



Global Health Ministries

ANNUAL REPORT

2003

We are pleased to offer this report of our 2003 grants and in-kind support of medical supplies and equipment provided to enhance the health care programs of our Lutheran partners in sixteen countries. Once again, with gratitude for the faithful support we have received from contributors and volunteers throughout the United

States, we were able to fully fund all approved projects and expand our shipping services. It is good to be able to instill confidence in our overseas partners that their healing ministry will continue because they have such steadfast friends in Christ. It is also a blessing to therefore be able to instill hope in those who seek

comfort and healing that their Lutheran hospitals and clinics will never fail them. And it is a privilege to serve as an instrument of God's grace to "build up the body of Christ," bringing together in one unbroken and golden chain, faithful stewards of God's gifts with the "hands that heal" and the healed. To God alone be the glory!

Tanzania

Assistance to medical work in Tanzania in 2003 was directed to seven institutions and programs: Maasai Clinic support, Haydom Lutheran Hospital (HLH), Selian Lutheran Hospital (SLH), Nkoarnaga Hospital, Dodoma Hospital Development, Iambi Hospital, and Ilula Hospital. Specific assistance went to the following projects:

a) the shipment of sea containers filled with medical supplies to Selian, Maasai Clinics, Haydom, Dodoma, Iambi and Nkoaranga. The gifts-in-kind were valued at \$416,512.00 at a shipping cost of \$49,849.00.

b) \$1,545.00 for charity funds for the Maasai Clinics.

c) \$56,756 for designated purposes at the Selian Lutheran Hospital (SLH).

d) \$15,000.00 for improvements to the fourteen clinics serving the Maasai people and \$30,180.00 as subsidy for the clinics' operations.

e) \$22,275.00 for continuing education for the staff of SLH, including one doctor doing a surgery residency in Nairobi, Kenya.

f) 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 in support.

g) Two surgeons at SLH were subsidized through a grant of \$12,000.00.

h) A grant of \$160.00 was given to the Haydom School of Nursing for a revolving scholarship fund for student nurses, and \$2,564.00 was used to purchase textbooks for the school.

i) SLH has initiated a hospice service for AIDS patients that has become a model for hospitals in East Africa. \$10,001.00 was provided for support.

j) \$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.

k) A grant of \$5,000 was made to Ilula Hospital to complete renovation of the hospital laboratory.

l) The Dodoma Hospital Development project received a grant of \$3,676.00 to begin its survey of community needs as a basis for future program and facilities development.

m) \$2,043 were given in support of the work of missionary radiologist Helmut Diefenthal at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center in Moshi, Tanzania.



Five new radiologists receive their diplomas in Tanzania.



Cameroon

Grants of \$16,519.00 were made to several health care projects in northern Cameroon: scholarships for nurses (\$6,884) Lab Techs (\$3,824) and Radiology Techs in training (\$4,950) as well as grants for hospital supplies (\$861). In addition, GHM provided shipping costs of \$21,720.00 for gifts-in-kind (medical equipment and supplies) valued at \$149,792.00.



Student nurses in Madagascar

Madagascar

The Malagasy Lutheran Church's Department of Health (SALFA) manages 19 hospitals and numerous clinics. GHM continued to support SALFA with the following assistance:

- a) providing \$1,757.00 for charity patients
- b) financing the Manambaro School of Nursing with a grant of \$20,000.00
- c) supporting recent medical graduates with \$8,000.00 for further training in Madagascar
- d) funding special projects \$5,570.00
- e) subsidizing remote clinics in impoverished areas with \$14,719.00
- f) providing \$13,661.00 for medical supplies and equipment



A rural congregation, Little Norway Lutheran Church in Fertile, MN, sends tractor to Madagascar.

g) funding a pharmacotherapy project for the mentally ill with \$5,000.00

h) covering travel expenses of a short-term mission volunteer providing surgical training to Malagasy doctors with a grant of \$2,406.00

i) upgraded SALFA office computers with a grant of \$4,100.00

j) paying \$12,336.00 to ship medical supplies to Madagascar valued at \$54,639.00

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 \$9,820.00 plus a grant of \$325.00 to assist charity patients. Gifts-in-kind (medical supplies and equipment) valued at \$90,160.00 were sent at a shipping cost of \$7,819.00.



Dumki clinic staff unpack their long-sought whirlpool bathtub.

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 \$2,545.00 to assist with the care of charity patients, a grant of \$4,929.00 for its operating budget, \$2,465.00 for shipping costs, \$2,852 for the Dumki Clinic, and gifts-in-kind valued at \$52,379.00.

Papua New Guinea

GHM provided a grant of \$4,475.00 to ship in-kind gifts (medical equipment and supplies) which were valued at \$42,160.00. In addition, \$495.00 was given to assist the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea to care for indigent patients.

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 \$8,511.00. A hospital van was purchased for Bethesda Hospital with a grant of \$6,500 matched by the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. Major renovation of Karunalaya Hospital in Kerala was made possible through another matching grant program with the LCMS that raised \$23,350.00. In addition, a small grant of \$480.00 was given to assist indigent patients.

