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WORLD HOPE CANADA

2016 ANNUAL REPORT



A YEAR IN REVIEW



Valya at Hope House, November 2016

WE'RE — ON A — MISSION

Our mission? Working with national partners to transform vulnerable people and their communities through improved social, economic, physical and spiritual means.

We work holistically with local partners in each of the seven countries where we serve. Together, we develop and implement life changing strategies to empower people with opportunities, create dignity and inspire hope by addressing poverty and its many effects. Our areas of focus are health care, education, clean water and sanitation, anti-human trafficking, community development, and refugee sponsorship training. We defined key objectives for our six areas of focus and are working to complete them.

In 2016 we helped build the capacity of our partners in the field by collaborating with you, and by listening and responding to their needs. We added Haiti to the list of countries where we work, we inspired giving and empowered YOU to contribute to sustainable solutions that **bring life and hope to those in need.**

Your power empowered people!

FIELDS WE WORK IN

Countries and Programs



BURKINA FASO

- Ouagadougou School

DR CONGO

- Fish for Hope
- Spring Capping
- Butoke Health Clinic
- Butoke School

HAITI

- The Tap Program for Clean water and Irrigation

SIERRA LEONE

- The Alpha Program
- Clean Water
- Twin your Toilet
- Seed Loan Program
- Education

SWAZILAND

- The Fortress Ministry
- The Children's Home
- Feed Their Hope Feeding Station Program
- Reach4Life Program

GHANA

- Wesleyan Medical Centre
- Ashaley-Botwe Day Care Centre
- Klefe Vocational School
- Ayikuma Tree Farm
- New Edubiase Library & Computer Lab
- Community Health Clinics

UKRAINE

- Hope House Ministry
- First Step Centre

WATER WASN'T THE ISSUE; CLEAN WATER WAS THE ISSUE

By Pastor Denn Guptill, Cornerstone Wesleyan Church, Hammonds Plains, NS

It was Coleridge who wrote "Water, water, everywhere, Nor any drop to drink." Coleridge was writing as the Ancient Mariner and was referring to the ocean that surrounded his vessel. However, I felt a little bit like that after returning from my first trip to West Africa.

In many villages in West Africa, **water wasn't the issue; clean water was the issue.** There were rivers, reservoirs and streams but the water wasn't fit to drink.

I remember a photo taken by our team of a little girl, hardly more than a toddler, carrying a cup of water on her head in preparation for what her life would look like.

The need for water defines the lives of these little girls. Little girls, who should be in school, make numerous trips a day with their mothers to distant water sources to fetch water that will keep their families alive for another day.

And so I made a commitment that while Cornerstone couldn't change the world, we could change villages.

Our first venture into providing clean water in Africa was a partnership with World Hope Canada and World Hope International to help drill wells in Sierra Leone. For three years at Christmas I would challenge the people of Cornerstone to make sure that at least a part of their Christmas spending would be spent on providing clean water for people they'd never met in villages that couldn't be found on most maps.

And it clicked. Thousands of dollars were collected each Christmas and forwarded off to the United States via World Hope Canada for wells in Sierra Leone.

In 2015 Sheldon Gilmer, from World Hope Canada, approached Cornerstone with an opportunity to provide wells in the Democratic Republic of Congo in partnership with the Canadian Government's Canadian International Development Agency.

A new partnership was formed, between Cornerstone, World Hope Canada and Cecile DeSweemer (an 80 year

old doctor who runs a mission in the DRC) to cap fresh water springs.

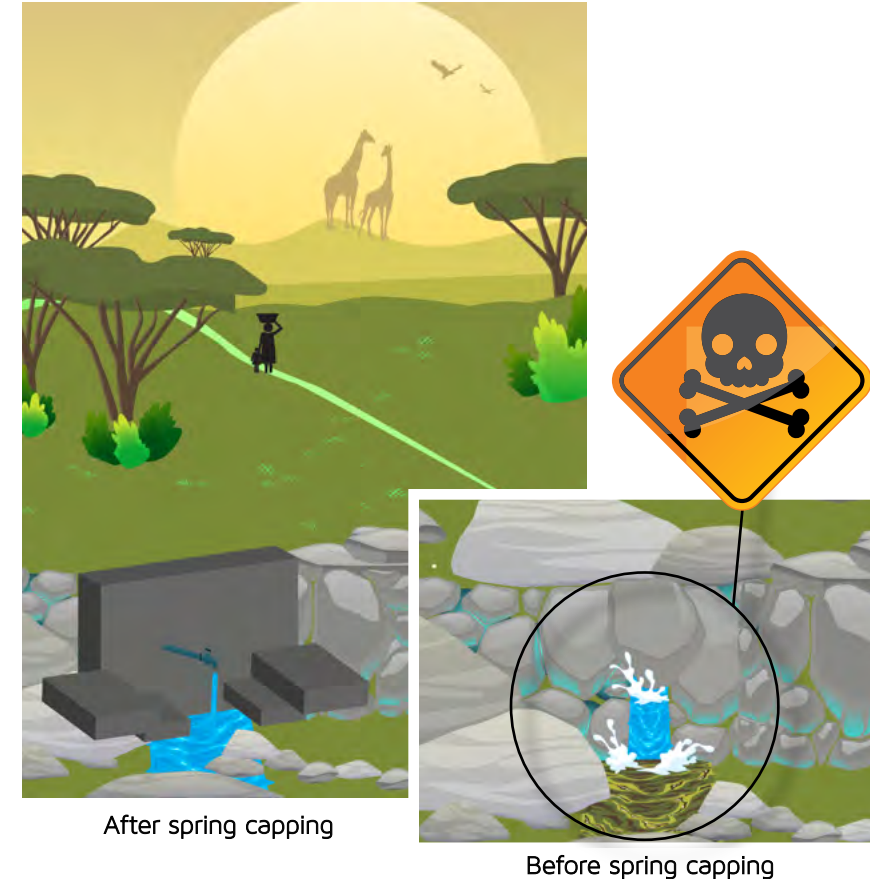
Our donations have been matched by another donor resulting in a dozen springs being capped to provide clean water sources to the villages of the Kananga area of the DRC.

