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WE LOVE YOU
FOR YOUR
WORK AND
COMPASSION.
THANK YOU.

DR BERNARD SABELLA,
DSPR, PALESTINE

From the first Christmas Appeal in December 1945, New Zealanders have responded to people in need. Christian World Service has helped millions of people survive war and disaster, improve their livelihoods, stand up for human rights and challenge those that exploit and maim. Long before ‘resilience’ became the measure of a community, our partners put down the roots to build skills and strong connections that can transform lives.

In the past year we have taken time to remember the launch of the first Christmas Appeal by Archbishop West-Watson. Writing in *The Press* he appealed for donations for the “millions in the east and the west who are hungry, cold, and homeless”. To celebrate 70 years of service, business journalist and prominent Anglican Rod Oram presented a lecture “How Small Change makes Big Change” in Auckland and Christchurch. The video is available on our YouTube channel along with messages from partners and friends.

Strategic Report

In 2015 CWS embarked on a new strategic plan to further our global vision of a world free from poverty and injustice. The plan is divided into five strategic areas of work:

1. Partners: Our engagement with worldwide partners fulfils our vision.

CWS supports the community development work and provides humanitarian assistance to 19 partners in 16 countries. Income generation and food security have been high priorities for many of our partners. The challenges of climate change, conflict, displaced people, inequality and the unrelenting pressures on the world’s poorest and most vulnerable people make this support more important than ever. Preparing in case of disaster is becoming a key priority for partners working in areas vulnerable to flood, typhoons, drought and rising sea levels.

The plight of refugees from conflict zones has continued to be the primary focus of our humanitarian work over the past year. To this end we commend the work of the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees our oldest partner (since 1949) which has stretched

resources to meet the needs of refugees in Gaza, Jordan, Lebanon, and the West Bank. DSPR has proven the value of longstanding, local partners as the best means of giving refugees the chance to rebuild their own lives with dignity and respect.

This work was helped by contributions from the Christchurch Diocese, David Ellison Trust, Snowden Watts Trust, William Walters Trust, the Prince Albert Trust, the Special Project of the Methodist Women’s Fellowship and Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa, the World Day of Prayer and the Methodist Connexion.

Two government grants for partner Ama Takiloa enabled Tongan women to repair rainwater tanks, improve livelihoods and better prepare for disaster. After discussions with CWS, the Rev. Jill MacDonald of the Waitaki Presbyterian Church set up North Otago Tonga Engagement (NOTE) which raised funds for water tanks in the Hihifo district in Tongatapu installed in July 2016.

In February CWS supported Fiji partner, SEEP (Social Empowerment Education Programme) to deliver food, hygiene, building and other supplies to remote inland communities in Viti Levu and Vanua Levu, and fishing communities on Vanua Levu after Cyclone Winston.

In late 2015 CWS received \$70,600 from the government for Syrian refugees in Jordan. The Presbyterian Global Mission Office and Methodist Mission and Ecumenical helped us maximise funding.

2. Maintaining the Organisation: Sufficient capacity, skilled capability, good practice and integrity depicts our organisation.

All partner churches are now represented on the CWS Board. New Board members are David Fielding for the Anglican Church and Graham French for the Society of Friends (Quakers). The new governance structure incorporates an annual Supporters’ Council to provide greater accountability and an opportunity for supporters to respond to the work of the organisation. The first two meetings were well attended and the next will be held in Auckland on Friday 16 September.

On July 1st CWS became an accredited Living Wage employer. We will apply for associate membership of the Dialogue on Christian Unity after attending the inaugural meeting in February.

We were grateful for advice from the Interchurch Bureau to update our Health and Safety Policies and Practices.

3. Income and Finance: Resource and support programmes that realise our vision of a world free of poverty and injustice.

In June we piloted a new fundraising programme Operation Refugee modelled on the successful campaign run by our Australian counterparts, Act for Peace. From 16 to 20 June 73 people lived on the same rations as a Syrian refugee, raising \$41,366 by August 2016, over budget. The money will fund the Department Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) working with Syrian Refugees in Jordan and Lebanon.

Operation Refugee is an example of our attention to finding diversified income streams. More churches marked Refugee Sunday on the Sunday after World Refugee Day (June 20) in the Methodist/Presbyterian Lectionary and the first Sunday in July in the Anglican calendar. In 2016 churches supported Syrian refugees.

