



MELBOURNE
OVERSEAS
MISSIONS

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

"Whoever receives this
child in my name
receives me"

Luke 9:48

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ABOUT US

Melbourne Overseas Missions (MOM) is a humanitarian organisation founded in 1968 by Cardinal James Knox to provide assistance to developing countries as an outreach of the Catholic Church community in the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

MOM has a special focus on the Kamea people in the remote mountain villages of the Gulf Province, PNG as well as Checca, Southern Peru, high in the Andes. MOM personnel are located on a face-to-face level with villages and espouse principles based on the Christian motivation of commitment to the poor. Our objectives revolve around strong upholding human rights, enhancing gender equality, self-help and self-reliance. MOM has also maintained a presence in Africa, East Timor, India, Jerusalem, Pakistan and the Philippines. MOM has a particular focus on education, and we believe programs directed towards improving knowledge regarding literacy, health, hygiene, agriculture, cottage industry and small business cooperatives will go along way to improving quality of life in these areas. Our charity relies on unpaid volunteers and the generosity of all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

For further information please visit our website or contact us through the provided details on the back page.

Melbourne Overseas Missions Fund Incorporated is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commissions. For further detail visit www.acnc.gov.au ABN 21 755 961 164



PERU

Background: Four locals stride through the Kanabea Airstrip to greet the arrival of MOM aid. Photo by Dave Tacon

JERUSALEM

PNG

PAKISTAN

PNG



THANK YOU

Thank you to all our supporters from Melbourne and beyond. Your generosity has helped us transform lives all over the world. From providing water to villages in the Thar Desert of Pakistan, to providing education to the most remote communities in the Papua New Guinea highlands.

Your donations have helped us achieve this and much more.





Letter from the

Archbishop of Melbourne

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli

“Our responsibilities for the world’s poor begin in our own communities and extend to the far corners of the globe.”

Dear Friends,

On the third World Day of the Poor, our Holy Father, Pope Francis reminded us of the missionary responsibility that unites Christian communities throughout the world:

“In closeness to the poor, the Church comes to realize that she is one people, spread throughout many nations and called to ensure that no one feels a stranger or outcast, for she includes everyone in a shared journey of salvation.”

The Vatican (June 13th 2019)

Our responsibilities for the world’s poor begin in our own communities and extend to the far corners of the globe. Their suffering is made real to us in every news cycle and the task of restoring both justice and dignity is an enormous undertaking. Our Archdiocese has a proud history of going beyond our shores and finding places where the love of God can be made real through important works of charity.

During the Season of Advent, we seek support for countless communities in developing countries through the annual Melbourne

Overseas Mission Appeal. For more than four decades, the MOM Annual Appeal has enabled Missionaries across the world to hear the cry of the poor and respond through the development of highly effective programs in: healthcare, education and the development of essential community infrastructure. MOM has assisted communities in some of the world’s most remote and underdeveloped communities, including: Papua New Guinea, Peru, East Timor, Vietnam, West Africa and Pakistan.

The Holy Father reminds us to listen carefully to the words of scripture:

How can we fail to note that the Beatitudes with which Jesus began his preaching of the kingdom of God open with the words: “Blessed are you who are poor” (Lk 6:20)? The meaning of this paradoxical message is that the kingdom of God belongs to the poor because they are in a position to receive it. How many poor people do we encounter each day! It seems that the passage of time and the advances of civilization increase their numbers rather than diminishing them. Centuries go by and the

Beatitude appears even more paradoxical: the poor are always poorer, and today they are poorer than ever. Yet Jesus who inaugurated his kingdom by placing the poor at the centre, wanted to tell us precisely this: he inaugurated the kingdom, but he has entrusted to us, his disciples, the task of carrying it forward with responsibility for giving hope to the poor.

Especially at times like our own, there is a need to revive hope and to restore confidence. This responsibility is not something that the Christian community may underestimate. The credibility of our proclamation and the witness of Christians depends on it.

I thank you for your generous support of the Melbourne Overseas Mission Appeal. Please also continue to pray for those who work in solidarity with the world’s poor through works associated with MOM.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne

A close-up photograph of a woman with dark, curly hair looking down at a sleeping baby. The baby is wrapped in a colorful patterned cloth and is wearing a pink knitted hat. The background is a blurred landscape with green hills and a cloudy sky.

