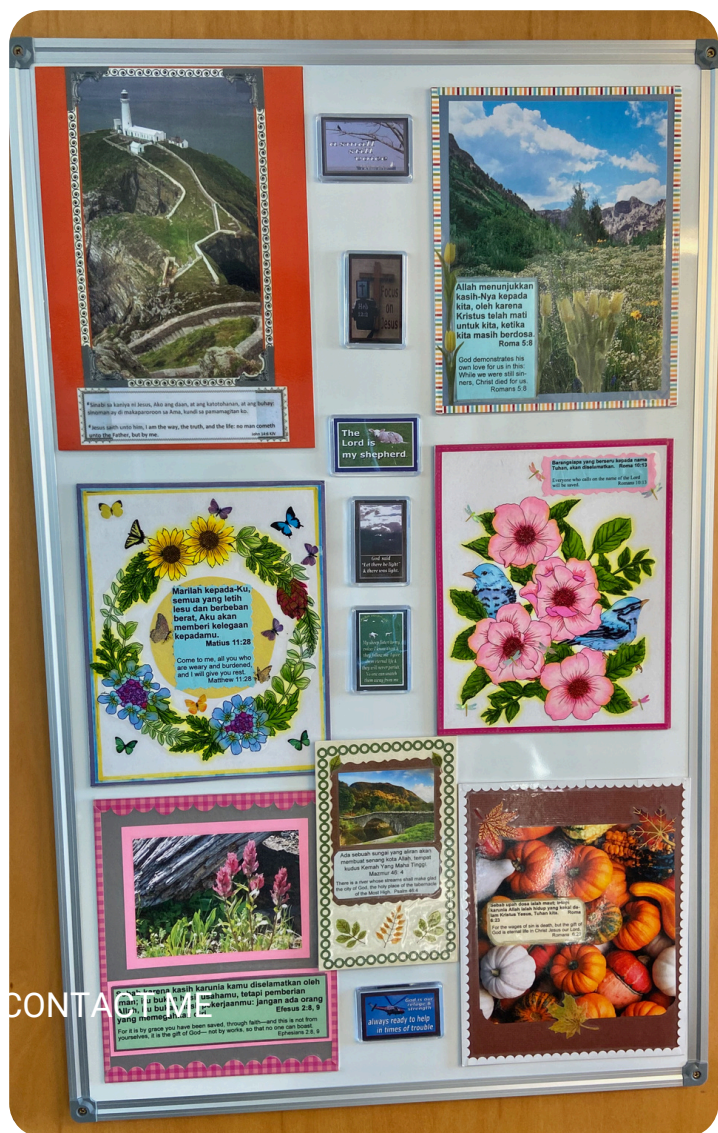




# More about volunteers helping to develop the Montrose Port Mission gifts.....

**GOSPEL MESSAGE PICTURES:** A missionary couple provided us with all we needed to make and display our messroom messages and fridge magnets. Being magnetised these A4 sized laminated pictures are easily displayed on the steel messroom and cabin walls where they can, over time, help crew memorise the scripture verses explained during our visits as the verses are in both their home languages and English.

**These gifts are displayed on two panels in the Cabin.**

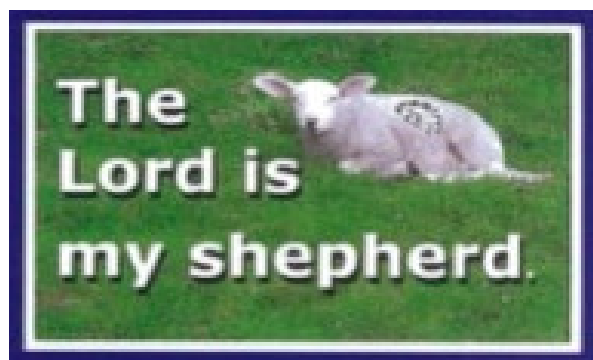


Filipino crew often ask us for fridge magnets as they collect mementos of ports they have visited.

Our magnets are all scripture verses.

Crew selecting a particular picture or verse also provide opportunities for significant conversations.

