



SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH



# THE CHURCH : BODYLIFE (SOCIAL CONCERN SUNDAY)

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# HOW ARE YOU COPING?

... in one 'covid-instance', many things have *changed*.

1. On-line service & in-person service
2. Every Sunday is now "*Family Worship Sundays*"!
3. < *Wait* for next slide! >





Oh, wow!

Online Viewers/  
Devices



9:20 am  
FB-live start

10:00 am  
Service begins

11:20 am approx  
End of Service



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(Luke 10: 25-26)



# Social Concern

# Social Compassion

Part 1 of 3



Acts of **kindness**  
Acts of **mercy**  
Heart of **caring, helping** others

## Luke 10: 25 - 37



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He answered, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “**And who is my neighbor?**”

## Luke 10: 30 - 37



30 In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.

A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity (*had compassion*) on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.



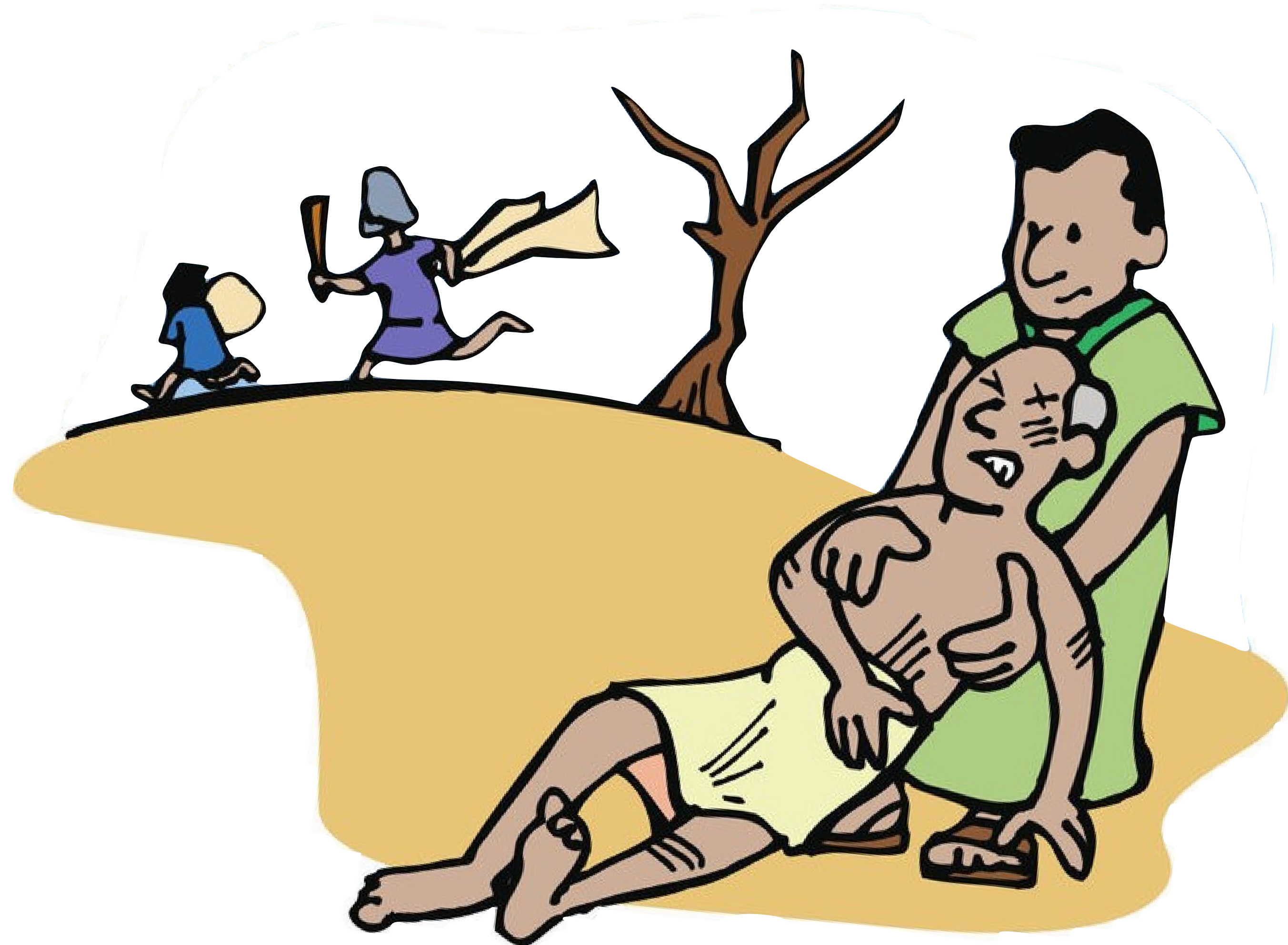
## Luke 10: 30 - 37



36 “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

37 The expert in the law replied,  
“The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “**Go and do likewise.**”





1. What did the Samaritan do?  
Why did he do it?
2. Was it troublesome, difficult, or cost him a lot (of money, time and energy) to help?
3. What happened to the first two men?



