

Annual Report of I.N. Network New Zealand for 2010



Trading as International Needs NZ

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LVTC women selling the items they have made to the locals.

2010 at a Glance

From the desk of Executive Director, INNZ

The year has been a difficult year in some respects as we have witnessed the impact of the recession on daily lives but it has also shown us God's amazing goodness and the impact the ministries are having on lives across the globe.

We were truly blessed with the visit from Justus Miwanda from Uganda in February. This was Justus' fourth visit to New Zealand and meetings were arranged for him in Te Puke, Waikato, North Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. I am pleased to report that through this visit, 55 new children have been sponsored and we have been able to support children in Uganda with the provision of text books.

During September, we had a visit from Nestor Flores from the Philippines. Nestor visited churches in Wellington, Nelson, Blenheim, Dunedin and the Waikato. The focus for this visit was to further develop church partnerships with the Philippines.

During the year, we received sad news from Pastor Manuko, our partner in Papua New Guinea, who advised us that their village had been attacked and 67 homes destroyed. An appeal was lodged and we have been able to help our brothers and sisters in Ukarumpa village to rebuild their lives. This has been another opportunity to demonstrate the love of Christ through practical support and we give thanks to God for the generosity of our supporters.

We also kicked off a new initiative called the Dollar Donor scheme. We encouraged our supporters to give \$1 per week that can be used to cover urgent needs as they are raised by our partners from time to time. We are grateful to all who have committed to this scheme and it has already enabled us to respond to the urgent request from our partner in Egypt to provide food for families following the riots in that country.

During 2010, Ginny Coe, our Sponsorship Coordinator, has been instrumental in developing a new electronic Central Profile Office (E-CPO) for the IN Network globally. This is a much needed and exciting development for staff worldwide as the numbers of sponsorships grow and a lot of time is invested in updating and maintaining this very important information. We expect this project to be fully implemented in the 2011 year.

We have also made good progress on the upgrade of our accounting systems, thanks to the diligence of our Finance Officer, Gail Halsted. This has streamlined the reporting of our accounts more.

The mission of the IN Network is to connect Christian partners in effective evangelism, discipleship and community development. One of the effective ways of doing this is through strategic church partnerships and a highlight of the year was the growth in these church partnerships with some new partners joining with us.

These partnerships are a strategic way in which churches can focus their involvement in mission and the benefits are significant to both our partner on the front line and the New Zealand church.

The year ended with the resignation of our Executive Director Jeremy Denmead. Jeremy has been the face of our organisation for many years and it was with a great deal of sadness that we farewell him. The office staff have excelled in covering the day to day running of the organisation in the interim period and we all look forward to the arrival of Gradon Harvey, the new Executive Director.

Robyn Cotton
Executive Board Member

Report from the Chair

I have heard many people say that 2010 was a horrible year. It is right that we should acknowledge that the convulsions which accompany personal and community tragedies and difficulties will have their after shocks for many years to come. But history shows us that people do rebuild their lives. Our challenge is not being overwhelmed by the enormity of the needs we see about us, but to keep pressing on faithfully with the works which are within our power and resources to assist.

Following the resignation of our International President, representatives from the IN Network were hosted in Sri Lanka in September for a special meeting. This was a significant event and a time to closely examine our growing organisation and seek wisdom to establish the strategic direction for the Network. A number of working groups are continuing the vital work and we are excited about what God has in store for us.

We finished the year with the resignation of Jeremy Denmead, our Executive Director. Jeremy has been with the organisation 11 years and has overseen many changes during his tenure. Jeremy pioneered a number of initiatives which resulted in substantial growth for our work. We are thankful to Jeremy for his very hard work. We wish him and Donna well in their future endeavours. As one season ends, another begins and we look forward to welcoming our new Executive Director, Gradon Harvey into the International Needs family.

Peter Sara
Chairman, International Needs New Zealand

Sponsorship

We are pleased to report that the overall result for 2010 was a net growth in sponsorships.

New sponsorships	158	
Replacements (4.3% declined replacements)	178	
Sub total:	336	
Cancelled from front-line	186	
Cancelled from supply-line	121	(53% cancelled due to financial reasons)
Sub total:	307	
 Net annual growth for 2010	 29	



Siliguri / Mirik sponsored children receiving their Christmas gifts of School Bags, Food supplement & vitamin tonics

Periodically, we hear sponsorship stories that encourage us and that reflect the importance of this very vital part of the International Needs ministry. One such story is that of Kamada Lule in Uganda.



Kamada has been sponsored since 1995 through the I.N. programme by the same New Zealand family. His father is the local Muslim leader for his community and his mother is a Christian. When Kamada made a decision for Christ, he was at high school and his father told him to reject Jesus Christ or he will be disowned by the family. Kamada refused to reject Jesus Christ, and was thrown out of his home.

I.N. Uganda supported him and found him somewhere to live with a Christian family so he could continue with his secondary education. Kamada had a deep desire to go to

University and, supported by this same family, he began to study for a Diploma in Social Development. During his time at university he has set up campus prayer groups and is involved in leading other Christian initiatives on campus. Kamada is due to graduate in July 2011.

Community Development Projects

International Needs New Zealand gratefully acknowledges the support of the KOHA PICD scheme and the new Sustainable Development Fund (SDF). Assistance from these funds has enabled us to support our partners in their community development work. We also acknowledge the Community Development Reference Group, a group of professionals who meet on a voluntary basis to oversee and provide recommendations to help us ensure the best possible outcomes for our projects.

During 2010, we were involved in the implementation and completion of the Cottage Food Industry project with ACTS of India. This project has enabled local growers in 52 villages to start up small businesses processing their produce into chutneys and jams.

Two new projects with our partner in Ghana were submitted and accepted. They are:

1. Child Labour in Fishing (2), a three year follow up project to the one year pilot that targets the prevention and withdrawal of children from child labour. It will provide 300 children presently exploited (either through their families, as bonded labourers or who have been sold into slavery) in the coastal fishing industry with the opportunity to return to school and or vocational training. It will also sustain a further 520 children who have already taken up this opportunity through the original stage of this project.
2. Commercial Sexual Exploitation (2), a follow on from the very successful one year pilot project aimed at removing 500 children from commercial sexual exploitation and to provide education for them. It also aims to provide 200 poor families with skills training and access to micro-loans to help reduce the problem of child sexual exploitation.

In November, we were granted temporary accreditation with the new Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) that has replaced the KOHA fund. To retain accreditation, we had to submit a new application and this process is underway. The risk associated with this is that if we fail to retain accreditation, then the projects will lack the necessary funding for their completion.

Short Term Missions & Transmission

The year saw a number of short term mission trips, all of which were between partner churches and the ministry areas they support.

These trips not only connect our partner church to the area that they support, but they cement long term dedicated relationships. These relationships bear much fruit as knowledge and skills are transferred; children, workers and projects are supported with prayer and resources; fresh ways of reaching communities for Christ become possible. These trips can be life-changing for the visitors, who often come home with a renewed perspective.



- Hornby Presbyterian Community Church sent a team to Sano Diyo children's home in NE India in January and again in June.

- Hope Community Church in Richmond sent a team of their mission leaders to the Leyte Province in the Philippines in April.
- Elim Christian Centre, Dunedin sent a ladies team to the Philippines in September.

A transmission has been planned for a young professional couple to spend 3 months in Uganda to assist with INUG's administration and capacity building.