Why do we do it year after year? Because I am convinced that it makes a difference: a difference to villages, to families, to women and to little girls. And because they don't have to spend their days carrying questionable water to their homes, those little girls will learn to play, will receive an education and will eventually change their worlds.

This year's contribution by Pastor Denn's Church will provide clean water for approximately 10,000 people. Not bad for a church that "couldn't change the world"!

WHAT IS SPRING CAPPING?

By Sheldon Gilmer, Associate Director



After spring capping

Before spring capping

The Democratic Republic of Congo is mostly tropical rain forest with an abundance of rainfall. There are many places where **water bubbles right out of the side of a hill but when that same water comes in contact with the ground, it quickly becomes contaminated.** Livestock wade into the water to drink and defecate, and people do their laundry in it; micro-organisms and parasites can grow and the water becomes dangerous with unseen bacteria. An unprotected water source leads to water borne diseases that are often life threatening.

To provide a clean water source requires a protective structure built of cement, and stand pipes that spout uncontaminated water. **Spring capping is more cost effective** than drilling wells as you are certain to have water. When you drill a well, you may or may not strike water. **Since spring water is free flowing, it eliminates the need for**

a pump and further reduces costs and maintenance. The community is trained in how to maintain the capped spring by making sure that trees stay around it for shelter and erosion prevention, broken pipes get repaired, the soil around the capped spring is managed and that the trail leading to the spring is kept in good repair to ensure safety for women and children carrying the water.

A capped spring costs \$4000 and can serve up to 2,500 people. That means clean water for one person can be provided for less than \$2/person. That's a good deal, if you ask me!!



EXPRESSING LOVE IN A TANGIBLE WAY

By Julia, Donor

It never lessens in significance to us that our multiple sponsorships and **donations to World Hope Canada are having a present and an eternal impact in the lives of many Ukrainian girls.** Even while we sleep, we know God continues to bless and multiply our donations and their impact.



Natasha, Valya, Vika and Anya

These girls age-out of orphanages into the real world at age 16: poor, alone, and scared. They cannot only be plucked off the streets for good and not for evil intentions but can also be rescued from the dominion of darkness and brought into the kingdom of light as God’s children, eternally safe. **How astounding is that, for \$31/month?**

Have you ever been in as frightening and desperate a situation as these precious girls? Have you ever been scared? Have you ever been in a place where, unless God intervened, you didn’t know how you could possibly survive? My husband and I were there. And two faithful people listened to God and acted on our behalf. Stunned does not begin to describe how we felt. INTERVENTION – it is a form of mercy, from one on behalf of another. The very heart of God. It’s not shaming, it’s not emotional manipulation, its love! It has to express itself. It has to find ways to demonstrate how much the heart bursts with this love. It has to intervene.

We support seven girls a month and World Hope Canada because we love that World Hope Canada prevents poverty, pain, harm, hunger and being cold rather than letting the girls suffer, and then trying to heal the damage. And World Hope Canada teaches the Gospel!

This has been a journey for us. We thought we were doing well sponsoring one child. We signed up for the obligation and then God spoke to us, **it became a joy and exciting!** Surprisingly, we found ourselves grateful for another opportunity to give and participate! We started to receive updates about the girls and our hearts were stirred. We realized more and more that these girls had become personally precious to us. **We just had to sponsor more girls.**

When we received unexpected funds, we immediately thought of the girls. We wanted to express our love for them in a tangible way. They could feel and hang on to the cozy PJs we sent. They were warm and snuggly and special. **It was very important that the gifts were hand delivered. We wanted to send the message to each girl that she is loved and we care for her.**

Our prayer life has become more fervent because of these girls. It has been a very satisfying experience for us to sponsor the girls and we are thankful to be part of World Hope Canada’s ministry in Ukraine.

‘HOW
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\$31/MONTH’?

Girls sporting their new pajamas and t-shirts



Marina K.

By Sergiy Svystun, Director, World Hope Ukraine

Marina was born March 18, 1995. She never knew her father. He just disappeared like so many other fathers in Ukraine. Her mother became an alcoholic. One day Marina’s **mother abandoned her and her two younger brothers.** The government removed her parental rights, and Marina and her brothers were sent to a government orphanage. Marina was just 8 years old.