***ACTION***

I want to to be a neighbour to somebody this week!

# The Church: **Body Life**

Part 2 of 3



*And Christ is the head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead,  
so that in everything he might have the supremacy. (Col 1:18).*



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Part 2 of 3



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- 2. the body works together*
- 3. the body grows together in maturity, holiness, unity and Christ-likeness*
- 4. the body is accountable to one another, . . .*
- 5. the body ministers to each other and beyond (to society)*

*(6). the body is commanded by its head, Jesus Christ, to go and make disciples of all nations ... to bring forth the KoG.*

*Oh wow! It's very much about Transforming Lives - Expanding His Kingdom!*



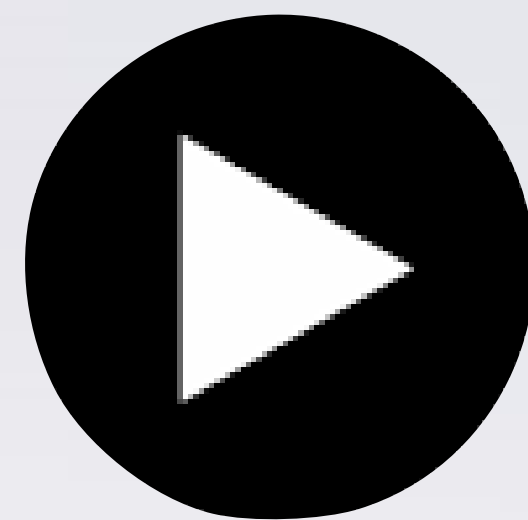
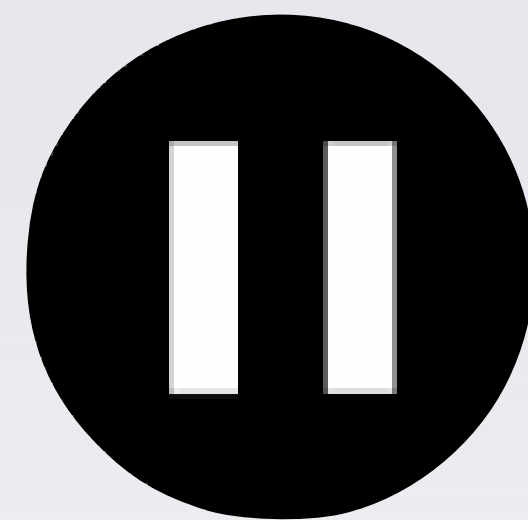
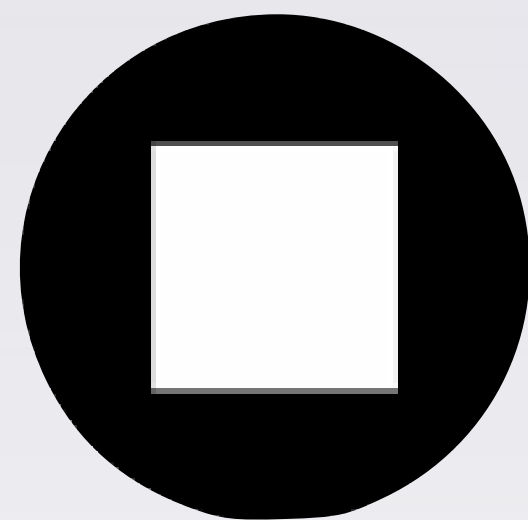
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# Matthew 24 - 25 ... while **WAITING** for JESUS



24:36-44	The Day & the hour unknown	keep watch, don't be surprised!
24:45-51	Faithful & Unfaithful Servants	@work, discipleship, active involvement
25:1-13	Parable of the Ten Bridesmaid	prepared, even if there is " <i>delay</i> "
25:14-30	Parable of the Talents	invest, stewardship, occupy till I come (KJV)
25:31-46	Parable of the Sheep & Goats	While WAITING, <b>continue to serve &amp; care for one another</b>



## Matthew 25: 31- 40

31 “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, He will sit on His glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on His right and the goats on His left.

“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.

## Matthew 25: 31- 40



**35 For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited Me in,  
36 I needed clothes and you clothed Me, I was sick and you looked after Me, I was in prison and you came to visit Me.'**

37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You something to drink? 38 When did we see You a stranger and invite You in, or needing clothes and clotheY? 39 When did we see You sick or in prison and go to visit You?'

Sheep surprised!

**40 "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: 31- 40



41 “Then He will say to those on His left, ‘Depart from Me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave Me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave Me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not invite Me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe Me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after Me.’

