# **Global Health Ministries**

## 2013 ANNUAL REPORT

## Shipping

Twelve sea containers of donated and purchased, new and refurbished medical and dental equipment and supplies were shipped overseas in 2013. Birthing beds and exam tables, dental suites, x-ray machines, solarpowered equipment for healthcare facilities where electricity is never guaranteed, even helmets for pastors traveling by motorcycle were sent by sea. 13,511 Hospice and Newborn Kits were shipped to Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Liberia, Kenya and Cameroon, and more than 102,560 bandages rolled out the door. First aid kits were prepared and donated to Village Health Worker training programs in El Salvador. Over 75 groups of travelers hand carried medical supplies via our Suitcase Ministry to 26 countries.



Unloading a shipment in Tanzania.

## Health Promotion

Promoting health among people who have little access to health care is at the heart of our mission, and in 2013 we focused on promoting health at the village level. In El Salvador more village health workers were trained in basic first aid. Training included education about preventative measures, such as how to address the dengue fever outbreak, and better sanitation and hygiene practices. They returned to their villages with new skills and knowledge to improve individual and community health. In Nigeria and Madagascar, village leaders work with us to identify, prioritize and address village needs. Bed net distribution, clean water initiatives, even building a bridge for access to prenatal care, improve health.



Clean water in a Malagasy village.

## **Enhancing Partner Programs**

Renovation of rural dispensaries in Tanzania was made possible with a grant in 2013, and construction and operations expenses at Arusha Lutheran Medical Center were supported with an additional grant. Refurbishment of critical equipment in India made water accessible in the new surgical building at Parkijuli Hosptal. Grants helped underwrite operating expenses at several healthcare facilities in a number of countries. In Madagascar, continuing support of a pharmaceutical revolving fund program will supply needed medicines to the Church's health care system. Scholarship support for continuing education will help train healthcare workers, further enhancing our partners' healthcare programs.



Maasai education grant recipient.

## Tanzania Highlights

## \$1,077,489 Grants and Allocations

Our support to enhance the health programs of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT) consistently leads that of all other countries each year. The health department is responsible for 24 hospitals, more than 160 health centers and dispensaries and a wide range of community-based health services including HIV/ AIDS control and hospice programs at all ELCT hospitals.

The ELCT health department provides about 15% of the national health services. Its health facilities have a total capacity of more than 2,160 beds, and are served by a total of 1,500 health care workers. Assistance to medical work in Tanzania in 2012 was directed to eleven institutions and programs: Arusha Lutheran Medical Center (ALMC), Maasai Dispensaries, Selian Lutheran Hospital (SLH), Iambi Lutheran Hos-

pital, Dodoma Christian Medical Center, Ilula Lutheran Hospital, Nyakahanga Lutheran Hospital, Haydom Lutheran Hospital, Nkoaranga Lutheran Hospital, Machame Lutheran Hospital, and Illembula Lutheran Hospital.

Specific assistance went for the shipment of suitcases filled with medical supplies to Lutheran hospitals and dispensaries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania valued at \$14,525. Sea containers were shipped to: the North Central Diocese (Arusha Lutheran Medical Center, Selian Lutheran Hospital and the Maasai Dispensaries); Iambi Hospital of the Central Diocese; Ilula Hospital of the Iringa Diocese; Machame Lutheran Hospital of the Northern Dioces; and Ilembula Lutheran Hospital of the Southern Diocese. The gifts-in-kind were valued at \$368,266 at a shipping cost of \$94,533. Medical supplies and equipment purchased for shipments totaled \$59,501.

\$115,500 was transferred to assist in financing construction of the new

Arusha Lutheran Medical Center with \$144,524 going for operations. Special grants were sent for other designated purposes to the Arusha Lutheran Medical Center, including support for the ALMC Hospice Program (\$850), Rape and Abuse Counseling (\$1,600), and the Fistula Surgery Program (\$1,497), School of Nursing (\$1,000), and Neonatal ICU (\$2,909). Medical training scholarships totaling \$52,335 were provided, including Thersesia Lazier (\$10,385) and Amon Marti (\$6,950). The ALMC Orthopedic Institute received a grant of \$74,830, and an ALMC surgeon received a salary subsidy of \$2,000.

