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Many of us are familiar with Faith, Hope and Love as the three enduring tenets of our practical spirituality. However, during this past year I have learnt more about the importance of Hope and the role it plays in my heart and life. The story below inspired me to see that.

Raniero Cantalamessa (Catholic Cardinal) wrote "These great virtues of faith, hope and love are like three sisters. Two of them are grown and the other is a small child. They go forward together hand in hand, with the child Hope in the middle. Looking at them it would seem that the bigger ones are pulling the child, but it is the other way around; it is the little girl who is pulling the two bigger ones. It is hope that pulls faith and love. Without hope everything would stop."

As we come into the new autumn season with some remaining uncertainty about the future, it is crucial that we embrace and lean on God's Hope. We have spent the past month updating and producing our Knife and Gang Crime project, Switch Up, with a new script and a new set. At the end of September we held an open performance, and one of the police officers who attended said "***Absolutely fantastic, moving, strong messages, inspirational story which will support everyone's mission in reducing and tackling knife crime***".

For this essential work to continue we need to invest in two new large TV screens, stands and protective flight cases, along with a QLab video license. We also need to replace several MacBook computers used for our productions as most of our current ones are 5-7 years old and showing significant signs of wear. Currently, we are exploring a new project for Secondary School students requiring VR headsets which we also need to purchase. Accordingly, we would like to raise £20,000 to cover the costs of this new equipment. If you are able to give a one-off donation and equip us to invest in these much needed resources, our work and ministry would be hugely blessed. Please find enclosed a response form and reply stamped envelope.

With grateful thanks and blessings,

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