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Showing the Grace and Love of God



From the Executive Director

It is my great pleasure to present to you the Annual Report for the Financial Year 2007–08. In its pages you will find brief stories of inspiration and deep commitment. These are the stories of our extraordinarily committed Partners who minister and work across communities which are frequently very diverse, often in developing countries, and fairly regularly alongside people in great need of support. This commitment is grounded in their love for God, a love for

those amongst whom they minister and a great desire to provide a sense of hope for the future.

Whilst I am new to the position of Executive Director, I have of course worked with ABM for a number of years and know first-hand that this love and commitment finds its expression in very practical ways. This ensures that efforts undertaken by all our Partners allow them to not only be agents for change but to also deliver first class programs which seek to transform the physical and spiritual nature of people's lives.

Closer to home I am aware of the significant prayer, support and goodwill that ABM and our Partners receive from volunteers and donors throughout Australia. Such support is of course part of ABM's core, and the Board, Staff and I, remain humbled by the

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generosity of parishes, schools and individuals. The remarkable response to ABM's Emergency Appeals (especially after the cyclones in Oro Bay, PNG and Myanmar), as well as the ongoing interest in the work of our Partners from concerned Australians across this country, are key indicators

of this support. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank, not only all who serve on the ABM Board and other management committees, but the many people who support us through the ABM Auxiliary, mission committees at Parish and Diocesan level or volunteer in other ways and show by their commitment the grace and love of God to those in need.

As I write this the world sits on the brink of economic hardship. For many of the people that we and our Partners meet daily this may make little difference. When you have nothing it's hard to know what it means to go beyond nothing. However the withdrawal of financial support to any agency that provides resources and an opportunity for whole communities to break out of the cycle of poverty, *will* have a lasting effect. Whether it is the provision of pastoral care, leadership training, clean water, medical assistance, education or food security; we need to find ways in which we can maintain and grow our support for the communities we serve. I look forward to continuing to pray and work with you as together we seek to work for a future world that reflects God's love, hope and justice for all.



John Deane, Executive Director

Our Vision:

ABM wants to see people everywhere experience the wholeness of life God offers in Jesus Christ, and to this end support our Partners as they participate in God's mission.

Our Profile:

ABM is the national mission agency of the Anglican Church of Australia. We work with Anglican Church Partners to develop and provide for the spiritual, social and material needs of people, both overseas and within indigenous communities in Australia. We help the Anglican Church and the wider community realise and respond to the call for each of us to be a part of God's hope for the world.

OUR PARTNERS 2007–2008

In Australia: The Anglican Dioceses of: North West Australia; Gippsland; the Northern Territory, North Queensland, Rockhampton, Canberra/Goulburn; Bendigo. Nungalinga College Darwin and Wontulp-Bi-Buya College Cairns.

Overseas: The Episcopal Church in the Philippines, The Anglican Church of the Province Myanmar, The Anglican Church of Korea, The Anglican Church of Melanesia, The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, The Anglican Diocese of Singapore, The Anglican Province of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Front cover photo: Women who attend the Diocese of Egypt's Christian Community Centres in and around Cairo are able to learn general sewing and embroidery skills. Their work is sold in the Cathedral shop as part of an income generation program. Photo: Don Brice © ABM Egypt Collection.

ABM's Overseas Programs

ABM's Overseas Program has two strands – the work of Community Development and the work of the Church to Church Program. The Community Development Program works with Anglican Church Partners in the Pacific, PNG and South-East Asia to help deliver grassroots, community-driven development projects that cover issues such as basic health and education, food security and livelihood support. The Church to Church Program works with Partner churches to grow and strengthen the church's capacity to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Projects such as theological education, ministry development and specific ministries such as university chaplaincy or women's ministry, are all designed by our Partners to meet the local needs of their communities.

In 2007/08 ABM's Community Development Program has supported the following projects:

1. Water and Sanitation Program

The Philippines

The lack of improved water and sanitation (Watsan) services has long been associated with exacerbating the effects of poverty in the Philippines. ABM's Watsan program, in partnership with the Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP), continues to provide sufficient access* to potable water in remote and rural communities, where government support for vital infrastructure is minimal due mostly to lack of resources and lack of political will. The program provides simple gravity-fed and deep well water systems and includes the construction of water tank/s, pipelines from the water source, as well as water taps located in easy-to-access locations within the community, so that as many people as possible are able to use and share the water.

As a result of this program, more than 600 households and 3,000 people have improved access to clean water in 2007/08.

*"Access" means that the source is less than 1 km away from its place of use and that it is possible to reliably obtain at least 20 litres per member of a household per day (World Health Organisation)

Completed

- Sagpat Water*
- Banguitan Water*
- Mambucal*
- Batong Lusong*
- Balangao Water*
- Water Safety Management

In Progress/Continuing

- Loccong*
- Bebe*
- Guedeged* (replaced the Allangigan project)
- Englandad*

*For these projects ABM also had counterpart funding from AusAID

Papua New Guinea

Access to clean, potable water is also an ongoing challenge for many communities throughout Papua New Guinea. Many people still use streams and rivers as their main water source for domestic use. Typically the responsibility for the collection of household water falls on the shoulders of women and children: an arduous and time consuming task, as water sources are usually located some distance from their houses.

