

2018 PROJECT BOOK





Evangelita from Pegueyna Family Farmers Association.  
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Traditional tribesman from Awala Community, Popondetta PNG.  
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Front cover image: These women are generating income through basket-making, as part of the ABM-funded Village Savings and Loans project, Machakos, Kenya © ABM, Ivy Wang 2015.



Mother and Child at the Child Nutrition Project in Gaza.  
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Kyo Kyar Village sunset.  
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*A woman fetches water from a new well in Myi Ni Gone village. © ABM, Ivy Wang 2017.*

# From the ABM Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2018 edition of ABM's Project Book, bringing to you the work of ABM and its Partners here in Australia and overseas.

Within the Project Book, you will find a range of projects which express ABM and the Church's vocation to share in God's mission. The spectrum of activities is diverse as ABM seeks to follow Jesus and engage at the margins of human existence where the Holy Spirit calls to the Church.

Last year ABM once again completed the accreditation process of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). This check of ABM's practice and financial systems occurs every five years. It is hard work and a rigorous process and it was very pleasing to see ABM smoothly make the grade once more.

Although accreditation and the Australian Council for International Development's (ACFID) Code of Conduct are focused on ABM's community development and emergency relief work, over the years they have had a significant impact on all ABM's work. Concern for the actual value ABM adds, the effectiveness of what we do and its sustainability, respectful relationships with our partners and transparency with our donors has become a part of all programs and projects we undertake.

The benefits which flow from this are numerous and significant.

All the projects strive to witness to the transforming love of God and consequently bear the "marks of mission". They are created through partnership and seek to be inclusive and life-giving.

Where possible their goal is to remedy or alleviate the actual causes of need and injustice to provide sustainable change and benefits.

Consequently, with pride and confidence in what ABM is able to achieve, I would like to ask you to consider supporting one or more of our projects over the next 12 months.



Such support may take a number of forms – through giving, prayer and making the work known to others.

Whether you support ABM individually or collectively through your diocese, parish or school, I would like to thank each of you, for the support that you have provided to ABM and our Partners last year.

I hope that you will be inspired by the work of our Partners and continue to give thanks to God for their faithfulness.

May you have a blessed and prosperous 2018.

Yours in Christ

**John Deane**  
**ABM Executive Director**

# The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSIAC)

This project aims to support the vision of NATSIAC to be the primary voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans, promoting Gospel mission, encouraging ministry and generating resources so that they may walk together with God and the wider Church.

The NATSIAC Gathering is an important time for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans to meet together to encourage one another in ministry and discuss matters of national importance. At NATSIAC's annual gathering members shared their thoughts with ABM.

"Well to me [NATSIAC] is not an organisation, it is like a tree that grows and it one day will bear much fruit." - The Rev John Noah, NATSIAC Deputy Chairperson

"NATSIAC is the body that advises the Anglican Church of Australia on ministry with Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander peoples. We also gather to support each other and to encourage each other and also to deal with issues that might be confronting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people around Australia." - The Rt Rev Chris McLeod, National Aboriginal Bishop

"We need the wider church to listen to us a little bit more, and we need younger people to step up." - The Rev Robyn Davis, Diocese of Bendigo

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have lost so much and we pray that the wider church will join with us in hoping that we can walk together as one body of Christ into the future. We pray that the wider church would look to us for a voice so that you can listen, so that you can hear us, and that we can then work together for a solid, better future." - The Rev Daryl McCullough, Diocese of Bathurst.

"We've re-evaluated our vision. We are more determined to become the voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans." - The Rev Bruce Boase, Diocese of Brisbane

NATSIAC was established in 1991 and its members include clergy and lay people from all across the Australian Church. Please give to this project to provide assistance to the Secretariat to improve coordination between NATSIAC members and raise the voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans within the Australian Church.



**\$ AU019NA needs \$12,500**  
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*NATSIAC members at their 2017 Gathering in Melbourne.*

# Northern Territory Discipleship Track



**AU008BA needs \$25,000**

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This project seeks to help remote Aboriginal Christians who want to be intentional in their faith, especially those in leadership, to access much-needed training and support as they seek to witness to Christ in their communities.

In May 2017, 25 Indigenous church leaders gathered from nine remote communities around the Northern Territory for one of the Discipleship Track events – the Pre-Synod workshop. The aim was to enable their full participation in Synod. Each day commenced with studies from the Epistle to the Ephesians, with participants from each community able to read the Bible and talk in their own language.

The group prayed together, discussed common concerns in church leadership and encouraged one another. These leaders minister in isolated settings, often with little support, which makes gatherings like these very special.

Not only did this strengthen leaders' Synod participation but, at their request, studies from the workshop were developed into posters and materials to assist leaders to share what was discussed with those in their communities.

This project also funded Healing Groups to help those caught up in cycles of fighting and conflict.

These groups were born when church leaders on Groote Eylandt expressed deep concern at the unresolved and growing tensions in the lives of many in the community who were struggling to deal with the impact of hurt, grief and violence. The diocese has gathered two trained workers in the Healing Groups Program and women in two communities for the first two of eight planned group sessions which were held in May 2017. Participants were very engaged with the visual and oral material, and the next step is to grow the project by training local people to lead groups.

The Rev Kate Beer, the Ministry Development Officer for the Diocese of the Northern Territory said, "The diocese is so thankful to God for the support of ABM and others which enables gatherings like this. Please continue to pray for God's enabling for these churches, and these servants who minister in leadership of them."

Please consider supporting this unique project to help remote Aboriginal Christians as they seek to walk 'the narrow' track with God.



Participants at the Northern Territory Pre-Synod Workshop in May 2017. © The Rev Kate Beer of the Diocese of Northern Territory. Used with permission.

## The Reverend Gloria Shipp



AU005DB needs \$25,000

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Honouring the work done by the first Aboriginal woman to be ordained in the Anglican Church of Australia, this project allows the Rev Gloria Shipp to maintain an active ministry that reaches out beyond the walls of the church to embrace the entire community.

Gloria updated ABM on her important work which includes a Reconciliation Luncheon. Powerful impacts are made as is illustrated through feedback from one participant:

"I love the idea of us all being one, no colour or race, we are all equal. God loves us all. I also understood better about the hurt that Indigenous people have gone through. And how it continues through the generations, and how we can all work together to make a difference for future generations. Learning how to let go of the hurt. The ideas shared were very

thought provoking, powerful and encouraging."

"Thanks again Gloria, job well done, to you and all your helpers. The dancers were the best I have seen and the food was great as well!"

Gloria's work coordinates powerful activities and brings together people from the Aboriginal community for vital fellowship, learning and sharing. Your gift to this project allows this work to continue.



*The Rev Gloria Shipp's ministry reaches the whole community. © Gloria Shipp 2016. Used with permission.*

### What your gift means

🎁 WOMEN'S CAMPS - \$1600

🎁 ELDERS' LUNCH AND CRAFT - \$1,500

🎁 DUBBO RALLY - \$1,200

🎁 OUTREACH FAMILY FUN DAY - \$1,200

🎁 RECONCILIATION LUNCHEON - \$2,000

🎁 OUTREACH TRIPS - \$1,100

🎁 WOMEN'S DINNERS AND BIBLE STUDY - \$400

## Reconciliation Program



AU021RE needs \$12,500

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**"In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard"**

Uluru Statement from the Heart

ABM's Reconciliation Coordinator Celia Kemp says, "If the Australian Church wants to know what really happened in Australia's past, what is really happening now and where God is speaking into the Australian church - we need to listen to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples."

Your support for this project enables ABM to create resources and events which help the Anglican Church and the wider community to hear the voices of First Nations People. This includes resources for National Reconciliation Week and support for liturgies developed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

This project also supports the next generation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership in the Anglican Church through events like the 2017 National Aboriginal Bishop's retreat in Alice Springs.



*Gifts to ABM's Reconciliation Program enable visits by people like Bishop Mark MacDonald, the National Indigenous Bishop of the Anglican Church of Canada.*

## St Andrew's Cathedral Gawura School, Diocese of Sydney

Gawura operates within St Andrew's Cathedral School in Sydney and supports young Aboriginal children from the inner city to access quality education in a nurturing environment. ABM is a proud supporter of this program, and we were delighted to celebrate the 10 year milestone of this program in 2017.

During the occasion the Gawura Ambassador, Prof. Larissa Behrendt, spoke of the unique partnership between the school and the parents of the students, citing these strong relationships as a key to its success. Behrendt also elaborated on the approach taken by Gawura, which actively encourages children to have ambitions and position themselves for success, whilst maintaining a strong grounding in their culture. The aim was to develop students that were "skilled, smart and confident in their identity."

And this approach certainly seems to be working. In recent years more than ten Gawura students graduated from Year 12, and eight of those have now gone on to

tertiary education, studying degrees such as Medical Science, Sociology and Law.

Gawura provides quality K to Year 6 education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in a caring, Christian environment emphasising standards of literacy, numeracy and social skills that are foundations for life. Places at Gawura are offered as a scholarship which covers the majority of tuition fees and expenses for students who meet the enrolment criteria.

Your generous gift will help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children who complete their primary schooling at Gawura to continue with their secondary schooling at St Andrew's.



**AU018SS needs \$20,000**

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*A significant milestone – Gawura celebrated its 10 year anniversary in 2017. © ABM, Wilnor Flores 2017*

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Engagement



**AU011YE needs \$50,000**

Non tax-deductible



This project funds Church initiatives which engage young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prisoners account for 27% of the total Australian prison population. Indigenous people are 13 times more likely to go to prison than those who are non Indigenous. (ABS 2016)

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSIAC) has called for more to be done to care for and support our nation's children, to prevent them from getting into the prison system in the first place.

