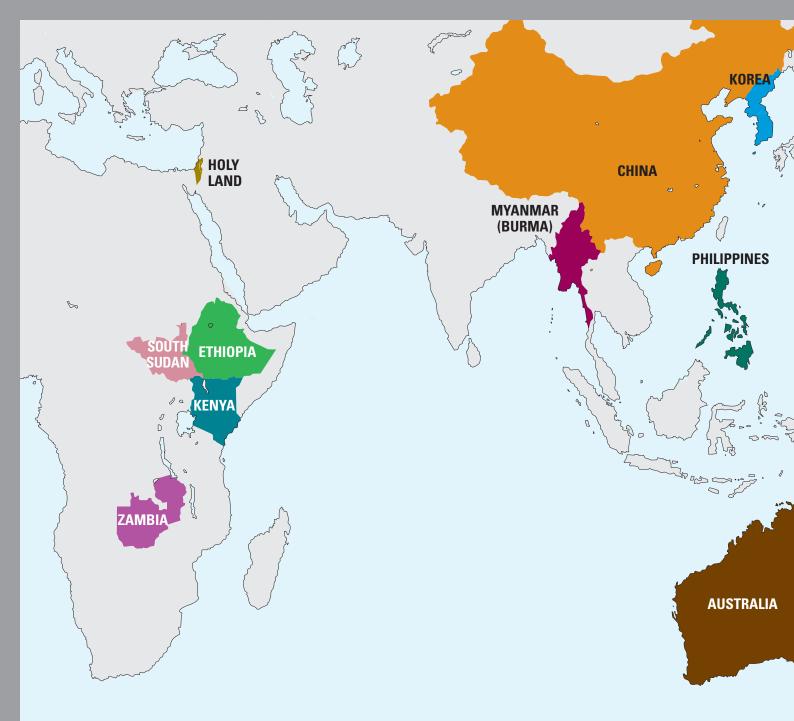


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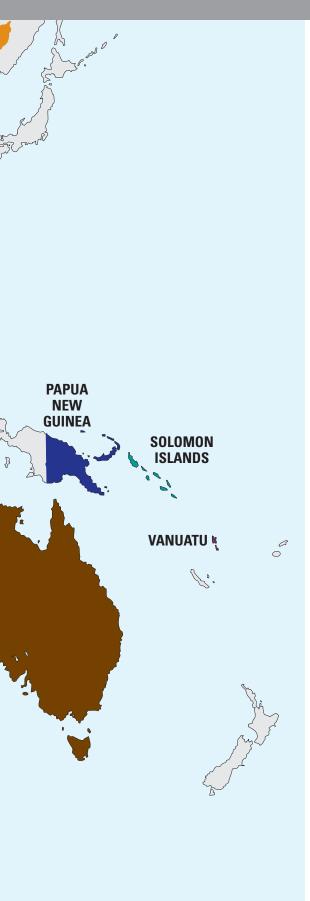


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Pictured on cover: Ethel Suri, President of Mothers' Union, Vanuatu. © ABM/Julianne Stewart 2012.





### Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2013 edition of ABM's Project Book, bringing to you the work of our Partners here in Australia and overseas.

Over the next few pages you will find projects which we hope you will consider

supporting over the next 12 months. There are ongoing projects which reflect the growing nature of the work, and some new ones which highlight the many needs amongst the people and communities that our Partners serve.

This Project Book is correct as at the time of going to print. However, projects may change throughout the year. For the most up-to-date list of projects and for current project information, please visit our website at anytime. It is possible to donate via our website too.

You may notice that some of our community development projects get AusAID (the Australian Government's Overseas Aid Program) support but they also need your support. ABM is an accredited agency with AusAID and has strong and long-standing partnerships with Anglican churches in many developing countries. This puts us in a good position to channel AusAID funds into our Partner churches' development work.

All ABM's programs, even those which get some or a lot of government support, also need your funds. AusAID's support simply enables us to give more to our Partners so they can help more people in their communities. For example, with ABM's Vanuatu program, AusAID funds a program to build the capacity of the Church to deliver better services and ABM funds the Church to deliver literacy, water and sanitation services.

Without your support, ABM's work would not be possible in all of our program areas so thank you for your generous prayers and gifts.

In Christ's love,

**Dr Julianne Stewart** Programs Director



Students at Wontulp-Bi-Buya are encouraged to put their new skills to use in their own communities and churches. © ABM/Stephen Daughtry, 2006.

#### Wontulp-Bi-Buya College

AU003WB NEEDS \$85,000 IN 2013 As it offers theology and community development programs, Wontulp-Bi-Buya College works to bring faith and light to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander church and community leaders. Its name

in fact means faith and the light of Christ.

Based in Cairns, Wontulp-Bi-Buya is the Queensland partner of Nungalinya College and was established in 1983. In 2011 the College supported over 50 students in their certificate training, home-based study. Students are encouraged to put their new skills to use in their own communities and churches.

Funding for this project will go towards Principal Victor Joseph's annual salary. The provision of salary support helps Wontulp-Bi-Buya, through Rev'd Joseph, to further promote its work to the church in Australia and in turn, to develop further links to maintain and grow the range of study options available through Wontulp.

Supporting the management of Wontulp will help in the growth of ministry to Indigenous Australians and also develop the profile of Wontulp to further sustain and build its activities.



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#### Nungalinya College



With students coming from a wide cross-section of Top End communities, Nungalinya College in Darwin is an important theological and pastoral training college for Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander people.

Nungalinya teaches courses on theology, family and community services and encourages cross cultural awareness.

