



*Do Everything for Love,
Even the Most Ordinary Things*

12 July 2016

Dear

An invitation: "ASPAC & You – JOINING HANDS"

We are very pleased to extend an invitation to you to join in our First Anniversary celebrations at a dinner to be held on **24 September 2016** at **SJK (C) Yuk Chai Taman Megah, Petaling Jaya**

AsPaC (ASSISI Palliative Care Berhad) –formerly known as Assunta Palliative Care Centre(AsPaCC) –was incorporated in July 2015 and is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital. We encountered many challenges during the last year when we lost few staff, had to move premises and start over again as a new entity.

We were forced to cut down the areas of service coverage until we overcome the shortage of nurses. Despite these difficulties, we have persevered.

- In 2015, we had 236 referrals from various hospitals. The Medical team made 1588 home visits and 68 hospital visits whilst the counsellors and medical social worker visits amounted to 485. 90 per cent of patients have advanced cancer .56% of all our patients are more than 60 years of age.
- We recruited new volunteers, implemented training programmes and now have selected volunteers making home visits. The patients and carers look forward to these visits and enjoy the attention and care. Hand and foot massages are offered and several patients have remarked '*I feel so pampered and special!*'
- New brochures have been created and we are currently working on the second edition of our ASPAC Newsletter which should be in circulation soon.

To cope with the demand for our services, we need to invest in a bigger multidisciplinary team .We are keen to include a physiotherapist and to recruit more nurses to the Team. We also need to invest in medical equipment (e.g oxygen concentrators that can deliver 10 liters /min) which can be loaned out (at no cost) to patients requiring high flow oxygen support at home. One unit costs approximately RM9,000.

As such, we are appealing for the support of generous Malaysians, both individuals and corporations, to assist us in this mission. Every contribution received is appreciated as these funds will go a long way to cover operational expenses that allow us to continue providing palliative care services **free of charge**.

Enclosed is a booking form. Kindly complete and return to us to confirm your reservation.

We thank you for your generosity and look forward to the pleasure of your company at our dinner on Saturday, 24th September 2016. Should you have any questions, please call Mr. Boey (013-380 4681) or Julia (016- 6283950)

Yours sincerely
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