Malawi

GHM assisted medical work in Malawi with a grant of \$26,105.00 for the purchase of a mobile clinic van and \$699.00 in clinic support.



In Malawi the arrival of a container (in the background) of medical supplies was a great event. A new medical vehicle was dedicated as shown above.

Chile

A grant of \$10,500.00 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 which severely disrupted health care, especially in rural areas. GHM provided a grant of \$7,377.00 to subsidize costs of health care for the poor.

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. A grant in the amount of \$6,850.00 was provided for a water and well project which provides cleaner sources of water for remote villages.

Pakistan

A grant of \$5,345.00 was given to the Tank Hospital in Pakistan to complete the funding for a water filtration system

in collaboration with the World Mission Prayer League.

Kenya

GHM provided a grant of \$675.00 to assist the Arsim Clinic in developing a project which will lead the clinic to become self-supporting.

Namibia

Supported the Lutheran Church in Namibia with a grant of \$675.00 to help cover the cost of medical fees for indigent patients.

Senegal

A grant of \$200.00 was given to assist charity patients.

Brazil

GHM gave a gift of \$50.00 to the Miriam Infant Care Center in Brazil.

General

For non-specific country equipment purchase and repair, travel assistance grants for medical students to do rotations in developing countries, and general shipping expenses, \$6,808.00 was spent.

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Major renovation of Karunalya Hospital in Kerala, India was made possible through a matching grant program with LCMS.

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Statement of Activities - Years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Income		
Contributions	\$ 277,208	\$ 220,119
Interest	15,407	12,902
Miscellaneous Other	5,275	4,731
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	<u>1,298,329</u>	<u>880,754</u>
Total Unrestricted Gains & other support	1,596,219	1,038,506
Expenses		
Project - Direct	1,298,329	800,754
Project - Indirect Support	192,805	202,631
Management and General	60,250	56,481
Fundraising	<u>18,005</u>	<u>8,030</u>
Total Expense	1,569,389	1,067,896
Increase (Decrease) in Unrestricted Net Assets	26,830	(29,390)
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS (Projects)		
Contributions	1,523,243	872,829
Restrictions Satisfied by Payments	1,298,329	800,754
Increase (Decrease) in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	224,914	72,075
PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS (Endowments)		
Endowment Fund Contributions	83,906	5,500
Investment Income	1,678	1,602
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	3,620	(5,568)
Increase (Decrease) in Permanently Restricted Net Assets	89,204	1,534
INCREASE IN TOTAL NET ASSETS (all funds)	340,948	44,219
NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	1,084,154	1,039,935
NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	<u>\$1,425,102</u>	<u>\$1,084,154</u>

From the Treasurer
Lynn Butler

2003 was a positive year for Global Health Ministries. Over \$1,298,000 was distributed to designated projects, 62% more than in 2002. An improved method of determination gave us a more realistic value of the donated medical supplies sent overseas in a record 12 shipments. This totaled \$805,642 compared to \$303,737 in 2002. Our Total Net Assets increased 31% from the beginning of the year to over \$1,425,000 by December 31st. The change in net assets from each of our three funds. Unrestricted, Temporarily Restricted and Permanently Restricted Net Assets deserve some explanation.

The positive balance of \$26,830 in Unrestricted Net Assets (general operations) at the end of the year reflects the sound fiscal management of our operations. We increased our overseasshipments, added a warehouse employee, and invested in technology to improve our internet access, data base management and daily operations. We switched our banking and insurance to halt spiraling costs. We traveled to Madagascar for hands on analysis of our funding. Throughout all these activities we stayed within our operating budget and kept administration and fundraising costs at a low 5% of our total expenses.

Temporarily Restricted Net Assets (projects shows a large balance of \$224,914 which is in excess of contributions over distributed funds. We routinely carry forward a balance into the next year because many of our projects are not completed. At the end of 2003 three large projects accounted for much of this carryover. 1) \$11,973 received towards a \$25,833 goal to purchase a vehicle for Ejeda Hospital in Madagascar. 2) \$173,585 received for the 60 bed hospital adjacent to Arusha Town Clinic in Tanzania (Ground breaking is scheduled for May 2004. 3) \$77,030 received in the first year of our HIV/AIDS initiative, which has a goal of \$250,000 over three years. In December we use excess undesignated contributions to cover necessary, but under funded projects. This year we transferred \$76,842 from Unrestricted to Temporarily Restricted Net Assets, contributing to the positive net asset balance.

Finally, we are pleased with the positive balance of \$89,204 in our Permanently Restricted Net Assets (endowment). In 2003 we placed an emphasis on building our Endowment Fund by hiring a planned fund developer and channeling 50% of all undesignated donations from bequests into this fund. Our goal is to establish a stable financial base to carry Global Health Ministries into the future.

SUMMARY OF 2003 GRANTS AND IN-KIND GIFTS

	2003	2002
Financial Grants for Project Support	\$492,687	\$497,017
Estimated Value of In-Kind Supplies Shipped	\$805,642	\$303,737
2003 TOTAL GRANTS & IN-KIND GIFTS	\$1,298,329	\$800,754

A complete copy of our audited financial statements for 2003 and IRS Form 990 is available on request.