It was a very hard time for Marina. She was disobedient and didn’t like people. As a result of that, **she had to change orphanages several times until we found her and she moved to Hope House.**

When Marina came to Hope House **she was absolutely wild!** She didn’t want to listen to anybody nor follow the rules. She needed a lot of attention and love. She also needed psychological help because of her upbringing.

After a short time at Hope House, Marina moved in with Sergiy and Larissa who were a foster family with World Hope. Their love and one on one attention really softened her heart. She finally found people that she could trust and love. Marina calls them Mother and Father.

She is now studying to be a seamstress and is doing very well. She is at the head of her class. This is her final year and she is currently doing her practicum. She is working at a wedding dress shop.

Marina also studies part-time at Odessa Theological Seminary to be a youth leader in her church. And again she is doing well there.

She still has some issues from her troubled past but God has changed her a lot. She accepted Christ and was baptized. She is actively involved in ministry at her church and sings on the worship team.

So in conclusion, I can say if not for God and World Hope, Marina probably would have repeated her mother’s life. But now she is a wonderful girl who loves Jesus and church and has goals in her life.

She is ready to work and to live independently. She calls all of us her family and I am personally very happy for her.

Praise God!!!!

P.S. I really pray that God will send her a good husband. Will you join me?



Marina when she first came to Hope House in 2011, shown above.

Marina in 2015, shown below.



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HAITI IS NOT BEYOND HOPE . . . MIRACLES DO HAPPEN

By Dave Flanagan
WHC Board Member

Time.com states "In Haiti, Hurricane Sandy Leaves behind Death and Destruction". The article says that Sandy "bore down on 50 million Americans after it dumped a biblical deluge of driving rain over Southern Haiti".

When Babaco, Haiti was hit with Hurricane Sandy in 2012, one of the major impacts it had on the community was to wipe out the water source, leaving the local people scrambling to find an alternate source.

Having been on three previous mission trips - twice to Mexico and once to Columbia - I didn't believe this was going to be a big stretch for me, although the stories I heard about Haiti seemed more bleak than the other countries I had visited. My wife, Pearl and I joined a group from our Church in January 2016 and headed to Babaco, Haiti. **Our team wired a four room school house that was built by Moncton Wesleyan Church a year before with some donated electrical supplies we carried over. We also wired in plugs and lights for the Babaco Wesleyan Church.** What a great feeling to see the pastor and some of his board members light up when we turned the lights on for the first time at the end of our week there!

Before I went to Haiti I was told it was a fourth world country: beyond hope, full of witch doctors, hit with hurricanes and earthquakes. Things were described as hopeless. While those statements had truth in them, I **saw that God was in control. He has not forsaken Haiti. Under the leadership of Nathan Adams from Moncton Wesleyan Church,** a local development committee has been set up, there have been compound buildings built; a church and school, a well was drilled, land was purchased, and a chicken coop was built. There is a program every Saturday for the children to have a meal and learn about Jesus.

What a thrill it was for Pearl and I to help feed the children that Saturday! It's safe to say that Babaco is looking better than ever. Haiti is not beyond hope when God and His people work together. Miracles can and do happen.

I want to thank World Hope Canada for partnering with the Moncton Wesleyan Church in Babaco; that in itself has been a great blessing and a miracle on how it all came together. I encourage you to support Haiti through World Hope Canada's program, "The Tap" and take time to visit the mission field, seeing for yourself the ongoing work that is happening. You will never feel more alive and fulfilled than when doing this work for God and you will have memories to treasure for the rest of your life.

Our little team saw God's hand of provision for us and Haiti. Ask anyone on our team; God is at work in Haiti and He's still performing miracles!



"God is at work in Haiti and creating miracles!"



CHURCH PLANT DEVELOPS A CULTURE OF GENEROSITY

By Pastor Don Hume, Crossroads Community Church

From the inception of our church plant in 2012, we, as a leadership team at Crossroads Community Church, **felt led by the Lord to create a fund of 10% of our offerings** with the purpose of supporting local needs; but we also wanted to support the Lord's work beyond our local community.

By developing a relationship with World Hope Canada, we became aware of the wonderful work they do and the efficiency with which it operates. A high percentage of the funds raised actually makes it to the needed areas, and we decided to donate a regular monthly amount to World Hope Canada.

After a period of time **we became aware of the One for 1 Sponsorship Program** at Hope House in Ukraine and felt the Lord leading us to help support three girls there at a cost of \$31 each per month.

We have the **girl's prayer cards and bios posted** on the church bulletin board and we announce our weekly donations to World Hope Canada. Even though we highlight our donations weekly and have the girls pictures up, a recent visit by Executive Director, Stephanie Gilmer, to speak about World Hope Canada's ministry, prompted much feedback from our congregation. We realized that **even though we are a small church, when we partner with others, we are able to help on a global scale.**

I feel that the congregation as a whole has a better understanding of the needs of people like the girls at Hope House through the connection we have to them through World Hope Canada.

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER WASN'T OUT OF MY REACH!

By Helen, World Hope Canada Donor

For many years, I have followed various organizations who work in the field of clean water and sanitation and my heart was filled to overflowing with the thought of providing clean water for someone. Drilling a well seemed so far out of my reach, but I just knew in my heart that I had to do something to help bring clean water for the people of Africa. I carefully researched various ways to do this.