Currently students come from communities including Oenpelli, Ngukurr, Ramingining, Galiwinku, Tiwi Islands and Wadeye as well as a tiny out station called Manmoyi.

Often these places are in the news as places of severe dysfunction but the students remind us that in all these places there are faithful Christian people trying to make a difference.



Women from the sacraments class at Nungalinya. © ABM, 2011.



Delores Fernando studies at Nungalinya. © ABM, 2011.

Many of our students take on voluntary work such as organising after school activities and programs to keep kids out of trouble or leading fellowships in communities where there are no churches.

They do all this with little or no support so it is great in some small way to be a part of their support structure. This is not only teaching them basic literacy and numeracy but also giving them a safe place to do so. They gain a wide range of experiences to encourage and equip them for whatever lies ahead.

The College seeks to train Aboriginal people as tutors to work both in their communities and during intensive training at the Darwin Campus.

By supporting this project, you can help us to enable more tutors to study at Nungalinya College, and work within their communities.

#### The Rev'd Gloria Shipp



The Rev'd Gloria Shipp has a busy and full ministry in the Diocese of Bathurst.

Through a variety of activities such as Women's Dinners, Weekly Elders groups, Sunday services, Juvenile Justice Centre chaplaincy, camps for the

Indigenous community as well as baptisms and funerals, Gloria's work aims to empower people and encourage transformation.

Her Walkabout Ministries empower people and encourage transformation through fellowship. The weekend camps in particular are a time of fellowship, and a way to connect with the communities in the local area.

Her ministry is shared with her husband, Eddie Shipp, and other helpers. They help run the men's weekends and share their knowledge, focusing on leadership and offering counselling as well.

Part of her ministry also involves travelling on mission trips to rural areas within the Diocese. Of course, such travel is both time consuming and costly.

The work of the Rev'd Gloria Shipp is greatly needed in the rural regions of the Diocese of Bathurst. Please support this project and help Gloria Shipp continue this work.



© ABM, 2012.

Gloria's work aims to empower people and encourage transformation.

### **Encounter Program**



ABM's Encounter Program is designed to help the Anglican Church of Australia understand more about our fellow Anglicans abroad. It does this by bringing specially-selected participants from up to three months in Australia

overseas to spend up to three months in Australia.

The participants are usually based within a parish setting where parishioners can learn from them and experience a little of Church life overseas through them. In the next few months we hope to be able to host a visitor from the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea as well as two visitors from the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

As well as parish experience, the participants work on their own learning goals while in Australia. Often this involves learning about some kind of specialized ministry such as work with the Mission to Seafarers, or school chaplaincy.

For example, we hope that Deacon Luke Foai will learn a lot about chaplaincy with the Mission to Seafarers while he's here in Australia. He is a respected former captain of the Church's vessel, the Southern Cross. He has completed the certified Captain's Course from the Marine College in the Solomon Islands, and also holds a diploma in theology from the Bishop Patteson Theological College in Honiara.

### Emergencies

#### **Global Rapid Response Fund**

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Last year our Global Rapid Response Fund enabled ABM to send relief quickly to a number of partners — in Kenya, Myanmar and the Philippines.

The fund was used in Kenya in the second

half of 2011 to ensure the food relief program could begin sooner, rather than waiting until we had raised sufficient funds from our emergency appeal. We received the call from our partners, Ukamba Christian Community Services (UCCS), in July, and by August the first bags of food were being distributed to the hungry community members.

Knowing they were going to receive the funds also enabled UCCS to begin planning straight away, including sourcing the food, organising trucks to transport it, storage locations, and extra staff to disperse the assistance.

Communities could be mobilised early and assessed for the most vulnerable individuals to receive assistance, including children, pregnant and lactating women, elderly folk and those who were sick or disabled.

In the Philippines the fund enabled us to quickly respond to the terrible devastation caused by Typhoon Juan late in 2011. Our partner, Philippine Independent Church (IFI), organised to provide emergency food, medical supplies, safe drinking water and transport health workers to assist hundreds of the most needy in the north of the country.



Fr Michael Tavoa, Chaplain to the Mission to Seafarers in Port Vila Vanuatu on his visit to Australia. © St John's Church, Freemantle, WA 2011.

Being away from his wife and children for three months will be hard for Deacon Luke, but his Australian Encounter visit will ground his ministry with solid learning, and the friendships he makes here will sustain him and his Australian contacts for many years to come.

By supporting the project -

- You will be providing opportunities for specially-selected participants from overseas to come to Australia.
- They will be able to learn things here which they would not be able to in their home countries.
- They will be able to teach Australian Anglicans about their own countries and Churches.
- You will be helping to form long-term friendships which benefit people for a long time.



Community members in Kitui in Kenya wait for Government relief food. There were over 200 people on this day and all were waiting to share 30 bags of maize. © UCCS 2011.

The province of Isabela, Reunion and Pangasinan were among the most affected areas. It is particularly useful that ABM has its Rapid Response Fund for such emergencies which are sadly almost predictable. As Bishop David from IFI writes: "The last quarter of every year is typhoon season in the Philippines".

In Myanmar, the fund enabled ABM to respond quickly to a fire in Sittwe Diocese. The diocesan development coordinator, Rev'd Patrick Tone reported that our rapid response to the fire in that region allowed the church to purchase food, medicines, blankets, mosquito nets as well as to hire a motor boat to deliver the emergency relief to victims.

Our fund also enabled ABM to send funds for some of the humanitarian emergencies in South Sudan to which the church there feels a great responsibility to respond.

Your generous support of this project will help ABM to continue to provide speedy responses in times of need.



