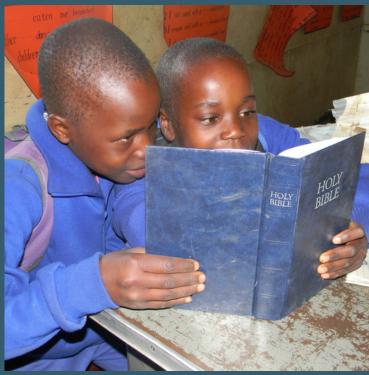
# ANNUAL REPORT

2020



## INTERNATIONAL NEEDS NEW ZEALAND



### **OUR 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.



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### **ABOUT US**

#### **VALUES**

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

- Bible-based Christian values
- National leadership
- Holistic development and capacity building
- Transparency and integrity
- Non-discrimination and social justice

- Evangelism
- Self-sufficiency
- Stewardship
- Fiscal integrity

#### **GOVERNANCE**

INNZ is governed by a board of trustees: Robyn Cotton (chair), David Hughes (vice-chair), Daniel Gibbons (treasurer), Peter Sara, Sarah Markley, Malcolm Taylor, Geoff Warne (secretary), Robert Keam 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 at director@innz.org.nz.

## CHAIR REPORT

As I reflect on the year that was 2020, I thank God for the relative freedom we have enjoyed living in this beautiful country of ours. Peter Sara resigned as Chair of INNZ but



remains a valued board member and I extend our thanks to him for his faithful service and leadership. And we are pleased to have Robert Keam join our board. He has had a long involvement with International Needs at both the international level as well as the local level and we welcome the experience and expertise he brings to the board.

2020 was a year of challenges as we came to terms with the Covid epidemic that became our new reality. In many of the countries where we partner with IN organisations, governments imposed various forms of curfews and lockdowns. Many schools were closed. Those operating in remote areas where travel restrictions were in place have struggled to move about freely, affecting the continuity of their programmes. But thanks to the continued generosity of our donors in New Zealand, we were able to support our partners as they endeavoured to respond by supplying families and communities with food parcels and essentials.

Travel restrictions have also meant that INNZ had to cancel deputations and mission trips. The year saw staff retirements and new staff join the team, the changeover of chair and treasurer as well as the introduction of a new accounting system. But despite all the challenges, the staff have achieved very pleasing results in 2020. These results couldn't have been achieved without the support from our donors and partners.

As is often the case during crises, Christians are at the forefront sharing Christ's love with the world, motivated by the teachings and sacrificial love of our saviour Jesus Christ. I am reminded of the words in 1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain.

# DIRECTOR REPORT

Dear valued friends and supporters of International Needs.

I would like to extend my gratitude to you all for your prayers, encouragement and financial support during 2020. This would have been by far one of the most challenging years we have all faced.



Covid-19 not only had devastating effects on many of our partners around the world, but also on us here in New Zealand. Globally, we lost valued members of our International Needs family due to the disease, many families that our partners work with lost their livelihoods and ability to support their loved ones too. Amidst the crisis that Covid-19 brought to our world, it also brought many opportunities for our indigenous partners to engage with the communities in which they work. Our partners brought love, hope, freedom and much needed relief to those most vulnerable. They also continued to encourage the students to continue their studies via online platforms and helped implement hand washing stations to prevent the spread of Covid.

I thank God for the wonderful people throughout New Zealand that helped to support not only our office and staff, but also all the partners around the world in which we support and serve. It has been a privilege to work alongside all our partners, often staying awake late into the night or rising very early in the morning praying with them, encouraging them and hearing their heart for the people whom they serve.

Our goal at International Needs is to transform lives and change communities. This is not limited to those in vulnerable communities, but also to our supporters, our partners, their staff and families and our staff and their families. I pray that this report brings encouragement to you whether you support us in prayer, encouragement or financially, and that we have somehow helped to transform your life too.

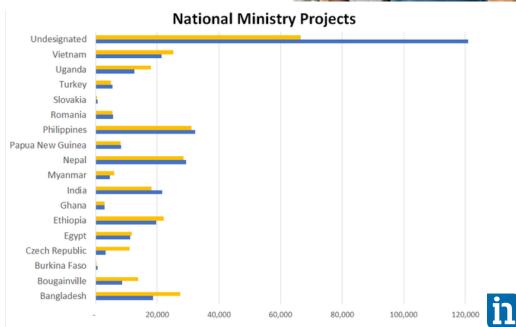
Thank you for your ongoing encouragement, support and prayers throughout 2020, it truly did make a difference.

