DIRECTORS IMPACT REPORT 2019

International Needs New Zealand





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Annual Report of International Needs New Zealand for the year ended 31 December 2019

About Us

Registration

International Needs New Zealand (INNZ) is registered in New Zealand under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 and the Charities Act 2005 (charity registration CC10941).

Purpose

INNZ aims to connect Christian partners in effective evangelism, discipleship and community development. INNZ is a member of International Needs Incorporated, a worldwide partnership of Christian organizations fulfilling the commission of Jesus Christ, supporting each other to see transformed lives, families and communities.

Our vision to *transform lives* and *change communities*, with the inspiration and love that comes from Jesus Christ. International Needs is a Christian mission organisation, committed to restoring the lives of those in the poorest countries of the world. Based on its Christ centered values and over 45 years of professional expertise, International Needs New Zealand is supporting communities across the world to share the love of Jesus and the hope found in His message of salvation and freedom.

International Needs New Zealand works closely with International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust, which helps to provide aid and support in areas of community development and projects.



<u>Values</u>

In carrying out its aims and purposes, INNZ operates within the following key values:

- Bible-basedChristian values
- Evangelism
- National leadership
- Holistic development and capacity building

- Transparency and integrity
- Nondiscrimination

and social justice

- Stewardship
- Fiscal integrity

Self-sufficiency

Governance

INNZ is governed by a board of trustees, usually consisting of eight persons: Peter Sara (chair), David Hughes (vice-chair), Malcolm Taylor (treasurer), Robyn Cotton, Daniel Gibbons, Sarah Markley, Geoff Warne (secretary) and Rabena Tanielu.

Code of conduct

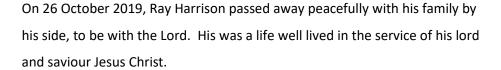
INNZ as a member of International Needs Incorporated subscribes to its Statement of Faith. Persons wishing to lodge any feedback about INNZ's conduct can do so by contacting the Executive Director director@internationalneeds.org.nz or the Chair chairman@internationalneeds.org.nz

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INNZ Chair's Report





Like Jesus, he was a revolutionary. Turning the whole idea of cross cultural missions on its head with the notion of local nationals reaching their own, better than outsiders. Those of us who knew Ray, miss his genial and gracious good nature. He was always encouraging, always full of hope and faith. Our task, now that "Moses is dead", is to take Ray's wonderful vision on to whatever level we can achieve, facing, like Joshua our latter day giants such as secularism, consumerism and perhaps the deadliest of all, individualism.

Ray's unfailing calmness in the face of many trials and troubles was borne out of his absolute conviction about the truth of Jesus' own promise: "And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age".

His unwavering commitment to support nationals to do the work of the Gospel in their own nations was not borne out of sterile theory, but rather his relationships with his brothers and sisters from other nations whom he loved.

May we prove to be worthy of the confidence Ray placed in us all and remember that He who began a good work in us is sure to complete it.

Peter Sara

Chair



Dear valued friends of International Needs New Zealand.

Thank you to all our supporters throughout New Zealand, helping our partners to impact lives around the world.

For over 45 years, International needs has served to see thousands of lives be transformed, their communities changed and the transformation of many with the gospel of Jesus Christ.



Your generosity, enthusiasm and commitment has been instrumental to helping change.

Today, our partners around the world have reached more people groups than ever before with the message of love, hope and salvation. New Zealanders are supporting more than 110 national church and community workers across sixteen countries. They continue to inspire and challenge the status quo in their own communities as they see lives transformed and communities changed.

2019 was an inspirational year, where all our partners gathered together in Slovakia for the IN Global Conference. I was inspired by the love of our partners and the passion that they have in their hearts to see their own nations transformed.

Can I please encourage you to continue supporting these local nationals so that we can witness the growth and spread of God's word across the nations.

It is always inspiring to read the reports from those we support, not only how they are enduring hardships, but also the love and peace that is seen in the eyes of those receiving the joyful message of Christ's love and redemption.