As my 85th birthday approached, I decided that I wanted to do something special to commemorate it. I have been a strong supporter of World Hope Canada for many years so ten months after my birthday I met with Stephanie and Sheldon Gilmer to finalize the plans. In DR Congo, I could cap a naturally occurring spring that would serve clean water to over 2,500 people! Drilling a well wasn't the only option!

Now a year later, the people of Yombo Bululu have clean water and their health has greatly improved. As I often think of them, my heart overflows with love and I pray God's blessing for them.

"When we partner with others, we are able to help on a global scale!"



Spreading Hope

By Ginny Owens
Christian Singer/Songwriter



What does hope look like to you? For me, hope is a hug from a friend, the melody of a song, a word God whispered several thousand years ago about His peace, and the warmth of the sun that rose today just like it's risen every morning since the beginning of time. All these things whisper to me, "You have a reason to smile and to trust. God has a plan, which is always beautiful – even when you can't see it. Have hope!"

The hope I have has always inspired me to offer hope to those who cross my path. For the last fifteen years, my life's work has been traveling to places far and near to share that hope through music – songs into which I've poured as much hope as I can write. My prayer is always that people walk away from my concerts encouraged and comforted that they are not alone; that there is Someone greater guiding them. Just as I am inspired to sing hope to them, I pray that they will be inspired to go out and pour hope into the hearts of the people around them.

But there is so much more to spreading hope than song lyrics and speaking from a stage. There's so much more hope to convey behind the scenes, and I've experienced that myself, first-hand. I lost my eyesight at age three due to a degenerative eye condition, so I often meet kind souls who, upon our first interaction, feel pity or compassion for me. Perhaps they mean well, but their words and actions suggest that their thought is, "Poor girl. Life must be hopeless without her sight." But it isn't, and I long to change their minds in that first moment of meeting – to say with my actions and my attitude that even where there is darkness, the light of hope is radiant and beautiful. Our life circumstances never need leave us hopeless. I've learn this not only from my own life, but even more so from brothers and sisters whose life work is to bring hope into the darkest places.

I first discovered World Hope Canada two years ago, when Richinda Bates reached out to me about using my song, "No Borders," behind a video chronicling their mission work in the African countries of Swaziland, the Congo, and Ghana. As we emailed, I learned more about the depth of this organization – fighting against human trafficking, and fighting for education, clean water, health care, and community development around the world. I particularly fell in love with their Hope House project in the Ukraine. As I heard Richinda and her partners share about these wonderful houses where orphaned and abandoned girls have their basic needs met, and are offered education, life skills, and love, I knew I had to get involved.

"We have sponsored one girl with WHC through this campaign and I can't wait to sponsor more."

I run a campaign called **Love Be The Loudest**, where a portion of each of my album sales goes to support organizations that are loving the world in a powerful way. So far, **we have sponsored one girl with World Hope Canada through this campaign, and I can't wait to sponsor more!** The phenomenal work of World Hope Canada reminds me that even in the world's darkest places and seemingly hopeless situations, there is always opportunity for change, for light, and for hope. The greatest blessing of experiencing hope is the opportunity to share it with others. That's why I'm honored to join World Hope Canada in this mission.



Ginny Owens' latest album, *Love Be The Loudest*, can be found on iTunes and Amazon. She blogs at ginnyowens.com.

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WORLD HOPE CANADA NOTE:

In October 2016, Milliken Wesleyan Methodist Church partnered with us to bring Christian recording artist, Ginny Owens and her band to Toronto for a concert. The evening had a dual purpose: to celebrate Milliken's 36th anniversary and to hold a fundraising event for World Hope Canada. We would like to thank our partners, **The Atlantic and Central Canada Districts of The Wesleyan Church** along with **Milliken Wesleyan Methodist Church, Pastor George Pryor and his team** for their support of our work by making this event a success. **We raised over \$4800!**



Thank you for being all in!

2016

YEAR IN REVIEW

190 farmers in Sierra Leone
participated in the groundnut seed loan program




2 springs capped
in DR Congo



4650 students in Swaziland
were reached through the Reach4Life program!



An **80% cure rate**
in children discharged from the Alpha Program



8 girls from Hope House
accepted Jesus as their Saviour and were baptized!




