

Annual Report

# 2017 2018



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# WORDS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

First of all, I want to thank you for your selfless support to CEDAR. Without your involvement, we would not have been able to reach out to so many vulnerable lives over the past fiscal year.

During the past quarter century, CEDAR has gone through many changes in different fronts, but the one thing that is unchanged is our commitment to working with the Lord in building a just and compassionate world. We believe the most powerful tool to bring changes to the world is love – the love that has been revealed through our Lord Jesus Christ. This is the bedrock of our work with the motto of “From Church, Through Church”. Through partnering with the local church bodies, we could let the impoverished taste the love of our gracious God in a concrete way.

In this report, you could see how our partners faithfully walk alongside God to help the people and their communities. Many of our partners are not living in a religious friendly environment. Together with other social challenges, many of them need to make extra efforts or even risk their lives to find ways to maximise their ministry impacts. From them, we learn what living sacrifice actually means. I strongly appeal to you to read each of the articles and every project achievement here with a prayerful heart.

To me, it has been a privilege to be part of this impactful ministry. May we continue to hold hands and walk together to sow more seeds of justice and compassion in this chaotic world.

With love in Christ,

Li Shu Pui

Chairman

# THANKFUL FOR GOD & YOU

We give thanks to God for leading us through 2017 and 2018.

CEDAR was able to walk alongside **3.2 million** beneficiaries and restore their dignity and value through **65** relief and development projects in partnership with **54** Christian organisations and churches in **13** countries around the world.

Our heartfelt thanks to every individual, brother and sister, and church for your generous donations that we have received **HK\$18,755,601** this year. We have reached over **9,030** believers and students by organising **100** local educational and fundraising activities to promote the concept of Integral Mission, aiming to build a just and compassionate world together in Christ.

# OUR VISION & MISSION

## VISION

In Christ, we build a just and compassionate world together.

## MISSION

To live out the Integral Mission of the Church in partnership with Christians around the world by:

- \* Caring for the poor and the disadvantaged
- \* Facilitating the transformation of lives and communities

## REGIONS OF MINISTRY

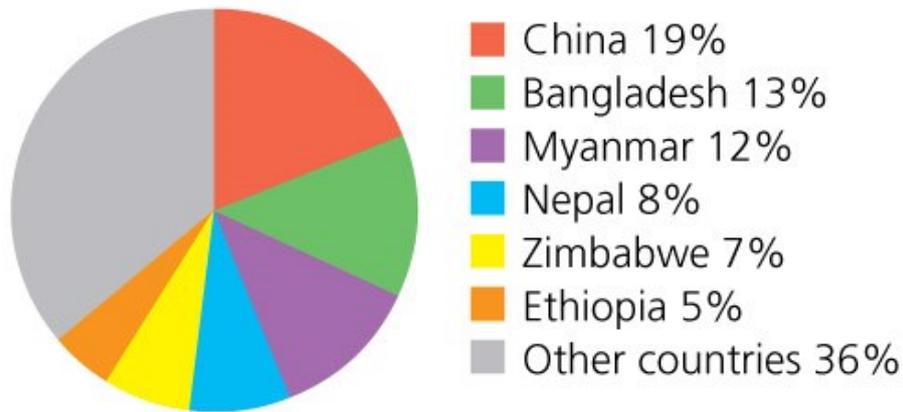


Focus countries: **Bangladesh, China, Myanmar, Nepal, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe**

Between 2017 and 2018, CEDAR also supported partners' relief and development work in the following countries: Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Thailand, Lebanon, Iraq, and Yemen.