I sincerely appreciate your faithfulness and encouragement over the years and on behalf of the many people that we serve, thank you for continuing to be part of our International Needs story.

Shawn Sutcliffe

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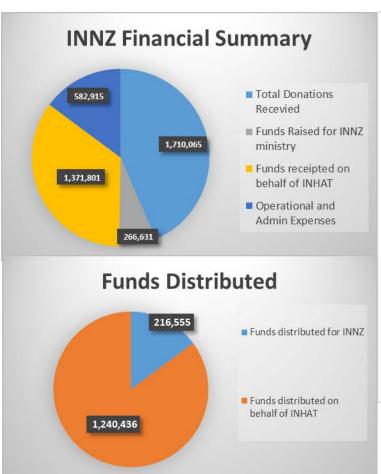
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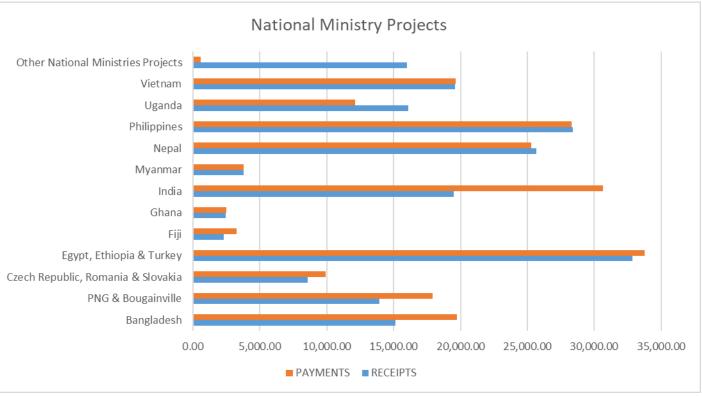
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2019 Financial Summary

During the 2019 year, International Needs New Zealand receipted more than \$266,000 so as to support National Ministry and Project work in over sixteen countries.

Throughout the year, over \$216,555 was distributed to areas of supporting national church workers and ministry work





A full set of audited financial statements may be obtained by contacting the International Needs office in Tauranga, or from Charities Services' website, or via our website www.innz.org.nz



2019 AT A GLANCE

Bangladesh

"Even though we continue to face hardship and persecution for our beliefs, God is still doing some amazing and wonderful things as we reach the people of Bangladesh. Working in women and children's ministry, we will certainly see a change in the future of our people"- quote from evangelist. – Not able to be named due to security reasons





With 15 national workers being supported across Bangladesh, many people across four regions heard the gospel message of Jesus Christ for the first time.

Our national workers are working tirelessly to reach their communities and especially the families and children of these rural and poorer areas.

Not only are these workers preaching the Gospel, they are teaching the Bible, providing emotional and spiritual support for these communities

"We want to enlarge our evangelistic ministry through media. We'd like to expand our Vocational Training to reach remote areas of Bangladesh, so that we can continue to minister to the women and children of our nation. I am ever so grateful for people like you who share our vision of caring for the poor and marginalized in our country."

Mcdonald Adhikary, Director INBD

Ghana

"We have learned that partnering with parents and volunteers improve all our activities and will continue to make this a priority. As part of our mandate in all our programs, is to have a fulfilled & morally upright life. Discipleship clinics will continue to be organized in our schools, where the children are taught how to study the Bible and have a quiet time with the Lord. This will help shape their lives. Talks in our schools on mental health, malaria prevention and personal hygiene will help to equip our students to live healthy, happy lives. Thank you for your partnership." Cromwell Awadey, Director



Not only is your support providing these national workers the opportunity to spread God's word, but you are investing into the lives of many men, women and children and their spiritual wellbeing.



