



Annual Report of International Needs Humanitarian Trust  
for the year ended

December 31, 2016



A dream to have an orphanage and school in Naogoan,  
Bangladesh, begins to become a reality.



The INHAT trust provides global support to local organizations to transform lives and empower communities. The work of the trust is Christian in ethos and practice which means empowering communities is achieved through education and other means but not by supplying guns. The motivation for this work is love and the means to carry it out is reliant on giver's hearts responding cheerfully to needs, which the trust carefully selects and monitors. This trust is explicitly the good works arm of International Needs. The operation of evangelism and church planting which current government policy insists must be kept separate from humanitarian aid will continue to be provided by International Needs Charitable Trust as it has been for over 40 years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. D.', written on a light grey, textured background.



## 2016 at a glance

A quick look at the complexities of our accounts show how we are managing:

**1726 sponsored children**, with \$732,926 dollars annually being donated to these children. We are sending money and managing sponsorship projects in six countries. The office also sends out to donors every quarter, a letter from the sponsored child.

**Community development** projects raising last year \$306,113 for 14 different countries in the developing world.

Somehow, by God's grace, we managed to increase income (according to our latest accounts) by \$375,619 on what we have given in our previous year. We have four full time equivalents in the office managing all this work, as well as our work in evangelism and church planting. They are an amazing dedicated and gifted staff, who work hard on your behalf. I would like to place on record my heartfelt thanks to Gail and John and our to job sharing, sponsorship coordinators, Jen and Liz.

### Highlights of 2016

**Bougainville** – we have an almost completed guesthouse in Buka, which by God's grace will be finished this year. In time, this guesthouse will help it to be self-supporting. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Kit and Celia Jensen for their oversight of the project and encouragement of the ministry there.

**Cambodia** – Chab Dai, is a coalition of 55 different anti -trafficking organisations. They have agreed to collaborate with us to fight trafficking. Peter and Jan Sara and I visited the ministry in Cambodia, in October and we were very impressed at the professionalism of the work. We have also initiated a relationship with Khymer Baptist Church and have a NZ church team visiting in July with a view to establishing a partnership.

**Myanmar** – In October, we appointed Dr Thwang Cin to lead a new work in October. He is currently setting up an income producing business to fund his and an assistants salary.

**Bangladesh** – we all enjoyed the visit of Mac Adhikary from Bangladesh and began helping him with his dream to build a new orphanage/school in a city called Naogoan.

**Fiji** -we were able to extend the solo mums training program for another year ( for a total of four years now) so far 45 solo mums have been through the training programme, 89% are reporting economic independence and 59% have established our profitable small businesses. We owe again a great deal of gratitude to Rob Wayne who manages the project.

**Uganda** – we were able to raise sufficient money for a well for Seluti village in Uganda and for a flushing toilet in the maternity annex.

**Social Media** – we experimented with various degrees of success with social media. We established on our website a permanent “catalogue “so that people who want to help just one person are able to donate easily to buy a mosquito net or a school shoes, to some deserving person. I visited Turkey recently and met the Syrian refugees who received grocery vouchers and the children who would be given new shoes from our Christmas catalogue and realised how important this kind of help is to those with nothing and who are living below the poverty line. A great deal of work has been done and is being done by Zhuming Lam our website manager, who has put in many hours to optimise our website. He is being helped by two young media experts Alex Jordan and Josh Rollo who are seeking to make our

website visible through Google AdWords and other ways, to a new generation of social media savvy people with a social conscience.

**Increasing sponsorship** – we worked really hard at seeking to grow sponsorship last year and added 250 new child sponsors. There is a battle to stay ahead in this area as people retire or find themselves financially stretched and unable to continue supporting their child.

**Strategic plan** -during the year we worked on a new strategic plan and had very valuable help from Steve Tollestrup and Tim Piddlesly. We are hoping the new plan will be ready for adoption by the end of June this year

**Staff** -we enjoyed the company of two interns, Ruby Cook from Pathways Bible College and Sue Fever from Faith Bible College, who each helped us on projects for a few months. In June, Sue Hodges, our sponsorship coordinator left us to work with her husband at a Christian Camp, in the Coromandel. We then welcomed Liz McManus and Jen Missen as our new sponsorship coordinators who job share. We have various people who help us function well in all sorts of capacities such Glenys Nairn, a proof-reader, & Alex Jordan who manages our Google AdWords grant of US\$10,000 a month. Beau Spicer does all our graphics and design, Samantha Ives is our journalist, and we have a number of lovely people who come and help us with our quarterly reports mail out.

I would, on behalf of the staff, like to thank the board for their hard work during the year and for all the support that they have given and especially like to thank **David Wilson and Ian Lysaght**, who are long serving Trustees stepping down this year. David Wilson served as chair of the International board for many years and managed our Philippines ministry when they went through a crisis for two years in 2011. Ian Lysaght served International Needs from the very beginning of its ministry. As I travel, I continually come across buildings that Ian and Adrienne have funded amongst our partners over the years, that I had no idea existed! We have been doubly blessed by their enormous contribution, to the life and ministry of International Needs.



Gradon Harvey,  
Executive Director.