In 2017 donations to this project funded the production of culturally-appropriate Sunday School material for children to provide support to remote children's ministry leaders.

Funds also supported the development of the young church on Bickerton Island. The Ministry Development Officer for the Diocese of the Northern Territory, the Rev Kate Beer, said "Despite the desire of the many young people gathering regularly for fellowship, the young church on Bickerton Island struggles with literacy in either Anindilyakwa (the locally-spoken language) or English."

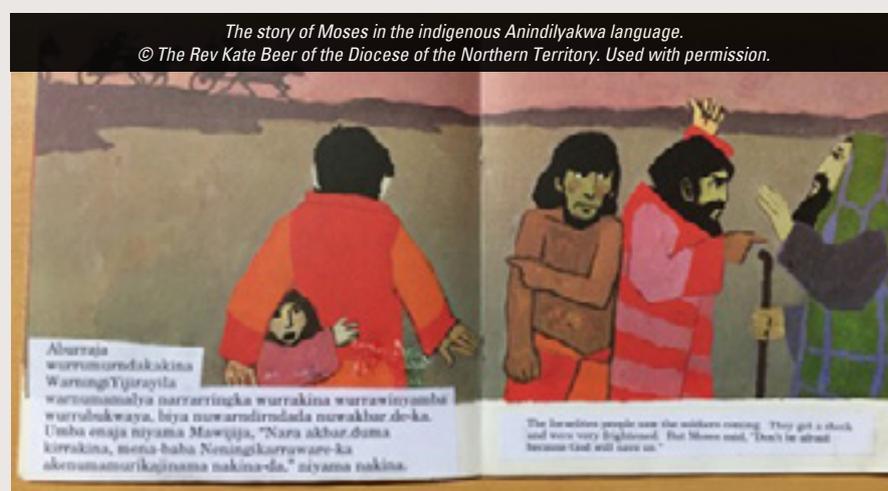
"This severely limits their ability to read the Scriptures or conduct regular church services for themselves. Thanks to the generosity of ABM supporters, the diocese has been able to support a group of mature believers from Groote Eylandt to travel across to Bickerton every few weeks to help to teach these skills."

It has been wonderful to see the progress of those who have attended Nungalinya College foundations courses and who have been followed up with these regular visits.

"At the most recent visit, we read together the story of Moses. It was remarkable to realise that for some in the group, it was the first time they had ever heard the story of Moses! In addition, we

joined in the worldwide movement to pray 'Thy Kingdom Come' as we read the part of the gospel of Luke where Jesus taught his disciples the Lord's prayer."

Please continue to pray for young people in remote communities and for those who teach and learn in the community of Milyakburra on Bickerton Island.



*Kids fellowship at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Numbulwar, East Arnhem Land.*  
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# Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns



AU016WB needs \$62,500

Tax-deductible



Support Wontulp-Bi-Buya College in its commitment to empower and equip Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with understanding of the gospel through their cultures, empowering them to be leaders with faith, vision and skills, and to be effective in building up their people, their church and their communities.

Wontulp-Bi-Buya offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders courses in the areas of theology, addictions management, community development, and mental health. The college also offers a cross-cultural awareness course for non-Indigenous students.

ABM's Missioner, the Rev Jazz Dow said that on a recent visit to the college she witnessed the transforming work of Wontulp-Bi-Buya.

"It was obvious that the college made a significant difference to the lives of its students, and the students were like family to one another. Students left the teaching block supported, encouraged and equipped for their ministries and work in the wider community," she said.

This project contributes to the college's core expenses such as study materials for students, staff salaries, travel and accommodation for visiting teachers, office rent, maintenance for two vehicles, insurance, electricity and telephone costs.



Students gather from all across Australia to participate in intensive teaching blocks. © Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, 2016. Used with permission.



Principal of Wontulp-Bi-Buya, Victor Joseph. © Chris Stead, 2017. Used with permission.

## A word from the Principal

"Our college, because of its strong indigenous context, can offer a lot to the wider Church, in regards to the theological perspective of Aboriginal spirituality and Torres Strait Islander spirituality. I am sure it will benefit the Church as a whole.

We encourage our students to be proactive in the mainstream churches, and give them boldness and to encourage them to contribute back to the Church. Maybe, in a sense to be a missionary to the contemporary Church - just as the missionaries came to us, we're going to be missionaries back to the wider Church.

The Rev Victor Joseph

## Nungalinga College, Darwin



AU017NG needs \$43,750

Tax-Deductible



Nungalinga College provides quality education and life skills training to communities in Arnhem Land and the islands of the Gulf of Carpentaria.

One of the many success stories from Nungalinga College in 2017 was the literacy development of a young couple, Galvin and Ernestine.

For the last two years, they studied at the college, beginning in the preliminary level of the Certificate I in Education and Skills Development. Ernestine displayed strong capabilities in the classroom from the beginning, having achieved a good level of literacy in school. However, Galvin's low literacy level hampered his efforts.

As Galvin worked through the preliminary level, his teachers could see small improvements. When the course was finished, it was obvious to college staff that Ernestine was ready to progress into the advanced level of Certificate I, but there was still doubt regarding Galvin's readiness.

To help strengthen his chances of success, his teachers gave him homework to complete and encouraged him to read every day. Galvin was determined and he followed their advice and instruction diligently.

In 2016, the couple progressed into the advanced level of Certificate I and Galvin continued to make steady gains. Along with the rest of their class, they enjoyed the integrated teaching model in this course, based on the theme of Paul's missionary journey.

The units focus on this theme, with students imagining they are going on a missionary journey to



Ernestine and Galvin at Nungalinga. © Nungalinga College, 2017. Used with permission

the communities represented in the class. This requires them to use many different numeracy skills to calculate distance, costs and budgets as well as literacy and oral communication.

At the end of the year, Galvin and Ernestine graduated. It was a wonderful moment for all the staff and students to see Galvin stand up in chapel and read his testimony in front of the whole congregation. Full of hope for the future, Galvin is now continuing his studies with the Certificate III in Christian Ministry and Theology.

Your support of Nungalinga College means that those it trains are equipped with awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and life, vision, management skills, and with the ability to reflect theologically through their own culture.

Please give generously to enable Nungalinga to help students develop fundamental skills for further study and for life.

### A word from Nungalinga

**The college staff compiled some comments from the graduating students, outlining their experiences and hopes for the future.**

*"Nungalinga is a good place to learn the Jesus message and also how to be a strong leader. This will help me when I go back to church in my community."*

*"My time at Nungalinga has made my reading skills stronger, shown me that dramas are a good way to teach and that it is important to respect those around you."*

*"At Nungalinga, I have learnt that God unites us all. I have enjoyed meeting new people and learning things about their lives."*

## Children's Program: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



KE003YC needs \$16,000

Non tax-deductible



Through ABM your support helps children across the East Africa region experience the love of the Good Shepherd.

This Christian education program assumes young children have religious potential and that they are capable of developing a conscious and intimate relationship with God. Your support contributes to a National Formation Leaders Retreat and the development of Formation Leaders as well as planting atriums, where the program is held.

John and Kaye Corner, Advisors to the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in East Africa, provided an update to ABM in 2017 which highlights the growth and success of this program:

"The East Africa Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is now in four nations; Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda and South Sudan. And it is likely that soon the Holy Spirit will open doors in Tanzania, Burundi, the Congo and Zambia. There are now about 40 atrium centres in churches and schools, with many more expected as the wonderful reality of this program becomes more widely known.

"Eight of these centres are also regional training centres for teachers, and four colleges are now building the CGS program into the training of their teachers and ordinands. This includes the Anglican Church Army Evangelist training centre in Nairobi, Kenya.

"South Sudan has become a major Holy Spirit-motivated initiative for the East Africa Association. A Malek training centre has been started and currently 14 young Sudanese are beginning preparation to be trained as Formation Leaders. They are

passionate about the work, and are very determined that many South Sudanese children are able to learn about the Good Shepherd in atriums. They also realise that the atrium experience provides healing by the Holy Spirit of the children's inner hurts.

"A third training mission is scheduled to fly to Malek to start the development of Level 2. The trainers have to fly because the roads are too dangerous due to rebel killings that are happening all the time. Missionary Aviation Fellowship help with air travel but the cost is still substantial.

"We feel that the Holy Spirit is deeply honouring the CGS work in East Africa. In early 2017 we

were at St Crispin's in West Kenya where atriums have been operating for nine years. I felt very privileged to be able to lead the Holy Communion service.

"We were absolutely amazed at the large number of teenagers coming up for Communion! This is testament to the impact CGS has had on St Crispin's where the number of children has gone from 200 to over 1,000, and the number of committed adults from less than 1,000 to over 3,500. To us, seeing this makes us feel that the Holy Spirit is honouring the atrium approach that has been taken to accommodate the more evangelical expression of liturgy."



Hundreds of children participate in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. © CGS, 2016. Used with permission.

## Revitalising Men's Ministry to the Community



KE006YM needs \$20,000

Non tax-deductible



NEW

Diocesan data in the Dioceses of Machakos and Makueni indicate there are about 5,000 men who worship every Sunday. However, only 700 of them are enrolled as Kenya Anglican Men's Association (KAMA) or Men's Ministry.

The main goal of the project is to encourage the men in the Church to get involved in the Diocesan activities and specifically to take up the godly leadership role in the Church and family as the priest of the home.