With every blessing Shaun Sutcliffe

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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. Motivated by Christs love for us, we encourage Kiwis to partner with local indigenous leaders to help see this transformation by reconciling them with Christ. Thank you for taking part in seeing this change.





During 2020, INNZ distributed more than \$318,000 for overseas evangelism and support of the local indigenous church and their leaders. This impacted thousands of people who were able to hear the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, many for the very first time.

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INNZ also administers the International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust. On behalf of INHAT we sent;

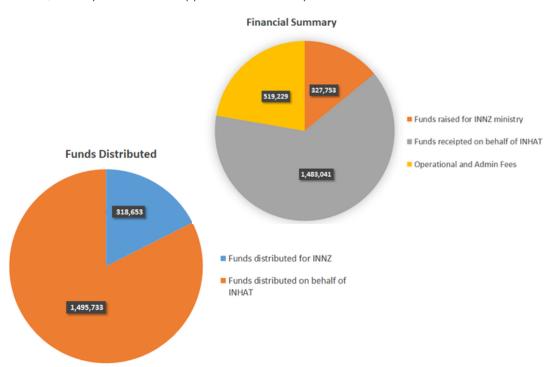
\$962,000 for Education and Sponsoring over 1,600 children,

\$143,000 for Covid-19 relief efforts and Aid and Development,

\$85,000 for Health and Sanitation,

\$47,000 for supporting of Human Rights and

\$175,000 to promote and support Economic Empowerment activities.



Whilst 2020 was a challenging year, we are thankful for the generosity that was shown to us. 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.

### 2020 AT A GLANCE

Whilst Covid-19 has had many devastating effects on communities around the world, God opened many doors of opportunities for the local church and people from all backgrounds are enquiring further of who Jesus is. We have received many reports from all of our partners about how God has been moving in their nations and seeing many lives coming the Lord.





Whilst many are coming from all over the place to seek God, our partners are seeing an increase in lives being changed and transformed by the power of the Gospel.



"The harvest is ripe, the workers are ready, we need to equip them!" McDonald Adhikary – IN Bangladesh

### **STORIES**

#### **INDIA**

As the teams helped to distribute food parcels to the many poor families who lost their livelihoods, many people said "you are those Christians aren't you?"

Tell us why you are doing this, to which the response was, "Jesus has commanded us to love you and we want to show this love by helping you and your families". Many of those receiving help, asked more about who this Jesus was and felt compelled to seek after him. Since this outworking, more than 1,000 Bibles have been ordered and are currently being distributed by the local church to those who want to know more about God and how real He is in their lives. Others have made commitments to God and we are seeing daily baptisms.



### **BURKINA FASO**

IN Burkina Faso have been reaching the last twelve unreached people tribes within their nation. Many of these tribal people have never heard of the Gospel nor of Jesus. Over 2020 the local church which we support ran a number of crusades, which saw thousands of people come and connect with Jesus

"The move of the Holy Spirit covered these people and many fell to their knees in worship at the name of Jesus Christ."

Jean Kona INBK Director and Church planter

### MINISTRY RESOURCES

During the year with your support, we were able to help equip many of the national workers in more than 19 nations, with the resources to further enhance their work and reach of their people. Many were equipped with Motorcycles, Bibles & Gospel Tracts in their native language, speakers and other resources to feed those hungry for the Gospel.



In 2021 we are launching the 'you be the fuel' campaign. We are believing to raise more than ever before to support overseas local church to continue doing their great work and reap a harvest like never before.



During 2020, we received many request from our partners to help equip them so that they can continue to disciple new believers.

Many pastors and church planters need your support.



"We have a visions to see more than 1 million people be reached in 2021" McDonald Adhikary – IN Bangladesh

# THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE THAT MADE IT HAPPEN

In all seasons, the Lord strengthens us for what is to come. 2020 did not go without its challenges and it was an absolute pleasure serving INNZ as the director throughout 2020 and I look forward to what 2021 has in store for us.

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

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

A big thankyou goes especially to Zhuming Lam who looks after our website.







# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT

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