Completed

- Three rain water tanks have been purchased for the St Margaret's School of Nursing (SMSN)*

*For these projects ABM also had counterpart funding from AusAID

Myanmar (Burma)

ABM continued its support of the water and sanitation program in the Diocese of Toungoo (The Anglican Church of the Province of Myanmar) and set up water systems in ten remote villages in the Toungoo area. These are simple water systems which include one or two water tanks and connecting pipes (cost approximately \$1,000), and serve a minimum of 30 families. At least two diocesan staff were involved in the implementation of community projects, and assistance from local people was sought in situations which required more technical skills.

In Progress/Continuing

- This program is continuing.

Vanuatu

From the beginning of 2008 ABM's Auxiliary has been supporting the development of water projects in the two dioceses of the Church of Melanesia in Vanuatu (the Diocese of Vanuatu, and the Diocese of Banks and Torres). Both dioceses work with church communities living in isolated rural areas that have difficulties in accessing clean and reliable drinking water. The church has identified two communities for the development of pilot projects that will establish a distribution network of a potable water source within those communities.

In Progress/Continuing

- Water projects in the Diocese of Vanuatu
- Water projects in the Diocese of Banks and Torres

2. Health Programs

Solomon Islands

The Christian Care Centre just outside Honiara is the only women's refuge of its kind currently operating in the Solomon Islands. ABM continues to support ongoing requests for the operation of the Centre, facilitating the provision of accommodation, counselling, and a safe haven for abused women and their children.

In Progress/Continuing

- Support for ongoing resourcing for accommodation, counselling and support activities for staff and clients

Papua New Guinea

Many people living in remote and rural areas of Papua New Guinea have limited access to health services and are unable to receive treatment for diseases like malaria, cholera, tuberculosis and measles. The Anglican Health Service (AHS), an agency of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, is committed to providing a quality health service.

ABM works in partnership with AHS to address these health issues in remote rural areas to facilitate provision of quality health services and improved living standards.

Completed

- Auhura Aid Post and Topura Aid Post renovated*
- Staff house renovated at Sakarina Health Centre*
- Food processing training facility set up in Popondetta*

In Progress/Continuing

- Funding for a nurse tutor (male) at St Margaret's School of Nursing (SMSN) and
- 2 staff (1 man/1 woman) at Movi Clinic to provide STI services*
- Renovation of AHS remote facilities*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

ABM's Overseas Programs (cont.)

3. HIV & AIDS Program

Solomon Islands and Vanuatu

ABM is working with the Church of Melanesia (COM) to build the capacity of the church to respond to the needs of Solomon Islanders and the people of Vanuatu in their fight against an emerging HIV and AIDS crisis. COM continues to dedicate resources to the development of HIV prevention and education activities, particularly among young people. In the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, the youth sectors remain one of the most vulnerable sectors of the population. COM, with the assistance of the Anglican Church of PNG, have put together an HIV and AIDS policy document for all staff currently working within its sphere.

In Progress/Continuing

- Resourcing of technical support and mentoring for the HIV and AIDS Program Officer position within the Church of Melanesia.

Papua New Guinea (PNG)

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (ACPNG) seeks to reduce the spread of HIV and AIDS in PNG through prevention, education, and treatment of people living with HIV.

ABM is strengthening the capacity of the ACPNG institutions' efforts to respond to the HIV and AIDS pandemic by providing resources which offer an effective ministry of care, support and positive living for people infected with and affected by HIV.

Completed

- Seven Peer Education workshops for 189 people (116 Men/73 Women)*
- Four Voluntary Counselling and Testing (VCT) workshops for 74 people*
- National HIV&AIDS meeting held, along with Diocesan meetings in the Dioceses of Dogura, Mount Hagen and Nuigini Islands*
- Red Ribbon activities carried out in Popondetta with three churches*
- Gender workshop held with 12 people (four men/eight women) from across ACPNG*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

In Progress/Continuing

- Anglicare StopAIDS staff team resourced to implement HIV awareness and VCT in Port Moresby, Mount Hagen and Popondetta*
- Peer Education activities*
- HIV and AIDS counselling and training*
- Provincial and Diocesan HIV and AIDS Development Officers*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

4. Agriculture Program

The Philippines

This agriculture and livelihood support program continues to help poor communities break out of subsistence farming, through the provision of agricultural inputs and alternative sources of income. The provision of agricultural inputs (such as threshing machinery) minimises production costs to farmers and improves their quality of life (i.e. less time spent pounding or drying rice). Providing opportunities to start small livelihood activities helps community members build on the resources that are available to them. It also aids in improved income generation which enables communities to access basic needs such as medicines and education.

A total of 376 families in five different communities benefited from this program in 2007-2008. Two communities were provided with simple irrigation facilities. Post-harvest facilities were made available to three other communities including: a rice mill, two solar dryers, two grain storage facilities, rice and corn threshers and other small farming equipment. One community started strawberry farms, and some communities undertook livestock dispersal.



Community members constructing the grains storage in Pangli, Ipil town, in Mindanao, the Philippines. Photo: Lina Magallanes 2007.