The first phase targets a thousand men through training and events-driven outreach. In Kenya men's ministry tends to be events-driven as many men prefer activities but previously, there has been no events program for the men to engage in which has led to many men having a reduced role in spiritual matters.

Through this new program, men will walk through life together learning from real situations and people. They will transform other men because of the exemplary life that they live. They will be taught to live by the Scripture –and make it relevant through their words and deeds. In mentoring small groups, men will memorise key Scripture verses together, apply them to their lives and talk about them regularly.

John 10:10 "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." (NRSV). The beneficiaries will be helped to live a purpose-driven life. These programs will give purpose, and offer realisation that fulfilment often comes through caring and giving to others.

In a practical sense, seminars and conferences will be organised for the men. Donations will contribute to KAMA Conferences, monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast, the establishment of an ongoing men's and boys' mentorship program and participation in sharing of food to the less fortunate in society. The men will also be taught about the importance of taking care of our planet through environmental

conservation activities including tree planting and clean ups.

Your support will allow the Dioceses of Machakos and Makueni to re-energize the men in the Church to take up their leadership role and develop Christ-like character in their families and communities.



*Taken at the Men's Mentoring Forum, the guest-facilitator the Bishop of Nakuru Diocese plants a tree as the Bishop of Machakos looks on. Help give growth to this project. © Diocese of Machakos Kenya, 2017. Used with permission.*

## Disability Inclusion Project



**KE011DB needs \$10,000**

Tax-deductible



The Community-Based Rehabilitation Centre (CBR) of the Anglican Diocese of Eldoret in Kenya has, in conjunction with the Diocese of Perth and the Anglican Board of Mission, initiated a project to address the plight of people with disabilities in communities.

CBR works in Uasin Gishu, North Rift and Nandi Counties. Since its inception it has assisted 4,500 adults and children with disabilities.

The project is aimed at facilitating progressive transformation of people with disabilities (PWDs) towards improved livelihoods.

The majority of the population in Uasin Gishu County, where the project is focussed, face many socio-economic challenges that hinder their inclusion, integration and participation in development. This situation is made even worse for PWDs due to their additional stigmatization and marginalisation.

The fact that people in general are fighting so hard for survival means that the plight of the disabled is not a priority. The County Government of Uasin Gishu is trying in a small way to assist PWDs on a one-time basis and with hand-outs.

CBR believes that people with disabilities have the potential and capacity to lead normal lives. Through your support, CBR aims to become a model centre in Uasin Gishu County where people with disabilities are included in all sectors of development

that enhance their social wellbeing. The project will include provision of small grants to PWDs to help them develop small sustainable businesses which will provide them with access to disposable income and independence.

Specifically, the project involves training eight people with disabilities in economic activities. This will enhance their social welfare, by assisting them to identify viable business opportunities through the provision of business mentors. Training in financial management and record keeping, along with low interest loans to set up businesses will be provided.

CBR is also conducting awareness-raising about including PWDs within the Church, county and other organisations.

Your gift will make a difference in the lives of people with a disability by empowering them with training and a small loan to build their independence.

L-R Members of the Perth Partners in Mission team, the Rev Marie Aitken, the Rev Canon Angela Webb with CBR head, the Rev Evelyn Mulwo and Mrs Jill Bowen during the planning process in Perth.



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## Sustainable Livelihoods Program



KE001IC needs \$70,081

Tax-deductible



In 2017 ABM visited its partner in Kenya, the Anglican Development Services Eastern (ADSE) to discover some of the benefits of the Sustainable Livelihoods Program first hand. Staff went to several project sites with the team, and spoke with the members of the community-based organisations that are supported by ADSE and the ABM program.

There were many stories of challenges and triumphs, of overcoming obstacles through hard work, persistence, and carefully implementing the training provided by ADSE.

It is evident the Sustainable Livelihoods Program has had a significant impact on reducing hunger and increasing the incomes of the local farming communities, many of which are made up of woman-headed households in regions of Kenya.

One example is the story of Angeline Kalokwo, a member of the Village Savings and Loans group of the Makakya organisation.

Angeline spoke with ABM's Julianne Stewart about the many important changes she had experienced since the project began in 2014:

"Personally, because of the Village Savings and Loans Group, I'm able to send my kids to school and pay the fees. I'm a beneficiary of Kinyowe Sand Dam, one of the project's activities, and I'm doing well. I've planted tomatoes, bananas and even mangoes near the sand dam. I'm able to sell these and get good money.

"Previously I never used to wear good clothes, such as the suit and shoes I'm wearing now. My self-esteem is very high. My husband

is now also very clean and healthy, and also wears good clothes.

"My husband and I are both members of groups (different self-help groups) and we make decisions together. Previously we could not reason together, due to poverty but now there are many opportunities to make decisions together. For example, how to spend our money, and how to improve our farm business.

"Once, we used to cook Ugali (staple maize, water and fat dish in Kenya) and have it with Kimboke (a weak porridge made of maize flour, water, fat and onions). But now we cook vegetables with our Ugali. There are vegetables in the market here now that never existed before. Previously the vegetables came from far away and were too expensive for us to buy.

"Husbands are no longer looking for work in Nairobi. In Africa it is a big cause of shame for men not

to have enough money to care for their children and wife. They go to the city to look for work, but they don't get good jobs, and have many additional expenses in Nairobi. When they return it is good, because they help the security of the community and add to the labour force. And they are able to stop land encroachment practices that some neighbours engage in. So they protect the home and property of the family."

Your generous gift to this project is making a huge difference in the lives of locals like Angeline. This project is enabling the Anglican Development Services Eastern to provide essential training to people, assisting entire communities to escape from poverty and become proudly self-sufficient.

**Australian Aid** 



*This program is reducing hunger and increasing the incomes of woman-headed households in regions of Kenya. © ABM, Ivy Wang 2015.*

## Exchange Program – Partner training in Australia



AU012EP needs \$15,000

Non tax-deductible



This project offers a variety of unique opportunities for clergy and lay people from ABM's partner churches overseas. One of the most recent experiences has been that of Nant Hnin Hnin Aye (Snow). The recipient of the first scholarship in partnership with the Church of the Province of Myanmar, Snow is studying for a PHD in Theology at Trinity College in Melbourne.

Snow recently gave ABM an update on her progress at Trinity College, sharing some of the joys and challenges of her time in Australia over the last year:

"I had a wonderful experience of the traditional Anglican services during the Holy Week, at Trinity College Chapel in Melbourne. It gave me a new experience, and a feeling of wonder and awe amongst the Western tradition... I also took more time in self-reflection and meditation, to defeat my feelings of homesickness during this time. (At home in Myanmar, Easter is a big community celebration.)

"During the last week of March, we had a multicultural event at Trinity College, organised by Trinity College Foundation Studies. Students from India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, China, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar and Australia all took part in running the event, to celebrate the theme of community and diversity. As I am from the 'Karen' tribe of Myanmar, I helped at the Karen community stall, along with other Karen students from the Trinity Theological School.

"Around 250 students from North Melbourne Primary School came on the day, from Years 4, 5 and 6. The kids enjoyed exploring Karen culture, and seeing the musical

instruments, dances, and items on display. It was a great day for both of the kids and the Karen students, with the joy of sharing and learning experiences.

"I am trying my best to finish my proposal and one exegesis chapter to be ready to submit in June. I want my thesis to be relevant and useful to the Church of the Province of Myanmar. My focus is a post-colonial Anglican Myanmar study of Jesus' mission and identity in some Matthew texts. This thesis is a product of post-colonial Myanmar which has undergone different kinds of hardships due to the colonial, the imperial power and neo-colonial power dynamics.

"The method (post-colonial perspective) I am going to use is new for me, so I am having difficulties with that. My supervisors help me for that part, however.

"Sometimes I don't know how to continue my writing, and it would be so easy to give up. But I encourage myself that this is all for my community, for the Church in Myanmar. So I push myself to keep moving and go forward.

Please remember my studies in your daily prayers. God bless you and your ministry."

A gift to this project means the opportunity for higher learning is available to this remarkable young woman, the impact of which will no doubt be felt in both Myanmar and Australia for decades to come. As Snow is doing a 3-year Doctorate Program, further funding will help future tuition fees.



Snow (seated second from the left) with the Karen Community during the Trinity College multicultural event. © Nant Hnin Hnin Aye, 2017.

# Child Nutrition, Al Ahli Arab Hospital



PS001LH needs \$54,142

Tax-deductible



According to Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, over 80% of infants improve in health outcome through the Child Nutrition project, an extremely high success rate for health recovery.

During a visit to our partner in 2017, former ABM Programs Former Director, Dr Julianne Stewart, met with the children and parents benefiting from the project and spoke to the nutritionist and hospital doctors who are helping to improve the lives of so many.

The Child Nutrition project aims to intervene in cases of moderate and severely underweight infants at around six months of age. The Al Ahli Hospital sees 200 children in each three month period, with each child and their mother making six visits to the hospital during this time.

The hospital nutritionist, Dr Suad Obaid, happily shared some current success stories she had witnessed.

In one case, a six month old boy named Abdelrahman presented at Al Ahli Hospital as "severely wasted". His family had lost their home during the 2014 Gaza war, and are now living in an extremely small temporary shelter. His parents have a very low income, and with nine children to feed, were finding it difficult to make ends meet.

