



# Global Health Ministries

## ANNUAL REPORT

### 2002

Looking back over the accomplishments of 2002 detailed below, we feel *gratitude, humility and joy*. We are *grateful*, first, for the phenomenal outpouring of support from donors throughout the USs who, by year-end, made it possible for us to fully fund all approved projects. We are thankful too for the dedication of hundreds of volunteers who contribute their time each week in preparing shipments of medical supplies and equipment to our overseas partners, as well as faithful office and board volunteers who help keep GHM running. We are

*humbled* by the importance and challenge of our mission, and the daily sense of God's blessing and guidance upon us to fulfill it in ways that are often miraculous, and always beyond what we could ever hope or think. And *we have joy* for the evidence this report gives of all that we can accomplish to "continue the healing ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ." We experience together, and make possible for others, a taste of what Jesus called "the abundant life." For all that has been, and for all that will yet be, we give you thanks!

#### Bangladesh

Global Health Ministries (GHM) is a member of a consortium that supports Lutheran Health Care: Bangladesh (LHCB). In addition to providing free office space and accounting services, GHM provided a grant of \$2,335.00 to assist with the care of charity patients, a grant of \$5,330.00 for its operating budget, \$2,392.00 for shipping costs and gifts-in-kind valued at \$20,425.00.

#### Central African Republic

A grant of \$3,950.00 was provided for an HIV/AIDS awareness and counseling program.

#### Chile

A grant of \$10,000.00 was provided to Educacion Popular en Salud (EPES) in Santiago, Chile, which performs heroic work to assist marginalized women to

improve their domestic, health and nutritional needs.

#### Ethiopia

Ethiopia still suffers from the ravages of many years of communist rule and oppression that severely disrupted health care, especially in rural areas. GHM provided a grant of \$3,546.00 to provide for textbooks for a nursing school at the Aira Hospital.

#### India

The Mohulpahari Christian Hospital, which conducts an effective HIV/AIDS education and prevention program at schools, rural fairs and out-lying villages, is able to operate this program through a grant of \$7,935.00. In addition, a small grant of \$141.00 was given to assist indigent women at the Andrew Keiding Hospital.

#### Kenya

Global Health Ministries completed the costs of an evaluation made of the medical work of the Lutheran Church of Kenya with a small grant of \$225.00. In addition, GHM provided a grant of \$10,527.00 for a new borehole and an additional grant of \$5,990.00 for renovations at the Iterio Hospital. GHM provided a grant of \$3,513.00 to assist the Arsim Clinic in developing a goat herd to enable the clinic to become self-supporting.



Information about AIDS is brought to schools and fairs in India.

#### Brazil

GHM gave a gift of \$40.00 to the Miriam Infant Care Center in Brazil.

#### Cameroon

Grants of \$47,984.00 were made to several health care projects in northern Cameroon: charity patients funds, scholarships for nurses, HIV/AIDS and STD Testing programs, as well as grants for several hospital building projects. In addition, GHM provided shipping costs of \$19,365.00 for gifts-in-kind (medical equipment and supplies) valued at \$94,010.00.



Construction of additions to hospital facilities took place in several countries.



### Liberia

The infra-structure and health care services of Liberia are still disrupted by the ravages of their recent civil war. Phebe Hospital was supported with \$16,548.00 plus a grant of \$2,295.00 to assist charity patients. A contribution of \$2,997.00 was given for continuing education for medical staff. Medical supplies and equipment were shipped at a cost of \$6,527.00. Gifts-in-kind (medical supplies and equipment) were valued at \$55,965.

### Madagascar

The Malagasy Lutheran Church's Department of Health (SALFA) manages 19 hospitals and numerous clinics. Drought, famine, and political upheaval which closed seaports for several months have undermined the financial situations of formerly economically stable institutions that relied, to a great extent, on patient fees. GHM continued to support SALFA with the following assistance:



Training nurses is an important priority in many countries.