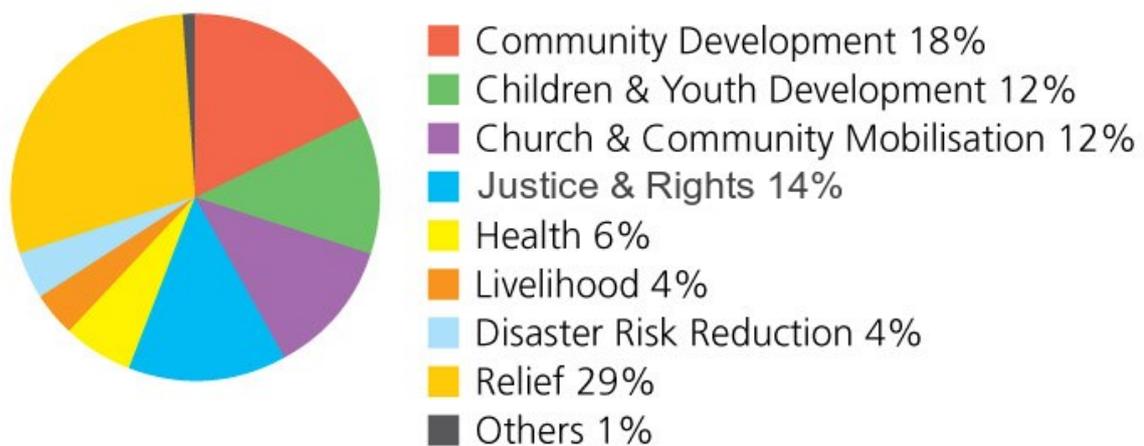
# FUNDING ALLOCATION

## Funding Allocation by Country in Fiscal Year 2017-2018



The above "other countries" include Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Thailand, Lebanon, Iraq and Yemen.

## Funding Allocation by Project Nature in Fiscal Year 2017-2018



The above "Others" include projects with regard to Creation Care as well as Peace and Reconciliation.

# DEVELOPMENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**Countries:** China, Myanmar, Nepal, Thailand, India, Afghanistan

**No. of projects:** 13

**Beneficiaries:** 28,900

Our development projects follow a community participatory approach, partnering with local churches and believers to respond to community's issues. We helped women and villagers to form self-help groups, village committees, and farmers' cooperatives to address their own needs. We also provided agriculture and livelihood training.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

**Countries:** China, Bangladesh, Myanmar, India, Ethiopia, Lebanon

**No. of projects:** 11

**Beneficiaries:** 2,604,000

In China, we served migrant children and left-behind children through organising activities such as summer camps and youth leadership training. In India, we provided education support for children and youths living in slums, and hosted small groups meetings for young people to support each other. In the Middle East, we supported SAT-7, a satellite television station to launch a new channel – SAT-7 Academy, benefiting refugee children with educational

programmes.

Remark: SAT-7's education channel has a wide coverage, reaching 2,600,000 viewers in Lebanon.

## JUSTICE & RIGHTS

**Countries:** Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal, Thailand, India, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe

**No. of projects:** 11

**Beneficiaries:** 39,500

Along with our partners, we combatted human trafficking in India, Myanmar, Nepal, and Thailand through raising communities' awareness on human trafficking, rescuing trafficked children and women, and prosecuting traffickers. In Ethiopia, we fought against detrimental practice of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM); in Zimbabwe, we helped vulnerable children with their birth registrations to secure their rights.

## CHURCH & COMMUNITY

## MOBILISATION

**Countries:** China, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal

**No. of projects:** 8

**Beneficiaries:** 9,500

On mobilising churches and believers to live out the holistic mission of caring for their communities, for example, we supported a seminary in Bangladesh to launch related courses for students and

church leaders, and we provided training for faith leaders to lead their churches to transform their communities in Nepal, Myanmar, and China.

## COMMUNITY

## HEALTH

**Countries: China, Pakistan, Zimbabwe**

**No. of projects: 4**

**Beneficiaries: 10,800**

In China, we assisted local churches to form children groups to support children who lost their parents to HIV/AIDS or children who experienced stigmatisation and poverty due to HIV/AIDS. In Pakistan, villagers living in mountainous area took 5 to 7 hours to reach health facilities with proper medical care. We set up a Mother and Child Healthcare Centre to serve the community's needs.

## DISASTER RISK

## REDUCTION

**Countries: Bangladesh, India, Zimbabwe**

**No. of projects: 4**

**Beneficiaries: 16,700**

We empowered communities that face frequent climate disasters by forming Disaster Management Committees to set up disaster alert system and establish response measures. We also supported farmers to develop alternative livelihoods and adapt climate-resistant farming methods. Women formed groups

to improve their resilience to disaster.

## LIVELIHOOD

**Countries: Bangladesh, Myanmar**

**No. of projects: 3**

**Beneficiaries: 1,400**

Due to years of internal conflicts, communities and lands in northern, southern, and southeastern Myanmar have been severely damaged. We encouraged impoverished villagers to farm organically, preserving the forest and ecology of the area. In Old Dhaka, Bangladesh, women living in poverty were trafficked or sexually exploited in the sex industry. We provided them with livelihood training, so that they can become self-sufficient. Some of them started small businesses after the training with financial subsidy.