After being admitted to the program, Abdelrahman improved rapidly, growing from only 6.6kg and 70cm at six months, to 9.1kg and 75.1cm at nine months. His mother was very happy with the progress in three months, seeing her baby improve with each visit to Dr Obaid. Abdelrahman's mother also said she had learned many useful things, including new ideas

about how to prepare nutritious meals for her whole family.

In another case, Fatema was admitted to the Child Nutrition project when she was 7 months old. She was 5.8kg and severely stunted at 67cm. Her family was very poor, despite Fatema being the only child. They were living in one room of her father's family home at El Sabra, in the Gaza Strip.

Most of the income earned by Fatema's father goes toward the repayment of a loan, taken out to cover his marriage expenses.

Fatema's mother is very young, and has no experience looking after children or running a home. After three months on the program, Fatema weighed 7.2kg, and her height was 70cm. The cooperation shown by her mother, who diligently followed all the advice given to her by Al Ahli Hospital, was said to be one of the key factors in Fatema's rapid improvement.

Your donations to this project help to give these children a healthy future.



Mother and child participating in the Child Nutrition Program. Staff at Al Ahli Hospital are able to supply vitamins and nutrition advice to participating families. © ABM, Julianne Stewart 2017.

A powerful story from the Adult Literacy project in PNG illustrates the life-changing impact this project is having. Warren Waghi, an Adult Literacy teacher with Anglicare PNG, and Darwin Gabore, the Port Moresby Adult Literacy Centre Manager writes:

“From our research and observations of Anglicare Adult Literacy students from Level 1 to Level 4, we have noticed a common trend of behaviour. The eagerness of the students, their solid commitment in attending classes, and their obedience to their teachers’ instructions has indicated that education is treasured above any other thing. In discovering and celebrating this eagerness, we also learnt with sadness the stories of these students, many of whom come from extremely poor and broken homes.

“One story that particularly struck us was that of a student named John John.



“John John is the eldest child in his family. He was in primary school when his parents divorced. His

father left his mother and married another woman when he was in grade 6.

“Left without the primary breadwinner, John John struggled to continue his education and eventually had to withdraw as there was no money for bus fares or daily meals.

“Hungry and desperate, he joined gangs on the streets and soon was involved in petty crime. He survived on the food that he stole, living this way for ten years.

Deep inside, however, he knew that this was not the way to a successful life.

“In 2013, an opportunity arose to study Business Literacy Sustainability Training, run through an Urban Youth Development Project. The course sparked John John’s interest immediately and he enrolled to attend. The course gave him hope, giving him the courage to turn away from a life of crime, showing him the importance of education.

“In 2015, John John became a student with the Anglicare Literacy Centre. While studying Level 4 Literacy, he was inspired by the teaching he was receiving. His old mindset continued to change. The devotional prayer time before the class, the holistic teaching of life skills, hygiene, nutrition, healthcare and protection of vulnerable people like children that was given in classes, and of course the confidence of sound literacy and numeracy skills, have given him hope and a sense of direction. The teaching helped him to see that everything is possible through God, and that nothing is solved through crime.

“When asked about his dreams for the future, and how he liked the Adult Literacy course, John John said, “I was so pleased with the Anglicare Literacy Centre as it provided me a second chance in education and a pathway to a successful life. After completing level 4, I will do my vocational training and become an Air Conditioning and Refrigerator technician.”

“They [my street peers] have noticed me coming to school and realised that I have changed my habits. I have already told some of my peers to attend Anglicare

Literacy Centre to further their education and get employed.”

The Anglican Church of PNG’s literacy program, delivered by Anglicare PNG, has over 80 schools and 2,500 learners enrolled across eight provinces in PNG. ABM partners with Anglicare PNG, which works closely with the Anglican dioceses around the country, to coordinate the program and oversee the syllabus. The syllabus incorporates literacy and numeracy as well as social issues, such as domestic violence, HIV, child protection, alcohol abuse and law and justice. Your gift is changing lives like John John’s. Please give generously.

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Anglicare Staff are seeing life changing results through the Adult Literacy program. © Anglicare PNG, 2017. Used with permission.

## Newton Theological College - Securing the Future of the Church in PNG

There is an urgent need for strong leadership throughout the parishes of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. Building on ABM's previous work in PNG and support of Newton College, this is a holistic project aiming to improve learning and living conditions.

Funding will contribute to Curriculum Development replacing the 1980's curriculum currently in use, teacher development and site maintenance. Supplies like books, water tanks and Master's Degrees for Lecturers are all required.



**PG022NT needs \$60,000**

Non tax-deductible



### **Leki Kambari**

"Newton College is a beautiful place with friendships among the students, but it needs new library books, a better water supply - 24 hour water supply. We also need more qualified lecturers and computers the students can use."



### **Paulusking Gerari**

"Newton College is located on a large site with creeks and forests that needs developing. The houses need a lot of maintenance. The water supply, plumbing, showers and toilets all need fixing. Also electricity with lines and poles. We need a new curriculum, more trained staff and the upgrading of the library."

## Establishment of Language and Training Centre at St Peter's Bible School

In the Diocese of Taungoo, the Church of the Province of Myanmar is committing to the education program outlined in its strategic plan. 170 miles from Yangon, there are many young people and children from low income families desperate to access English language courses and computer and music training for better opportunities.

Funding from this project will allow St Peter's Bible School to establish an English Language Centre, offering language, computer and musical training for young people from different parishes.

An Anglican summer course will allow students to make use of the existing school buildings and 100 young people will receive the benefits.

Life in Myanmar has changed rapidly in recent years and there are many demands on young people.

Project Coordinator, the Rev Aung Khaing Nyunt said, "Young people and children who are from low income families but eager to learn English language and computer do not have many opportunities but those who live in different parishes within Taungoo Diocese will be able to come to this project."

"English language becomes an essential language for young people not only for their further education but also for job opportunity. Therefore, this project will be very useful for their future dreams," he said.

Your generous gift will allow the employment of professional trainers, as well as the purchase of teaching aids, musical instruments and computers.



Guitars purchased with your support.



**MM011LT needs \$10,000**

Non tax-deductible



Group photo taken during the 4th Summer course run by St Peter's Bible School. © St Peter's Bible School, 2016.

# Motorbikes for Mission

**\$ MM011MM needs \$10,000**  
Non tax-deductible



Situated in a remote area of Myanmar, the Diocese of Sittwe is in dire need of motorbikes and bridge infrastructure to proclaim the Gospel more effectively and reach out to people in locations that are difficult to get to, some which can take a week to walk to.

This project has two aspects to it that will bring life-changing transportation to rural Myanmar. Activities include purchasing five motorbikes as well as re-building the bridge that connects Long Chang Village and the church compound.

Instead of walking, the diocesan office staff and priests will use the motorbikes to travel to look after the 26 parishes and 19,400 church members - for pastoral care and mission trips, proclaiming the Gospel.

In Long Chang Village there are 53 families out of the 74 households in the village who are members of the church. The bridge that connects Long Chang Village and the church compound was built by the church some 20 years ago. It is now unsafe, especially during rainy season.

Buying motorbikes will help the diocesan staff and some parish priests in their church planting activities as well as ease the difficulty of traveling.

The project is critical in limiting the time wasted walking on foot for pastoral care and mission trips as well as ensuring safety in the village of Long Chang. Please give generously.

## A word from the Rev Ai Thang

I am Ai Thang, the Priest in Charge of St Banabas' Parish. There is also one assistant priest, six catechists, six villages, 96 households and 386 church members in my parish. St Banabas' Parish is located in a very remote area, a six day walk from Paletwa, where Sittwe Diocesan office is.

I and my assistant visit all villages at least once a month or once every two months in order to give the Eucharist. Our visits are usually done by trekking, by walking the whole day to reach one village from another. Walking is the only ways to reach these villages. If we started walking in the morning about 8am, we would arrive to the other village about 5 or 6pm. We usually feel tired and sometimes get sick. It is very difficult to visit in the monsoon season.

In previous years, some roads were improved by the government and now people can use motorbikes for transportation. Among the six villages, three can be reached by motorbike now. The roads will be more improved and motorbikes will be very helpful to reach villages, in order to visit my church members and take care of their spiritual health.



*The old bridge in Long Chang Village. © David Bu Htang Pai, 2016.*

# Church Capacity Building for Development

**\$ MM001CE needs \$25,000**  
Tax-deductible



ABM's supporters have generously given funds to build the community development capacity of the Church in Myanmar for many years. This commitment has enabled the capacity of Church community development workers in Myanmar to increase, to the benefit of communities throughout the country.

One example saw Adam Kyaw Thu Ya attend three weeks of training in the Philippines. Adam is the Coordinator of Disaster Risk Reduction for the Church of the Province of Myanmar.

Adam attended the South-East Asian Anglican and Pacific Community Development and Leadership Training which was started in 2014 and is now being offered annually by ABM's partner, the Episcopal Community Action for Renewal and Empowerment Foundation (E-CARE). ABM, Episcopal Relief and Development (US) and other Anglican partners support this training by funding participants' costs.

Adam told ABM about the impact this had on his work, and on his life.

"I'm very thankful to E-CARE

for this training, because I encountered new exercises and learning modules that I really enjoyed. This training is Scripture in action, with all exercises or modules intended to use the Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) approach. This aims to increase the capabilities and capacity of the Church and lay workers, and to teach best practices and apply what we learnt in the communities we serve," he said.

"I was very interested in this E-CARE training, because of the emphasis on existing community assets, and how to utilise these assets effectively to develop business ideas that are sustainable. The ABCD Transect Walk and Mapping presentation and practice (where trainees go to a village and conduct an assessment of the existing assets) were particularly exciting to me.