OUR IMPACT

2019 marked our first year since the retirement of our St. Pauls Overseas Aid partnership, and our collective shipping of thousands of material relief shipping containers to all over the world. In 2019, we maintained our special focus on education, with 7 out of 9 projects related to increasing the accessibility and quality of education. We worked in 3 developing countries along side religious organisations such as the Missionary Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny, the St Columban's Mission Society, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Sion and missionary priests Fr. Tony Young and Fr. Joe Ruys. Some of our 2019 highlights included the installment of a permanent water supply solution in Jhirruk, Pakistan, the expansion of the education network in Papua New Guinea and the continued support of Our Lady of Pilar in the Old City of Jerusalem.

PROJECT SUMMARY



\$212,541
RECEIVED FROM
DONORS
AROUND
AUSTRALIA



\$217,240
DISBURSED INTO
9 PROJECTS
AROUND THE
WORLD

HUMANITARIAN

EDUCATION

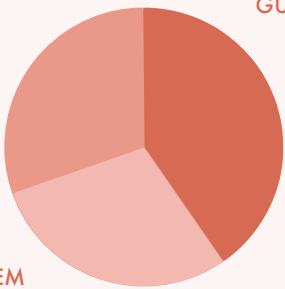


MEDICAL

WHO WE HELPED IN 2019

PAKISTAN

PAPAU NEW
GUINEA



JERUSALEM



CHILD PROTECTION



WATER SUPPLY



MEDICAL SUPPLY



LIVESTOCK



HOUSING

EDUCATION



1,300
STUDENTS FROM
AROUND THE
GLOBE RECEIVED
FEE ASSISTANCE



432 YOUNG
WOMEN
EDUCATED TO
TACKLE GENDER
EQUALITY



67 STUDENTS
CURRENTLY
STUDYING
TERTIARY DEGREE
QUALIFICATIONS



\$50,000
SPENT ON
EDUCATION
TECHNOLOGY AND
CLASSROOM
EQUIPMENT



60 STUDENTS
PROVIDED WITH
BOARDING
ACCOMMODATION
AND FOOD

JERUSALEM

Ecco de Homo Covenant, home of our
Jerusalem correspondents, Sr Trudy
Nabuurs and Sr Bernadette Lynch
PHOTO: Peter Moore

Education brings Liberation

In recent years, MOM has been supporting two ongoing educational projects in the Old City of Jerusalem. Home to a large number of religious orders, MOM is fortunate to have close connections with two: the Australian community of Notre Dame de Sion and the Spanish Missionary Daughters of Calvary. Both approach their work in the local community in completely different ways, achieving similar outcomes for the poorest students in the community.

Our Lady of Pilar School is a Catholic School for girls, founded in 1923 and situated in the heart of the Old City of Jerusalem. It is located in the Christian Quarter, just a short distance from the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. The school had only Primary Classes until 1954, when it began secondary education. It currently supports 187 students to pre-tertiary level.

Apart from providing a sound education for its girls, Our Lady of Pilar School aims to cultivate peace in the Old City, nurturing a peaceful community where all members value and respect each other. The school aims to form genuine friendships between girls of various backgrounds so that all will learn to live in respectful coexis-

tence. The school aims to build 'one big family' within the community and has a reputation for being an 'oasis of peace' in the Old City. The school has a special focus in its curriculum on Peace Education. Each of the girls learns four languages: Arabic, Hebrew, English and Spanish – so that in future there will be members of diverse communities who can communicate with each other.

The Covid-19 Pandemic that has swept the world had deeply affected the people of the Old City of Jerusalem. The School's Principal, Sr Marta has reported that with closed borders and no incoming flights, there are no Pilgrims coming to Jerusalem and this has forced many people out of work. The most vulnerable members of the community are the most affected and many have been left without incomes. This has further challenged the school and its ability to provide affordable education.

Only a short walk away from Our Lady of Pilar School, it is easy to locate the community of the Sisters of Sion at Ecce Homo Convent. The 160-year-old Pilgrim Centre run by the Sisters is located on the Via Dolorosa, the

'Way of the Cross' venerated by Christians across the world. It is in this location that Sr Trudy Nabuurs and Sr Bernadette Lynch both live and work. Both Sisters originally hail from Melbourne, but now call Jerusalem home.