Corn crops in Mandalay, Myanmar. © Church in Myanmar 2012.

The Church in Myanmar is presented with many challenges. The work of the church is coordinated from the provincial development desk in Myanmar which has the oversight of managing the community development work, with support from overseas partners.

ABM is one of the partners assisting to overcome these challenges so the much needed work in Myanmar can continue. One such challenge is travelling. The dioceses are long distances from the Yangon development desk, so travel takes many hours and the cost of travel is also very expensive. One of the dioceses takes three days to reach and travel includes a domestic flight, a bus ride and a river ferry ride.

ABM has in part supported the Dioceses to gain Internet connection but this is very unreliable, making communication another challenge. ABM has also worked with the church to print prayer and hymn books and provide bibles.

Big picture programs that aim to offer Economic Empowerment and Institutional Strengthening are supported by ABM as well as specific projects that provide English Language Tuition, Water and Sanitation, Youth Skills Training and Food Security. Through these programs ABM works with the church in Myanmar to empower locals to strengthen their own communities.

You can help support projects in Myanmar. Phone for more details 1300 302 663.



**U San Lin** and **Joy HIa Gyaw** work for the Church of the Province of Myanmar. They visited Sydney in 2012 to share the good news of some of the projects ABM assists with.

"I think our role was God's calling for us because we thought we were going to retire but the Archbishop called us and we gladly accepted the role and didn't retire at all.

We work in the Development Department of the Church of the Province of Myanmar and together with ABM we have water and agriculture projects, plus some more.

For the villagers, they are very scared to get water so we can provide sanitised water facility. This is a big support from ABM.

ABM supplies water pipes and tanks so we can move fresh water from the source to the village. Otherwise, the people have to walk far and it's difficult, there are lots of mountains and hills."



ABM's Gender and Governance program aims to create awareness of and build gender equality in Zambia. © ABM, 2012.

#### **Gender and Governance**



In 2011 ABM supported its partner, Zambia Anglican Council (ZAC), in a new project which aimed to create awareness of gender equality. gender-based violence and cultural and religious practices which disadvantage women and will

reach thousands of targeted households in Eastern Zambia.

The project sought to strengthen the support of women and girls in chosen regions to make positive change in their lives by increasing their knowledge and skills, asserting their rights, and protecting against gender-based violence and gender inequality.

This year, in the Eastern and Lusaka Dioceses of Zambia, the program will continue to focus on the less privileged women and girls by increasing their knowledge and skills, creating awareness of their rights, protection against gender-based violence and gender inequality.

Zambia recently introduced a number of legal and policy reforms to promote gender equality. However, women in Zambia remain unequal compared to their male counterparts on most indicators including economic empowerment, educational attainment and political empowerment. A key obstacle to gender equality in Zambia is the persistence of the discriminatory practices in the family arising from the dual legal system and high levels of gender-based violence.

By supporting this project you will be helping the church to reach 80 church and community leaders, 2,500 community members, 100 members of the newly created gender and development action groups as well as local government ministers and councillors to create real change in Zambia.

#### St John's Seminary – Training leaders for the Church in Zambia



Operating in one of the world's poorest countries, St John's Anglican Seminary is the national Seminary of the Anglican Church in Zambia. Part of the Anglican Province of Central Africa, it serves five

dioceses and provides a place where students are being trained to serve a fast-growing church, both urban and rural.

ABM supports the Seminary through its partner, Zambia Anglican Council (ZAC). Funding is needed to help the Seminary pay for additional expenses such as maintenance costs, library books, an internet connection, and basic education for spouses.

St John's is proud of the training opportunities it aims to offer students. Bishop John Osmers wrote to ABM to share the good news of Christopher Koloko and his wife Naomi who graduated from the College and the wives' training program and went on to Livingstone to be a youth evangelist.

Christopher wrote to the Seminary, " Greetings! I am now in Livingstone. Thanks to you and the St John's community for the roles that has been played towards my reformation and transformation in shaping my approach to priesthood. It is my wish that the remaining students and those who will join them, together with me and all Christians will ceaselessly pray for each other."

You can support this project and contribute to the training and success of students like Christopher.

This project is partially funded by Australian Aid.

# Kenya

#### **NEW PROJECT**

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**



The Diocese of Bungoma is a part of the Anglican Church of Kenya. The diocese is asking ABM to help them train people to run the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program for the diocese. The Catechesis

of the Good Shepherd is a Christian Education program that assumes young children have religious potential and that they are capable of developing a conscious and intimate relationship with God.

The Catechesis is divided into three levels: Level One is for ages 3 to 6, Level Two is for ages 6 to 9, and Level Three is for ages 9 to12. As the child encounters the essentials of Faith, all three levels include presentations on the Sacraments, the Bible, Geography, Infancy and Passion Narratives, Prophecies, and Parables, all in a manner that is developmentally appropriate. The catechist acts as facilitator of the children's own discovery of the meaning of these things for themselves.

This faith development program is one which provides firm foundations for children and has been implemented in Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic settings.

By supporting the project -

- You will be providing opportunities for training for Christian ministry in various locations within the diocese.
- You will be providing locals with opportunities to learn.
- You will also be helping the diocese to provide effective service delivery of Christian ministry to children.



The people of Machakos Diocese are faced with many challenges posed by the changing climate making food security an issue. © ABM, Ivy Wang, 2011.

#### NEW PROJECT

#### Leadership and Management Training Project, Machakos Diocese



The Machakos Diocese Leadership and Management training project seeks to raise the standard of leadership, and commitment to it, in this Kenyan diocese. This project will assist the diocese to address some of

the challenges in the area of Leadership Formation and Training for lay people and ordinands – all geared towards building firm foundations for the church.