"This is very important to identify the assets within a community. Therefore, I am applying and practicing this learning in my Disaster Risk Reduction program. All the modules are useful for Community and Church Development in Myanmar."

Adam's training included topics such as gender sensitivity and awareness, project proposal writing, project management and monitoring and evaluation.

Since Adam returned home, he has been striving to apply what he has learned from the training in the various roles he holds within the Church. When visiting communities, he talks about the importance of recognising their own strengths, and helping them identify and use their existing assets to bring positive change.

One such community, Dee Dote village in Pyay Deanery, wanted a pre-school and initially asked the Church to provide this for them. After Adam's visits, the people themselves donated wood, bamboo and other materials to put up a pre-school. The local government is now also helping to build a primary school in the village.

Your support of this project will continue to train people and build capacity in the Church through the Provincial Development Desk.



Adam (center back row) and the other training participants during the three week training in the Philippines. © E-CARE 2016. Used with permission.

## Sustainable Agriculture in Hpa-an Villages



MM001SA needs \$25,000

Tax-deductible



With a long history of civil war and suffering, people in villages in Hpa-an Diocese are beginning to return from internally displaced persons' camps and find hope in stability following peace negotiations.

Through this new project, the Church of the Province of Myanmar aims to support these people to build healthy and self-reliant communities and parishes. This will be done by supporting sustainable village livelihood improvement projects to develop community capacity and resilience. Through an asset-based community development approach, this project will engage people in these villages to appreciate their own resources and be the main agents of their own development.

An important component of this project is communication and education activities, building on local knowledge to enhance agricultural and farming skills through training and workshops.

The project is specifically focused on internally-displaced people from the border of Myanmar and Thailand, providing opportunities to improve their livelihoods through sustainable agriculture as they

look to return and stay in their villages long-term.

With increased incomes from sustainable farming and agricultural practices, farmers are more assured of meeting their basic needs, sending their children to primary and high school, having available funds to cover their basic health needs and providing themselves with reasonable shelter.

This sustainable agriculture project will engage households to work together, identify strengths and resources available in their communities and apply these resources to initiatives that will improve their situation. It is envisaged that through an asset-based community development approach, project participants are able to lift themselves out of poverty and find ways to improve their quality of life.

With the support of ABM and Australian Aid, it is anticipated that this project will bring long term social, economic, education and health benefits in these villages.

Your support will have long term effects - the formation of village project committees and the

development of leadership skills of committee officers will assist in the sustainability of this project.

The Church of the Province of Myanmar has historically provided education services and health support to areas where it has a presence in Myanmar. In recent years, it has also engaged in community development activities particularly around community agriculture and farming, small-scale Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) activities and income-generation initiatives. Hpa-an Diocese has implemented basic water and sanitation systems, established long-term crop plantation, fish ponds, and village health improvement activities.

The continuing presence and support of the Church in these rural villages will help ensure this project's sustainability.

Please help lift out of poverty these people who are returning home after having been displaced by conflict. Your generous support of this project will greatly assist to improve their quality of life.

**Australian Aid** 



Training in the village in Myanmar. © CPM 2017.

# Integrated Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) Project



MM001WS needs \$55,000

Tax-deductible



Kyo Kyar and Myi Ni Gone are fairly typical of villages in Myanmar.

Sitting relatively close together in the Diocese of Yangon, the villages are marked by patches of bare earth amongst the fertile fields, dotted with dwellings made of straw and timber. Chickens scoot here and there, avoiding the quick feet of small children, while pigs stare from the ends of their tethering posts.

It is peaceful here, with the cares of the hectic modern world far away. But these communities are also struggling with basic necessities. When the Church of the Province of Myanmar (CPM) first came to this area, there were few sources of clean water. These two villages were using unprotected wells for their daily needs, shallow pools that would often become contaminated with animal manure, insects and washing detergent.

When the church agreed to support a Water and Sanitation project initiated by both communities, the people were delighted. Work quickly got underway. With funding from ABM and labour from the villagers, CPM organised the materials and the construction of four deep tube wells and 17 latrines. When the projects were finished, ABM was invited to visit to see the work and join in the celebrations.

During a visit in 2017, the ABM Asia Programs Coordinator, Lina Magallanes, and ABM Finance Manager, Ivy Wang were impressed to see the difference the new facilities had made, not just in terms of improved health and convenience, but also in the attitudes of the people. The villagers beamed with pride and were eager to discuss more

improvements that could be made in their communities.

Lina said, "It was wonderful to be there and see the work for ourselves, to see what a difference it has made to everyone's health and wellbeing."

Arguably the most important aspect of this work continued after the visit – the education of these communities on proper sanitation practices. This knowledge is

essential in helping to reduce and eradicate many diseases present in the area such as chronic diarrhoea.

It is stories like these that make the Myanmar (WASH) project such a success. Your contributions ensure villages like Kyo Kyar and Myi Ni Gone receive safe drinking water, sanitation facilities, and vital sanitation education throughout Myanmar.



A woman fetches water from a new well in Myi Ni Gone village. © ABM/Ivy Wang 2017.

## Community Capacity Building for Economic Empowerment



PH001CC needs \$31,870

Tax-deductible



The projects that ABM supports through its partners are not just about the provision of tangible things like water tanks or improved crops for farmers. Projects like this Community Capacity Building project are vital for ensuring positive change is made in communities for the longer term, and that the change is not just focussed on the material but is also socially transforming. This project is part of the community development work of ABM's two Philippines partners, E-CARE (Episcopal Community Action for Renewal and Empowerment) and VIMROD (the Visayas and Mindanao Regional Office for Development). It focusses on providing communities with training such as child protection awareness, gender equality awareness, disaster preparation and risk reduction, marketing and how to ensure the inclusion of people with disabilities in community projects. ABM has played a role both in funding and providing training for partner staff in these important areas. In recent years, E-CARE, for

example, has experienced an exciting shift in their approach to disability inclusion. Although those living with disabilities had generally benefited from E-CARE's community development activities, their specific contributions towards the design and implementation of the projects was not consciously sought.

This started to change in late 2015. With support from ABM, E-CARE arranged an orientation training for their staff, focusing on disability inclusion in their programs. This training was the first of its kind for most, addressing topics such as the different types of disability, national laws that protect the rights of those living with a disability, and various ways to include those persons more fully in the social and economic life of their communities.

As a result of the training, E-CARE developed a strong disability policy, specifically seeking "the meaningful involvement of persons with disabilities in any community development project, both in terms

of participation in the planning, implementation and management of the project as well as access to its benefits."

Another outcome of the training was that E-CARE sought to work directly with a 'Persons with Disabilities' (PWD) group in 2016, partnering on a new 'Receivers to Givers' project with the Barangay Natubleng Association of Persons with Disabilities. This group was organised by the local government of the municipality of Buguias, and includes five men and ten women members.

VIMROD has also been training the community organisations which they work with in disability inclusion and the rights of those with disabilities, including the MISMA (shell-crafting) group. Judith is one of their members who has a disability. She was inspired by the training to set up her own Disabled Persons' Organisation so that she could help others like herself to become aware of their rights under the law. Judith told ABM: "I'm very thankful that VIMROD told us about the Philippines law which enables persons with a disability to access various benefits. As soon as I heard this, I went straight to Municipal Hall to process my PWD ID. It gives me 20% discounts on services and goods. Previously I used to hide in my house because I was ashamed of my disability, but now I can come out, and even encourage others".

ABM is proud to support this project which transform lives both economically and socially. Your gift makes a real and lasting difference.



Natubleng 'Persons with a Disability' Association President (left) with ABM's Kate Winney.  
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**Australian Aid**

## Asset Based Community Development



PH001EE needs \$31,869

Tax-deductible



This project seeks to enable rural communities to escape the cycle of poverty, using their own resources and assets to facilitate their own development. Thanks to past supporters ABM has been able to work in partnership with its two Philippines partners, Episcopal Community Action for Renewal and Empowerment (E-CARE) and Visayas and Mindanao Regional Office for Development (VIMROD), and many community groups to build business and development opportunities.

In 2017, ABM staff member, Kate Winney, visited Benguet and Mountain Provinces in the north of the Philippines, and talked with community members about the changes in their families and communities after receiving training and livelihood support from E-CARE as part of this project. Many spoke of the new sense of unity within the community through coming together and identifying assets and strengths, with one member noting that the process is “not just informative, but transformative.” People spoke of being able to reclaim their land, new skills in accounting, being able to eat their produce, increased production and increased incomes resulting in further education for their children.

One of these, Evangelita, said: “I have two children aged two and five, and joined the Pegueyna Family Farmers Association which is supported by E-CARE eighteen months ago. The livelihood support provided additional funding to my personal capital, and was used for growing potatoes, broccoli, carrots and leeks. This feeds my family and is also sold at the market, increasing my income and sustaining family needs – particularly in health and day-care. We harvest every 3-4 months and

I have learned to budget so that the income sustains us until the next harvest. My relationships with my neighbours were not good because of circumstances in the past, but they become successful through the Association. We have learned to understand each other and put down our pride, so that our community will grow and succeed. By God’s grace I am very happy and thankful.”

On the Visayan island of Santa Fe, VIMROD has been supporting several community organisations through seed funding and training, using the asset-based approach. One of these is the Balidbid United Farmers and Fisherfolks Association. The group’s president, Liezel Pacinio, told ABM that they are in the process of registering the organisation with the Philippines Department of Labor. Registration will allow them to avail themselves of government services and eventually venture into other income-generating projects.