The Sisters of Sion have been administering the Education Fund for a number of years, with the aim of giving educational opportunities for disadvantaged young people. Some have gone on to be accepted at Bethlehem Catholic University.

The Sisters of Sion use the Education Fund to contribute towards school fees and administer the funds directly to the schools involved. The Sisters develop a strong bond with the families in their community and provide an opportunity for shared responsibility for education, but each family must remain invested in their children's education. Tuition in English is also provided, as it is compulsory for tertiary education.

The Sisters of Sion have lived among the people throughout the highs and lows of both economic and political situations. Tension remains a part of life in this region and the number of Pilgrims who visit the Holy Land can vary according to the current climate. The flow-on effect of Pilgrim numbers has a direct effect on the livelihood of the local people. It is the reality of living in a place where the local economy is largely influenced by pilgrim tourism. The Covid-19

Pandemic has hit the community hard. Many families have lost their incomes completely and daily life in the Old City has become very hard.

During periods of lockdown, families are required to remain in housing that is inadequate for the number of people and normally designed only for sleeping. Lack of space has added another layer to financial strains and has led to an increase in domestic violence.

The financial situation for Catholic schools is also problematic. Almost all of the Catholic schools struggle to pay their teachers and school fees become vital for the long term success of the school. By supporting families to pay fees, the Sisters of Sion assist in the viability of the schools, which are essential the education of the poorest of families in the community. The Sisters of Sion strongly believe that if young people have a good education, there may be a possibility of more positive and balanced leadership in the community.

Both the Sisters of the Missionary Daughters of Calvary and the Sisters of Sion share a common goal: peace in the region. Both aim to provide students with a sound education and an spirit of unity and harmony with other faith groups. During the school days at both Our Lady of Pilar and the schools supported through the Education Fund, the skills for successful peace negotiations are being built, one student at a time.

This long term goal for the region was strongly supported by His Holiness, Pope Benedict, who visited Aida Refugee Camp in Bethlehem in 2009 and commented:

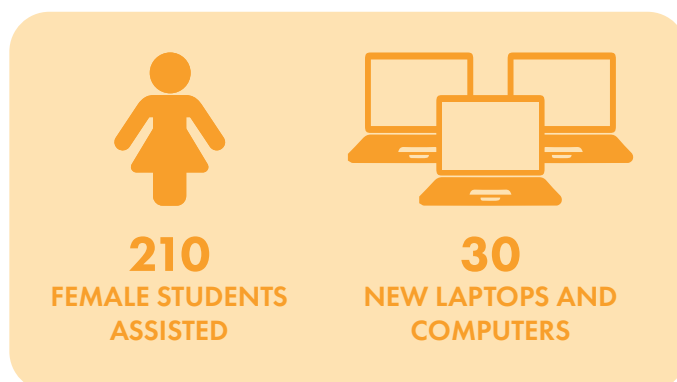
To all the young people here, I say: renew your efforts to prepare for the time when you will be responsible for the affairs of the Palestinian people in years to come.



EDUCATION FUND

"We have been blessed with the gift of computers ... of which we are extremely grateful"

EMPOWERING WOMEN



210
FEMALE STUDENTS ASSISTED

30
NEW LAPTOPS AND COMPUTERS



PAKISTAN

A midwife attending an ill patient
PHOTOS: Courtesy of St. Columbans
Mission Society

St. Elizabeth Hospital

St. Elizabeth Hospital provides primary care to over 50,000 impoverished people of Hyderabad and the nearby Thar Desert. It has a special focus on mother and child and has long maintained a philosophy of greatest quality care at lowest possible price. Whilst this means that the those in the greatest need are attended to, it often means that the hospital itself can suffer in terms of upkeep. Therefore, St. Elizabeth Hospital has long since relied on the support of organisations such as Melbourne Overseas Missions and the St. Columbans Mission Society.

"Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay."