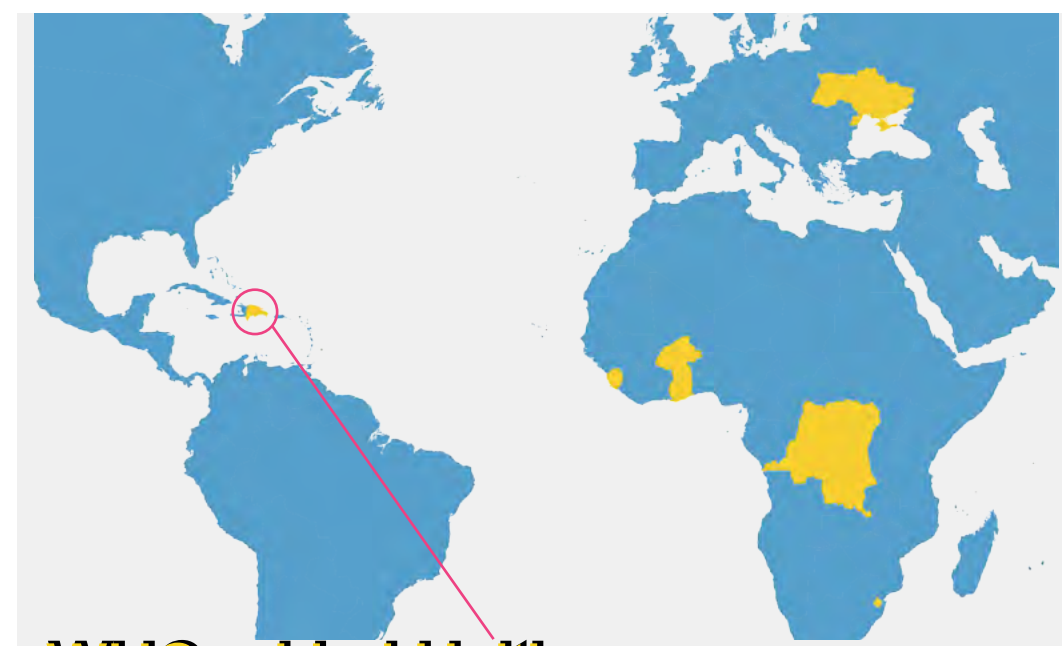
TOURS OF HOPE
Tours of Hope had **51** people in attendance and expanded their tours to **3 events in 2017!**




Wesleyan Kids for Missions raised over **\$10,000** for the Fish for Hope program




206 students were enrolled in school at the Kakissy Wesleyan Primary School.

WHC added Haiti to the seven countries we work in.

4 Latrines built in Sierra Leone



\$15,000
A microcredit fund was established in Ghana to help fund new business'



The roof on a workshop at the Klefe Vocational School in Ghana was replaced after storm damage



150 people attended information sessions on Refugee Sponsorship in the community



Over 80 children visit our two feeding stations each week in Swaziland



71 New sponsors for the girls in Ukraine!



200 people attended our two spring dinners in NB raising over **\$21,000** for World Hope Canada's work around the world!



256 social orphans were served at First Step Centre in Ukraine and 73% were under the age of 12!



WHC is a member in good standing



TO CLOTHE A VILLAGE, ONE CHILD AT A TIME.

By Kathy deSouza, Volunteer



Sew N Sew Ladies displaying their handmade dresses

It's another Wednesday afternoon and a dedicated group of ladies are together at Centennial Road Church in Brockville, to put their sewing and crafting skills to good use. They make dresses, shorts, pants, bandanas, tapestry bags, baby sheets, blankets, diapers, reusable sanitary products, pillowcases, handkerchiefs and baby hats. In the past 9 years many children around the world have been gifted with a total of over 1100 dresses and over 700 sets of boys' shorts and T shirts.

The Sew N Sews started in June 2008 as the brainchild of their leader, Rachel Hoekstra. It has flourished and grown from five ladies wanting to use up their stash of fabric to a vibrant group of nineteen ladies who enjoy getting together each week to sew.

Rachel recalls: "At a Bible study I attended, the question was asked: If God asked – What would you like to do for Me? – What would you say? I had a stash of fabric, so my answer was 'Sew for kids in need'. When I voiced that idea, someone else had that same desire. Our mission statement became "To clothe a village, one child at a time".



Children in Ghana wearing their handmade clothes

Women who are involved in Sew N Sews say, "It is a blessing to be a part of this ministry. We all share the same goal, which is to help those who are less fortunate.

Sewing day is the highlight of my week. This is a tangible way for me to show God's love for me and the world by making items to help one child or one family at a time. The missionaries who distribute the items we sew, tell us that to the children, it's like Christmas and then we know why we do it! God gave us a gift!"

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WHAT IS A MAMA-CLOTH?

Menstruation is a natural experience that women and girls around the world have in common; yet it remains a taboo subject in many countries. Because it is a taboo subject, the negative effect on women and girls can be devastating. Inadequate privacy to deal with your period, lack of supplies, and stigmas all serve to make the lives of women, especially young women, very difficult. The stigma associated with menstruation and the lack of education causes women and girls shame. Shame that keeps them out of school. Many counties in Africa, girls have little to no protection for their period. They try to use leaves, cloths or old rags and this is unhealthy, unsanitary and an embarrassment to them. Girls are often shamed if they leak and never return to school.



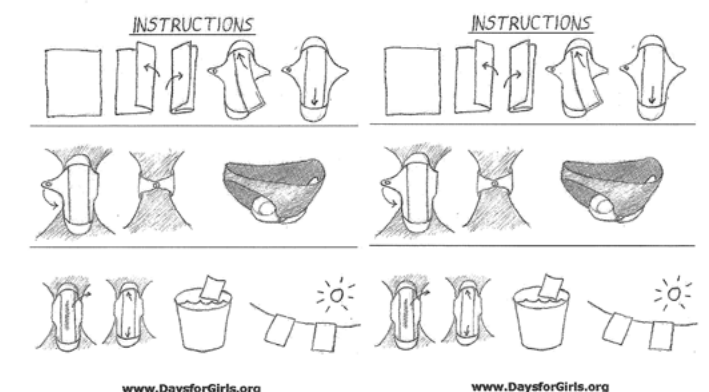
World Hope Canada has a number of ladies and sewing groups who have responded to the need for menstrual supplies by sewing re-useable menstrual pads and assembling 'Mama Cloth Kits'. The kit includes a drawstring bag that has two shields with five tri-fold liners; a washcloth, panties, and a Ziploc bag. The material used is dark coloured flannel so it is very absorbent and it has a leak-proof barrier. This ensures that a girl is prepared when she gets her period and she doesn't have to be afraid and stay away from school and other social activities.