- a) providing \$2,415.00 for charity patients
- b) financing the Manambaro School of Nursing with a grant of \$10,000.00
- c) supporting recent medical graduates with \$2,500.00 for further training in Madagascar
- d) funding special projects \$7,492.00
- e) subsidizing remote clinics in impoverished areas with \$4,813.00
- f) providing \$25,000.00 for medical supplies and \$24,658.98 for equipment such as: computers, an ultra-sound, dental compressors, and paying \$6,000.00 to ship medical supplies to Madagascar.

### Malawi

GHM assisted medical work in Malawi for the first time with a grant of \$8,963.00 to cover the cost of shipping. Gifts-in-kind of medical supplies and equipment were valued at \$17,440.00.

### Namibia

GHM supported the Lutheran Church in Namibia with a grant of \$935.00 to help cover the cost of medical fees for indigent patients.



During 2002 Malawi received its first shipment of supplies and equipment.

### Nepal

Nepal ranks as one of the most impoverished nations of the world. GHM provided a grant to the United Mission to Nepal's Palpa Community Health and Development

Program which is an out-reach program to the underdeveloped area of Palpa. This program helps to rally community support through training in health, nutrition and agricultural development. GHM provided a grant of \$5,000.00 to this project.

### Nigeria

The health care work of the Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria is largely directed to small primary health care in rural villages without adequate health care. Nursing scholarships in the amount of \$11,663.00 were provided and \$2,500.00 were provided for a water and well project which provides cleaner sources of water for remote villages.

### Pakistan

A grant of \$4,000.00 was given to the Tank Hospital in Pakistan to complete the funding for new telephone/communication system. In addition, \$15,000.00 was provided to erect a thermal-roof to decrease the high temperatures experienced in hospital wards.

### Papua New Guinea

GHM provided a grant of \$3,465.00 to assist the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea to care for indigent patients. In addition, \$5,265.00 were provided to ship in-kind-gifts of medical equipment and supplies that were valued at \$16,905.00.



Workers unload a container of supplies arriving in Papua New Guinea.



The AIDS epidemic affects entire communities. These are children who are orphans because their parents succumbed to the disease.

#### Senegal

A grant of \$140.00 was given to assist charity patients and another grant of \$500.00 was provided as a contribution for a Senegalese to attend an AIDS conference in Washington DC.

#### South Africa

A grant of \$5,000.00 was provided to the Cape Orange Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in South Africa to conduct a three-day workshop for pastors and church workers to study ways of teaching the prevention of AIDS/HIV and to assist the church workers to counsel AIDS victims and their families.

#### Tanzania

Assistance to medical work in Tanzania was directed primarily to three institutions and programs: Maasai Clinic support, Haydom Lutheran Hospital (HLH) and Selian Lutheran Hospital (SLH). Specific assistance went to the following projects:

- The shipment of sea containers filled with medical supplies at a shipping cost of \$24,675.00. The gifts-in-kind were valued at \$98,992.00
- \$8,745.00 for charity funds for three medical programs.
- \$62,103 for designated purposes at the Selian Lutheran Hospital (SLH).
- \$10,194.00 for improvements to the fourteen clinics serving the Maasai people and \$24,511.00 as subsidy for the clinics' operations.



Volunteers in Iowa and other places combined to send materials to Phebe Hospital in Liberia, which still suffers from the unrest in the country.

- \$19,400.00 for continuing education for the staff of SLH, including one doctor doing a surgery residency in Nairobi, Kenya.
- TB is making a resurgence in Tanzania, partly due to the spread of AIDS. The government has requested the SLH to care for such patients. \$8,000.00 was given.
- Two surgeons at SLH were subsidized through a grant of \$12,000.00.
- A grant of \$1,250.00 was given to the Haydom School of Nursing for a revolving scholarship fund for student nurses.
- SLH has initiated a hospice service for AIDS patients that has become a model for hospitals in East Africa. \$2,000.00 was provided for support.
- \$8,000.00 was provided the SLH for a mosquito net project to help prevent the spread of malaria to students, patients and especially pregnant women.