The Association’s main livelihood activity at the moment is hog-raising, which was decided on during a process of discussing

what assets the group members already had. Since the majority of members are women, they felt hog-raising would be something they could do at home while caring for their children. Funds for the hog-raising are released by the Association to individuals once they have prepared the pig pens and are fully ready to start raising the animals. The group also plans to produce organic feed for the hogs. Again, this reflects the asset-based approach, since the community is blessed with a great deal of vegetation which can be used as animal feed. The training they received from VIMROD has made them realise the value of organic feed over commercial feeds which may not produce such healthy pigs.

Your donation to this project will empower women and transform the lives of families in rural communities in the Philippines, both economically and socially.

**Australian  
Aid** 



Kate Winney (left) talking with group members who participate in the pig raising project in Angkeling. © ABM, Sarah Gover 2017.

## Church Capacity Building for Development



SB012IS needs **\$14,058**

Tax-deductible



This project seeks to support the Church in the Solomon Islands to learn more about the management of its affairs and provide opportunities for its staff which will allow its community development work to be effective and efficient.

Casper Sikou, the Community and Social Development Coordinator for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, attended the E-CARE intensive trainings in the Philippines in 2017. His training was one example of the work supported by ABM under the Church Capacity Building program.

Casper shared his experience: "More than 12 participants from members of the Anglican Communion in Africa, Asia and the Pacific undertook three weeks of

intensive training on international development, capacity building and learning in Tadian, Mountain Province in the Philippines.

"The training was conducted by different trainers with expertise from the E-CARE Foundation (Episcopal Community Action for Renewal and Empowerment Foundation in the Philippines) and was supported by different Anglican partners internationally.

"The Prime Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Philippines (ECP), the Most Rev Renato Abibico, warmly welcomed the international participants and assured them of the importance of ECP and E-CARE's partnership with Anglican Communion members overseas and their development work in their respective countries,

and that this intensive training will equip them with new knowledge, approaches and learning opportunities to carry out their responsibilities effectively."

He further highlighted that, as Anglican Communion members throughout the world, it is important that we, in our community development aspirations and initiatives, should embrace our Anglican members through our pastoral and spiritual approach.

The E-CARE Foundation is now what was formerly known as the Community-Based Development Program. It is one of the programmatic expressions of the Five Marks of Mission for ECP.



Casper Sikou (third from right in front row) poses for a group photo at the E-CARE Development Training course. © ECP 2017. Used with permission.

## Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change



SB012EP needs \$25,683

Tax-deductible



During the last year, the Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACOM) in the Solomon Islands installed eight new water tanks using ABM funding, as part of their Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change response work.

Over 1,000 residents in disaster-prone areas are now able to access these eight new tanks, making a significant difference to their general health and wellbeing.

The St Claire Rural Health Clinic, located in the Central Island Province of the Solomon Islands, was one of the recipients. The Health Clinic has been tirelessly serving the people of the province for many years, both Anglican and non-Anglican, caring for the sick

despite the challenges of limited resources and access to clean water.

One of the senior nurses acknowledged the timely support given by ACOM and ABM, sharing her experience of the difficulties facing staff and patients when water is scarce.

“We tried to treat our patients every day of their sickness, but at the back of our head we also tried to address the water shortage in our clinic, which is difficult,” she said. “At the end of the day, it is our children and our people that we serve. One water tank alone cannot solve the whole problem, but at least part of it has been dealt with and we must thank ACOM for this

generous assistance,” she said. Other Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change activities have been implemented, including critical training for staff which will enable greater effectiveness and efficiency in the future.

The Solomon Islands are particularly vulnerable to the effects of long-term climate change, including the increasing frequency and severity of extreme events such as droughts, tropical cyclones and strong storm surges. Your ongoing support will ensure families and communities are well prepared to deal with future natural disasters, and recover quickly in the aftermath.



*The beautiful coastlines of the Solomon Islands are being affected by the effects of long-term climate change.  
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## Positive Parenting Program



SB012YC needs \$33,659

Tax-deductible



The Positive Parenting Program run by Mothers' Union, part of the Anglican Church of Melanesia, is making powerful changes in the Solomon Islands. Facilitators work in small groups to break down the barriers and the unhelpful traditional beliefs that may be harmful to children within families and communities.

Topics include early marriage, child abuse and other forms of family violence which are often taboo to discuss in Melanesia. The Positive Parenting Program is supported by ABM, with the aim of empowering parents to raise healthy, happy children in a positive family environment.

Those who have participated in the program share their thoughts and highlight the difference your gift to this project can make.

**Alan** is married with five children, and lives in San Fly village near Gela on Nggela Sule Island to the north of Guadalcanal.

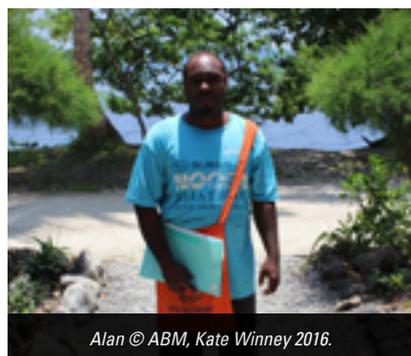
"Through this workshop I have learnt a lot and felt encouraged as a father. I have reflected on the fact that at times I have been involved in negative things in my family and as a leader. I am not happy with how I behaved.

"I was aggressive before and realise that it was breeding hate and has a negative impact on people.

"Through this group I have learnt and been empowered to be a strong Dad but not an angry or aggressive Dad. I am making a new approach and want to try new things. I now know as a Dad I have a responsibility to my family especially for developing relationships, but also for the physical and intellectual development of my children.

"I am inspired. I am a new being. I want to now protect my children from harm and sickness and have ideas and methods for doing this. I am excited to try these."

**Anne** is married and has seven children. She is from



Alan © ABM, Kate Winney 2016.



Anne © ABM, Kate Winney 2016.



Father Leslie © ABM, Kate Winney 2016.

Tulagi in the Solomon Islands.

"I have learnt a lot this week. I used to talk harshly to my children. Now I have learnt that I can talk in a more loving way and can be a friend to my children.

"My eldest daughter got pregnant at 16 and I dealt with it badly by berating her. I see now that was negative for her and didn't help her situation at all, but I thought that was my role as a mother. With my two youngest daughters I want to be more open minded, I want to discuss things and be a friend to them.

"My 14 year old actually came home last night and told me about a boy at school who had asked her to be his girlfriend. Instead of shouting at her and telling her 'it's wrong!' I just calmed down and listened to her. I let her talk and discussed it with her. I asked her 'what did you say' and she said she feels she is too young.

"I said that was a good answer and we hugged. So I feel like I have learnt a lot and am already using these techniques!"

**Father Leslie** is a husband to Mary, and has 5 children. They live in Gela on Nggela Sule Island.

"One main thing I have decided is wrong is to cane and whip the children. It is wrong because it is against their rights as a child. It is not the right parental care they deserve, it is a form of child abuse!

"I am trying now to be peaceful and to direct my mind-set to the fact they are young. When I get home from work, even if I am tired, I want to gather them to me and show them my love.

"I want to change from the father and husband I was in the past to a new one. We didn't parent together but we will now. I have a positive attitude rather than a negative one and want us to be a family with love and play together."



*Danny and Alan participated in the Positive Parenting Progr © ABM, Kate Winney 2016*

**Danny and Alan met in the Honiara Men’s Prison, where they were serving time for various offenses. Whilst there, they heard of the Positive Parenting Program (PPP) being run by the Mothers’ Union of the Anglican Church of Melanesia, supported with ABM funding. Curious about what this program might involve and inspired by the good reports of other inmates who had attended, Danny and Alan joined in and Danny has even gone on to become a trained facilitator.**

**Danny:** The program gives clear advice and views on our cultural practices, and suddenly I realised this is wrong. There is value in a family. The PPP doesn’t get RID of our culture, it just improves it. We’re used to culturally degrading women. We judge women as labourers and men as the owners, the dictators – the PPP makes you realise that’s not fair, it helps you see women and children as important and that you should treat them that way.

**Alan:** It changed the way I communicate, I used to dominate, I gave direction without asking others’ opinions, I made all the big decisions for the family that weren’t always right, now I want to talk about those decisions with them and make joint ones. It’s like love came with Christ, the PPP came from this love, and I now have this love for my family. I used to see family as replaceable, I had in my head thoughts of ‘I can get another one, I can leave if it gets tough.’ Now I realise you can’t just treat them as if they are disposable.

**Danny:** My motive towards my nieces and nephews was to discipline them so they wouldn’t turn into bad adults, they wouldn’t get arrogant, they wouldn’t misbehave, and they would be good children. I wanted to protect them from being disrespectful and swearing, I used to do this by caning them and beating them with sticks. My sister didn’t agree with me doing this, she ended up reporting me and I went to prison. I realise now you need to have proper conversations with your wife and children, it’s more important than sticks.

**Alan:** I used to whip my kids instead of telling them what they were doing wrong. I didn’t warn them, I just hit them. I disciplined them with the sticks. Yeah, before the sticks spoke all the words. Now WE speak the words. The right words can be way more powerful than sticks. Some homes still have sticks, I see my neighbours with them, it’s everywhere! It needs to change.

**Danny:** We are already encouraging others to do the program. They’re desperate for it! They read our manuals and kept saying ‘this is me’ they can already see their weaknesses – family violence is what bought most of them to prison so they’re desperate to know how to work on it and make it better.