The face of the 2015 Christmas Appeal was a young Sudanese refugee carrying her rock or seat to school in a refugee camp. The focus was on five partners showing how they Help Rebuild Lives. We are grateful to the Rev. Dr Geoff King for preparing the accompanying worship resources. The Christmas Appeal remains the major fundraiser. Gifted, Regular giving, @world appeals, Emergency Appeals and Operation Refuge made a significant contribution to our budget.

4. Advocacy and Education: Advocacy and education for justice and peace sustain our purpose.

The plight of refugees continued to be a significant focus of our advocacy and education work. According to UNHCR (the United Nations agency for refugees) an unprecedented 65.3 million people fled their homes in 2015. CWS is grateful to parishes who are involved

HIGHLIGHTS



CWS visited partners in the Middle East, Sri Lanka and Tonga.



Successful launch of Operation Refugee Challenge with 73 participants who raised funds for Syrian Refugees.



Rod Oram spoke in Auckland and Christchurch on “How Small Change Makes Big Change” as part of the 70th anniversary celebrations.



Raised \$88,337 for Fiji following Cyclone Winston.



CWS advocated for people displaced by war and conflict.



Ran the 70th Christmas Appeal.

“CWS’s distinctive model of partnership - working at the grassroots with vulnerable and marginalised people and trusting the community to know what is needed and how best to make it happen. This model of partnership is now accepted as good development practice and one of the underlying values of the UNDP. CWS was a pioneer in this partner-led approach.” *Helen Clark, Administrator UNDP.*

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in resettling refugees in Aotearoa New Zealand and/or support the campaign to Double the Quota. More parishes are using the worship resources we prepare for Refugee Sunday.

In September 2015 the United Nations endorsed a fifteen-year global agenda for sustainable development aimed at developed and developing countries. The seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) build on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and address the structural drivers of poverty. This year I met with representatives from most political parties to discuss the SDGs and how New Zealand should respond to them.

5. Telling our stories: By sharing our stories and our mission we inspire and engage New Zealanders.

We are most grateful to church media for the very good coverage of CWS stories. We know from a survey in February 2016 that they are read by our supporters. Stories on Operation Refugee appeared in the NZ Herald and on Life FM (Auckland).

The 2015 Christmas Appeal was the 70th anniversary of the first Christmas Appeal. Celebrations were held in Christchurch and Auckland. To mark the anniversary CWS organised two public addresses by prominent Anglican and business journalist Rod Oram “How Small Change Makes Big Change”. The video of the Christchurch address and messages from some partners and supporters including Helen Clark are available from the website.

CWS Update was sent out to those on our mailing list. It offers short snippets of information, reports from our partners and issues of concern.

Bequests

Our grateful thanks for bequests left by Don Bennett, the Miss A M Carson Charitable Trust, Patricia Hulks, Robin M Norris, Alan Rowe, Metropolitan Community Church in Auckland (from Jack Swindells Estate) and George W Stewart. A special thanks to those who made donations in memory of those who died.

Acknowledgements

Firstly, thanks to the generosity of many people who have made possible the work done over the last 70 years. In particular, we are grateful to the Anglican Mission Board, Global Missions of the Presbyterian Church, Mission and Ecumenical of the Methodist Church and Quaker Peace and Service for supporting humanitarian appeals. Thanks to Rod Oram and partners and friends for messages for the 70th anniversary. Thanks to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for matching funding to Ama Takiloa and DSPR Jordan and Lebanon.

Special thanks to Luxon’s Advertising, Marcus Thomas Design, Meta Digital and Wickliffe’s for their support. Without the dedicated effort of our mail out and office volunteers, Board and Working Group members, and many advocates and supporters throughout the country, we could not do as much as we do.

Our heartfelt thanks to our skilled partners who are making sure many more families escape poverty and violence. We are working together to end poverty and injustice.



**NATIONAL DIRECTOR
PAULINE MCKAY**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN PARTNERSHIPS WORLDWIDE

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Africa

In Sierra Leone the Council of Churches in Sierra Leone to fund participation in vocational training programmes for Ebola widows and for young Ebola survivors.

In South Sudan the Maridi Service Agency relocated the High School after a major attack that forced 30,000 people to flee the town. Despite the difficult start 173 students passed their exams and 272 completed the year at Bimongo and Geroze Nursery Schools. There was a high number of dropouts in all schools. Maridi FM, vocational training, micro credit and the HIV and AIDS programme continued. 52 of 782 clients tested positive for HIV were enrolled for treatment. Relief assistance was provided.