## OTHERS

**Countries: India, Zimbabwe**

**No. of projects: 2 Beneficiaries: 810**

In northeastern India, decades of tensions between two tribes had led to bloody conflicts and polarised relationship. We ran workshops, based on biblical teachings, to help the ethnic groups to see the wounds that hatred brought to life and the church. In Zimbabwe, we have been serving marginalised indigenous people. By teaching them about God, themselves, family, society, and the rest of creatures, they learned to farm and develop their community in an eco-friendly way.

# MINISTRY REVIEW

## BANGLADESH

**Ministry:** Since 1994

**Working partners:** 7

**Project nature:**

Children & Youth Development,  
Church & Community Mobilization,  
Disaster Risk Reduction, Livelihood,  
Justice & Rights

Bangladesh has a very high population density with the size of Greece yet a population of over 160 million. It is also amongst the weakest countries in tackling climate crisis. Its Human Development Index is classified as medium despite a growth of 40% in its Gross National Income per capita (GNI) since 2010. Furthermore, women are perceived as being subordinated to men with an inferior status under the dominating influence and practice of patriarchy. Due to the Bengali tradition of dowries paid by the women's families in a marriage, women have often been portrayed as a money-losing proposition.

In view of this situation, we are advocating for women empowerment, actively preventing child marriage and child labour, and strengthening strategies of disaster risk reduction within communities. We have also commenced a curriculum on Integral Mission alongside a locally renowned seminary, in hope of a revitalisation of Christian faith upon the transformation in communities.

### Key Achievements:

\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full names of our partners: SATHI · WCB · TSAB · LAMB

- ◇ SATHI: Addressing and preventing the issues of child labour and child marriage in a slum community. There had not been any cases of child marriage in the community within the first half of the year in virtue of the collaboration between 633 members across 55 youth groups, 656 parents across 440 parent groups, and members represented by 44 intergenerational forums.
- ◇ WCB: WCB has been providing Christian education to 1,029 primary students and 421 pre-school students. With regard to disaster risk reduction, WCB has facilitated progress in the village government by building and repairing 11 roads, constructing ponds, wells, and public toilet, and reclaiming 12 demonstration farms for climate change adaptation.
- ◇ TSAB: 420 former sex-workers and impoverished women mutually supported each other by

the bonding established in self-help groups, while intense care was offered for 13 of the sex workers who were determined to leave the sex industry. Meanwhile, TSAB continued to uphold the importance of sex-education and raise the awareness across 11 slum communities.

- ◇ LAMB: After experiencing and recovering from the worst flood in the recent 10 years, the community that LAMB served has developed a good sense of disaster preparedness in achieving a preventive and reactive disaster plan constituted by 96000 people.

### **CEDAR's Sharing**

Our staff have visited each of our partnering organizations in Bangladesh, from which the immense economic, social, and climatic pressures faced by the people in the community were highly recognisable. It was particularly significant how desertification has encroached upon the land of northwestern Bangladesh. As we shared our thoughts with local churches in Hong Kong after returning from Bangladesh, we hoped to convey an understanding of the detrimental consequences of climate change borne by Bangladesh. In one of the feedback we attained from churches, we were grateful and delighted to know that the very mindset of creation care exemplified in Christian faith is gradually setting in and embedded in the lives of many believers.

### **Looking Forward**

The economic disparity of Bangladesh does not cease to broaden in spite of an overall economic improvement. The hierarchy of social classes has also increased young people's demand of undertaking fundamental changes. We pray the government would respond as strong voices of justice and righteousness pervaded in the city and that they would alleviate poverty in the country. We, on the other hand, will maintain an effective evaluation of the progress and results of every project that we undertake. Notably, \Christian groups situated across the country will be commencing the Integral Mission curriculum, while the seminary students, the future church leaders shall mobilise churches and communities to truly live out the teaching of Integral Mission.