The program changed me. As a person, as a father. It changed me mentally and saved my relationship with my family. I want this for other families. There are so many young families that need this before it’s too late... The clue is in the name, it’s called the POSITIVE parenting program, it’s so positive! I read that in the Bible it says “My people are destroyed by their lack of knowledge.” (Hosea 4:6)

We have this positive knowledge, we can’t hold it back from people, we need to share it. If we hold this knowledge back from them they will be destroyed by family violence.

## Integrated Gender Project



ZM003GE needs \$141,665

Tax-deductible



NEW

The challenges posed by gender inequalities and especially by gender-based violence (GBV) in Zambia are multi-faceted, and must involve community action, training and cooperation of the police and municipal authorities, and training and involvement of the Church at all levels.

Following a recent evaluation and then a baseline study conducted by ABM's partner, the *Zambian Anglican Council Outreach Program (ZACOP)*, the Church has decided to inaugurate a second three year phase of an integrated gender program.

This will contribute to increased access to quality gender information and services to communities in two districts in the Diocese of Eastern Zambia, by reducing the social, cultural, religious and structural barriers that hinder women and children from accessing their rights, and to provide support that will enhance women's financial independence.

The specific activities of this new three-year phase of the project will include:

- Providing communities and churches with human rights-based education about the importance of gender equality.
- Directly supporting GBV survivors including ensuring psychosocial support for victims and perpetrators of GBV.
- Advocacy activities that will reinforce people's adherence to Zambia's GBV laws and promote quality service provision for survivors of GBV.
- Capacity development of key and influential stakeholders (such as church leaders, on GBV-related issues.

- Enhancing the livelihoods of communities to help reduce the conditions of poverty in which GBV is able to fester.

Since the problem is multi-faceted, the solutions must involve the whole community and related institutions such as government and church. To address the need for more collaborative partnerships between the church and NGOs working on the issues of GBV in the two districts, ZACOP is developing a database of other service providers and services available in the project sites for referral purposes.

The database will be kept at the church's national office, and will be used by the church's field officers and shared with other service providers in the districts. A new approach for this phase is the mobilisation and engagement of teams of men (*Men's Engagement Networks – MENS*) in the communities who will work with women as partners to fight GBV.

The aim of this is to influence male counterparts to reflect on issues

such as masculinity, socialization and power and to embrace gender equality as a social norm. ZACOP will engage the MENS in GBV prevention as agents of change in their communities by conducting capacity building trainings for men. The members of the MENS will then use various approaches to engage the identified men who are survivors or perpetrators of GBV, and take them through behaviour-changing processes.

Clergy and traditional community leaders will also be targeted with the training, and it is hoped they will use their influence to lead behaviour change within church and community respectively.

Finally, the project will focus on building the capacity, especially of vulnerable women via business/ entrepreneurship and leadership skills to enable them to achieve household food security, while building their capacities to take up leadership roles in advocating for their rights.

Please give your support to this multifaceted project that will make a difference to communities in Zambia.



*Gender-based violence executive group in Mawanda, Eastern Zambia. © ABM/Julianne Stewart, 2017.*

## St John's Seminary – Clergy Theological Training



**ZM004TF needs \$20,000**

Non tax-deductible



St John's Seminary is the national seminary of the Anglican Church in Zambia, training ordinands and clergy from all five Anglican dioceses across Zambia. The training prepares them to minister in fast-growing urban and rural congregations of the Church.

The seminary does not charge tuition fees to enable students from poor dioceses to attend and is dependent on a monthly grant from the national Church. However, the grant is not enough to cover the seminary's expenses.

St John's is dependent on donor aid for staff salary support, maintenance, internet facility, books for the library and students' use after the training.

Timothy Njovu is a theological student at St John's Seminary in Zambia, and has a passion for evangelism and ministry. He shares his story and offers thanks to ABM's donors:

"My name is Timothy Njovu and I am in my early thirties. I was born in Lusaka, the capital city of Zambia. I come from a Christian family of three lovely brothers and one beautiful sister. I was brought up in the Anglican doctrine of faith. As per tradition, I received my Christian foundation at Sunday School, and continued serving as an Altar assistant, later joining the Praise team at All Saints' congregation.

"I completed grade 12 at Olympia High School and studied Power Electricals. Furthermore I became a lay minister. As a young man, I received massive support from friends and members of the congregation. Consequently, they encouraged me to work hard and develop my interest.

"I was introduced to the Ministry and Evangelism team, and had the privilege to lead this group. It was then that I made a big decision to stop working and became a full-time minister of God. I worked together with my friends as an evangelist for two years, until the diocese encouraged us to apply for the Bachelor of Theology in Church Ministry degree, through the North West University in South Africa. This degree is provided through the Saint John's Anglican Seminary in Zambia.

"Luckily enough, I was accepted and am in the first year of this degree. This is a basic introduction and overview of Christian Theology and Ministry, focused on practical theology. It is an e-learning program in which lessons, questions, assignments are prepared from the main campus. While at Saint John's Seminary, I am enjoying the passionate and dedicated facilitators. Friendship

from follow students, eating, laughing, joking, working together. It is a place of formation, encountering different behavior, and new knowledge each day.

"However, this study will last for three years and afterwards I look forward to leading a parish, so that by the grace of God I may use the knowledge that I will acquire through my study. Later I intend to go on to further studies.

Lastly I thank God for his grace and mercy and everyone who has been helpful towards my vocation. May God bless you all."

Thank you, your generous support will contribute to funding:

- Student University registration - \$2,250
- Salary support for teaching staff - \$3,410
- Internet - \$1,000



Timothy Njovu at St John's Anglican Seminary. © St John's Seminary, 2016. Used with permission.

## Language, Literacy and Numeracy



VU006EA needs \$51,279

Tax-deductible



This story illustrates the impact of your gift to the Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) project. It is the story of one inspirational man, Job, tirelessly working on a volunteer basis to teach others the vital skill of literacy. He is part of a growing network of adult literacy teachers throughout Vanuatu, supported by the Anglican Church of Vanuatu and ABM.

“My name is Job. I am 36 years old and live in Wasaga on West Vanua Lava Island. I have been teaching the Language Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) program for more than five years, two of which have been through the Anglican Church of Melanesia Vanuatu (ACOMV). I have had 14 students for five years, and there are several advanced learners that I am pleased to be moving to higher levels.

“This year has been the most challenging, however. Our community primary school was closed, because it did not meet the Vanuatu government standards needed for children’s education, and no other school was set up.

“Parents soon began seeking to enrol their children in my classes.

As an LLN volunteer and a parent, I felt for the 31 children who did not have the chance to attend school. So I sought advice from the Anglican Church of Melanesia program coordinators, and they are working to provide support for me in teaching everyone who wants to learn.

“In the meantime, I was teaching six hours a day for five days a week to ensure the 31 children and 14 adults can continue their education.

“The LLN program coordinators and the Diocese of Banks and Torres education secretary were able to establish links with another primary school on the island, and arranged to transfer advanced students to their school. It was agreed by the principal, so five students began to attend there in March. The children have to walk one hour and 30 minutes each way to attend class. But the other 26 students still remain in my LLN class.

“With illiteracy common amongst adults here, it’s often difficult for them to understand the importance of this skill. But then I always feel

for the children and their future, because I have experienced what life can be like with literacy and numeracy skills. I also really enjoy the opportunities the LLN program gives me to learn about other issues, such as climate change, disaster risk reduction and disability inclusion, and how we can address these in our communities.

“I must acknowledge the ACOMV program staff for making their efforts to keep me there with these learners. Everyone is having hard times, but they are doing their very best to help us in very remote areas.”

The ACOMV Literacy program coordinators are currently working with the Diocese of Banks and Torres and the Wasaga community to raise funds, enabling Job to receive a small allowance for his work.

Your support will fund teacher training, books and materials and coordination of the program.



Job (far right) with some of his students in Wasaga. © ACOM, 2017. Used with permission.

## Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Program (WASH)



VU006WS needs \$67,221

Tax-deductible



Father Nicholson Worek is 71 years old and comes from Mota Lava Island in the Banks region of Vanuatu. He left his home in 2017 for the nearby island of Vanua Lava to serve as a parish priest for the remote Ambek community, deep within the island's jungle interior.

Over the last three decades, this community has had somewhat of a resurgence. Long ago, there were many people who lived here, farming the land to provide for their families. But struggles from the lack of water meant that life was tough, and several years of severe water shortages eventually forced everyone to leave, taking their animals and meagre possessions with them.

Today, there are over 110 people who have resettled in the area, although the old problems still remain. There is no running water, no sewerage or waste systems, and no electricity. Due to the remote location, there are no accessible roads for reliable transportation, no communication via mobile networks, and health care is severely restricted.

During the dry seasons, villagers have to walk long distances on the rough and hilly tracks to get their water from the coastal springs. This can take hours every day, meaning that other important work cultivating crops is affected. Father Nicholson noted that for women with a husband, this burden could be shared along with the other household duties, but for single mothers the strain was almost unbearable.

In 2016, the Anglican Church of Melanesia Vanuatu (ACOMV) began to partner with Father Nicholson and the Ambek community, making plans to develop vital water infrastructure

in the village. Since then, four pit latrines have been installed with ABM funding, and work is underway to establish a permanent water source for everyone to access. Moreover, local men have been trained in building their own pit latrines and in how to maintain the water fixtures, and everyone has received training in proper sanitation and hygiene practices.

ACOMV staff have noted significant improvements in the health of local children, compared with the first visit made to the community. In particular, skin diseases have reduced considerably from proper hygiene practices being implemented.