A total of \$43,788 was provided in support of the 14 Maasai Dispensaries served by missionary Dr. Steve Friberg, and \$25,000 was provided in support of the Ketumbeine Camel Project. Grants totaling \$27,469 were made for medical equipment purchases, including an X-ray machine for the Mto wa Mbu health center.



Medical equipment purchases were made with grants to Iambi Lutheran Hospital Center of the Central Diocese (\$6,241), Ilula Lutheran Hospital of the Iringa Diocese (\$1,827), Nkoaranga Lutheran Hospital of the Meru Diocese (\$9,822), and Dodoma Christian Medical Center (\$4,775). Health training scholarships were provided for selected employees of Nkoaranga Hospital in the amount of \$2,825.

Four portable ultrasounds were purchased on behalf of the ELCT at a cost of \$24,231 for use by Flying Medical Services in Tanzania which provides medical air taxi services of critical importance to the church's health care system throughout the country.

## **Zimbabwe Highlights**

#### \$453,668 Grants and Allocations

Continuing collaboration with ELCA Global Mission in 2013 resulted in our sixth shipment of needed medical supplies and equipment, valued as gifts in kind at \$395,725 for the four hospitals of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe, at a cost of \$50,867. Medical equipment purchases of \$7,076 were included on the shipment.

#### Nigeria Highlights

## \$424,669 Grants and Allocations

In 2013, the Nigeria Church and health program leaders continued to develop a church-wide Communitybased Primary Health Care program in two pilot areas of Adamawa State comprised of 24 villages. Clean Water, Malaria Prevention, Leadership Capacity-Building, and Dispensary Management programs were also carried out by the Lutheran Church of Christ Health Board. A former missionary to Chad, Dr. David Thompson leads this initiative for GHM. He returned twice to Nigeria during the year to oversee the program's progress and provide staff training. GHM Capacity-Building Consultant Teresa Obwaya managed extensive staff and board training in governance, management, budgeting and patient care. Designed to empower village residents to take responsibility for their own and their village's health, the program is generating health and development projects prioritized by the residents of the selected villages.

The clean water initiative functions in collaboration with the Minneapolis Area Synod and its Water Committee composed of professional water engineers. This initiative brought clean water and hygiene education to 11 villages in 2013. The malaria prevention campaign of the Church is integral to the program with funds from the Minneapolis Synod, ELCA and Global Mission, ELCA.

## **Madagascar Highlights**

## \$211,474 Grants and Allocations

The Lutheran medical mission in Madagascar has continued to serve remarkably well under conditions of adverse civil instability in recent years. In a sense, these programs of healing have been needed more because of this, and valued more because their commitment to serve the people has not faltered.

Programs such as AVIA (Anosy Villages Integrated Action), have been developed in consultation with church and community leaders to include a traditional curative emphasis along with water projects, schools, nutrition, evangelists and economic development. To answer village needs, AVIA collaborates with a number of development and service arms of the Malagasy Lutheran Church, as well as many non-governmental and government development organizations locally active in the Anosy region. In 2013, with a grant of \$124,126, AVIA completed significant clean water, rice cultivation, school construction, hygiene and sanitation, and vegetable projects in the Southeastern Anosy region of Madagascar.

Such projects are pursued after completing village assessments of health and development needs and organizing village committees for developing action plans to enhance the health and well-being of their communities. Food assistance was provided following recurring flooding and locust infestation. Training classes in health and income-generating activities continued to be provided to catechist graduates of the Manatantely Bible School. The hub office of AVIA at Manambaro Lutheran Hospital was busy, where health education, immunization and prenatal care services are offered weekly.

Thanks to your suport, the new Lutheran Nursing School (SEFAM) at Andranamadio Hospital in Antsirabe was dedicated with great celebration in April. Student scholarship grants to the school totaled \$20,739 in 2013. Grants totaling \$8,781 were made to underwrite costs of services rendered to SEFAM and SALFA by contract employee and missionary nurse Pat Bentsen. A con-

sultation with SEFAM on curriculum development to incorporate training of nurses in community-based primary health care was completed by Dr. Karen Plager in 2013 at a cost of \$1,368. A \$2,028 grant to SEFAM was also made for vehicle maintenance costs.

