

MISSION WORLD AID INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

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by

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It is with great joy and thanks to God that I present this, the fourteenth Annual Report of Mission World Aid Inc. Mission World Aid is the mercy ministry of House of Prayer For All Nations – Adelaide Inc.

Board

The Board of Mission World Aid Inc, all of whom work in a voluntary capacity, this year comprised:-

Chief Executive Officer Director and Public Officer	Jennifer Hagger - Registered Nurse (retired), Author Deputy Chair of Pray SA Leadership team – Australian Prayer Network
Governing Body	Comprises a Board made up of the following persons: Chair and Deputy Director: Anthony Moore – Certificate IV Bus. Man. (RE), Manager Property Services, Elderly Citizens Homes of SA Inc. Members: Brian Hagger – A.U.A. Dip T., M.A.C.E., Headmaster Temple Christian College, Adelaide Andrew Hagger – B. Ec. M. App. Fin., Partner in Charge Investment Banking Pamela Hagger – B. App. Science., Physiotherapist Gael Harrison – MESP.ONC, Physiotherapist (retired) Doug Lloyd – Retired builder Dawn Lloyd – Home duties Christine Moore – Dip. App. Science (Nursing), retired, Certificate IV Bus. Man (RE) Dr Andrew Lothian – M.Sc., Dip. Tech., PhD., Consultant Environmental Policy Solutions Cynthia Lothian – LLB., A.L.A.A. (retired) Bill Pole – F.A.I.F.S. Tech. (retired) Esma Pole – Home duties
Staff assisting the Board	Graham May – Aid Administrator. Retired builder. Until 3 rd March 2004 Gael Harrison - Aid Manager and Administrator from 1 st April 2004 Claudette Morris - Financial Administrator until April 2004 Ruth Magarey—BSc. Dip Ed. from 13 th April 2004

This past year has been very productive, with eight shipping containers packed and dispatched, three of them being forty foot ones. However, we ran into difficulties between November and May when our finances dried up. In fact we had to borrow \$1291 to make up the amount to send our container to Gabon, something we have never had to do before.

The Board sensed that the Lord was bringing correction to us, and we took the opportunity to address certain issues. Praise God the floodgates of heaven then opened and finance has flowed since. There are lessons to be learnt in the hard places, and we thank God for his grace and mercy upon us.

Aid

The containers sent this year were:

1. A 40 ft container to Israel to the Joseph Storehouse packed on 19th July 2003. Forty people turned up to help and a video was produced by Barb Morgan. On board were 32 excellent hospital beds and new mattresses, 576 boxes of medicines, food, toys, linen, education supplies, clothes, shoes, and \$1,000 worth of pharmaceuticals from Opal (purchased at 15% of the wholesale price). Afterwards we anointed the container with oil from Egypt where Joseph's wife was born, mixed with Australian oil, to see the release of the Joseph anointing in this nation and in MWA.
2. A 40 ft container to the Philippines to the Cebu Missionary Foundation packed on 27th September. On board were desks, pallet chairs, medical supplies, household goods, linen and hospital beds.
3. A 20 ft container to Gabon to Clement Ndong Mba MP for the Widows and Orphans Association. We sent household supplies, roofing iron, hospital beds, clothes, linen and school supplies. The container's distribution was delayed for weeks by customs in Gabon but was eventually released.
4. A 40 ft container to Vietnam to the new An Sinh Hospital in Ho Chi Minh City as requested by Professor John Bradley, Department of Immunology, Allergy and Arthritis at Flinders Medical Centre. The container was packed on 13th December and paid for by the hospital in Vietnam. John Austin, President of the Aust-Vietnamese Chamber of Commerce (SA) helped co-ordinate activities. We sent 77 hospital beds and were relieved when asked not to buy mattresses as they preferred to purchase them in Vietnam to help the economy.