Matthew 10:8

In recent years MOM has helped fund the maintenance of hospital generators and other hospital equipment. In 2019 we continued that support, funding the refurbishment of several hospital rooms over 15 years-old and providing the equipment necessary for further education of it's staff. The hospital runs it's own School of Midwifery, established in order to reduce both mother and child mortality rate, a key the part of the United Nation's 2030 goal to promote wellbeing for all ages. The



NEW EQUIPMENT

The replacement of hospital beds, cabinets, furniture, attendant beds and IV transfusion stands



EDUCATION

New education tools for the School of Midwifery to improve the quality of care for mother and child

education equipment MOM provided is used weekly to improve the quality of care patients receive.

St. Elizabeth Hospital consistently goes above and beyond their call, particularly evident in their Mobile Medical Outreach Program. The program involves providing care for impoverished and rural villages, who would otherwise receive little care.

One such town is Jhirruk, built specifically for the marginalized Hindu laborers who were displaced in the 2011 Sindh flooding which damaged over 1.5 million homes. Jhirruk currently houses 86 families and it's development has been supported by the St. Vincents De Paul Society and the St. Columbans Mission Society since it's origin. MOM is proud to have been able to join them. Thanks to our generous supporters, we have been able to continue development of Jhirruk with the installation of a new solar-powered water pump to enable sustained

HOUSING



water supply to the entire village. This includes the well-established St. Elizabeth's clinic, for which reliable water supply is an absolute necessity. The immediate water accessibility has also enabled the women and girls to reclaim their own lives, no longer having to spend long hours walking to get water on a daily basis. Our support in Jhirruk also included the development of housing extensions, constructing 41 verandas for the purposes of cooking and protection from the intense summer heat, and monsoon rains.

The settlement has since been called 'Bethlehem' in recognition of the refuge it has provided for these people after 3000 years of being dispossessed and pushed to the margins in the Indian sub-continent.

"They who belong to the original peoples of India have now something of which they can say for the first time 'this is ours'."

The hardship of these marginalized people is greatly relieved when the burden is shared by many. We thank our supporters for alleviating some of that burden.



"To have nothing and now to own. To be without for 3000 years and now to have. To have lived nowhere and now to have a home and an address. To be threatened and now to be secure. This is how it now is for 86 Hindu families from the Parkari Koli semi-nomadic tribal community in Sindh province of south-east Pakistan."

FATHER ROBERT McCULLOCH



WATER SUPPLY



PNG PROJECTS

In 2019, we continued our focus on providing education for Papuan youth through six projects from around Papua New Guinea. Since 1968, we have stretched our assistance to all over PNG, with current projects supporting initiatives in Port Moresby, Alotau and Kanabea of the Kamea region.



HOW WE HELPED



**SCHOOL FEE
ASSISTANCE**



**TERTIARY
STUDENT SUPPORT**



**ACCESS TO
EDUCATION TOOLS**



**PRESCHOOL
LITERACY
PROGRAMS**



**STUDENT FOOD
AND
ACCOMMODATION**

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Two Kanabeen youth in
the Highlands.

PHOTO: Dave Tacon

Literacy Creates Opportunity

In the Gulf Province of Papua New Guinea, education and basic health services continue to be a challenge. Any child trying to get an education must struggle with many obstacles. In the mountains of the Gulf Province, some children live days away from the nearest school, often travelling without food. Many are the first in their family to receive an education, and therefore have no reading materials at home, let alone a literate parent to help them with their homework! In comparison to the rest of the world, many of these children are disadvantaged even before their schooling has begun.



**ONE OUT OF THREE
PAPAUNS AGED 15-24
IS ILLITERATE**

This is why the Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny began a literacy program decades ago. The program targets preschool children in the surrounding villages of Kanabea, and introduces them to English to prepare them for primary school. This is particularly important because the government only assists students up to the age of 18. To minimise the number of fee related drop

outs in later years, basic literacy skills are crucial to ensuring students do not fall behind and have to repeat later in their education.

Throughout 2019, MOM supported the development of new literacy schools and the continued running of current programs. The benefit of this program was recently shown when Oscar Maina, who attended the literacy school in 2003 received an award for the top student in his course at the University of PNG.

In 2019 we also continued some of our other long-term projects including the Flexible Open Distance Education (FODE) Program. For more than 25 years now it has been helping students return to education system if they fell short of the national standard examinations for years 8, 10 and 12. This year it helped many students return to school.