(Photo: SATHI holding a forum in a slum community in discussion of topics related to child rights)

# MYANMAR

**Ministry:** Since 1990s

**Working partners:** 6

**Project nature:**

Community Development,  
Children & Youth Development,  
Church & Community  
Mobilisation, Justice & Rights,  
Livelihood



The government of Myanmar has reached several ceasefire agreements with eight ethnic armed groups since 2015, which has apparently subsided many potential conflicts on the Thai-Myanmar border. However, enduring conflicts continue to pervade in areas of northern Myanmar and on the China-Myanmar border (e.g. Kachin State). Myanmar is a multiethnic and multi-religious country, and it is dominated by Buddhism although there has never been a legitimate establishment of a state religion. For this reason, the biggest threat against the stability of the country has been identified as its domestic religious and racial conflicts.

As a consequence of constant conflicts, there is a large number of displaced people scattered across the country. We sought to provide emergency aid at times of need and to uphold all opportunities for children to be educated. Frequent domestic conflicts also brought down its economy rapidly, in spite of the circumstances, we undertook developmental ministry in and through remote impoverished communities, we also seized those opportunities to enroot peace within the society by conveying and testifying forgiveness and reconciliation ourselves.

## **Key Achievements:**

**\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full name of our partner MFDC**

- ◇ MFDC: Giving aids including garments, food, medical treatment to and ensuring an access to clean water for over 800 people living in internally displaced persons camps in Kachin State. MFDC also subsidized the education of 200 children living in camps.
- ◇ Full Moon: Our partner provided provisional aids to 9 villages stretching from southern Mon State to southeastern Karen State that suffered from the conflicts. They also encouraged women's communal participation by setting up women's groups. The persevering work of Full Moon has been highly acknowledged by the local government, which helped resettle the fleeing community efficiently. The outstanding achievement of harmony has attracted many

other similar families, which was evident from a 5-times increase in the number of households (200 households). The children's home of Full Moon in Yangon catered over 300 children coming from districts that were either post-conflict or undergoing conflict.

- ◇ Eden Ministry: Majorly tackled the issue of human trafficking in the city of Yangon, which is widely recognised as the hub for human trafficking in Myanmar. They have rescued 60 women and given series of vocational training and courses that restored their self-esteem. Eden Ministry also closely partnered with New Hope to organize educational events for 120 children and adolescents residing in Yangon's slums. These young women had the chance to grow up in a church environment and be involved in the Alpha Course by virtue of a close association between our partner and the churches.

### **CEDAR's s\Sharing**

Myanmar is a country inescapable of wars and suffering. We express our utmost admiration towards our partners for the love they have poured into the people who are equally loved by Jesus. It is remarkable of how they continue to testify God's grace under such severe circumstances, and we were deeply moved by such faith. Besides, we give praise to God for the amazing work of our partners across these lands of suffering and conflicts, which has ignited a spark of hope in the hearts of the displaced who are often neglected by the international society.

### **Looking Forward**

In recent years, the development of Myanmar remains stagnant, and a wide range of areas such as education, healthcare, economy, and livelihood need to be improved. Let us pray that the policy-makers can formulate policies that prioritise the welfare of the citizens.



(Photo: Full Moon and refugees residing in a camp that sits on the China-Myanmar border)

# NEPAL

**Ministry:** Since 2006

**Working partners:** 6

**Project Nature:**

Community  
Development, Church &  
Community Mobilization,  
Justice & Rights

Situated between China and India, Nepal ranks 149th in the Human Development Index. Agriculture is the livelihood for more than 70% of the working population. Women face multiple challenges in community involvement, receiving education and medical care, and participating in economic activities. Nepal shares the same border with India and the ease to move between the two countries has led to serious cross-border human trafficking problems.

We have launched various community development programmes in remote mountain areas, including projects to empower women, to help the local people increase family income, and to promote the church's involvement in community affairs. In addition, we strove to prevent human trafficking by helping the local community and the church to understand the issue.

## **Key achievements:**

**\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full names of our partners: ACN, SCN**

- ◇ ACN: In response to the serious flooding in 2017 in Nepal, many Christian volunteers were mobilised and they provided assistance to 10,000 residents in the disaster-stricken areas. They helped the local residents to rebuild their homes, schools and health centres and to distribute relief aid.
- ◇ SCN: 9 families established their own vegetable gardens and vegetable nurseries and they were trained on commercial vegetable production. 18 girls received subsidies for their school fees and educational supplies. The "Creative Adolescent Girl's Group" was formed and newsletters were published on a regular basis. The newsletters investigated issues related to human trafficking, child marriage, and modern slavery.