Currently the diocese has 106 parishes with over 150,000 people who worship every Sunday and these people need good leaders in order to prepare them to live life in abundance here on earth and everlasting life hereafter. Over 80% of the diocese is rural and most church members are small-scale peasant farmers, entirely depending on rain fed agriculture. They are faced with many challenges posed by the changing climate. The weather patterns have changed and the rains have become so erratic leading to environmental exploitation. Often, this makes the community turn to the Church for solutions, especially when there are no crops in the fields. This becomes a very heavy task for the diocese. With training and having good leaders in the Church, the community will open their eyes and minds and diversify their livelihoods and thus will have something to rely on during harsh times.

This project is important as it addresses the leadership challenges and problems faced by the community. Since the diocese is experiencing rapid growth, this calls for good leaders/managers and for the community members to be strong in terms of having sustainable and diverse livelihoods will mean that they can contribute positively to the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Leadership training will target all the parish leaders and it will be a one-day training to be conducted consecutively. The rationale is to train the parish leaders in the best leadership styles to make them lead their parishes well. It will target all 106 parishes and every parish has 15 leaders who will be trained. A total of 1,590 leaders will have been trained during the project period. We want to do this because leadership is the key element to success of the parishes.

By supporting the project -

- People will be able to help themselves live in this arid area by diversifying their crops.
- The trainings will provide the leaders with skills and knowledge that they will use in their day to day activities either in the parishes, schools or even in their workplaces.
- The capacity of parish leaders will be extended.
- The diocesan strategic plan will be fulfilled in this area.



Women from the Diocese of Banks and Torres are empowered in Vanuatu by literacy programs. © ABM, 2007.

#### Literacy



Vanuatu has a population of just over 200,000 with over 100 languages spoken. In poor rural communities literacy levels are low.

ABM supports its partner, the Anglican

Church of Melanesia to work with the Diocesan Mothers' Union (MU) Literacy Coordinators to help them teach women in the community. Together the teachers develop their work plans and budgets so they can educate adults.

The literacy coordinators work in close consultation with local communities to develop common understandings about mutual responsibilities for the literacy teaching and learning.

Literacy is taught in the context of topics of importance to the adult learners, such as agriculture, the environment, gender issues, development issues, health topics, human rights and savings and credit.

One student said, "Literacy has helped me in so many ways... I learnt to write and read. At first I didn't know how and now the class has helped me even more."

"I am interested to come to the literacy school because it helps me develop independence in the home and help my children in school," said another woman.

In Vanuatu 27% of children still don't complete primary school so these skills later in life are so important to help the women and in turn offer a better education to their children.

Support this program and help offer literacy education to these women in Vanuatu.



#### Kayline Hinge has been

teaching literacy in Vanuatu for a few years.

"The parish priest asked me to teach here when I was 22 years old.

The literacy program has 10 students this year here and they are different ages and some men and women. Our classes are held two days a week in the morning. We don't have many resources. We need more

but we don't have much money and they are expensive.

It is important because we want all of the people inside our community to come to church and help their families. Especially mothers they can teach their children. Many mothers here they cannot write so it is important to have the literacy school."

### China

#### **Ethnic Women's Health**



Set in rural China, this project aims to change women's behaviour and encourages them to face and promote their own health issues. It does this through education, physical check-ups, publicity, sanitary toilet

building and the activities of women's associations. It also aims to improve community awareness to provide a good support system for the promotion of women's health.

Xiao Lang, one of the leaders of the Mangbingdai Village Women's Health Association, was asked how the project had affected the community.

"The project has impacted on our whole community. Since we formed the Women's Health Association, we have conducted many activities during our various Dai festivals, like our Spring Festival. During these festivals we have provided publicity about drug and HIV AIDS prevention, using dancing, singing and sometimes dramas which we write ourselves.

"There are 102 households in our community – that's 470 people, and more than 80 are members of the Association. Since we began doing these activities, our young people have also started organising their own activities like sports and small farm businesses, instead of riding on fast motorbikes through the village, and drinking alcohol. They see us getting organised and they want to get organised themselves."



Xiao Yu is a health volunteer in the region and recognises the benefits the health education has brought to the community.

"We never had anything like this before; many of our village women have never had a physical/gynaecological check-up since they were born. They were very happy and cooperative in all of our project activities."

By supporting this project you are not only benefiting women but whole communities in south-west China. Women have better awareness of their health and become more confident as they participate in the project's different activities. The communities where these women live also benefit as the women take better care of themselves and have an understanding of health issues so they can look after their family's health in a more informed way. This project is partially funded by Australian Aid.



This project aims to improve women's health through education and check ups in rural China. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.

### Solomon Islands

#### **Climate Change**



Communities of Ontong Java are vulnerable to climate change due to the rise in the salt-water table that supplies food crops and drinking water wells. Consequently both food and water security are in danger of being permanently spoiled due to salination of the water supply.

The overall objective of the Climate Change Program – Ontong Java Food and Water Security Project is to address the issue of food and water shortages in the Atoll communities. It is important that food and water security is improved by increasing production of salt-resistant vegetables and installing water harvesting tanks. This will reduce vulnerability of the people of Ontong Java to food and water shortages by 2015.

Almost 3,000 people will benefit from the supply of rain-water tanks to their community. ABM will be providing 26 tanks in all at a current cost of about AUD900 per tank.

Despite the obvious environmental and health benefits the water tanks will provide, the project's long-term impact is expected to improve the biomass on Ontong Java to assist in the diversification of crop varieties in the local area and decrease the salinity levels in the local soil stocks.