Completed

- Cadtay Upland Irrigation*
- Acoje Irrigation*
- Lacmaan Livelihood Project*
- Pangli Postharvest Facilities and Farm Support Project*
- Northern Buringal Development Project*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

5. Education Programs

Myanmar

In 2007 the English Language Centre (ELC) in the Diocese of Toungoo catered to a total of 280 young students and adult learners. The classes ranged from beginner to upper intermediate levels, and the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) preparation. The summer classes for young learners in 2008 had 190 students.

Last year was the third and final year of ABM's support for this project in the Diocese. The ELC is now fully self-supporting. Following on from the success of the Centre, the Diocese has also commenced a kindergarten class.

Completed

- Toungoo English Language Program

Papua New Guinea

The Anglican Education Division (AED) provides ongoing access to basic education and training opportunities throughout PNG. The majority of the rural population are faced with regional and gender disparities in education, attributed to high poverty levels, the cost of school fees at all levels of education, cultural beliefs and geographical barriers. AED is working closely with the Government of PNG (GoPNG) to address these challenges. The churches are responsible for providing the facilities, and the GoPNG funds teacher salaries, and the provision of teaching and learning materials.

ABM supports AED efforts to develop its institutional capacity to enhance efficient delivery of quality educational services.

Completed

- 12 teaching graduates recruited for rural teachers' positions (five men/seven women), transfer to their rural teaching positions funded, and 51 student teachers sponsored (30 men/21 women) to be rural teachers*

- Assisted three schools with maintenance: fixing the walls on one classroom, a new iron roof for another, and contributed weatherboards and paint towards the construction of a new teacher's house*
- Developed and evaluated curriculum for HIV training in schools (from Grades 3 to 13) and provided five teacher training workshops for 74 teachers (37 men/37 women)*
- Board of Management training provided for 13 schools (57 participants: 38 men/19 women)*
- Literacy classes held in Aipo Rongo Diocese for approximately 120 students (10% Men/90% Women)*
- Biniguni Vocational Training Centre (VTC): assisted with Manager's salary in providing home economics, agriculture and carpentry classes to 43 students*
- Hioge VTC – assisted with building a manager's house and classrooms, providing materials and equipment and course materials to start classes in 2009*
- Ajoa VTC – assisted with advertisement and appointment costs for a manager and materials and tools to start classes in 2009 *
- Sagsag VTC – assisted with site preparations*
- AED Education Policy was updated and reviewed*

In Progress/Continuing

- Women's Literacy*
- Effective Education Unit*
- Rural Teachers Support*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

Solomon Islands and Vanuatu

In both the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, ABM supports the work of the Mothers' Union through the Church of Melanesia in the delivery of basic literacy training for women. A key focus of the work carried out by the Mothers' Union is to develop the capacity for women to have an influence in the decision making processes at village and community level



Young children attending Summer School – English Language classes are held in the Toungoo Diocesan Language Centre, Myanmar (Burma).
Photo: Lina Magallanes.

through greater literacy skills. Moreover, basic literacy skills for women provide an entry point to the job market and open up options to develop small scale business ventures in local communities.

In Progress/Continuing

- Mothers' Union literacy training activities
- Mothers' Union procurement of office equipment for staff in Honiara

6. Institutional Strengthening Program

Myanmar

ABM continued to encourage the various dioceses of the Anglican Church of the Province of Myanmar (CPM), and strengthened the church's capacity to undertake community development work. Projects are in the pipeline to address the capacity-building needs of diocesan staff, lay ministers and clergy. This will enable them to meet the needs of the communities in which they work.

In Progress/Continuing

- Capacity Building

Papua New Guinea

ABM is working collaboratively with the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (ACPNG) to strengthen the capacity of the church, by developing the skills of the ACPNG personnel so as to integrate and build local resources to ensure project sustainability.

ABM, together with the ACPNG, also recognises the role of communities in the development process and encourages their mobilisation and empowerment towards poverty reduction strategies.

Completed

- Church Partnership Program (CPP) Co-ordinator appointed in November 2007 and a Finance Manager – CPP in May 2008*
- MYOB training provided to five finance staff (two men/three women)*
- Local level administration facilitated with provision of a server for the national office, six computers, two fax machines, three printers, and a variety of office furniture*
- General leadership training for 2.5 days provided for the new ACPNG Finance Committee (13 men/one woman)*
- An audit of the Anglican Education Division (AED), the Anglican National Office and the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (ACPNG) HIV CPP expenditure was conducted*
- Three CPP Committee meetings held with eight members (five men/ three women)*

In Progress/Continuing

- Salary of CPP Coordinator*
- Leadership Training for ACPNG*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

7. Inclusive Communities Program (ICP)

Solomon Islands

ABM, in partnership with the Church of Melanesia and AngliCORD, maintains its ongoing support for the work of the Inclusive Communities Program. Peace and reconciliation concerns still linger from the ethnic tension that gave rise to civil unrest in the late 1990s and early 2000s. This program seeks to develop within Solomon Islands communities the resources and skills for individuals and communities to negotiate these concerns. The program has been able to diversify its approach through partnership with the Mothers' Union (MU) in the Solomon Islands. One example of this is the MU literacy program which is now being delivered in prisons across the country via the ICP staff.

