



Annual Report of International Needs Humanitarian Aid
Trust for the year ended

31st December 2015



Before and after photos. On the left are the Manawa tribe's homes squatting on mining slag, with no access to water or sewage. On the right, are two of the 23 houses built this year on their own land with toilets, next to a water supply.



This is the first report for the International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust (INHAT) so some explanation is in order.

The INHAT trust provides global support to local organisations 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 givers' 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 the International Needs Charitable Trust as it has been for over 40 years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Sara', written over a light grey grid background.

Peter Sara

Chair



Report from Gradon Harvey, Executive Director

2015 at a glance...

Last year at our fortieth birthday celebration, we had our first AGM where we separated our work of evangelism and church planting, from our child sponsorship and community development work.

This was largely due to an expectation from Inland Revenue Department, that if we were to give tax rebate receipts for our overseas donations for community development and child sponsorship then we needed a clear separation from our evangelism and church planting work.

The International Needs Charitable Trust was set up forty years ago with an evangelism and church planting focus, so the new International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust was set up for our focus on community development, disaster relief and child sponsorship work, which was never envisaged in its original founding document.

I am amazed of how much of our income now comes from the website. Just today, two donations of \$5,200 arrived to help a project that we had not even advertised beyond including it in our projects on our website.

So the other reason for having the International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust, is so that some people want to give to our work but who do not necessarily see the evangelization of the world as a priority. They still want to give to good causes that are well run by an organisation like ours, that have a good track record of delivering results and for a very low administration fee. We want to encourage these supporters to help us transform lives and change communities.

This year we were involved in helping the Syrian refugees, the earthquake in Nepal and the continued recovery after Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines (by helping to fund 50 pedicabs). We also helped a Mamanwa tribal group who were displaced after Haiyan to buy land and build 23 simple homes, two guest flats and a community centre, near Tacloban, the capital of Leyte Island (see cover photos).

We increased our sponsorship by 93 in 2015 and now fund 1639 children and 29 young Nepali teenagers to attend in Kathmandu, the Lydia course which lasts 5 months. We took over the Cappuccino Club ministry on April 1st which helps fund around 50 tertiary students in the Philippines. This year we are hoping to grow our number of sponsored children by 500 – it is a central focus of this year.

We were involved in a number of community development projects. Our NZ Aid project with single mums in Fiji finished its third year, helping to set up micro-businesses with a mentor after a three-

month training period. We funded an “at the gate” school dropout programme in Tonga, led by some youth pastors helping troubled youth get back into school or training before they get into trouble. In Ghana we helped the students who were still needing help after our NZ Aid project finished to stay in school or in apprenticeships. During our Christmas appeal we raised money for our new vocational training centre in Egypt, for a refugee school in Yozgat, Turkey and for new clothes for the children in orphanages in Bangladesh. We also raised money for a leaky roof at the Bethany Orphanage in Bangladesh.

International Needs Humanitarian Aid Trust is blessed with a good Community Development Reference group based in Christchurch (led by Rob Wayne, our NZAid contracts officer) which vets any proposals that are given to us to consider funding.

During the year we had the visit of Esther Laxmi from Nepal, Justus Miwanda Uganda and Julio and Marian Concepcion plus Chito and Salve Ramos from the Philippines, who each did a splendid job promoting the work as our partners and raising new child sponsors.

International Needs is blessed with a great board of Trustees and a dedicated staff, surrounded by outside help from experts like Samantha (journalist), Beau (graphics and magazine layout), Zhuming (our website) Rachel (quarterly reports) and Tarang (software programmer). Special mention needs to be made of the extra work that Gail Halsted gave to separate International Needs into the two very different Trusts during the year. We also welcomed Ruby Cooke our first ever Intern and sadly we farewell Hilda O’Neil our office volunteer, who has recently found employment.



Gradon Harvey

Executive director