The region also has a high-value seafood product and ongoing harvesting may help to yield sufficient funds to continue with the current farming and harvesting practices for some years to come. Application of good planning practices for future farming needs will help the community to ensure that the current project activities can be maintained without additional funding.

By giving to this project you can help these communities in the Solomon Islands lessen the impact of climate change and also help them take steps to strengthen their agriculture and water resources for the future.



The beautiful scenery of the Solomon Islands where local communities are being affected by rising tides. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.



Two women at MU planning meeting. © ABM /Julianne Stewart, 2012.

#### NEW PROJECT

#### Bildim Ap – Mothers' Union Empowerment Project



At a recent meeting with most of the overseas partners of the Mothers' Union (MU) of the Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACOM), ABM was asked to

fund a pilot program called Bildim Ap. This would offer women an opportunity to focus on their own dreams and consider what assets they already have to achieve these dreams. The aim is to assist local (parish)-level Mothers' Union groups to identify their goals and the strengths they already have to achieve these goals.

The project would fund a staff member to visit the MU groups to mobilise and motivate them, and provide follow up. There would also be a small fund which groups could access if needed, but the main focus would be on the groups finding their own strengths. In the Pacific, colonialism and the history of foreign aid have created situations of strong dependency on other countries and donors, and it can be very disempowering for local people.

Using this strengths-based approach changes the mindset of depending on someone outside to solve one's problems and answer one's needs. Rather it sees the community realising what strengths and assets it already possesses, and enables them to see how to put these strengths to use to help achieve their community goals.

The Mothers' Union is a strong arm of the Anglican Church of Melanesia, with around 16,000 members in the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. Whilst they are a strong organisation, one of their challenges is communicating their work down to the grassroots.

You can support this project and assist with a model that empowers locals on the ground in the Solomons.

#### **Christian Care Centre**



The Christian Care Centre (CCC) is the only women's refuge in the Solomon Islands, and it has been ably managed jointly by the Sisters of the Church and the Sisters of Melanesia since its inception in 2005.

It now needs people to be trained to a more professional level, to be able to meet the counselling needs of the women and children who find themselves coming to the Centre.

ABM has been supporting the CCC for some time. Most recently we have been asked to fund a Women's Refuge specialist from Australia to spend several weeks working with the Sisters and volunteers at the Christian Care Centre near Honiara, developing a training program for counsellors at the Centre, and for those who might support the women and children on their return home to their families and/or villages. We are aiming to raise \$20,000 to fund this important training project and ask for your support.

Not only is there a need for better training for the counsellors at the Centre itself, but since most of the women and children do return to their homes, it is important to be able to support them once they return, often to remote villages.

In addition to the Counselling Training, ABM has been asked to supply five sewing machines and sewing materials which would replace old machines that have worn out. Women and children at the Centre often arrive with just the clothes they are wearing, so the sewing project not only enables them to have a change or two of clothes but also teaches them how to sew. The women leave the Centre with some basic life skills and possible means of earning an income by making and selling clothes. The machines remain at the Centre for later intakes to use but the sewing machines cost about AUD\$100 each and the material is about \$30.

The sisters are also asking for funds for a new wing to be built at the Centre which they are planning and will cost \$110,000.

#### **NEW PROJECT**

#### John Coleridge Patteson University Building Fund



The Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACOM), established the site of the new 'John Coleridge Patteson University' (JCPU) to be an institution of tertiary education just outside Honiara in the

Solomon Islands in 2011.

For the Solomon Islands, JCPU will provide many benefits, other than the obvious one of benefiting students. It will contribute to nation building, national identity and unity. The existence of the University will also increase the pool of people able to teach at tertiary level.

Courses are currently evolving and work on the building is also continuing. It is planned to include a library, computer rooms, recreational facilities, all in a sustainable environment.

It will be a fundamental feature of the University to be open to applicants of all races, nationalities, cultures and religious beliefs. Whilst the ethos is explicitly Christian, other religious beliefs are respected.



Sister Doreen of the Christian Care Centre. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.

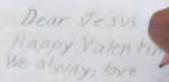
This wing, named the Rainbow Wing, will continue the muchneeded work supporting women in the Solomon Islands who have been abused and continue to be at risk of violence.



The university is building a quality institution for tertiary education.

Training for ordination and theological education will also take place at the University.

There is a great need for funds and support in the building of this University in its early years. The University is funded by many partners including ABM. By contributing to this project you are helping to build high class facilities for the people in the Solomons and Pacific to receive a strong higher education.



### Philippines

#### **Evangelism and Christian Education**

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The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) has a vision of becoming a dynamic and vibrant church of caring, witnessing and mission-oriented parishes by 2018. To help achieve this they are focusing on Evangelism and Christian Education to strengthen relationships in the church and wider community.

ABM supports this vision and encourages the ECP to share God's word and love on its mission to evangelise. Providing Sunday School and Christian education materials directly assists over 50,000 people who are able to come to know Jesus and increase their understanding of Christianity.

The Evangelism and Christian Education project teaches people of different age groups about Christian values and promotes Christian living, therefore encouraging a harmonious way of life with all of God's creation.

Children and youth benefit from the Christian Education materials in all Episcopal Institutions and from resources offered to Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible School. The ECP also trains lay and ordained people in order to develop leaders and deepen

the understanding of Anglican teachings.

By supporting this project you are giving hope to the Church in the Philippines to fulfil its mission. Your offering allows the Church to share God's word with over 50,000 people.