So far, World Hope Canada has distributed Mama Cloth Kits in Ghana and D. R. Congo with plans to take them to Sierra Leone this Spring.

Shown on the left, is a completed Mama Cloth kit. Shown below is the instructions included in a kit.



Sheldon Gilmer and Richinda Bates, WHC Staff and the Artsy FM Sisterchicks with their donation of mama-cloths



PROJECT REACH OUT GHANA SUPPORTS GIRLS EDUCATION

By Rev Joe Ocran, Director of Project Reach Out Ghana



Project Reach Out Ghana (PROG) understands two things very well: (1) education plays a key role in helping people rise above the grinding poverty that plagues so many in our world; and (2) many people require assistance in order to access education.

Project Reach Out Ghana supports students in need by paying part of their tuition through a scholarship. The scholarship is accepted with the understanding that recipients will give back to society. The three young ladies pictured above were fortunate enough to receive educational assistance from PROG and in turn, they are gladly giving back out of gratitude for their education.

Sandra Donkor's family has been part of The Wesleyan Church in Ghana from the very beginning. Sandra attended our Sunday School as a child and has grown to be an active member of the Wesleyan Church. Sandra's father suffers from polio which has paralyzed his legs and he is also partially

blind. He needed support for his brilliant daughter. Today, she is a university graduate with a degree in geology.

Victoria lost her father early in her young life and about the time she was entering university, she lost her mother as well. She started attending our church as a child in Sunday school and has remained with us since. She's involved with the worship team and also teaches Sunday School. She has graduated with a



"Education is the most powerful weapon"

According to Nelson Mandela, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

In rural Sierra Leone, the daily reminder of the lack of access to education are school-aged children who are not in school, who will never reach their full potential.

World Hope Canada has been investing in education for a number of years by assisting the community to build a new school building, Kakissy Wesleyan Primary School. Teachers have received training or upskilling and student tuitions have been subsidized. In 2016, six teachers had their salaries paid. The

result is more children receiving a better quality of education; an increased number of children have access to education; and, the teachers are more dedicated to ensuring their students succeed.

When we support education, we can reduce poverty and hunger, end wasted potential and look forward to a stronger society for all!



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COMPELLED TO HELP REFUGEES



In 2016, World Hope Canada felt compelled to respond to the crisis in Syria in some way. After prayer and consultation, we made the decision to provide training and facilitation for those Wesleyan Churches and community groups that wanted to sponsor refugee families.

We shared information with congregations, pastors and the general public on the Government of Canada's Citizenship and Immigration guidelines on the steps required to sponsor a family and the responsibilities of becoming a sponsor. We had the pleasure of working closely with three groups – Refugees in North Grenville, The Brockville Wesleyan Churches and Merrickville Bridge to Canada. The first two groups have welcomed Syrian families to their communities while the third group continues to wait for a family to be assigned to them.

This work is very meaningful to be involved with, especially to appreciate that there are now two young families living safely in Canada, far away from refugee camps and war.

If we can be of assistance to you in your journey to becoming a refugee sponsor, please contact our office.



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THE 'BREAD' OF LIFE

By Sheldon Gilmer, Associate Director

Effia had a dream of owning her own bakery business but could not raise the money to purchase the equipment and ingredients to get started. She approached Project Reach Out Ghana for a small loan of \$650. Today she employs sixteen women who bake and deliver the bread, each earning around \$5/day in a country where the average income is less than \$3 per day.

Microcredit is a variation on traditional credit service that involves providing small loans to people who would otherwise be unable to secure credit, typically because of poverty. Currently, twenty people (approximately 75% women) are receiving training in business management and Christian stewardship in preparation to receive their loan. Each successful applicant will receive a loan of \$250-\$1,500 to start a small business in trading, cell phone repair and sales, barbershop, tailoring, farming and many other ventures.

After several months they will pay back their loans and those funds will be passed on to another successful applicant. A gift to microcredit changes lives and keeps on giving!!



FEED THEIR HOPE



World Hope Canada helps care for over 80 children per week living with HIV/Aids by supporting the Ebenezer and Ngcina Feeding Stations. The Government of Swaziland gives anti-retroviral drugs for free but you can only take them with food. Many children do not have access to food and so are unable to take their medications.

The Feeding Stations are run by volunteers who care about the children. They cook food, teach the children simple things like the alphabet, their numbers and the days of the week; they share Bible stories with them and they love them. **Some of the children walk for several kilometers just to eat.**

Swaziland has the world's highest estimated prevalence rate of HIV-infected adults (26% of people aged 15-49). In addition, Swaziland's TB incidence rate is the highest in the world, and 80% of TB patients are co-infected with HIV. As a result of the high incidence of this illness, many people have died leaving behind young children that are also infected. Child-headed households constitute about 10 percent of the population which is 1,304,063. Children in these households have limited access to adequate and nutritious food and basic health services. \$18/month can help these wonderful children through the Feed Their Hope sponsorship program.