There was then a delay for four months when funds dried up and we only just managed to pay our rent and other expenses. The shed team were supposed to break over the December/January holidays but some of them kept working because aid kept flowing in. There was a feeling of frustration and concern because of the backlog and eventually severe lack of space. Finally things opened up, and we made up for the lost time, packing two containers on May 8th.

5. A 20 ft container to the Solomon Islands was packed for Ps Matthias Eddie of the South Sea Evangelical Church. We sent 14 bales of clothing, 68 school desks, 106 chairs and 179 boxes of school supplies.
6. The second one packed that day was a 20 ft container to Halmahera in Indonesia to Dr Esther Scarborough, Director, Medical Department,

Yayasan Berkati, Indonesia. It contained 18 hospital beds and mattresses, linen, 6 computers, 12 sheets of new melamite costing \$4,000, 6 boxes of pharmaceuticals from Opal valued at \$1,000, 24 desks and chairs and 20 pews for a school of nursing, 80 boxes of clinic supplies and assorted household goods. Our aid administrator Gael Harrison had to arrange purchase of the container en route for security purposes due to jihad in the region.

7. Then on May 29th we packed a 20 ft container for Soraya Nepomuceno at the YWAM base in Hera, East Timor. It contained further supplies for the school and clinic, including 6 computers.
8. Our last container for the year was a 20 ft one packed on June 26th for Hengky Hattu, Executive Director, Sheild Maluka Foundation, Ambon. It contained 18 hospital beds, 30 desks and chairs, hospital and clinic supplies and clothing.

I need to report that we only pack those items requested by the recipients, and avoid all temptation to pack what we are sometimes given by the general public. We have strict priority lists and we adhere to them.

Aboriginal communities

We supplied clothing, shoes, and household items to the following Aboriginal communities.

- Elcho Island—we dispatched a pallet of requested supplies.
- Yunkuntjatjarra community at Oodnadatta.
- Umoona Tjutagku Health Services at Cooper Pedy.
- Ananguku Arts and Culture Aboriginal Corporation, Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands.

Aid Administrator

In August Graham and Coral May visited East Timor for 3 weeks and were able to receive and help unpack our container to Soraya at YWAM in Hera. They built extensions to the Ark Ministry premises and assisted in other ways. On their return to us it was obvious that they had left much of their hearts in East Timor, and subsequently Graham resigned on February 22nd from MWA to take up his own ministry in that nation. He finished with us on 3rd March and the following month Gael Harrison, whom we had appointed as Aid Manager, took up the additional task of being Aid Administrator.

I pay tribute to Graham for the hard work that he did as aid administrator. As Gael has discovered, it is a very demanding and responsible role that requires meticulous planning which leaves little margin for error. Under Graham's guidance and enthusiasm we sent out a great many containers, and we thank him for his contribution whilst among us.

With the departure of Graham, Gael suddenly found herself holding a lot of responsibility and on a fast learning curve. Within weeks of taking over the job she oversaw the sending of two containers on one day which we have never done before, and another two in the next seven weeks. This is even more remarkable when two of the containers were for new destinations, requiring specific preplanning to secure their safe arrival. I don't know how many times we heard her appeal "Pray for me"! And we did, and God answered. Thank you Gael for your courage and commitment.

The Mission Shop

The shop has had an excellent year, as is seen by the financial report.

Rosalie Lewis has 20 volunteers on the shop roster; 5 staff left at the end of 2003 and 3 new ones have come. We purchased a cash register and everyone is in the process of mastering it. In December Rosalie opened on consignment a Word Book section, selling a few books and CD's each month. This is done as an outreach, though sometimes we make enough sales to generate a commission.

Finance from the shop this past year has been sent to mission in India, Singapore, the former Soviet Union, Cambodia, Israel, Mozambique and our own Aboriginal communities. In addition we have purchased the following equipment for the shed.