© ABM/Brad Chapman, 2007. Children and young people learn of Jesus through Sunday School in the Philippines through ABM's Evangelism and Christian Education project. © ABM/Brad Chapman, 2007.

#### **Climate Change**



The fifth mark of mission is to "Protect, care for and renew life on our planet". ABM is supporting the Episcopal Church in the

Philippines (ECP) to build strategies to protect its environment as the effects of climate change are being seen and felt.

Poor people, most of who live in rural areas, bear the brunt of weather extremes. An average of 20 typhoons hit the Philippines annually and they inevitably cause landslides and flooding. These disasters have wiped out crops and arable land as well as many lives in their path.

Farmers who once harvested abundant rice crops changed to more drought resistant corn in recent years and yet are now struggling to maintain these crops.

As part of the effort to mitigate climate change, the ECP is planting tens of thousands of trees as part of a sustainable forestry program. This will help prevent flooding, erosion and also decrease the amount of carbon in the atmosphere.

Another part of the climate adaptation strategy is to promote organic farming as a more sustainable and drought-resistant method of farming.

There is much more work to be done and you can support this project to help protect both the environment and rural people of the Philippines.



# South Sudan

#### **Health Commission Support Project**



The Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS) is in the process of initiating a health system which complements that of the new government of South Sudan and helps to focus on the needs of people in rural

communities and remote areas.

ABM began supporting this project last year by helping to fund the salary of the Provincial Health Coordinator as he rolls out the church's strategic plan for health.

The Coordinator has been organising training at the diocesan level and ensures workshops throughout the country contribute to the sustainability of the health programme by selecting and supporting members of each diocese for health training.

Food and other assistance is offered, workers supported with materials to construct buildings needed and a plan to sustain the financial needs of a health programme and health facilities in the future.

As well as working alongside the Diocese in South Sudan, the Coordinator liaises with the national government's health officials to ensure ECS is in step with government policy and best able to take advantage of opportunities offered by the government.

You can help build a stronger health system in South Sudan by giving to this project.

Pictured right: ADRA Australia's motorbike ambulance for their comparable clinic project on which ABM's will be modelled. © ABM/Julianne Stewart 2012.

#### NEW PROJECT



#### Solar Ovens (School Project)

Two million people all over the world depend on firewood for cooking. As a result, millions of women and children

walk many kilometres daily to collect wood for cooking. On top of the need to source fuel, many poor families all over the world spend more than 25% of their income on fuel to cook.

Solar ovens can help lessen the impact of all of these statistics. ABM is working with the church in South Sudan to introduce these solar ovens in Jonglei state, in the dioceses of Bor and Twic East.

Jonglei State was one of the worst hit areas during the long civil war. A 'scorched earth' policy was adopted, leading to mass deforestation and, consequently, timber is scarce.

The introduction of solar ovens will assist women. They will no longer have to spend hours looking for very scarce timber for firewood and therefore have more time to care for their families and to work the fields. Children too will have more time for education.

Of course solar ovens also have a positive impact on the environment. Research shows wood use is reduced by an



ABM's new clinic will look like this – complete with outdoor waiting room. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.





Millions of women and children walk many kilometres daily to collect wood for cooking. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.

average of 25-40% after only two months.

When 48 women in a refugee camp were taught how to cook in the solar ovens, they were extremely enthusiastic about their new cookers and adapted their cooking to use them every midday meal.

You can support this project and offer this option to other women. Help contribute to societal, economic and environmental changes by giving solar ovens to women in South Sudan.

## Papua New Guinea

Women learn cooking and sewing to build local skills. Here Mrs Constance Mogina, a life skills trainer, shows how to bake coconut buns. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.

#### **Building Local Skills**

#### PG020IS NEEDS \$40,000 IN 2013

In the Diocese of Dogura, ABM is working with its partner, the Anglican Church of PNG, to facilitate training in basic life skills such as sewing and cooking. The aim of this program is to build the skills

of local people so that the community can grow and sustain activities of local families to provide a meaningful and creative source of income.

Most women in this region complete school to a Grade 6 equivalent or less. This project enables the women, as well as men and children out of school in rural and remote communities to learn the basic skills in sewing and cooking.

The sewing skills enhance their ability to improve their personal appearance and boost their morale in sewing for their families. They are also provided with skills and knowledge to share with other women in their wider communities.

The cooking skills naturally improve health and diet within the region through training and education in food preparation. There is a huge impact on the wider community as the women are happy to share their new skills and knowledge with other women.

By supporting local skills projects such as these, you will be helping communities in PNG to grow and share new-found knowledge.

#### NEW PROJECT

#### **Financial Systems Support**



The Anglican Church of PNG is working to strengthen its financial systems and staff skills.

In recent years there has been staff turnover and limited technology which has created a gap in the national office. ABM is now working with the Church

to strengthen its systems and train staff to ensure succession plans.

Ms Roselyn Killangis is an accountant. A PNG national, she came to the Church having worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers. Roselyn has been working hard to get everything back on track but there is still much to do.

Mr Glen Williams, from Anglican Missions Board (AMB), New Zealand, is working in PNG to assist Roselyn to achieve the necessary outcomes in the required timeframes.

Given the history of gender equity issues in PNG, it is significant that Glen will in fact work under Roselyn's direction which will also ensure that what is developed is owned by ACPNG.

The project is of vital importance to ACPNG because it builds capacity to manage their finances and hence their projects on the ground at both at provincial and diocesan levels.

By supporting this project you can help PNG improve its systems, build its capacity for more technology and strengthen staff skills. In turn, the church in Papua New Guinea will be better positioned to share God's mission with its communities.