Left: Children eating at Ebenezer feeding station.

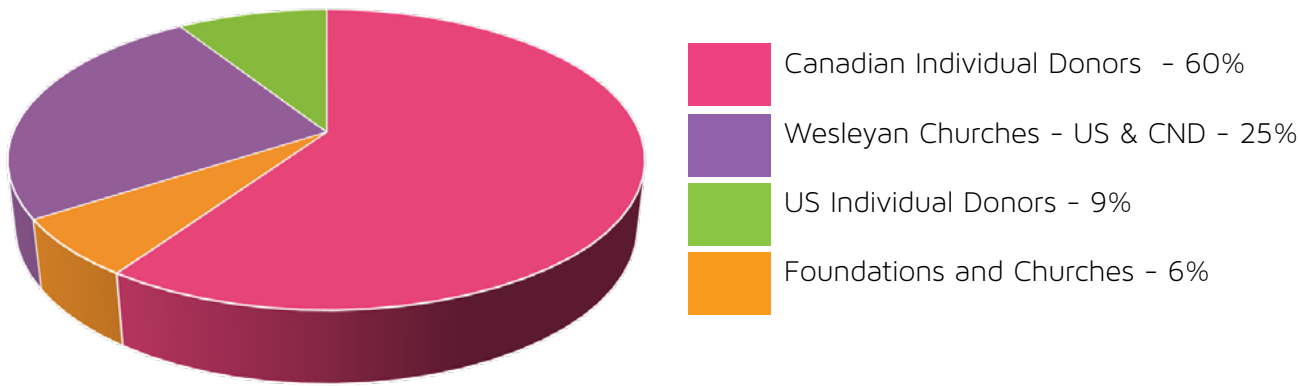
Right: High protein beans and maize being cooked over a fire at the Ngcina Feeding station.



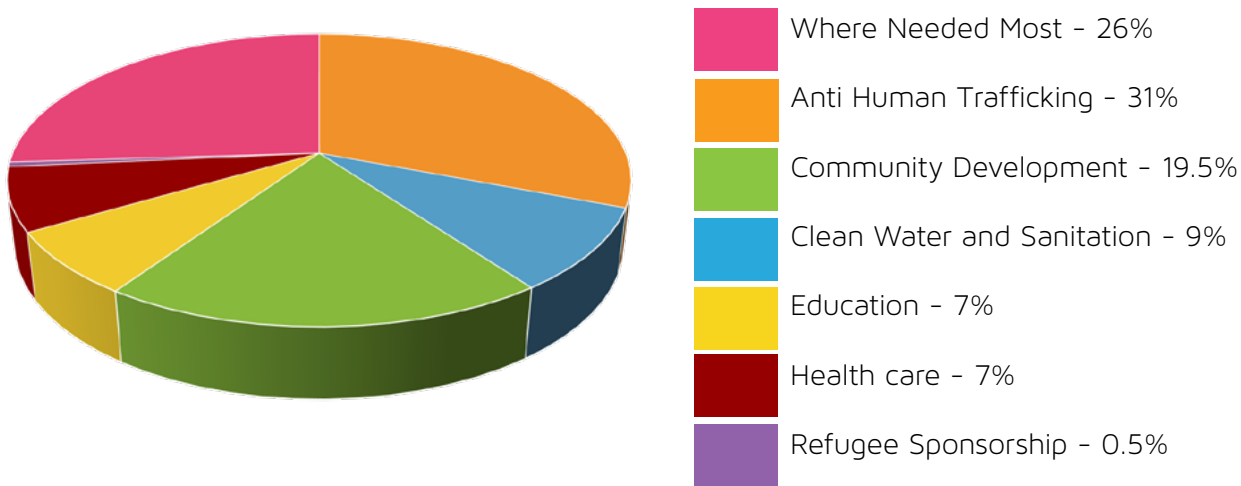
FINANCIAL REPORT

In 2016, you gave \$621,417 and we are so grateful for your generosity and support! We track every dollar to ensure that your money is making a difference in the lives of children around the world! Your donations are literally changing lives and providing hope!