In Progress/Continuing

- Development of strategies/design for phase 2 of ICP program*

*For these projects ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

ABM's Overseas Programs (cont.)

In 2007/08 ABM's Church to Church Program has supported the following projects:

1. Children and Youth

Most of our Partners minister in communities where a large part of the population consists of children and youth. These young people are the future leaders of their church and country. ABM supports our Partners who are working to care for, resource and train them. The major areas of work are:

- In the Philippines ABM is supporting children's ministries and the development and production of Sunday School material.
- In Korea ABM supports the Remnant House Caring for Children program.
- In Papua New Guinea, ABM supports National Youth Ministry, the development of a national Religious Education curriculum and youth workers in the Dioceses of Aipo Rongo and Popondota. The preschool at Newton College continues to cater for the children of students. Parishes in Port Moresby care for urban young people through camping and other programs and the ministry of the Chaplain at the University of Port Moresby. Children of priests and catechists in the Anglican Church of PNG who otherwise would be unable to afford to send their children to school, are given the opportunity of gaining an education as a result of ABM's support.
- Diocese of Singapore – ABM is supporting the equipping of an Indonesian Mission School.
- North Africa – supporting a student program in Algeria.



Young people are the future of many developing nations. ABM assists our Partners as they seek to empower young people in local communities, schools and universities. Photo: Brad Chapman.

2. Theological Formation

ABM supports two institutions in Papua New Guinea that train candidates for priesthood and ministry.

- At Newton Theological College ABM supports students and a women's program.
- At Kerina Evangelists College ABM provides support for students and staff.

3. Proclaiming the Gospel

ABM supports our partner churches in reaching out to their communities and demonstrating the love of Jesus in words and actions. Projects ABM funds include:

- Melanesian Brothers – supporting the head brother, novices, a chaplain and training
- A training course – "Proclaim the Gospel" in the Diocese of Dogura
- Mission and Evangelism in the Diocese of Popondota
- In the Philippines – Mindanao Evangelism Outreach, an Integrated Evangelism and Empowerment program and Evangelism Support staff.
- In Korea – the Busan Cathedral Church Evangelism Program

4. Enhancing Ministry

ABM provides assistance with strategic ministries, training and resources. Projects ABM funds include:

- Regional Bishops in the Diocese of Aipo Rongo
- Rita Simeni's work with the Women in Ministry Program
- Administration Training in Popondetta
- Training for clergy, catechists and lay workers in PNG and the Philippines

5. Encounter Program

ABM's Encounter program facilitates priests and leaders from partner churches to spend three months in Australia with one or more Anglican parishes. The participant experiences Australian and Anglican life, participates in the mission and ministry of the church and reflects and learns in a cross-cultural setting. The program leads to the building of relationships between Australian and partner churches and builds the leadership capacity of the participant. This year Fr Isaiah Masida from PNG participated in the program.

6. The Episcopal Church in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East

Australian Anglicans each year join in making gifts to ABM's Good Friday Gift that assists the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Diocese of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa, with their ministries including:

- the Ahli Arab Hospital in the Gaza Strip which despite suffering damage during the year has continued its mission of love to eliminate the suffering of thousands in need.
- In the Diocese of Egypt it has supported the ministry of the church in Ethiopia, Algiers and Egypt with special needs schools, community centres and providing medical care.

Church to Church Program – Completed Projects during 2007/8

- New Parish of Ginji in the Diocese of Aipo Rongo, PNG
- Deo-Boo-Eo-Soop Youth Program, Kum Ja Bang After School Program Korea
- Youth Programs in the Diocese of New Guinea Islands, PNG
- Good Samaritan Program in Port Moresby, PNG
- Youth Workers Training in Egypt
- Micro-enterprise in the Diocese of Aipo Rongo, PNG
- Dandelion Ecological Co-operative in Korea
- Newton Theological College – Visiting Lecturers and Encounter Program for PNG Lecturers
- New Growth in Egypt, the Cairo Community Centre and the Hawamdaya Congregation

ABM's Australian Indigenous Program



*Wayne and Valmai Connolly have been instrumental in working with young people across the Diocese of North Queensland, developing their self-esteem, giving hope and empowering them for the future.
Photo: Brad Chapman.*

ABM believes that Indigenous Australians have a special place in this country especially as we look to their ancestry which dates back thousands of years. Many Indigenous Christians believe that God was with them from long ago and they find meaning and hope in the Good News of Jesus Christ. We believe there is a need for trained Indigenous Christian leaders to minister to their communities. Consequently ABM's priority is to support Indigenous Australian Anglicans – both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders – as they minister amongst their own people and communities. During the twelve-month period ABM has supported the following programs:

The following projects continue to be supported by ABM

Diocese of Bathurst

Indigenous Rural Gospel Outreach – Rev'd Gloria Shipp: Gloria and her team, called "Walkabout Ministries" are involving Aboriginal people in fellowship and worship through Women's camps, Men's camps, conventions and visits to other western NSW communities.

Diocese of Bendigo

Indigenous Youth Worker-Robinvale: This project has sought to raise funds for a Youth Worker to support and encourage young Aboriginal people living in and around Robinvale in North West Victoria.

