, whether bushfire, earthquake or the disaster of man-made genocide, Christians and Christian organisations are found going towards the disaster to provide help and comfort,” Karl said.

“Like the first Good Friday, when the disciples of Jesus found themselves alone and without hope as they watched their leader led off to be tried and executed, people today face equally black situations. However in the same way the Australian bush regenerates after fire, the message of Easter is that there is always the hope of the resurrection,” Karl said.

Produced by Olive Tree Media for CTA, the program will air at 12 midday on the Seven Network, apart from Victoria where it will be seen after the conclusion of the annual telethon.

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