We are also involved in providing boarding and education support for those students who need it. By continuing to support students from remote areas we provide them with the opportunity to reach their educational potential whilst also encouraging them to return, qualified and equipped to improve their local conditions. We are currently supporting several students in their tertiary studies as teachers, with the hope that they return and build upon what is already in place.

EDUCATION SUPPORT

Oscar Maina is one of our most recent education support success stories. Oscar began his education journey in a village called Kaminakawa at a literacy school started by the late Fr. John Flynn with Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny. When he was 7 years-old he began boarding at Kanabea Primary School, under the care of the sisters. He continued on to Bema Highschool and eventually finished his secondary education at Sogeri National school. Upon finishing year 12, he was selected to attend the University of Papua New Guinea, the Premier University in the Pacific. He completed his degree in Human Resources Management, majoring in Business Management and was

awarded with the 2018 TOP ONE UPNG BBM-HRM Graduate by the PNG Human Resource Institute. Upon graduating he attained a job working for the PNG Public Services Commission.

Whilst MOM may have helped Oscar on his journey, it was really his own inner drive for education that made his dreams come true. We are so proud of Oscar and wish him the best in his future job.

A Message from Oscar

I am Oscar, 22 from Kaminakawa village which is located some fifty miles west of Kanabea parish in Gulf Province.

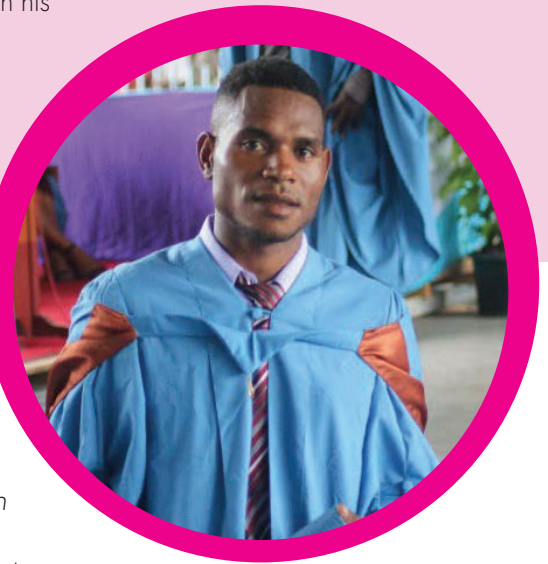
During my study, most of the school stationery, half of my tuition fee and even my laptop were all provided for by the sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny at Port Moresby through the support of MOM.

I am very appreciative for the assistance that I received. Without the support and assistance, I would not have come so far in my educa-

tion journey.

I hope to inspire young people around the nation; especially my people from back home who have been ignored and forgotten by the Provincial and National Government. I have a heart to make sure that the young people back at the village will one day be like me - to educate and be an inspirational to others.

I commend MOM for their boundless work and May Heavenly God continue to bless them richly in their



work so that they may continue to assist the unfortunate and lift up the standard of living in the remotest parts of this beautiful nation Papua New Guinea."

CHILD PROTECTION

Child abuse can be a daily occurrence for some children in Papua New Guinea and the long-term effects are devastating. One of which includes the continuing of the cycle itself. The sisters of St. Josephine of Cluny have been active in trying to break this cycle of domestic abuse. They have arranged several seminars for not only teachers and students, but also prisoners and religious communities. The aim is to educate all communities of the legal rights of vulnerable people, in order to promote cultural change. The hope is that highlighting the issue will not only reduce abuse but also empower the children by creating support structures to help.





HOPE ACADEMY

PHOTO: Dave Tacon

Hope Academy is an online secondary college, offering an innovative solution for geographically isolated students who are unable to access education otherwise. Using a wireless broadband network, Hope Academy connects village inhabitants from the many islands of Louisiade Archipelago to a central school in Nimowa where tutors deliver class content. After recovering from the 2018 cyclones, the Nimowa campus has been restored and is close to full capacity again. The students who attend there are often from the lowest income families and despite the school fees being reduced as much as possible, many students cannot keep

up with the termly payments. Consequently, many give up and drop out. To encourage these students to continue their education, some from the most impoverished families of Milne Bay, MOM has offered a subsidy, allowing students to complete their studies whilst ensuring the academy staff are financially stable. As for the other campuses, the successful implementation of the E-box, has accelerated progress. The new centers at Goodenough and Fergusson Island continue to be constructed with high quality, affordable education becoming a reality for even the most isolated of Papuan youth.