Diocese of Canberra/Goulburn

Rev'd Tom Slockee: Tom continues his ministry in the Mogo/Batemans Bay area and at the Boomerang Centre in Mogo. Tom conducts worship services at the Boomerang centre, which is also used for art and craft activities and various community meetings.

Dhurga Language: Language recovery and scripture translation work continues, with Rev'd John Harris assisting. Dhurga is the Aboriginal language covering the area from the Shoalhaven River in NSW down to the Victorian Border (approximately).

Diocese of Gippsland

Ministry at Lake Tyers: In 2007-08 ABM supported a part-time Aboriginal ministry position in Gippsland. Kathy Dalton works with the Aboriginal community around Morwell and the Latrobe Valley, helping organise funerals, pastoral care, and running a Sunday School with some of the elders. The project also seeks to support a worker in the Lake Tyers area as soon as a suitable appointment can be made.

Diocese of North Queensland

Youth Worker –Yarrabah: Deacon Edward Murgha has been appointed to co-ordinate youth work in the Yarrabah St Albans Parish. He is joined by a team of around 7 local people who assist with the ministry to children and youth in the Parish.

ABM's Australian Indigenous Program (cont.)



The Mission to Kempsey and Wauchope in NSW by the Yarrabah Dancers from Qld was a great event in the life of the Diocese. Photo: Brad Chapman.

Supporting Indigenous Theology Students and Further Development and Leadership Training at Wontulp-Bi-Buya College:

Funds raised from this project go towards assisting the students by supporting the administration staff as they look after the well-being of each student. It also provides the back-up support needed to keep the college operating smoothly.

Support the Indigenous Principal and the Assistant Principal at Wontulp-Bi-Buya College:

This year saw the commencement of Rev'd Victor Joseph from Moa Island as Acting Principal of the College. Rev'd Victor, his wife and children moved to Cairns to take up the position. Rev'd David Thompson continues part time as Assistant Principal at the College.

Wontulp-Bi-Buya Regional Workshops: Rev'd Michael and his wife Rev'd Valma Connolly conduct regional workshops in Theology and Bible studies in the remote areas of Queensland. This includes traveling to the communities in Cape York and Central Queensland. They also conduct Bible Studies and follow-up Wontulp students completing studies in their own communities.

Bishop James Leftwich: Bishop James continues as an Assistant Bishop of North Queensland and as the National Aboriginal Bishop. Bishop James is often found at the St Luke's Church in Cairns which has a lively congregation of mainly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people including many children and young people.

Rev'd Saul Burns: Rev'd Saul ministers part-time at the Lotus Glen Correctional Centre near Mareeba. He is also involved in leading worship at Herberton every second Sunday and sees his ministry focus being primarily in the Atherton Tablelands area.

Regional Clergy Conference of Torres Strait Clergy: This ongoing project brings together the Torres Strait clergy to address issues which concern the church. The conference is convened by Bishop Saibo Mabo, the Bishop with special responsibility for the Torres Strait. The Bishop's

wife, Sania leads activities for the Clergy wives at the conference.

Diocese of Northern Territory

Rev'd Hiley Diweula: We continued to support the Rev'd Hiley in his work with Aboriginal people at two Town Camps in the Alice Springs area. Hiley is from Papua New Guinea and is assisted in the work by his wife Rita and their two daughters.

Aboriginal Ministry Development: In partnership with the Diocese of Northern Territory, we supported ministry development in the Anglican areas of Arnhem Land and Groote Eylandt. This enabled an Aboriginal Deacon to spend some time in mission to another community. It also provides some resources for ministry including visits by other Clergy.

Post Ordination Training: Funding for this project enabled further training for Indigenous Clergy in the Northern Territory including travel into Darwin for meetings with other Aboriginal clerics. This ongoing training often happens at Nungalinga College which ABM has supported now for many years.

Training Indigenous Church Workers at Nungalinga College: A number of Indigenous Christians are being trained to teach theology classes at Nungalinga. Aboriginal Deacon from Umbakumba, Colleen Mamarika, and Marjorie

Hall (a woman from Ngukurr community), have been teaching two-week block sessions at Nungalinga College which involves preparation and delivery of lessons.

Support Theology Lecturers at Nungalinga College: This project has supported a part-time Theology lecturer during 07–08. This enabled the College to employ Malveena Welsh to engage in a teaching program throughout the year.

Diocese of Rockhampton

Ministry at Woorabinda – Rev'd Dan Joyce: ABM supports Dan's travel and ministry costs to the Indigenous community of Woorabinda and at Murri Wodja in Rockhampton. Woorabinda is about 2 hours drive, south-west of Rockhampton.

Projects Completed by June 30 2008

Diocese of North Queensland

Bringing the Gospel Home:

ABM supported the "Bringing the Gospel Home" project which involved the development of a mission outreach program amongst the local Anglican congregations and communities in the Kempsey and Wauchope areas of NSW by the Yarrabah dancers from far North Queensland.

Diocese of North West Australia

Ministry at Oombulgurri:

In 2007 ABM commenced raising funds for a project to revitalise the Oombulgurri community (approx 3,500kms north from Perth) which would include involvement by the Yarrabah Dancers from Queensland. Due to a number of unforeseen circumstances, the Bishop of the Diocese asked ABM to cease its support for this project at the end of the year. Although it did not come to fruition, the project did involve developing important contacts and a significant visit was made by ABM staff to this former Anglican mission which dates back to 1912. (Ernest Gribble commenced there in 1913.)

