

Diocese of False Bay

Social Development Department Board

Message of Support

COVID-19 has the world halted and hopefully in reflective and prayerful mode. 2019 the world was doing its thing – financially and otherwise, but it was a downward spiral. Something unbeknown to us captured the world. It is called novel because it was new. We were

As always, the Diocesan Social Development Department rose to the challenge on grassroots, and with the leadership of our Bishop, clergy and people helped to address the challenges of hunger, and need for clothing, and other essentials, even masks for the clergy.

I am very grateful to have been part of SocDev. My life and ministry have been deeply enriched by the learning I made through interaction with staff and programs. Your dedication is beyond question and your commitment extraordinary. Your compassion for people and their holistic development is evident.

We, as a Diocese, are very privileged to have a department of such value operating with diminishing resources, under strict regulations with so much focus on the tasks.

The future, both immediate and long term, looks perplexing. But we serve the God of the ages from whom our help comes. We know that SocDev will continue to play a pivoting role ensuring that our Diocese addresses the issues of Social development amongst the least of our sisters and brothers; and with the wider community of our nation will heed the call of Jesus – ‘to serve and not be served, and to give ourselves for the liberation of many.’

Love and blessings.

The Ven Rodney Whiteman

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