- ◇ Shanti Nepal: Through pig farming and vegetable farming, 70 families were able to achieve an average increase of 12,000 Nepalese Rupees (approx. HK\$ 811) in their annual income. 103 families built their own latrines and open defecation was discouraged. One of the communities even achieved the goal of 'open defecation free'.
- ◇ Viva Network: 17 local churches in 1 Christian network were mobilised and their 230 Christian leaders and believers participated in a training workshop to learn how to identify traffickers and how to tackle human trafficking. 35 underprivileged children who dropped out of school were placed in a Child Development Centre to help them transition smoothly to formal schooling and shield them from the harm of child labour and human trafficking.

## **CEDAR's Sharing**

After the earthquake in 2015, some community churches realised that they and their members could participate directly in post-disaster relief operations. After undertaking theoretical and practical training, members of ACN's working team gained more confidence in serving others.

SCN's women's empowerment programmes in communities of the Bharta and Kalikatar in central Nepal completed at the end of last year. However, the Women Action Groups formed during the implementation of the programme continued to operate. The groups helped women farmers improve their living standards through saving schemes and small loans. A member of the group, Ram MayaPraja said, "The SCN's women groups really helped us. We no longer have to borrow money from external parties. The groups' small loans enabled us to run our small businesses and make a living out of it. The money we earn can also go towards our children's education funding."

## **Looking Forward**

The government of Nepal tried to ban international non-governmental organisations from advocating formulation or amendments of national policies and requested them to obtain government's permission before publishing their reports. Although these two demands from the government had not come into force, these added additional pressure on our partners. Nevertheless, we continued to carry on with our duties. Among the various programmes launched, the collaborative anti-human trafficking project between Viva Network and the churches in Nuwakot will draw to a close. We hope the local churches will continue to promote child protection and fight against human trafficking even after the completion of the project.



(Photo: SCN's Women's Group)



CEDAR has been working on poverty alleviation in China for 27 years. From providing support to our partners, to launching projects directly and eventually collaborating with various organizations, we strive to promote community welfare and accomplish our Integral Mission in China. Currently, our projects include migrant children care, physical and psychological well-being for young people, HIV prevention and etc. In the face of China's rapid development, we must unceasingly contemplate how we can utilise our advantages and resources to realise CEDAR's mission.

### Key Achievements

\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full names of our partners: GMCC-CSD, DCCCC, YSCA.

- ◇ Home of Hope: The general well-being of migrant children was promoted, a children's reading room in Beilei School was opened and regular physical examinations were conducted for 50 students. Education subsidies were offered to 55 children in poverty and one-on-one support services were provided to 3 of the students' families.
- ◇ GMCC-CSD: The HIV prevention promotional campaign was completed in 9 locations in Gengma, attracting over 2,000 participants. During the campaign, 30 young adults took part in health care educational activities which included understanding the absolute right over their own body and learning how to say "No". Regular visits were made to 33 families affected by HIV/AIDS.
- ◇ DCCCC: Drug counselling and HIV prevention platform 'Fu-Kang (Rehabilitation) Home' launched various group activities, attracting 1,639 participants in 2017. Home care and terminal care were provided to 4 HIV patients who had developed opportunistic infections or progressed to AIDS. After receiving our support services, 17 HIV/AIDS affected families rebuilt their family relationships and reintegrated into society.

- ◇ YSCA: Social work mobilisation campaigns were launched in 5 districts to reinforce the volunteers' dedication in social work. The third phrase of "Charity Worker Training Programme" was launched in March 2017. The course included organisation and project management, project funding and social organisation credibility building. As a result of the campaigns and programme, 5 registered social work organisations have been established.