Emergency Relief

ABM responds to requests from communities seeking assistance as a result of disasters.

Recognising the capacity within communities to organise their own solutions to adversity, ABM supports local leadership in responding to crises either through our Anglican Church Partners or agencies associated with the global Action by Churches Together (ACT) alliance. In November 2007, Oro and Milne Bay Provinces of Papua New Guinea were affected

by flooding on a scale not experienced in living memory. ABM worked closely with our Partners in the Anglican Church of PNG who played a critical role in the emergency response, bringing food, shelter and water to struggling survivors. ABM also assisted Partners to respond to crises in Gaza (Palestine), North Korea and Myanmar as well as participating in ACT relief efforts in Sichuan (China), and Zimbabwe.



Completed

- Gaza Hospital Assistance, Palestine
- North Korea Floods Assistance

In Progress/Continuing

Assistance to victims of:

- Cyclone Guba, Papua New Guinea*
- Cyclone Nargis, Myanmar
- Sichuan Earthquake, China#
- Provision of food relief, Zimbabwe#

*For this project ABM had counterpart funding from AusAID

#ABM participated in the combined Action by Churches Together (ACT) response

Cyclone Nargis hit the Irrawaddy Delta in Myanmar causing enormous damage to property and loss of life. This was just one of the Emergencies that ABM responded to in 2007/08. Photo used with permission.

Community Education

ABM is committed to working with our supporter base and the wider public to raise issues and provide resources that will help create a better educated community.

In the last year we have continued our regular commitments, providing information and resources to schools, parishes, dioceses, synods, interest groups, church and secular press and strategic gatherings of ABM supporters. ABM staff have travelled the country presenting and training our volunteers. Many of these volunteers spend numerous days each year speaking on behalf of ABM and our Partners.

We have again welcomed visitors from our Partners, providing opportunities for many people to hear first-hand the experience of those who struggle for justice in developing nations. These visitors have garnered significant interest from the media, providing further opportunities to tell the story of people who live outside the safety of societies such as our own.

ABM continues to work with the Anglican press to tell the story of our work and our world. Each month we provide stories for papers which are the primary source of information to the parishes about the work of the wider Anglican Communion.

Our commitment to video media has been strengthened in the last year with many new films being created with our Partners and released on DVD, through our Lenten Program, to parishes and schools across the country. These films are also available online through our website and have been watched by an estimated 100,000 people over the last four years. The collection of films made during the past year won an award from the Australasian Religious Press Association for their original approach to communication.



ABM volunteer filmmaker, Shane Fulwood, catches a shot while perched on the side of a tricycle in Bontoc, Northern Philippines. Stephen Daughtry © ABM.

ABM's emerging advocacy initiative has, during the past year, responded to direct calls for assistance from our Partners by sending press releases to news agencies highlighting the concerns raised. As an organisation we consider it our privilege and duty to help the wider community hear the voice of the poor and marginalised.

Anglican Board of Mission – Australia Limited

Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Donations Received	2,683,448	2,309,580
Legacies and bequests	264,623	650,036
Grants		
• AusAID	2,296,904	1,320,756
• other Australian	–	–
• other overseas	–	–
Investment income	381,948	680,317
Merchandise sale	51,186	66,879
Other income	94,802	205,497
Total revenue	5,772,911	5,233,065
EXPENSES		
Overseas projects		
• funds to overseas projects – AusAID	1,777,912	850,717
• funds to overseas projects – ABM	705,567	763,566
• other project costs – AusAID	155,847	190,761
• other project costs – ABM	268,981	174,632
Domestic projects	221,787	192,112
Community education	23,934	62,449
Mission education	21,390	45,790
Fundraising costs		
• public	455,312	477,214
• government, multilateral and private	11,423	19,268
Cost of merchandise sales	21,833	42,353
Administration	1,051,653	1,085,235
Total expenses	4,715,639	3,904,097
Excess of revenue over expenses (shortfall) from continuing operations	1,057,272	1,328,968
Amounts transferred to bequest funds and reserves	266,855	587,221
Amounts transferred to unspent project reserves	628,709	432,055
Excess of revenue over expenses (shortfall) from continuing operations	161,708	309,692

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Community Development Programs

Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
REVENUE		
Donations Received	1,462,774	1,127,159
Legacies and bequests	132,312	325,007
Grants		
• AusAID	2,296,904	1,320,756
• other Australian		–
• other overseas		–
Investment income	231,179	468,445
Merchandise sale	25,593	33,002
Other income	49,823	82,182
Total revenue	4,198,584	3,356,550
EXPENSES		
Overseas projects		
• funds to overseas projects – AusAID	1,777,912	850,717
• funds to overseas projects – ABM	366,194	502,529
• other project costs – AusAID	155,847	190,761
• other project costs – ABM	219,938	114,640
Domestic projects	–	–
Community education	23,934	62,449
Fundraising costs		
• public	227,656	235,622
• government, multilateral and private	11,423	19,268
Cost of merchandise sales	10,917	21,177
Administration	586,280	518,607
Total expenses	3,380,101	2,515,770
Excess of revenue over expenses (shortfall) from continuing operations	842,418	840,780
Amounts transferred to bequest funds and reserves	127,475	316,821
Amounts transferred to unspent project reserves	563,202	241,293
Net excess of revenue over expenses (shortfall) from continuing operations	127,806	282,666