Supporting national workers across Ghana, enables many people to hear the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

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Thank you for your precious prayers and support! You are making a real difference for young women all across Ghana – IN Ghana

Eastern Europe

"Bibles spread, hundreds of lives touched. 22 community workers reached 73,900 students in Czech schools with their powerful ministry during the last year. Never before has been achieved that much as we work together faithfully for years, switching the tracks in lives of lost Czech youth What expectation we have had entering into this year – certainly we gain new ground again! – Petr Horacek – IN Czech



In June, over 70 pastors, church planters, and evangelists gathered for Seminary in a Suitcase. This was a two-day training in the northern part of Romania



Daniel Pribac – IN Romania, distributing food and other necessities to Gypsy communities.





During 2019 more than 10,000 Bibles were distributed across many communities and schools in the Czech Republic and Romania. There is a real hunger for the word of God in Eastern Europe and many are seeking after Christ.

Nepal

"As followers of Christ, we embrace God's mission of mercy and compassion, and his mandate to share the good news".

In Nepal, over 1000 people have heard the Gospel message through the ministry of Suklal.

International Needs Nepal held a seminar on, "The Seven Spheres of Society." By influencing seven key areas in our communities, we can see society impacted by the Gospel of Jesus Christ:

71 local pastors, leaders, and professionals, attended the seminar as well as International Needs' 30 community workers. The outcome of the seminar was an action plan and commitment to work together to impact all spheres of Nepali life for Christ.



Suklal is one of International Needs Nepal's community workers. After the Nepali government passed their anti-conversion law for all religious groups, Suklal made changes in the way he shares the Gospel. Before showing the Jesus film, he builds connections with the community by showing documentaries on important social issues.



5 Churches had new roofs replaced and build – thank you for your support





Evangelism, teaching, preaching, discipleship and church ministries.

God has put His mighty, caring and loving hands upon each one of us always and during this critical situation created by the corona virus worldwide. Rabindra Subba - IN Nepal Coordinator

Philippines

"Now that I've seen poverty face to face, I can't look away and pretend I don't know what's going on. The people I met inspired me. Though they have almost nothing, they smile because they know they have something that's worth more than all the riches in the world. We're not defined by what we have, we're defined by what we do. Our eyes are stuck on the things from above, not on the things from this world. I hope I never lose sight of this". Renee Stowers – IN PH Youth Discovery Tour





2019 saw our first youth discovery trip to the Philippines where they experienced reaching out to remote communities for Christ

Many individual and churches throughout New Zealand continue to support over 15 of our national church workers and evangelists in the Philippines. Their work continues to grow from strength to strength and many people are being reached with the Gospel message of Jesus. May God bless us all – *Leo Alconga* – *IN Philippines Director*



With the help of many church communities in New Zealand, we have been able to empower, encourage and see the love of Christ spread throughout the island nation of the Philippines.

We pray and hope that the ministry will continue to grow throughout 2019 and see more national workers supported by local churches in New Zealand.



Papua New Guinea & Bougainville

"On the 25th December 2019, Kidron Ministries celebrated 25 years of ministering and serving the people of Bougainville. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless this ministry and provide us with more opportunities to reach our people"

Sammy Maurua Kidron Ministry Director







"Kidron Ministries has grown into all three Regions of Bougainville.

The spirit of unity is really working amongst the churches across Bougainville. We are witnessing many new souls being saved and people being.

Finally, I must say thank you so much for your support in terms of finance, prayers which is of real help to us to continue with the work of God on Bougainville. – Ps Eunice Maurua





Ps Jason has a real heart to impact the 'lost' generation of Bougainville and believes that only by working with the youth, you will change this nation and generation. *Ian Greaves* – *INNZ Mentor*



Ethiopia, Egypt & Turkey



We praise the Lord for a safe trip with my whole family to Eskisehir. It was less than 10 hours trip for us. Eskisehir is a city in north-western Turkey. Eskisehir counts over 7. 000+refugees of which 1.732 Syrians and 5.552 of other nationalities (primarily Iraqis and Afghans)



working in these
challenging
environments, our
partners in Egypt,
Turkey and Ethiopia,
face continual hostility,
persecution and scrutiny
from local authorities.
Not only are they
working to spread the
gospel, but are engaged
in helping refugees and
local families.