## **CEDAR's Sharing**

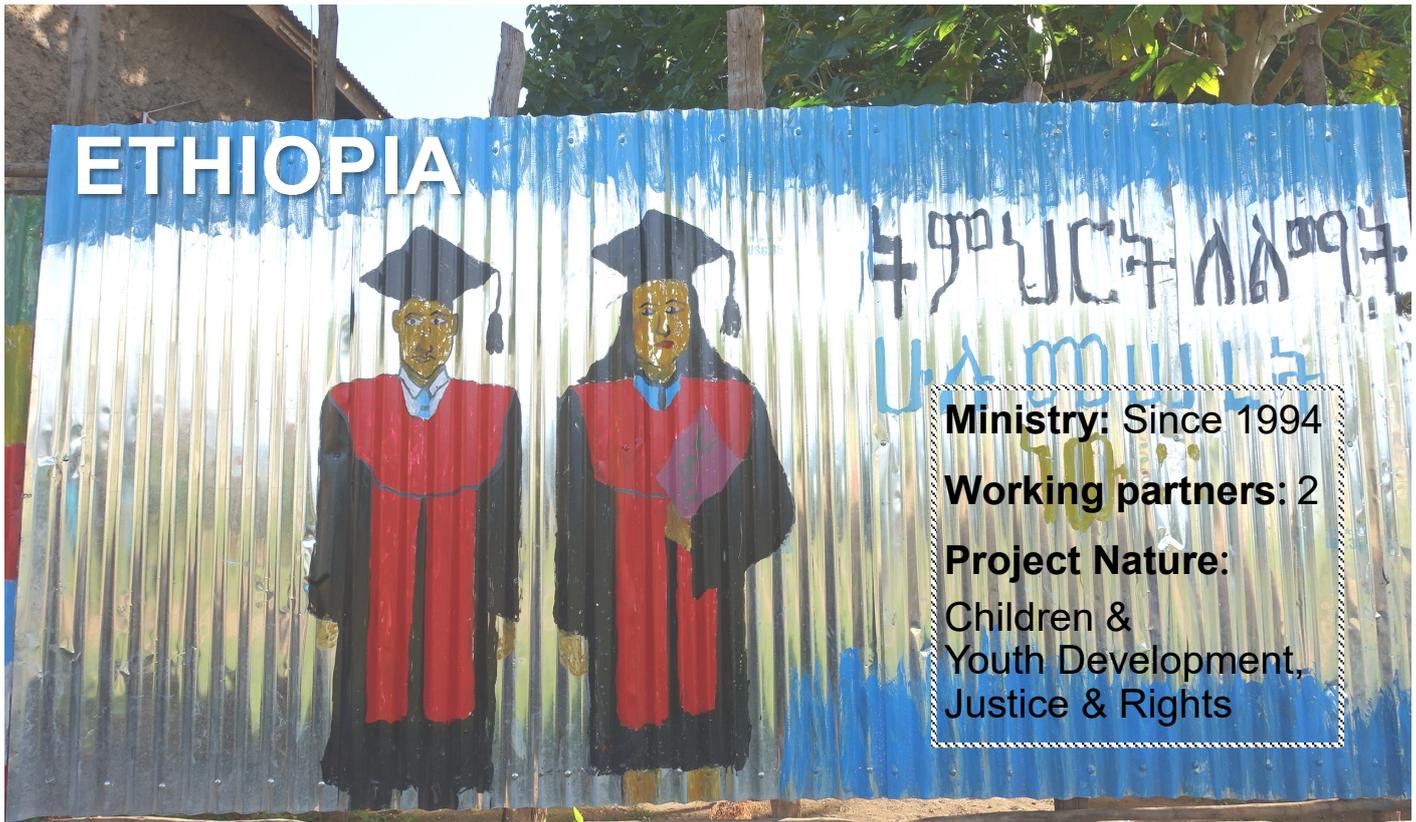
We have been spreading the Integral Mission among the churches in Yunnan Province since 2007 and we thank the Lord for providing us with abundant teachers, teaching resources and practical experiences. The survey on the relationship with our partners indicated that our associates really appreciated the equal relationship with CEDAR, the technical support and guidance on various projects, the care from fellow workers and their total autonomy. CEDAR also helped local partners establish open and legal platforms to liaise with the government and enable the government departments to understand the benefits of having these organisations. Since 2014, our long-term partners in Baoshan, Dali and Gengma have obtained financial and political support from the government and demonstrated the projects' positive influences on the local communities.

On the front of HIV prevention, we strove for effective interventions through extending our care and support to affected families and we helped them rebuild their relationships. In addition, we utilised our partners' advantage of knowing the local languages of the minority communities and launched "face-to-face" campaigns to promote HIV prevention and relevant policies. All of the above contributed to the success of the project.

## **Looking Forward**

CEDAR will follow two major directions in its future development: 1. To collaborate with partners and form a professional confederate to encourage churches to fulfill the Integral Mission; 2. To establish and share a nation-wide (or region-wide) public fundraising foundation with other like-minded organisations so as to find a long-term solution for localisation of charitable endeavors and to promote sustainable and healthy development for the social organisations.