Annual Revenue Received in 2016



In 2016 your Donations Supported

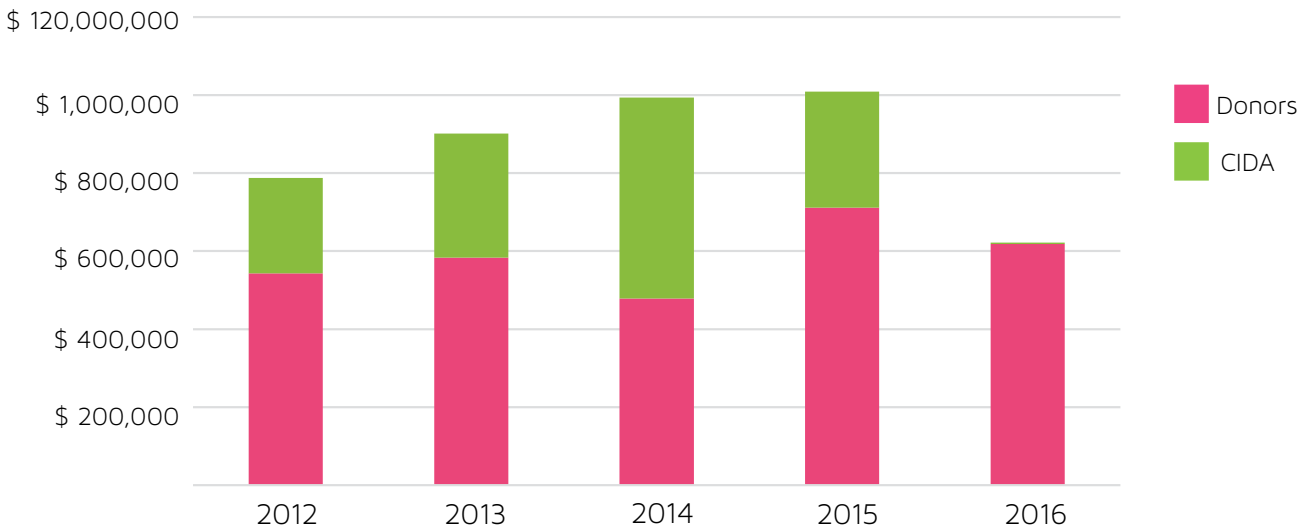


Spending of World Hope Canada funds is confined to Board approved projects. Funds given towards a project are used as designated, with the understanding that when the need for that project has been met or cannot be completed for reasons determined by the Board, the remaining funds designated will be used where needed most.

World Hope Canada's audited financial statements can be found on our website at worldhope.ca

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Last Five Years of Donations



Donors includes Individuals, Wesleyan Churches, US Individuals and Foundations and Churches. CIDA is funding received through the Canadian Government's International Development Agency.

In Honour & In Memory Donations

In Honour or In Memory gifts are an endearing and meaningful way to recognize extraordinary people. In Honour gifts are a way of saying thanks. In Memory gifts commemorate the life of someone special. Both tell others how much people mean to you.

Thank you to all of our donors for believing in the work of World Hope Canada!

In Memory	Archie Gillespie	Arnold Hayes	Martha Jackson	Darren Hudson
	Bernie Faulkner	Howard Landers	RL LeRoy	Gray Pace
	Beverly Brown	Freda Gilmer	Ruth Ferguson	Holly Kendall
	Bill Jefferson	Hazen Ricker	Nathan Adams	Jean Murdoch
	Fred Cammack	Arlene McDowell	Kate Kendall	Julie Rivera
	Gordon Mitchell	Ronald Morehouse	Abby & Zach's Birthday	
	Jean Munson	Ruth Landers	Helen White's 85th Birthday	
	Mabel Summers	Ruth Gillespie	Carolyn Corey's three sons	
	Marvin Arbeau	Harriet Hall	Jim & Chris Savage's 50th Anniversary	
	Matthew Pass	Evelyn Rigby	Beverly Brinkman on Mother's Day	
	Mervyn Summers	Art Card	Valencia Logan's 60th Birthday	
	Phyllis Brown	Lindsay Ingersoll	Janet & Kevin Black's Wedding	
	Robert Haine	Matthew Pass		
	Seth Ryder	Bert Crozier		


In Honour	Sterling McEwen	Betty Curtis
	Bill Russett	



Anti-Human Trafficking

26 girls supported and living at Hope House
250 children supported through First Step Centre





Clean Water & Sanitation

300 people trained on sanitation and hygiene
2,500 people in Sierra Leone with access to clean water
25,000 people with access to clean water
2,000 people in Haiti have access to potable water




Community Development

225 people using seed loan program and 200 people with access to seed drying pads in Sierra Leone
40 entrepreneurs receive small micro-credit loans in Ghana and Cuba
300 people trained in Fish Farming best Practises
2,000 people in Haiti with access to better quality chickens
500 farmers with access to irrigation water in Haiti

Key Objectives for 2017

Your support to accomplish these goals will improve the lives of over 99,730 people



Education

100 children supported through sponsorship in Butoke, DR Congo
50 children supported through sponsorship in Kakissy, Sierra Leone
3,000 students receiving life skills training through the Reach4Life Program



Healthcare

115 children treated through the Alpha program
115 caregivers trained by the Alpha Program staff.
55,000 people will have improved access to healthcare through the Wesleyan Medical Centres in Ghana
1,000 people with better access to medicines in Cuba



Refugee Sponsorship

Two refugee families re-settled in Canada



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A Message from the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

It is a great pleasure to share the 2016 Annual Report with you. Wonderful things have been accomplished this year, and the lives of many people have been touched with hope and the love of God.

World Hope Canada's holistic approach to ministry provides various opportunities for those in need to receive assistance, along with numerous ways for you to be involved. Thank you for stepping up and for expressing compassion for those in need.

We can't change the whole world today, but we can change the world for those we are helping.

Thank you for your prayers, for your willingness to go and for your financial support.

In His Service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephanie Gilmer".

Stephanie Gilmer
Executive Director