- A pallet truck.
- 100 wool bales.
- A refrigerator trolley.
- A computer for the office for Ruth Magarey.
- A cash register for the shop.
- A DVD recorder.
- A fork lift.

The majority of the finance, however, has been used to buy new supplies for our shipping containers. We have an understanding that no shop finance is used to cover the costs of shipping, but rather to improve the quality and content.

Rosalie held 2 garage sales at the shed site, the first in August raising \$1627.50 and the second in February raising \$1020. She raises a lot of money by doing up old furniture with her husband Roger's help and selling it.

We have renewed the shop lease until November 05. Commercial SA took over the shop agency from Richard Ellis, and we finally had the owner repair the steep stairs, so that we could open the mezzanine area on December 5th.

Thank you wonderful shop staff for your faithful service, and to Rosalie for her excellent and enthusiastic leadership.

Overseas Assignment

James Mason went to Israel on 24th May to work for 4 months in the Joseph Storehouse, an aid organisation to Jews and Gentiles. He is sending back helpful reports as we prepare for our next container to them.

Booleroo Centre

The team at Booleroo have continued to be inspirational in their dedication to MWA. Throughout the year they have sent us trailer loads of excellent goods for our containers, and also finance. Thank you Gweneth McCallum, Jan Moulton and all your great team.

Website

We thank Cate Cahillane who designed our website, which was up and running last December.

Publicity

We continue to produce a quarterly newsletter to keep our members informed and I thank Irene Moore for publishing it. We have given away nearly 500 fridge magnets. On occasion the Courier newspaper does a story about us, including reporting that I received a Centenary Medal last year for founding MWA.

Financial Administrator

After wonderful service with us, Claudette Morris resigned last September but continued on until Ruth Magarey replaced her on April 13th. She has been wonderfully helpful in training Ruth in the job since Ruth took over.

ACFID

We continue to be a member of the Australian Council for International Development (formerly ACFOA) and to abide by the Code of Conduct. Compared to many of the other member organisations we are only a very small group, but nevertheless doing a fruitful task in relieving some poverty in the third world, and helping hospitals, clinics and schools to develop. Our overseas partners are aware of the responsibility and standard we require of them in distributing the aid, resulting in healthy and long term partnerships.

Grants

Andrew Lothian has made application on our behalf for Commonwealth, State and local grants but somehow we do not fit into any set criteria so have been unsuccessful. However, spontaneous donations have come from business sources so we praise God for this development.

Leadership

Following the visit of Ps John Alley to MWA (and the House of Prayer) I felt to invite our Chairman Anthony Moore to also take up the new position of Deputy Director, and for he, Cynthia Lothian and Gael Harrison to form a core advisory group around me regarding day to day decisions. The Board approved of this and I feel greatly strengthened as a result.

Appreciation

There are so many people involved in the work of MWA, from the office staff, to the shop volunteers and the dedicated workers at the Mission Shed, including those who come to pack the containers—about 45 people in all. Some carry more responsibility than others, but all are valued members of our team. Bob and Pat Tremlett in charge of the shed, Malcolm and Barb Morgan who collect much of the aid, Trevor Ellis and Dick Burdorf in charge of the educational books—and all their helpers are greatly appreciated and respected by us. Gael Harrison has proved to be a strong and very efficient leader, but without the commitment of the team or those who give us financial support we would not be able to be God's vessels in our call to mercy ministry.

Finally, I pay tribute to Anthony Moore. He is like a strong pillar in the house of the Lord, and is always giving of himself. His expertise in packing the containers is known in the many nations to which we send our aid.

I finish with a quote from James 2:2-5.

Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. ³ If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," ⁴ have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

JAS 2:5 Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?

In sending our aid we never want to be intimidating towards the poor in other nations, but to respect them in their struggles against tyranny, poverty, famine and injustice. As James says, God has chosen the poor to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom. We see testimony of this in the great revivals sweeping some third world countries today.

May God grant us the faith to believe for it here.