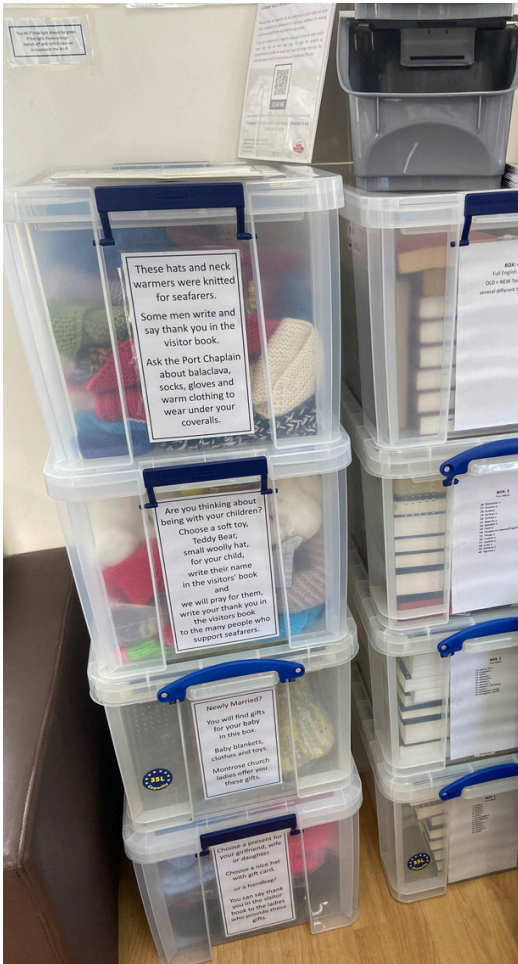
## Example Fridge Magnet



# Our Scripture Picture Gifts Help Crew Reflect on Our Messages.



# Donated Gifts of Woollen Hats, Neck Warmers, Balaclava, Toiletries, Bibles and Children's Storybook Bibles can be accessed by crew from labelled boxes in the cabin.

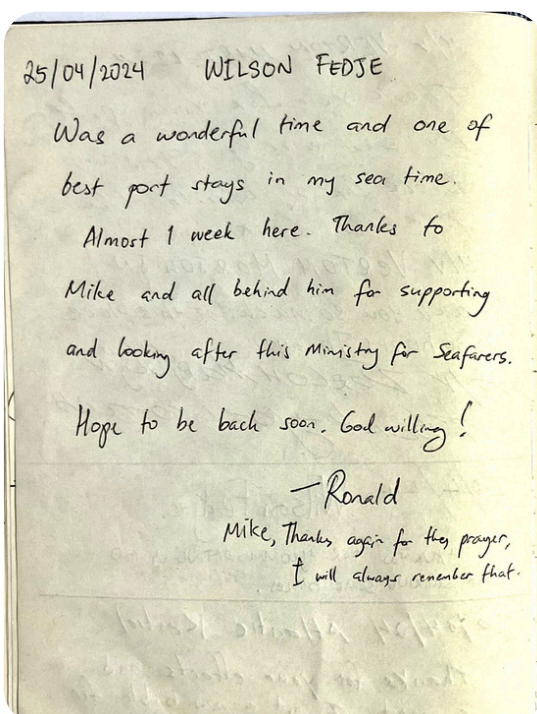


We try to offer resources meaningful to tired seafarers'.

Resources ranging from a guitar with praise and worship song books to a radio and CD/DVD players and displays of books in 90+ home languages.

The Cabin being unmanned during the late evenings when crew most often have off duty time the boxes are labelled inviting individuals to help themselves.

Some crew are unsure about helping themselves from the woollen hats, neck warmers and balaclava, warm clothing to wear under their coveralls, toiletries and suggested presents for the family, soft toys, ladies toiletries and hand bags and children's story book Bibles.



The box labels remind that the visitors book provides an opportunity to thank Jesus and the people of His Church for His kindness.

**Montrose Port Mission has a focus on resourcing Filipino fathers with children's storybook Bibles to help them develop their English language reading skills.**

**The Seafarer's Cabin book displays offer a range of books which we gift to those prepared to commit to such a challenging project.**

**DO YOU READ TO YOUR CHILDREN ?**

This is a challenge to help fathers inform their interest in their children's education during the short times they have at home.

This crew took turns in reading aloud an illustrated study Bible overcoming any embarrassment, relaxing in sharing their questions and understandings, enjoying this weekly social activity. They were well prepared as fathers to help their children and grandchildren during their time at home in the Philippines.



**We offer these books in the context of counselling how crew can study in pairs or in this case we were mightily blessed with a whole crew Bible study group. Whilst at sea they devoted time together developing the reading and study skills which will help their children focus on their school work. (the curriculum in the Philippines is taught in English).**



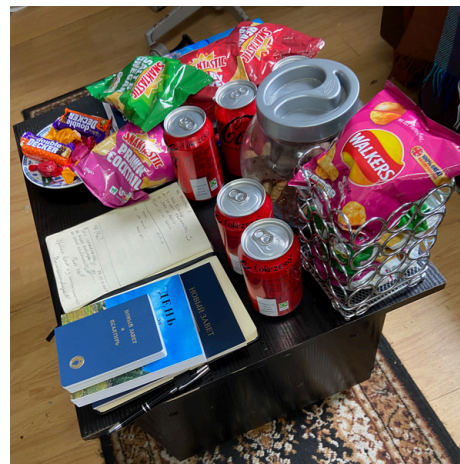
This crew maintained their weekly Bible study and worship over seven months.

# We do enjoy those times when crew are free to return with us to the Seafarer's Cabin .....

Given the opportunity we enjoy hosting some 'quality' time in the Seafarers Cabin for crew when their day time work schedule allows.

Here Loyota woke his wife (it was 23:00 in the Philippines) to take her shopping to choose a handbag having reminded him that the ladies prefer to make their own choice!

Quality time with crew in the cabin also enables us to help fathers choose story book Bibles appropriate for the reading age of their children as you can see Loyota below with a book for his 7 year old son.



Our message is "WELCOME"

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