44 “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see Yhungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help You?’

45 “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for Me.’

46 “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

Goats likewise surprised!

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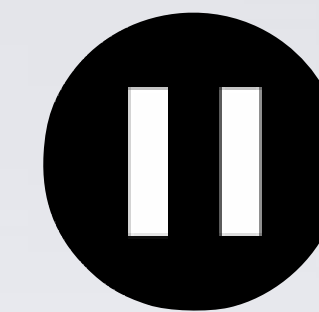
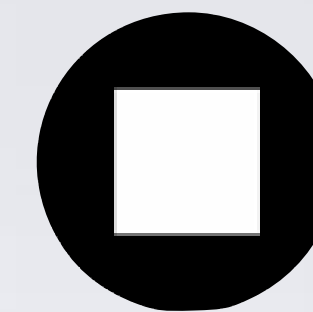
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- Jesus identifies with His Church  
(bros & sis /one of the the least of these /sheep).
- “We are to wait for Jesus’ second coming as people whose lives are so transformed by the gospel that we, *unselfconsciously*, serve other brothers and sisters in Christ.” - D.A. Carson

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We are to Love, Help, Care & Serve  
**one another** as brothers and sisters  
- That’s BodyLife!



# The Church: **Body Life**

## ( Social Concern Sunday )



Part 3 of 3:  
Stories



# Aid & Relief

Part 3 of 3



## SSMC Covid-19 Funds



in-kind  
contributions

Hands & Feet



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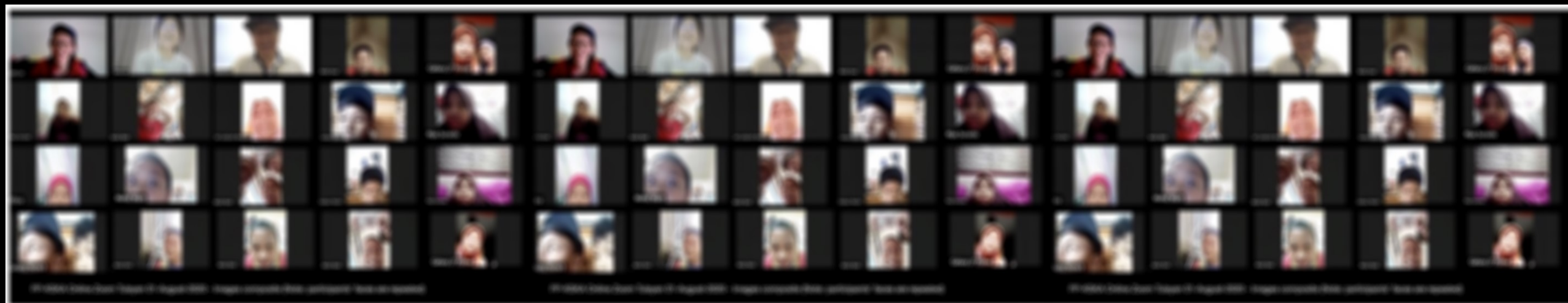
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concluding remarks

# 1. NEEDS for Education



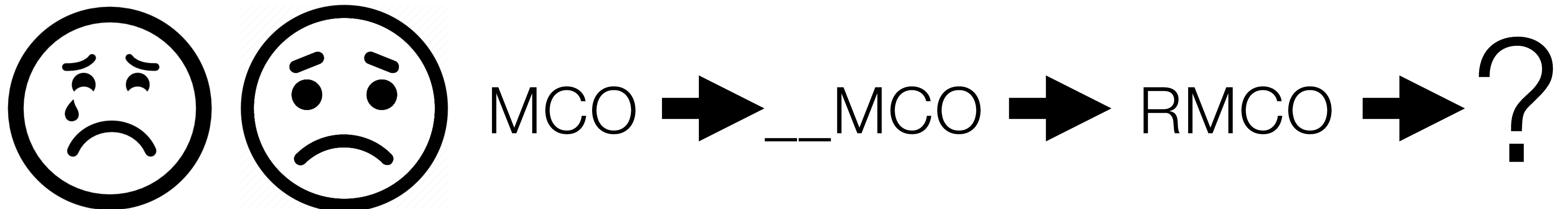
- ◆ Tech-Rangers
- ◆ Facilitators for “*Kursus Keluarga*” (Parents’ Group)
- ◆ Online / hybrid Tuition Teachers



# 2. NEEDS for Income Generation



- ◆ Very contextual
- ◆ End-to-end
- ◆ Customised
- ◆ . . .



# FOCUS



## Short-term

- ◆ Food Aid & Relief, connecting

## Longer-term

- ◆ Education
- ◆ Income Generation



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our “WAITING” stance . . .

***Go***