Located in the inland regions of East Africa, Ethiopia is a nation with over 80 ethnic groups. It is the world's most populated inland country with a population of nearly 100 million. The climate is hot and arid and the people mainly rely on agriculture and animal husbandry for a livelihood. This is the reason the country often faces severe food insecurity. However, with rapid urbanisation, the Ethiopian capital Addis Ababa is becoming one of the most productive cities in Africa.

In line with the development of the country, we partnered with local churches and launched a holistic ministry for children. Under the ministry, we provided the children with educational sponsorship, vocational training, and health-care services. We also helped the parents and other members in the communities form self-help groups, so that they could learn about savings and how small loans work. In addition, we campaigned against the harmful tradition of female genital mutilation in the villages.

### Key Achievements

\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full names of our partners: EGCDWO and EKHCDWC

- ◇ EGCDWO : 140 children and young adults received tuition subsidy, personal hygiene items and food. 15 families affected by HIV/AIDS received additional nutritional supplement while 6 youngsters received vocational training. 11 self-help groups were formed to encourage women to discuss about community affairs. The "Love Sponsorship" programme was launched and 50 Christians received training to take on the roles of "Love Sponsors" to give love and support to the underprivileged children.
- ◇ EKHCDWC: EKHCDWC explained the detrimental impact of female genital mutilation (FGM) to 4,175 families and filmed a documentary about the issue. 49 children's groups held weekly child rights protection activities; while 38 women's self-help groups learned about healthy values of themselves. Thanks to the efforts of EKHCDWC, the number of females under 16 who experienced FGM in the villages decreased by 80% when compared to 2012.

## CEDAR's Sharing

Our Ethiopian partners are striving to bring together the residents of the various local communities and to increase their sense of belonging so as to encourage the local churches and leaders to carry out more community work.

We are very pleased to see the collaborative efforts of our partners, the communities and the local churches. Among the various endeavours, EGCDWO's Love Sponsorship programme for children enabled many Christians to understand the needs of the vulnerable children in the community. Between 2017 and 2018, EGCDWO introduced a children's financial savings programme to teach children how to better manage their own money or savings and contribute to their families and communities.

## Looking Forward

This year, Ethiopia has chosen a new prime minister, Abiy Ahmed. Being an evangelical Christian, Ahmed presented himself as a young reformist. He advocated various reform policies: internally, he tried to improve the freedom of speech and release political prisoners; externally, he put an end to the military standoff with the neighbouring country of Eritrea and promoted peace. The benevolent atmosphere in the country is beneficial to our partners' ministries.

Next year, our partners will continue to strive in their various endeavours. We pray that the supervision offered by our partners can help build up the churches and the different groups within the communities. In addition, we will explore the possibility of partnering with local organisations in the southwestern region and the Wolyaita region to launch new projects. These areas suffer from serious poverty. We hope that we could bring effective help to vulnerable people in these regions.





Located in the inland regions of southern Africa, Zimbabwe is a former British colony which became independent in 1980. After years of economic and political turmoil and frequent droughts, 20% of the country’s population live in extreme poverty. Even though there has been a steady decrease in the number of HIV patients, there were still about 13 million confirmed cases in the country in 2016.

In consideration of the situation in Zimbabwe, CEDAR supported various local projects to help improve the residents’ personal financial situations and their agricultural economy, as well as raise their living standards through sex education.

**Key Achievements**

\*\*Read Appendix 4 for the full names of our partners: FACT, FfF, and EFZ.

- ◇ FACT: 54 children received sponsorship for their education, 2 of them have now graduated from university and 1 of them is studying for a master’s degree. 309 children received learning support and spiritual support through peer groups; while 29 parents learned various business skills, with some of them planning to start a tent rental business.
- ◇ Trinity Project: 500 cases related to child rights were handled, including helping 363 children apply for maintenance and custody. 395 children learned about child rights; while 101 young women learned about HIV/AIDS infection, child marriage, sexual violence and issues related to reproductive health. 8 child protection organisations were convinced to write a declaration and form a coalition to advocate child rights. In terms of community development, partner’s legal aid centres provided services to 1250 residents; while 5 communities formed action groups to fight for community justice.
- ◇ FfF: 30 tribal members received education on family and financial management and agricultural insurance.