Bible Distributions and Evangelism:
640 Bible distributed, including, 270 New Testaments
Over 500 people heard the message of Christ and
more than 40 people baptised
"Antuan Gurun Director/Turkey"



Please Pray For:

- WISDOM AS WE PLAN FOR MORE STRATEGIC WAYS ON HOW TO MINISTER AND BETTER SERVE IN THIS MINISTRY.
- RIGHT CONTACT AND PEOPLE TO WORK WITH SO WE CAN BE BETTER FINDING WAYS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL
- SAFETY, HEALING, AND HEALTHY WAYS OF COPING AS THEY ADJUST ON THEIR NEW LIFE IN THIS COUNTRY.
- THAT THEIR HEARTS WILL BE OPEN TO THEIR SPIRITUAL NEEDS FOR THE GOSPEL.

Vietnam & Myanmar



INNZ proudly supports the 'Hope for Now' project in Myanmar. Thwang Cin and his team are doing a remarkable job in reaching local communities with the Gospel. "We would like you to remember us in every way. Finally, we would like request to our partners and sponsors in New Zealand to continue sponsoring us and helping us and working with us and strengthening us in many ways" – Thwang Cin -Myanmar.

VIETNAM

INNZ supports a number of local evangelists in Vietnam. This small group of IN community workers often visit local hospitals where families are desperate. The workers provide not only prayer support, but also help to feed these families and provide financial support where needed.

More than \$19,000 per year is sent by New Zealanders to help support these local nationals who in-turn help support the local communities in Vietnam.



More than 150 came to our Christmas Celebration. We share the meaning of Christmas and the purpose or the Savior coming and what the Savior did for the world. The area we did was 100% Buddhists and we challenge the nearest pastor to do the follow-up program after Christmas.



In October 12, 2019, we brought some bible school students and have oneday house to house witnessing ministry in Sabuatuang village. We hope that one day they will come know Jesus. We could reach 13 households in the village and pray that we could reach to more families in 2020

Uganda

"In October, we had Rev Justus Miwanda visit New Zealand to share on the work of International Needs Uganda. Many came to hear his heartfelt message about the plight of the Ugandan's and the positive work that is being carried out by his ministry. So many New Zealanders have a heart for Ugandans and it was great to see the support given to Justus whilst he was here.



2019 ACHIEVEMENTS

We are seeing noticeable increases in our community outreaches. With the help of our friends and partners, INUG has seen many more families from the rural communities come to know the Lord. The most important areas of our work is reaching to the children and ensuring the are not only educated in our schools, but spiritually fed too.



As followers of Christ, we embrace God's mission of mercy and compassion, and his mandate to share the good news



International Needs Uganda, have made great strides in reaching communities with the good news of Jesus Christ. 19,250 individuals received evangelism and discipleship support in 2019. Students at International Needs' schools benefit from Biblical Studies. During weekly devotions and worship they sing, dance, praise God and pray for the needs of their school, their community and each other. These programs are meant to encourage faith and spiritual growth.

Thank you to all those that make it happen

The staff team:

In all seasons, the Lord strengthens and prepares us for what is to come.

My warmest thanks to the staff team of Angela Heyward (Executive Assistant), Angela Smart (Accounts), Bev Lee (Accounts), Rachel Honeybone (Program Coordinator), Jen Missen & Elizabeth McManus (sponsorship).

A special thank you to Gail Halsted, who retired in February 2020. Gail had served more than 11 years at International Needs, working in our accounts department. We thank Gail for all she invested into International Needs and helping to outwork the vision.

Thank you to our volunteers, they help us with fundraising, administrative tasks and help spread the word about the worderful work International Needs is doing throughout the world. Over 8,000 letters per year are processed and sent out by our faithful volunteers

Thanks also to Zhuming Lam who goes above and beyond to look after our website; and to Rob Wayne who does a great job in heading our community development programs.