GHM partners directly with the following hospitals and dispensaries: Andranamadio, Ambohibao, Ejeda, Manambaro, Antanimalandy, Rural Dispensaries (Ankaramalaza, Vorehe, Mananara, Toliary, Port Dauphin, Marolambo, Tanadava, Antanimora, Ambohimanga du Sud, Ankazoabo, Antsalova, and Ifanja). Rural Clinic support provided quality health care to the most remote and poor regions of the country in 2013 with a grant of \$28,746. A special grant of \$2,064 was made to install solar panels at the Vorehe dispensary.

A program providing health care and medications for the patients of the church's healing centers, called Tobys, received \$13,728. A grant of \$4,380 was made to underwrite continuing education conducted by Michigan-based Dr. John Roach for hospital staff.

A consultation team of John Carrico, Director of Operations for Supply Chain Management at Fairview Health Systems and Jim Noss, retired Cameroon missionary was sent to Madagascar in 2012 to audit and support implementation of a pharmaceutical revolving fund program to supply needed medicines to the Church's health care system. The team will return in 2014. This year, Jim Noss returned for follow-up consultation at a cost of \$1,772.

A grant for \$2,409 was made to Ejeda Lutheran Hospital to purchase solar batteries.

#### Liberia Highlights

## \$283,958 Grants and Allocations

Program grants for shipping costs to Phebe and Curran Hospitals in 2013 totaled \$4,320, with gifts in kind supplies and equipment sent valued at \$260,159. Phebe and Curran received grants of \$1,257 for equipment purchases. A GHM assesment team traveled to Liberia in 2013 to explore options with the new bishop for improving support of the church's healthcare ministry, at a cost of \$5,615. A grant of \$1,357 was made to a nursing school in Monrovia for materials used in its masters degree program. Nurses from the Lutheran hospitals are participating in this program.



## Cameroon Highlights

#### \$154,488 Grants and Allocations

The Health Department of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cameroon, Oeuvre de Santé de l'Eglise Evangélique Luthérienne au Cameroun or OSEELC, is a large and vibrant ministry operating three large hospitals and fifteen health centers. The hospitals are located in Garoua Boulai (which received a grant for equipment purchases in the amount of \$15,779), Ngaoundere and Ngaoubela. The first two were started 50 years ago in areas where no health care previously existed. The third hospital is of more recent origin, again started to provide health care to an underserved population of subsistence farmers.

All three hospitals are in the northern area of Cameroon, the least developed in the country. Each of the hospitals has between 100-200 beds. Clinics are operated in areas such as Meiganga, Bankim, Mbe, Gadjiwan, Batoua Godole, and Bertoua. Shipments valued at \$119,326 were sent to Cameroon this year at a cost of \$11,722. Medical and dental equipment purchases for OSEELC totaled \$21,710.

For the fifth year, a representative from Global Health Ministries served on the OSEELC board of directors as an experiment in collaboration with a mission partner, with associated expenses totaling \$1,524.

## Kenya Highlights

## \$92,745 Grants and Allocations

In-kind medical supplies and equipment valued at \$82,898 were shipped to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya Central Diocese's rural dispensaries supported by the World Mission Prayer league and missionary nurse Gloria Sauk, at a cost of \$9,063.

## **GHAP Highlights**

## \$70,654 Grant and Allocations

Global Health Administration Partners (GHAP) is a GHM progam designed to provide training and consultation services to partner hospitals and health care programs. In 2013 GHAP began its sixth year of operation. During the year, the number of volunteer consultants providing professional expertise in health care administration increased by twenty. Intensive planning was completed and foundation funding ob-

tained to open a new community based education and referral initiative with the Pare Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. Planning was also completed for an initial consultation with the health board of the Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria to explore ways in which sustainability of their health programming can be enhanced, and with the Central Diocese in Tanzania to assess and enhance sustainability of the diocese's rural dispensaries. On-going monitoring and consultation continued for projects with the transitioning governance and executive leadership at OSEELC, Cameroon health department, and the pharmaceutical revolving fund project with SALFA, the health department of the Malagasy Lutheran Church.

GHAP's director is employed part-time by GHM, while team members donate their time and expertise to provide assistance as requested by the health care leadership. Funds are expended to offset travel expenses of the team members.