Father Nicholson said, "As a priest and leader of the community, I am very pleased that ACOMV recognises the need of water and

[is] making its way to assist the community. This is the first time ever for this community, which is known to be the historical site of the Anglican mission in the Banks group of islands, to receive assistance from outside."

"We have made an attempt to seek assistance from the government but we were unfortunate. Now we have the latrines built and we are all looking forward to walk very short distances to access water in the next few months with assistance from ACOMV," he said.

"Thank you to ACOMV and ABM for the assistance. May God's blessing be upon you all."

Your support of this project will fund more water storage, latrines and hygiene training for people in rural and remote parts of Vanuatu.



Fr Nicholson Worek drawing a map with community members for WASH Vanuatu.  
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## General Community Development Fund



XG011ZD needs \$53,958

Tax-deductible



An illustration of God's love and our mission in action - it's powerful that ABM can tell you how many people were given access to safe water in 2016 through its various programs and more importantly, how this impacted these people's lives. To know the effectiveness of programs that impact more than 18,700 people means your gift can go further to offer more people the same impact.

This work in measurement and evaluating effectiveness is possible thanks to funding from the General Community Development Fund. At the core of much of ABM's work is partnership and capacity building. To ensure we do this effectively, ABM staff work hard to evaluate the impact and outcomes of each project.

Funds given to this project enable ABM to engage in quality assurance and continual improvement of its development programs and disaster responses, through a program effectiveness process. In recent years funding from this project has enabled ABM to produce an annual effectiveness report, training for partners, and to analyse and improve upon how it works with partners to deliver its programs.

ABM also seeks to support other work grounded in the Five Marks of Mission and consequently, partners with, and supports, other organisations so that we may continue to achieve the same goals.

Donations given to this fund enable ABM to engage in disaster preparedness, via the ecumenical CAN DO (Church Agencies Network Disaster Operations) consortium and to respond to disasters through both the ecumenical Christian Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance, and the Anglican Alliance.

The work of these three multi-agency organisations need funds with which to operate small secretariats which coordinate the vital humanitarian work of the organisations, and your donation to this fund is ABM's contribution to the running of these secretariats.

CAN DO and the Anglican Alliance are also involved in disaster preparedness, assisting ABM's partners. Anglican Alliance is further involved in helping Anglican Churches to better coordinate their disaster responses, development work, and their important advocacy to governments on topics such as climate change, human trafficking, violence against women, and poverty.

Please give to this fund that, in so many different ways, helps ABM further its community development work and ensure effectiveness.



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# Adopt a Project...

## and support the Anglican Church around the world.

Help strengthen the Anglican Church around the world by supporting a project from this book. Simply fill out the form below and send it back to ABM.

### Contact Details:

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Please include all relevant information that applies to you in the following section:

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\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Name of organisation/group/school (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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Email address \_\_\_\_\_

### Pledge Commitment

I/We would like to pledge our support to the following project(s). (You may choose more than one project. If you need more space then please attach a sheet with the additional projects.) Please select the method of your pledge payments.

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I enclose my cheque made out to ABM

**OR**  Charge my credit card (minimum credit card donation \$10):  Visa  MasterCard  Diners  Amex

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Signature  Date

Signature  Date

# Direct Debit Request Service Agreement

## DEFINITIONS

**'account'** means the account held at your financial institution from which we authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.

**'Agreement'** means this Direct Debit Request Service Agreement between you and us.

**'business day'** means a day other than a Saturday or Sunday or a national public holiday. 'debit day' means the day that payment by you to us is due.

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**'us or we'** means Anglican Board of Mission – Australia (ABM).

**'you'** means the customer who signed the Direct Debit Request.

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## DEBITING YOUR ACCOUNT

By signing a Direct Debit Request you have authorised us to arrange for funds to be debited from your account as authorised in the Direct Debit Request. You should refer to the Direct Debit Request and this Agreement for the terms of the arrangement between us and you.

We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account as authorised in the Direct Debit Request

**OR** We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account if we have sent to the address nominated by you in the Direct Debit Request, a billing advice that specifies the amount payable by you to us and when it is due.

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## CHANGES BY US

We may vary any details of this Agreement or a Direct Debit Request at any time by giving you at least fourteen (14) days' written notice.

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If you wish to stop or defer a debit payment, you must notify us in writing at least fourteen (14) days before the next debit day.

You may cancel your authority for us to debit your account at any time by giving us fourteen (14) days notice in writing before the next debit day.

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- a) be charged a fee and/or interest by your financial institution;
- b) also incur fees or charges imposed or incurred by us; and you must arrange for the debit payment to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in your account by an agreed time so that we can process the debit payment

You should check your account statement to verify that the amounts debited from your account are correct.

## DISPUTES

If you believe that there has been an error in debiting your account, you should notify us directly on 1300 302 663 and confirm that notice in writing with us as soon as possible so that we can resolve your query more quickly. If we conclude, as a result of our investigations, that your account has been incorrectly debited we will request your financial institution to adjust your account (including interest and charges) accordingly. We will also notify you in writing of the amount by which your account has been adjusted. If we conclude as a result of our investigations that your account has not been incorrectly debited we will provide you with reasons and any evidence for this finding. Any queries you may have about an error made in debiting your account should be directed to us in the first instance so that we can attempt to resolve the matter between you and us. If we cannot resolve the matter you can still refer it to your financial institution which will obtain details from you of the disputed transaction and may lodge a claim on your behalf.

## ACCOUNTS

You should check:

- a) with your financial institution whether direct debiting is available from your account as direct debiting is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions;
- b) your account details which you have provided to us are correct by checking them against a recent account statement; and
- c) with your financial institution before completing the Direct Debit Request if you have any queries about how to complete the Direct Debit Request.

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We will keep any information (including your account details) in your Direct Debit Request confidential. We will make reasonable efforts to keep any such information that we have about you secure and to ensure that any of our employees or agents who have access to information about you do not make any unauthorised use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information. We will only disclose information that we have about you to the extent specifically required by law, or, for the purposes of this Agreement (including disclosing information in connection with any query or claim). The Anglican Board of Mission – Australia will not sell, lend, disclose or give your personal information to any external individuals or organisations unless:

- a) you have consented to the disclosure;
- b) Anglican Board of Mission – Australia reasonably believes that the disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to an individual's life or health; or
- c) the disclosure is required by law.

## NOTICE

If you wish to notify us in writing about anything relating to this Agreement you should write to ABM-A Locked Bag Q4005, Queen Victoria Building, NSW 1230.

We will notify you by sending a notice in the ordinary post to the address you have given us in the Direct Debit Request.

Any notice will be deemed to have been received two business days after it is posted.

# 2018 Projects

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<b>ABM Encounter Program</b>				
AU012EP	 Exchange Program – Partner Training in Australia		\$15,000	17

<b>Australia</b>				
AU019NA	 The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSAC)		\$12,500	6
AU008BA	 Northern Territory Discipleship Track		\$25,000	7
AU005DB	 The Reverend Gloria Shipp		\$25,000	8
AU021RE	 Reconciliation		\$12,500	8
AU018SS	 St Andrew's Cathedral Gawura School, Diocese of Sydney		\$20,000	9
AU011YE	 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Engagement		\$50,000	10
AU016WB	 Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns	✓	\$62,500	11
AU017NG	 Nungalinga College, Darwin	✓	\$43,750	12

<b>Holy Land</b>				
PS001LH	 Child Nutrition, Al Ahli Arab Hospital	✓	\$ 54,142	18

<b>Kenya</b>				
KE003YC	 Children's Program: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd		\$16,000	13
<b>New</b> KE006YM	 Revitalising Men's Ministry to the Community		\$20,000	14
KE011DB	 Disability Inclusion Project	✓	\$10,000	15
KE001IC	 Sustainable Livelihoods Program	✓	\$70,081	16

<b>Myanmar (Burma)</b>				
<b>New</b> MM011LT	 Establishment of Language and Training Centre at St Peter's Bible School		\$10,000	21
<b>New</b> MM011MM	 Motorbikes for Mission		\$10,000	22
MM001CE	 Church Capacity Building for Development	✓	\$25,000	23
<b>New</b> MM001SA	 Sustainable Agriculture in Hpa-an Villages	✓	\$25,000	24
MM001WS	 Integrated WASH Project	✓	\$55,000	25

Papua New Guinea						
PG005ED		Adult Literacy		✓	\$18,370	19
PG022NT		Newton Theological College - Securing the Future of the Church in PNG			\$60,000	20

Philippines						
PH001CC		Community Capacity Building for Economic Empowerment		✓	\$ 31,870	26
PH001EE		Asset Based Community Development		✓	\$31,869	27

Solomon Islands						
SB012IS		Church Capacity Building for Development		✓	\$14,058	28
SB012EP		Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change		✓	\$25,683	29
SB012YC		Positive Parenting Program		✓	\$33,659	30

Vanuatu						
VU006EA		Language, Literacy and Numeracy		✓	\$51,279	34
VU006WS		Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Program (WASH)		✓	\$67,221	35

Zambia						
<b>New</b>	ZM003GE		Integrated Gender Project	✓	\$141,665	32
	ZM004TF		St John's Seminary – Clergy Theological Training		\$20,000	33

General						
	XG011ZD		General Community Development Fund	✓	\$53,958	36

✓ Tax Deductible

 Receives partial funding from the Australian Government.





Group photo taken during the 4th Summer course run by St Peter's Bible School. © St Peter's Bible School, 2016.





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