In Uganda the Centre for Community Solidarity worked with 25 associations of HIV and AIDS affected families to build 45 new water tanks. CCS offered training on farming, environmental protection, HIV and AIDS awareness, and improved hygiene and sanitation practices. 240 piglets were distributed to widows from the piggery project.

Regional Total \$65,040

Asia

In South India, support was given to Neythal for food, clothing and other assistance to poor people who did not receive government relief after flooding in Cuddalore District. Neythal worked with poor fisherfolk, helping set up new businesses and advocating for their rights and income. EKTA ran training events on gender justice in schools and colleges. They ran meetings in 20 villages attended by 3,005 women and men on women's participation in local panchayat or council elections. A highlight was the One Billion Rising event. Women Development Resource Centre/Federation for Dalit Women Empowerment worked with Dalit and Tribal women to improve incomes, access government entitlements and respect for human rights. 187 women were trained to run credit unions and the women labourers' bank. They organized training including on eco-agriculture, children's rights,

women's health, women's political participation. The Human Rights Foundation trained women elected to local panchayats and advocated for women and Dalit representation. Social Action for New Development ran 110 training events in 92 villages on organic farming, local democracy, health and education.

In Nepal ACT Alliance Nepal undertook earthquake recovery work. In the first year, 14,627 households received cash support to provide shelter and winterization, 270 water systems were installed and 2,502 toilets were built in schools and communities. They have started schemes to replace rural livelihoods and businesses and established microcredit schemes. By January 2016, 243,287 individuals had taken part in psychosocial programmes.

In Pakistan Community World Service provided emergency medical relief and health education to people affected by the Afghanistan Pakistan earthquake in October and the May 2016 heatwave.

In the Philippines Developers Foundation worked to improve livelihoods and organised community meetings to look at long term economic development on the coast of Aklan province. Help was given for the repair of nine schools.

In Sri Lanka Devasarana helped Tamils returning home to reestablish farms with tools, plants, livestock and training in organic production. The Movement for Land and Agricultural Reform (Monlar) met regularly with government officials on plans to expand eco-agriculture. 20 model farms using eco-agriculture methods were established bringing the total to 127 in 6 provinces - 250 new farmers adopted these methods. Monlar campaigned against the use of glyphosate, the Colombo port and for the return of confiscated land in Panama village. The Women's Centre trained more than 150 new workers in the north and east on social and labour issues. They promoted relationships between Tamil and Sinhala workers. The workers helped 22 Tamil women returning to the north improve their livelihoods, and gave legal advice to 35 women in 2015.

Regional Total \$465,941

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Latin America

In Ecuador ACT Alliance helped families affected by the April earthquake with water, sanitation, community based psychosocial support and non-food items.

In Haiti Institut Culturel Karl Lévéque (ICKL) supported educational advisers, provided books, uniforms, equipment, and subsidised teacher salaries for 3 rural schools.

In Nicaragua Consejo de Iglesias Evangélicas Pro-Alianza Denominacional (CEPAD) trained 328 farmers in integrated eco-agriculture methods, built 3250 metres of irrigation ditches and established 41 nurseries. Production was significantly down because of extensive drought. Young people gave 65 talks to children as part of the psychosocial programme and 105 children attended environmental workshops in Matagalpa. 198 women planted patio gardens and 70 women set up small businesses.

Regional Total \$38,869

Middle East

In Iran Community World Service Asia provided relief to Iraqi refugees sheltering in Iran.

In Palestine/Lebanon/Jordan/Israel Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees provided support to Palestinian and Syrian refugees ranging from primary health care clinics to preschools and vocational training programmes. There were 12,235 children enrolled for primary health care in Gaza's three clinics.

In Jordan/Lebanon DSPR expanded health, education and relief efforts to refugees from Syria. They reached 51,660 people with food parcels, non-food items, blankets, and training programmes. 1,031 Syrian were referred for further treatment from free medical days. In Lebanon, DSPR prepared 298 Syrian students to sit final exams but only 200 took the dangerous trip to Damascus. They negotiated for an additional 100 students to join them. There was a 70% pass rate overall. DSPR is the only NGO in Lebanon giving young refugees this opportunity.

Regional Total \$301,987

Pacific

In the region the Pacific Conference of Churches ran workshops and shared information on issues such as climate change, self-determination and violence.

In Samoa the Family Centre assisted families recover from weather events.

In Tonga the Tonga Community Development Trust Ama Takiloa programme trained 3,111 women on more productive home gardens, to improve household water supply and family income, and disaster preparedness.