## **CAR Highlights**

#### \$51,259 Grants and Allocations

Access to health services is a challenge for people in many parts of Central African Republic. The Emmanuel Health Center was developed to address this need in the Gallo region and despite on-going civil violence and insecurity in the country it has continued to operate. Support from ELCA companion synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in CAR and others is critical to sustain life-saving services in a region previously known for having among the highest rates of maternal/infant mortality in the world. A grant of \$51,259 was made in 2013 underwrite operating expenses.

## El Salvador Highlights

## \$18,607 Grant and Allocation

This village health and development project continued with a grant of \$14,075 in 2013, increasing the number of village health workers trained to 200 in four regions of the country. One team collaborated with government public health authorites in distributing first aid kits and bed nets and educating to prevent Dengue Fever. A regional health fair was held where they conducted training of 75 municipal health workers.

## **India Highlights**

#### \$8,352 Grant and Allocation

Parkijuli Hospital of the Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church received a grant of \$8,352 to bring water to the newly dedicated surgical building supported by GHM.

#### **Ethiopia Highlights**

#### \$6,262 Grant and Allocation

The new midwifery training program at the Aira Hospital School of Nursing is needed to provide skilled personnel at outlying dispensaries. The second of three grants was released to fund the salary and training for the midwife tutor and textbooks for the program. This year's grant was \$6,262.

## Bangladesh Highlights

## \$5,100 Grant and Allocation

A grant of \$5,100 was released for the completion of the Livingstone School Project, a school dedicated to community health and sanitation education. This is a project of Nativity Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, MN.

## Haiti Highlights

#### \$1,500 Grants and Allocations

GHM collaborated with mission teams by providing them with medical supplies valued at \$1,500.

## Miscellaneous Highlights

## \$ 165,858 Grants and Allocations

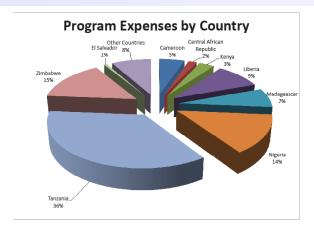
During 2013, supplies provided in support of collaborative efforts with partner NGO's in global mission were valued at \$134,725.

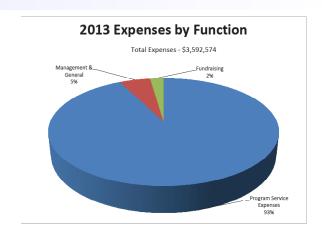
Mission groups carried specially prepared suitcases of medical supplies valued at \$12,690 to many countries around the world.

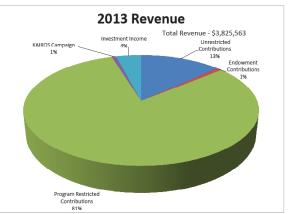
A total of \$13,487 in medical equipment and supplies filled out requests of overseas partners.



## Financial Position on December 31st, 2013







	Sum	mary of A	ctiviti	es	
		2013		2012	% Change
Revenue	\$	3,825,563	\$	3,419,424	12%
Expenses	\$	3,592,574	S	3,264,561	10%
Revenue less Expenses	s	232,989	s	154,863	50%
	Sumr	nary of Ne	t Ass	ets	
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		2013		2012	% Change
Total Assets	Sumr	<b>2013</b> 3,562,871	t Ass	<b>2012</b> 3,267,399	9%
Total Assets Total Liabilities		2013		2012	

A complete copy of our audited financial statements for 2013 and IRS Form 990 is available on request.

2013 was a strong year for Global Health Ministries, thanks to the contributions of our partners both overseas and here at home. Total revenue and net assets have increased over 2012, which also saw an increase over the prior year. Our endowment continues to grow.

Shipments of urgently needed medical and dental supplies and equipment continue, with an additional shipment going out this year versus last year. Project grants of almost \$900,000 supported continuing education for talented healthcare workers, facility operations and renovations, and expansion of programs. Total project distributions were up almost 10% over 2012. We continue our work to promote health and prevent disease before it happens, focusing our efforts at the village level. 2013 saw the first gifts to our Kairos Mission Appeal, which will help us build our capacity to help our partners develop and sustain their health programs, which are vital to ensuring access to health care for some of the world's poorest people.



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