E-BOX UPDATE

If you read last years annual report you might be already familiar with the Education-Box or ‘Moodle Box’ as it’s been nicknamed. The E-Box was developed by lead Hope Academy IT technician, Richard Brunton, in response to a nation wide disproportionate between the number of students seeking enrollment, and the number of seat’s in the classrooms. Whilst the government has been trying to increase space in classrooms, Brunton has found a different solution. The Moodle-Box allows students to download their

online classes to a mobile or tablet and study anywhere of their choosing. This not only solves the issue of classroom availability but also the cost of moving to the schools themselves. For teenagers and girls in particular this would reduce the risks of living on limited resources away from home. These Moodle-Boxes have now been tried and tested in Hope Academy and are ready for expansion. Soon there will be a network of Moodle-Boxes set up around the various islands



surrounding Milne Bay, with learning centers for students to seek help. The Moodle-Box has world applications and is also being used in the refugee camps of Port Moresby.

Fr Joe Ruys: COVID in Checca

Father Joe Ruys last Christmas
with his local community.

Father Joe Ruys lives and works in a small town, high up in the Andes of Peru. Much like the rest of the world, life dramatically changed in 2020. Peru, however has been hit harder with one of the highest death rates worldwide. Father Joe describes the situation:

The Government declared a compulsory quarantine in one's home much like the rest of the world. The only permitted reason to leave the house is to buy basic food, medicine or visit a bank. That's a long time confined to one's house or unit. It's even a longer time if one has young children or tensions within the family or if you are one of the approximately 70% of the population working informally ie day to day on the streets selling something or working as a labourer of some kind.

It's also a very long time if you had moved from the district of Checca during the rain season into one of the cities looking to earn money working in whatever way possible. People move with hope, renting small, humble rooms alone or with their family with the dream of gaining an income that simply would not be possible in their regular home.

This all came to a sudden end with the declaration of the national quarantine. Work was no longer available but rent continued to be demanded. People need to buy food but many have a lesser income. Despite the very good efforts of the Government to assist with food parcels those in desperate need, many of people have fallen through the cracks. Because of this desperate

reality, many people have taken to abandoning their temporary home in order to attempt to walk back to their real home. This could mean a journey of many days with young children and with very little food and water. The Government established a system of enrolling these people in a list, organizing their medical checks before transporting them in government sponsored buses. However, this is not seen as a feasible option for many who live outside the major towns or cannot work the formal system. They walk. No medical checks. No 'guarantee' that they will not infect their own family on arrival or their fellow citizens who live in places where there is little or no medical support.

I'm well in Checca, staying in the Casa Parroquial. I have my little garden, guinea pigs and general house improvements that keep me occupied. Holy week has kept me pretty busy recording Masses & liturgy for transmission on our Municipal radio station. It's an interesting experience adapting our Mass, which is fairly visual, into a media which is purely audio.

When the government announced the initiative of returning individuals and families to their place of origin I contacted our local mayor to offer temporary, isolated

accommodation for up to six people where I live. The Casa Parroquial is quite large so I am able to offer space in an accommodation room, access to toilets and shower, and also adapt our parish meeting room into a separate kitchen area.

I received a phone call from the mayor late in the afternoon to ask if the offer was still open for one night for what I understood to be two people. No worries. Later that night, 6 adults with their 12 children, a cat, and a dog arrived.

They had begun their journey yesterday at 4.00 am and arrived tired and hungry. However, in reality they had begun their journey six days earlier and had walked until the police intercepted them. They were taken to the closest town where the local mayor informed them that if our mayor could not transport them here, they would be returned to where they started six days earlier. Luckily, he was able to respond quickly, drove a few hours to collect them, organized their medical check, called me and we were able to assist this small group. The neighbours here have brought a seemingly limitless amount of food and my guests have done the right thing in polishing it all off. I tell this story because it is the new reality in this district and the reality of many other provinces around Peru. Mass migration home is a worry and may become the cause of further outbreaks of COVID 19 in areas that are least able to respond.