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Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,281,187	982,751
Trade and other receivables	81,493	221,494
Financial assets	3,231,388	2,470,693
Other current assets	14,797	54,788
Total current assets	4,608,865	3,729,726
Non-current assets		
Financial assets	2,784,894	3,464,416
Property, plant and equipment	3,820,584	3,871,201
Total non-current assets	6,605,478	7,335,617
TOTAL ASSETS	11,214,343	11,065,343
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	63,003	134,928
Short-term provisions	81,656	87,975
Total current liabilities	144,659	222,903
Non-current liabilities		
Other long-term provisions	31,337	34,343
Total non-current liabilities	31,337	34,343
TOTAL LIABILITIES	175,996	257,246
NET ASSETS	11,038,347	10,808,097
EQUITY		
Contributed equity	1,127,892	1,127,892
Reserves	9,320,508	9,251,966
Retained earnings	589,947	428,239
TOTAL EQUITY	11,038,347	10,808,097

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Community Development Programs

Table of Cash Movements for Designated Purposes

for the year ended 30 June 2008

	Cash available at beginning of financial year \$	Cash raised during financial year \$	Cash disbursed during financial year \$	Cash available at end of financial year \$
- Community Development Program AusAID CPP PNG Program	18,999	848,756	847,755	20,000
Other Community Development Programs	1,281,143	2,442,420	1,896,169	1,827,394
- Total for other purposes	2,037,335	2,453,024	1,853,889	2,636,470
TOTAL	3,337,477	5,744,200	4,597,813	4,483,864

Note: Cash available at end of financial year equals to the total of Cash and cash equivalents and Financial assets (less non cash income) in the Financial Statements.



Young women from Korea at the House of Sharing. Photo used with permission.

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Statement of Changes in Equity as at 30 June 2008

2008

	Capital Contribution \$	Retained Earnings \$	Investments Revaluation Reserve \$	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$	Bequests \$	Designated Funds \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2007	1,127,892	428,239	174,960	3,833,256	3,428,902	1,814,848	10,808,097
Profit attributable to members		1,057,272		–	–	–	1,057,272
Revaluation		–	(827,022)	–	–	–	(827,022)
Transfers (to) and from reserves							
– bequest reserve		(266,855)		–	–	–	(266,855)
– designated reserve		(628,709)		–	–	–	(628,709)
Transfers from retained earnings		–		–	266,855	628,709	895,564
Sub total		161,708	(827,022)	–	266,855	628,709	230,250
Balance at 30 June 2008	1,127,892	589,947	(652,062)	3,833,256	3,695,757	2,443,557	11,038,347

2007

	Capital Contribution \$	Retained Earnings \$	Investments Revaluation Reserve \$	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$	Bequests \$	Designated Funds Note 12 \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2006	1,127,892	296,267	–	3,689,838	2,841,681	1,382,793	9,338,471
Retrospective adjustment for prior period errors	–	(177,720)	157,720	–	–	–	(20,000)
Restated balance 1 July 2006	1,127,892	118,547	157,720	3,689,838	2,841,681	1,382,793	9,318,471
Profit attributable to members		1,346,208					1,346,208
Retrospective adjustment for prior period error	–	(17,240)	17,240	–	–	–	
Revaluation				143,418			143,418
Transfers (to) and from reserves							
– bequest reserve	–	(587,221)		–	–	–	(587,221)
– designated reserve	–	(432,055)		–	–	–	(432,055)
Transfers from retained earnings	–			–	587,221	432,055	1,019,276
Sub total	–	309,692	17,240	143,418	587,221	432,055	1,489,626
Balance at 30 June 2007	1,127,892	428,239	174,960	3,833,256	3,428,902	1,814,848	10,808,097

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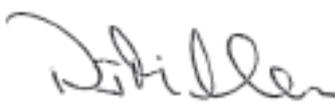
Directors' Declaration

The directors of the company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes present fairly the company's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
2. In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director 
John Deane

Director 
Philip Miller

Dated 12 September 2008

Independent Auditor's Report

to the Members of Anglican Board of Mission – Australia Limited

We have audited the additional information of Anglican Board of Mission – Australia Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2007, the income statement of Community Development Programs – schedule 1/1, table of cash movements and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended, which have been prepared pursuant to the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct.

Directors' Responsibility

The directors of the entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this information.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the information based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the additional information is consistent with the 2008 annual statutory report of Anglican Board of Mission – Australia Limited. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the information is free from material misstatement.

An Audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors reporting obligation under the ACFID code of conduct. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the additional financial information is consistent with the annual statutory financial report for the year ended 30 June 2008, from which it is derived, and upon which we issued a qualified audit opinion. The qualification is detailed below:

As is common for many charitable organisations, it is not practicable for the company to maintain an effective system of internal control over donations and other fund raising activities until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to such income was limited to amounts recorded.

For a better understanding of the scope of our audit this report should be read in conjunction with our audit report on the annual financial report dated 12 September 2008.