#### Zimbabwe

\$2,977.00 was provided the Manama Hospital for continuing education opportunities for the medical staff.

#### General

For non-specific country equipment purchase and repair, travel assistance grants for medical students to do rotations in developing countries, general shipping expenses, and grants to two endowment funds, \$16,204.00 was spent.

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*Readers may notice that this annual report issue does not include the names of all who have contributed during the past year. As the list of givers continues to grow, we felt it was not good stewardship of time or money or newsletter space to name everyone. All contributors will continue to be sent an acknowledgement.*

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## Statement of Activities - Years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001

Unrestricted Net Assets	2002	2001
<b>Income</b>		
Contributions	220,119	300,123
Interest	12,902	21,763
Miscellaneous Other	4,731	3,849
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	800,754	754,666
Total Unrestricted Gains & Other Support	1,038,506	1,080,401
<b>Expenses</b>		
Project - Direct	800,754	754,666
Project - Indirect Support	202,631	190,290
Management and General	56,481	53,235
Fundraising	8,030	14,652
Total Expense	1,067,896	1,012,843
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b>(29,390)</b>	<b>67,558</b>
<b>Temporarily Restricted Net Assets (Projects)</b>		
Contributions	872,829	869,202
Restrictions Satisfied by Payments	800,754	754,666
Increase (Decrease) in Temporarily Restricted Assets	72,075	114,536
<b>Permanently Restricted Net Assets (Endowments)</b>		
Endowment Fund Contributions	5,500	
Investment Income	1,602	
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(\$5,568)	(753)
Increase (Decrease) in Permanently Restricted Assets	1,534	(753)
<b>Increase in Total Net Assets (all Funds)</b>	<b>44,219</b>	<b>181,341</b>
<b>Net Assets Beginning of the Year</b>	<b>1,039,935</b>	<b>858,954</b>
<b>Net Assets End of Year</b>	<b>1,084,154</b>	<b>1,039,935</b>

### From the Treasurer

Our financial summary has a new look this year. We have adopted financial reporting standards that have a different vocabulary and format.

We have three separate funds (now called *Net Assets*).

1. *Unrestricted Net Assets* is a combination of Project Funds that we paid out and our General Operating Fund.

2. *Permanently Restricted Net Assets* used to be called Endowment Funds.

3. *Temporarily Restricted Net Assets* are the funds designated for specific projects (i.e. Phebe Hospital Recovery or Mosquito Bednets). Your contributions for specific projects are "temporarily restricted" until we disburse the funds. Then those assets are "released from restriction" and combined with our *Unrestricted Net Assets* for accounting purposes.

That may seem confusing but take a look at *Temporarily Restricted Net Assets* (above). In 2002 we received \$872,829 in contributions for designated projects. We paid out \$800,754 for those projects. That released those assets from their "restrictions" shifting them to *Unrestricted Net Assets*. The \$72,075 that we did not send remains restricted from general use.

Looking again at 2002, our total income in *Unrestricted Net Assets* was \$1,038,506 and our expenses for general operations and projects were \$1,067,896, which left a deficit of \$29,300. Combine that deficit with the \$72,075 remaining "temporarily restricted" and the \$1,534 gain in our "permanently restricted" Endowment Fund and we had an overall increase in net assets of \$44,219. This is less than the previous year but it also means that we dispersed your contributions. In fact, we sent \$46,088 more to designated projects in 2002 than the year before.

One final statistic: 94% of our expenses were project related. Only 6% went to administrative and fundraising expense. We remain committed to being good stewards of your donations.

Lynn Butler, treasurer

### **2002 Grant and Allocation Summary** (all designated projects)

Financial Grants	\$497,017
Estimated value of in-kind medical supplies/equipment	\$303,737
<b>Total Grant and Allocation</b>	<b>\$800,754</b>

*A complete copy of our audited financial statements for 2002 and IRS Form 990 is available on request.*