#### **ACPNG Infrastructure**



There are many ways ABM's infrastructure project supports the Anglican Church of PNG.

In 2012, ABM funded a generator for the Anglican Church of PNG's head office in Lae.

This was in response to a plea from the Church, who found that constant power blackouts were causing ongoing problems at the national office.

Richard Rabiafi, General Secretary of ACNG, said, "Having the generator has made a big difference, because even though PNG Power has improved the consistency of their supply, when the situation arises and power supply is cut, we now have a standby generator as back up.

"This has helped a lot in terms of maintaining the server, and ensuring that staff stay in the office. Previously when the power went off, the office was extremely hot as the fans switched off, computers turned off and the server went down, making productive work difficult. But now with the generator that doesn't happen, and it helps a lot with staff morale."

Whilst the church is hoping for further improvements Richard Rabiafi recognises the office in Lae would not be as functional without ABM's support.

"We are waiting for PNG Power to put in a three phase power line to the office, which will mean that the generator automatically comes on when the main power supply turns off. At the moment we have to manually turn the generator on when there is a blackout. We hope PNG Power will do this soon, but in the meanwhile, just having the generator for back up is a great help to all of us here in Lae," he said.

By donating to this program, you can support projects like this which offer the church in PNG efficient and practical solutions.



Mr David Pondros with the new generator at ACPNG's Lae office. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.

#### NEW PROJECT

#### **Refresher Workshops for Clergy and Lay** Ministers – Diocese of Dogura



Bishop Clyde Igara writes, 'Since 2000 the Diocese of Dogura has been going through major changes in all areas of church life, physical, financial, and spiritual. We do all we can with our limited resources and from

the support we receive from our partners'.

Bishop Clyde wants to give the diocese a boost by providing refresher workshops for the clergy and lay ministers of the six deaneries in his diocese. He writes, 'Most ordained and lay ministers have "dried up"... that's why their ministries are dry'. He wants to re-focus and re-energise the diocese. He has appointed a priest to the role of Mission and Evangelism Coordinator within the diocese. The priest is called Martin Sawaroia and he will lead workshops in each of the six deaneries.

Your support helps in three ways: it allows the Diocese of Dogura to prepare course materials and deliver courses in the six deaneries; it equips and empowers church workers for better ministry performance, allowing them to provide more effective pastoral care to their people; and it will mean, according to Bishop Clyde, that people's need to be fed and nourished well in their Christian life journey will be met. This is a Church to Church Project; it relies exclusively on donations from Australian Anglicans.



Clergy and lay training workshop in Dogura. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.



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#### **NEW PROJECT**

#### Christ the King School – Diocese of Port Moresby



The ATS settlement on the outskirts of Port Moresby is a place where people began to live following Papua New Guinea's declaration

of independence in 1974. They came with high hopes of finding employment, but for most people the dream never came to pass. So, most people in the settlements eke out a living by small-scale things like selling betel nuts or fuel. Because unemployment is so high, many of the young people turn to petty crime, making the settlements quite unsafe places.

At the beginning of 2011 the Diocese of Port Moresby started an elementary school at the Christ the King church in the ATS settlement, which is on the country side of Jackson's airport, Port Moresby. While we wait for the registration process with the government to be completed, the diocese is committed to the payment of a small allowance for three teachers so that the school can function. The project seeks to assist the diocese with financial support during the registration process. After that is completed the government will take up the funding of the teachers and the school.

Your support helps in three ways: It provides a basic education service in a squatter settlement; it shows the Church's concern for children without schooling; and it strengthens the Anglican families in ATS. This is a Church to Church Project; it relies exclusively on donations from Australian Anglicans.

#### Melanesian Brotherhood Urban Evangelism – Diocese of Port Moresby



A Household of the Melanesian Brotherhood in the Diocese of Port Moresby have been engaged in Christian drama this year. They have made musical instruments to form a 'bamboo band'. Racks of large cut bamboos roped together and struck by old trainers

make the drums and narrow short bamboos make 'pan pipes'. They play music to attract an audience for their gospel dramas in the public markets. They have been performing around the capital, and they've pulled crowds wherever they've performed. Their dramatic work draws on the tradition of 'mystery plays' that were popular in England towards the end of the Middle Ages. Their witness reminds people of the right way to live.

The Brothers would like to continue their work for another year and extend it into schools. It has been successful so far because the music and drama evangelism has been a priority for their activities and a brother has been appointed to oversee it.

Your support helps in a number of ways: The Brothers' ministry will continue to reach beyond the Church community; they will challenge young people with their message; the Brothers will develop their music and drama skills; and as the Brothers get new postings by the Head Brother every three years, this will be a contribution to capacity building that will benefit other Brothers over time. This is a Church to Church Project; it relies exclusively on donations from Australian Anglicans.



Some of the Melanesian Brothers on the way to perform a Gospel drama. © Melanesian Brotherhood, 2012.

#### NEW PROJECT

#### Production of Video Materials for Evangelism Programs – Diocese of Dogura



ABM supporters will associate Bishop Clyde Igara's name with evangelism and outreach because he is passionate about spreading the gospel to people within his diocese. One of the projects he would

like support for this year is one that will see the production of video materials for evangelism programs. This will mean that the Church can produce materials in local languages like Wedau. Using languages that are indigenous to Papua New Guinea is important because the country is home to over 800 languages. That means that resources produced in English, or even in Tok Pisin (PNG Pidgin) may not be understood in particular communities. Bishop Clyde wants to take his team (which includes Rev'd Martin Sawaroia and Ms Jephony Erai) and create videos that are exciting and engaging. The diocese already owns the equipment that's necessary to record film footage. They're asking for our help to produce videos once the film footage has been captured. Bishop Clyde writes, 'Most ministry materials are on print. I have tried video clips in the parishes for general viewing and they seem to be very popular in all age groups. Producing Gospel video clips is a very powerful tool for use in the diocesan evangelism programs. The project is about power and strength to our evangelistic ministries and pastoral care. The world of technology is changing fast making available more ways of ministering to the people'.