RSM Bird Cameron Partners



W. E. Beuman
Partner

Sydney, 10 October 2008

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The Board of Directors and Members of Staff

DIRECTORS

Paul Black

Qualifications: Diploma of Theology; Diploma of Ministry.
Experience: Diocese of Canberra, Rector of St John the Baptist, Canberra; Elected by ABM Associates September 2005.
Special Responsibilities: Associate's Member.

Judith Cottier

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Education; Master of Educational Studies; Medal of Australia.
Experience: Educator in Primary, Secondary and Tertiary sectors; Principal of Perth College 1987-2002; Appointed by the Standing Committee of General Synod 2005.

Elizabeth Delbridge

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Social Work; Bachelor of Divinity; Diploma of Ministry.
Experience: Diocese of Melbourne, Rector St Margaret's Eltham; Appointed by the Standing Committee of General Synod August 2001.
Special Responsibilities: Deputy Chair ABM Board; Development Committee; Effectiveness and Learning Group.

John Deane

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts (Hons); Bachelor of Divinity.
Experience: Overseas Program Coordinator, ABM; Vice President (Finance), ACFID.
Special Responsibilities: Executive Director from May 2008.

Michael Horsburgh

Qualifications: Honorary Doctor of Theology; Bachelor of Arts; Diploma in Social Work; Theological Training; Master of Social Work (by Research).
Experience: Honorary Associate Professor and Head, Dept of Social Work, Social policy and Sociology, University of Sydney; Honorary Associate, School of Theology, Charles Sturt University; Member, Social Security Appeals Tribunal; Appointed by the Standing Committee of General Synod August 2001.
Special Responsibilities: Chair of the ABM Board. Completed Term May 2008.

Linda Kurti

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts (Music); Master of Philosophy (Public Health); Doctor of Philosophy (Public Health); Associate Fellow College of Health Service Executives.
Experience: Health service management; Academic health research.
Special Responsibilities: Executive Director. Resigned January 2008.

Gregory March

Qualifications: Graduate Diploma of Arts; Bachelor of Theology.
Experience: Diocese of Brisbane, Rector of Wynnum; Appointed by the Standing Committee of General Synod August 2004.
Special Responsibilities: Church to Church Committee.

Philip Miller

Qualifications: Bachelor of Commerce; Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia; Fellow of the Taxation Institute of Australia.
Experience: Chartered Accountant; Appointed by the Board September 2006.
Special Responsibilities: Finance Committee Chair since September 2006; Development Committee; Development Committee – Finance and Working Party Chair.

Meagan Morrison

Qualifications: Bachelor of Science (Hons 1); Diploma of Government (Management); Masters of Public Health (part completed).
Experience: Missionary Teacher with ACPNG; Population Health Policy Officer, ACT Health Department; Representative of the Anglican Church of Australia at UNCWSW 2006, 2007; Appointed by the Standing Committee of General Synod, August 2005.
Special Responsibilities: Development Committee; Policy and Guiding Principles subcommittee.

Richard Refshauge SC

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts (Hons); Bachelor of Laws; Professional Instructor for Lawyers Program.
Experience: Judge of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory 2008; Director of Public Prosecutions, ACT 1998-2008; Honorary Ambassador for Canberra; Adjunct Professor, Australian National University and the University of Canberra.
Special Responsibilities: Chair of the ABM Board since May 2008.

Christopher Roper

Qualifications: Bachelor of Law; Bachelor of Divinity; Bachelor of Arts; Master of Arts (Hons).
Experience: Director of the St James' Institute since May 2007; Director of the College of Law Alliance.
Special Responsibilities: Development Committee.

Stephen Savage

Qualifications: Bachelor of Ministry.
Experience: Diocese of Tasmania, Rector of Claremont/Chigwell; Appointed by the Standing Committee of the General Synod 30 April 2004.
Special Responsibilities: Church to Church Committee.

Garry Weatherill

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts (Hons); Bachelor of Theology; Diploma of Education.
Experience: Bishop of Willochra (SA); Appointed by the Board since August 2005.

MEMBERS OF STAFF

Executive Director Linda Kurti (to January 2008 – John Deane from March 2008)

Executive Assistant to the Director/Office Manager Wendy Suma to September 2007/ Karin Schrooder from October 2007

Business Manager Ivy Wang

Database and Assistant Accountant Merlina Longworth

Receptionist Denise Wilson

Overseas Programs Co-ordinator John Deane (Executive Director from March 2008)

Church to Church Program Manager Brad Chapman to April 2008

Church to Church Program Administration Assistant Virginia Lee

South East Asia Program Manager (Community Development) Lina Magallanes

Pacific Program Manager (Community Development) Kirsty Robertson

Pacific Program Officer (Community Development) Faith Masila to February 2008

Effectiveness and Learning Officer (Community Development) Lisa McMurray

Program Support Officer (Community Development) Chris Peters

Australian Indigenous Program Manager John Algar

Communications Program Co-ordinator Mrs Debra Saffrey-Collins

Communications Officer Mr Stephen Daughtry

Communications Appeals Officer / National Auxiliary Secretary Bev Hewlett

Communications Liaison Officer Rachele Quiggan

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