Father Joe Ruys runs a support network for the local region, called 'Friends of Checca'. With their help, he has

organised quarantine relief for the most vulnerable people, particularly the elderly and poor through food hampers. He has also provided the local medical posts with COVID safety and treatment equipment. He is currently raising funds for the creation of an oxygen producing plant, capable of producing oxygen for all COVID victims in the area. May Father Ruys continue his good work.

Stories from Checca

Marcos

Marcos Pfuturi Mendoza is 76 years of age and lives in the nearby community of Oroccocca. Before quarantine, he was surviving from the charity of people by begging on the streets. He is a widower and his children don't take care of him. Because of this, he was left without food and totally abandoned. The doctor noticed on her visit to his 'house' that he had nothing to eat but thanks to the hampers with food, he is now able to survive this quarantine. Now he waits anxiously for his hamper.

Gregorio

Gregorio Cruz Consuero is 88 years of age and lives in another nearby community, Ccollana. Gregorio lived by taking animals to pasture and watching them. In return, he received his food. Because of the quarantine, he lost his work as the owners of the animals now look after the animals themselves. Since he has never married and has no children, after losing his job, he had no one to turn to for support. He does not receive help from the state nor the council. If it were not these food hampers, he would struggle to survive this pandemic. He is extremely grateful for the enormous help the hampers bring him.



FINANCIAL REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of the Melbourne Overseas Missions Fund:

SCOPE

We have audited the summarised financial report of the Melbourne Overseas Missions Fund for the Year ended 30th of November 2019 in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the information reported in the summarised financial report is consistent with the annual statutory financial report from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 4th of March 2020. For a better understanding of the scope of our audit this report should be read in conjunction with our audit report on the annual statutory financial report.

**CHAUNDY & HENRY
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**



Dated 16th February 2020

The Note (a): During the financial year, the St. Paul's Overseas Aid Fund (OAF) Committee ceased packing and forwarding to Mission Stations boxes of medical supplies (2018 \$633,000).

Purpose: To encourage self-help and self-reliance through education, programmes of literacy, gender equality, human rights, health, hygiene, agriculture, cottage industry and small business cooperatives.

No single appeal, grant or other form of fund raising for a designated purpose generates more than 10% of total income for the financial year ended 30th November 2019.

Registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission.

For the full audit, financial statements and notes, please contact:
**Melbourne Overseas Mission Fund Inc. Cardinal Knox
Centre, PO BOX 146, East Melbourne 8002.**

MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSIONS FUND INC. AA0010312

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

REVENUE	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)
Donations and Gifts (a)	212,541	838,434
Legacies and Bequests	-	-
Investment Income	13,941	15,449
Sundry Income	-	-
TOTAL REVENUE	226,482	853,883
DISBURSEMENTS		
Overseas Projects		
Funds to Overseas Projects	217,240	967,500
Community Education	4,925	3,500
Fundraising Costs	4,925	3,500
Administration	13,839	16,149
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	240,929	990,649
Excess of Revenue Over Disbursements (shortfall)		
From continuing operations	(14,447)	(136,766)

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

ASSETS	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash	592,486	606,697
Other Assets	908	1,144
<u>Non-Current Assets</u>		
Property, Plant and Equipment	17,431	17,431
TOTAL ASSETS	593,394	625,272
LIABILITIES		
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Trade and Other Payables	-	-
Provisions	17,431	17,431
<u>Non-Current Liabilities</u>		
Payables	-	-
Other	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	17,431	17,431
NET ASSETS	593,394	607,841
EQUITY		
Reserves		
Funds Available for Future Use	593,394	607,841
TOTAL EQUITY	593,394	607,841

TABLE OF CASH MOVEMENTS FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

DETAILS	ANNUAL APPEAL SPECIAL DONATIONS	TOTALS
Cash Available at Beginning of Year	606,697	606,697
Cash Received During the Year	226,482	226,482
Cash Disbursed During the Year	240,693	240,693
Cash Available at End of Year	592,486	592,486

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

DETAILS	RETAINED EARNINGS	RESERVES	TOTALS
Balance as at 1st December 2019	607,841	0	607,841
Excess of Income Over Expenses	(14,447)		(14,447)
Amount Transferred to/from Reserves	0		0
Balance as at 1st December 2019	593,394	0	593,394



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