Your support helps in three ways: it helps the Church to provide material in local languages; it helps people to be reached in a language that they understand; and it allows the Church to produce something contemporary with relevance to PNG without having to resort to using material produced for other contexts overseas. This is a Church to Church Project; it relies exclusively on donations from Australian Anglicans.

Below: Core evangelism team priests playing guitars. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.



#### **NEW PROJECT**

#### Melanesian Brotherhood Outreach – Diocese of Dogura



The Melanesian Brotherhood is one of the Anglican Church's great success stories. It was founded in 1925 by Ini Kopuria, a policeman from the Solomon Islands, whose vocation was fulfilled in the

Religious life. The order he founded spread to Papua New Guinea and now the Brothers number in the hundreds in that country. It's an order that fits right in with Melanesian culture as the Brothers make temporary vows after their novitiate which they can renew. Therefore it's with no shame that Brothers leave the order to marry. Former Brothers often become clergy or lay leaders in parishes.

Bishop Clyde Igara is asking for funding to help the Brothers with their evangelistic outreach. They are the Church's frontline force, being the face of the Church in remote villages. For example, the Brothers can be found in such places preparing villagers for baptism and confirmation. Once a critical number is reached, then the Church may be able to provide a priest to the village, but till then the Brothers live alongside the villagers and provide help, both practical and spiritual. They're as at home digging a garden or a latrine as they are preaching and teaching. It's all done on a shoe-string budget so any help you can give them will be used wisely and will go far.

Your support helps in three ways: it helps the Brothers to bring the Good News to isolated places; it helps communities because of the Brothers' presence; it helps the Church because it grows through the wonderful work of the Brothers. This is a Church to Church Project; it relies exclusively on donations from Australian Anglicans.

Pictured: The Modawa (Rosewood) Tree at Dogura in PNG commemorating the site of the first Anglican Chapel in the country.@ ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2012.





A child is treated at the hospital. Your support of this project provides quality care and love in this region. © ABM/Stephen Daughtry, 2008.

## Holy Land: Palestine

#### Palestine: Gaza Al-Ahli Arab Hospital Project



The world is aware of the situation in Gaza but how has this impacted on the church there? Rt Rev'd Suheil Dawani, Anglican Bishop in

Jerusalem said, "The casualties who have been killed; young people, children, elderly, women are

beyond any imagining."

For the religious leaders in Jerusalem and other parts of this region it came as a great shock and I hope that it will not affect what we have in our minds, to work for peace and reconciliation in this land. Prayers, I think, for us Christians are very important. So we prayed that God would give guidance to the leaders, not to repeat this ugly and deadly work. I believe this is the only thing we could do during the height of the crisis."

It is this strong faith that also feeds the work of the staff at the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital as they continue their work caring for the wounded and helping children and families in need, despite the violence.

Through the provision of high quality health care services the hospital offers to serve all who seek treatment without prejudice to any religious or ethnic community and irrespective of social class, gender and political affiliation.

Your support of this project will help the staff at Al-Ahli Arab Hospital to continue to deliver quality care and love in this region.



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The Towards Peace in Korea project offers humanitarian aid such as food to brothers and sisters in North Korea. © TOPIK, 2012.

### Korea

#### **Towards Peace in Korea**



Towards Peace in Korea (TOPIK) is a humanitarian plan which aims to ameliorate the effects of widespread famine within North Korea and at the same time, promote the peaceful reunification of the two Koreas.

At the moment, the Korean church is doing a fundraising campaign to help the North Korean people who are suffering from flood damage and TOPIK is also actively participating in this. As soon as permission is granted from the Korean government, humanitarian aid such as food and necessary items for the flood victims and those in need will be shipped to North Korea.

According to the UN, North Korea is well behind the standard of Asia Pacific countries in terms of child mortality rates, maternity health and controlling malaria and HIV. TOPIK aims to offer supplies to people who need medical attention.

TOPIK is also engaged in peace education for reunification of the Korean Peninsula. TOPIK has arranged several peace education programs for adults and youngsters. The next peace conference is planned for Okinawa (Japan) around mid 2013.

Participants are TOPIK partners and young leaders from Korea and all over the world who will actively participate in promoting peace in this region and the world.

You can support this project by keeping the work of TOPIK in your prayers and giving generously to offer more education to young people as well as supplies to Koreans in need.

#### A word from the Coordinator of TOPIK, the Rev'd Joachim H. Kim, Priest of the Anglican Church of Korea

Due to the global climate disruptions, many places in the world are suffering. There has been unexpected torrential rain in the Korean peninsula, which caused many victims and damages. Especially the North Korea which has fragile infrastructure is more severely suffering than the South Korea. According to North Korean Central News Agency, due to the heavy rainfall in mid-August 2012, 90 houses and public buildings were destroyed or flooded and 440 people lost their houses.

It also reported that 560 acres of farmland were flooded and 100 acres of them were washed away or buried. This kind of report about the rain damage is very unusual which makes us suggest that this is extremely severe and the remote areas from Pyongyangare suffering more than their capital area.

At the moment, the Korean church is doing a fundraising campaign to help the North Korean people who are suffering from flood damages. Please keep the people of Korea in your prayers.

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