In Vanuatu ACT Alliance completed its response and evaluation after Cyclone Pam.

Regional Total \$320,390

In Aotearoa/New Zealand CWS contributed to the advocacy work of Peace Movement Aotearoa, community-based post-earthquake support by Te Whare Roimata plus the visit of Rev Socratez Yoman.

Total \$4,600

International

CWS contributed core funding and to the Rapid Response Fund of ACT Alliance, and as an associate member of the Core Humanitarian Standard.

Total \$10,022

Appraisal, Monitoring and Evaluation

CWS visited Ama Takiloa on three occasions as well as Devasarana, Monlar and the Women's Centre in Sri Lanka. It participated in the DSPR Roundtable in Jordan and visited Palestinian and Syrian refugee programmes in Jordan and Lebanon. Staff attended meetings with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the National Disaster Relief Fund. Reports on these visits and other evaluations were considered by the International Programmes Working Group on behalf of the CWS Board.

Total \$16,056

Total Programme Funding \$1,125,058

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

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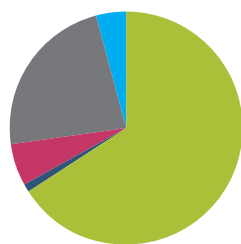
INCOME

Christmas Appeal	\$ 412,873
Regular Appeals	\$ 231,585
General Donations	\$ 233,415
Designated Donations - Development (including Gifted, Operation Refugee)	\$ 205,950
Bequests	\$ 84,544
Designated Donations - Emergency	\$ 215,156
Grants (Church and Trust)	\$ 31,534
Government Funds	\$ 441,329
Other Income	\$ 47,114
Interest	\$ 35,102
Total Income	\$ 1,938,604

EXPENDITURE

International Programmes Funding	\$ 1,273,700
Other (including AME)	\$ 15,573
Education and Relationships	\$ 13,700
Promotions	\$ 119,994
Coordination (including all staffing costs and depreciation)	\$ 447,259
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,870,227
Excess of Income over Expenditure	\$ 68,377

HOW WE USED OUR INCOME 2015-16



- International Programmes 66%
- Education and Relationships 1%
- Promotion 6%
- Coordination (including staff costs and depreciation) 23%
- Excess income over expenditure 4%

This summary is taken from the full statement of accounts prepared for audit. The full audited accounts and annual review will be available after they have been accepted by the Annual General Meeting.

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE WORKING WITH PARTNER CHURCHES

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Christian World Service is the development, justice and aid organisation of the partner churches in Aotearoa New Zealand. The primary objects for which the Trust is established are:-

- (a) to support groups around the World who are working to overcome poverty and injustice in their own communities;
- (b) to respond effectively and efficiently to emergency situations around the world;
- (c) to encourage people in Aotearoa New Zealand to understand the causes of poverty and injustice and participate in action to overcome them;
- (d) to encourage theological reflection on the work of Christian World Service and to foster spiritualities which sustain people in their struggle;
- (e) to carry on any other charitable object which the Christian World Service Board considers would directly or indirectly advance the charitable objects of the Trust

Working with partner churches

- › Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
- › Methodist Church of New Zealand
- › Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand
- › Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
- › Christian Churches New Zealand

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CWS is a member of the ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together), a coalition of more than 140 churches and affiliated organisations who work in 140 countries to create positive and sustainable change for people. The work encompasses development, humanitarian assistance and advocacy.

CHS Alliance

CWS is an associate member of the CHS Alliance (merged with Humanitarian Accountability Partnership), the National Disaster Relief Forum, the Council for International Development, the Fair Trade Association of Australia New Zealand and a member of Fairtrade Australia and New Zealand. CWS adheres to the CID Code of Conduct.

Christian World Service makes sure people have food, water, dignity and justice. We work with committed partners in 20 countries to strengthen communities, cope with challenges like climate change, conflict and the loss of livelihoods. They are teaching poor people to set up businesses, practise eco-agriculture and influence the decisions that affect their lives. When disaster strikes, they know who needs help first and how to make it happen. Poor people can rely on our partners for the long term support money can't buy. We provide help where needed, regardless of race, religion or region, and address the causes of poverty as well as its effects.

CWS welcomes feedback on its operations. If you have specific questions or complaints about our work, please contact the National Director Pauline McKay in the first instance. CWS works within ACT Alliance policies and adheres to the CID Code of Conduct. If you are not satisfied with our response, contact code@cid.org.nz or find more details about how to make a complaint at www.cid.org.nz/about-2/code-of-conduct/.

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