- ◇ EFZ: Facilitators from 5 communities received livelihood training and passed on their knowledge to other members of their communities.

## **CEDAR's Sharing**

Between 2017 and 2018, CEDAR collaborated with EFZ, which consists of hundreds of Christian churches and organisations, to learn how to carry out the Integral Mission in Zimbabwe. In addition, our partner led church pastors and congregations to learn deeply about their national contexts and explore how to practice Bible teaching in the fields. CEDAR appreciated local churches' determination to live out faith in their respective circumstances.

This year one of FACT's parents' savings groups had to be closed down because some members were not able to repay their loans. However, with the encouragement from FACT, the parents rebuilt their trust and adjusted their savings plans. CEDAR is thankful for God's grace.

## **Looking Forward**

Zimbabwe's president Emmerson Mnangagwa was re-elected at the country's 2018 general election. It was the first general election since the end of former president Robert Mugabe's 37-year dictatorial regime. CEDAR hopes that there will be more freedom of speech in the country so that our partners' campaigns regarding social justice and child rights will receive more attention and eventually bring about a reformation of relevant government policies.

Earlier this year, a proposition to issue birth certificates for the children, put forward by child protection organisations led by our partner, was being formally discussed in the congress. We pray that the proposal can be approved under the new political regime. We also hope that the struggle between the ruling party and the opposition party will not cause long-term unrest so that the country can begin a new chapter in peaceful circumstances.





In the fiscal year of 2017/2018, CEDAR worked even closely with Integral Alliance (IA) members and overseas partners to share frontline information and resources and joint forces to respond to the urgent needs of the suffering. CEDAR responded to 5 disasters and crises through IA network and overseas partners, benefiting 490,000 people.

### **Rohingya Refugee Response (February 2018)**

- ◇ Installed latrines, tube wells, solar light systems; distributed cooking stoves and mosquito nets
- ◇ Set up Child Friendly Spaces for children and youth to learn; formed self-help groups in host communities to improve their livelihoods and income
- ◇ Trained 84 community health workers to provide referral services, covering over 16,000 families

**Beneficiaries: About 370,000**

### **Iraq Earthquake Relief (November 2017)**

- ◇ Supported the shipment of over 250,000 treatments of medicines, responding to the medical needs of affected communities and internally displaced people

**Beneficiaries: Over 45,000**

### **Yemen Emergency Cholera & Nutrition Response (October 2017)**

- ◇ Set up health centres to provide sufficient health services; repaired water and sanitation infrastructure in three health facilities
- ◇ Improved communities' health and hygiene practices to reduce the spread of cholera through community health workers

**Beneficiaries: About 21,000**

### **South Asia Floods Relief (September 2017)**

- ◇ In Nepal, we distributed aid items to over 1,100 families; provided seeds and organic fertilisers for over 400 families as livelihood recovery support
- ◇ In Bihar state, India, over 5,800 affected households received food aid, hygiene kits, and household items funded by the Disaster Relief Fund of the HKSAR Government; 5 medical camps were set up to provide health services and medication; anti-human trafficking talks were held to raise community's awareness

**Beneficiaries: About 35,000**

### **India Drought Response (Phase 2) (June 2017)**

- ◇ Restored livelihoods of over 550 families through employment opportunities and community constructions
- ◇ Renovated and constructed six water structures with community members
- ◇ 43 hectares of farmland were treated to restore soil fertility and infiltration; 92 farmers were trained on livestock management

**Beneficiaries: About 18,600**

# LOCAL EDUCATIONAL & FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES



## Barefoot Walk 2017 “Break the Chains of Modern Slavery”

Gathered at Tseung Kwan O, 200 participants and volunteers took off their shoes and walked barefoot for the 40,000,000 victims of modern slavery, raising funds of nearly HK\$290,000 to support our anti-human trafficking work in Asia.

## “Red Packet” and “Pass the Gut” Fundraising Campaigns

Every Chinese New Year, we encourage churches and Christians in Hong Kong to share festive blessings with impoverished families afar. This year, we received support from 57 churches and schools, raising HK\$540,000 for our community development programmes. Our educational sharing reached over 1,100 people.



## “Reconciling with the Land” (Lent 2018)

During Lent this year, we had a 6-week series of devotion articles, combined with biblical teachings and partners’ stories, to share with brothers and sisters the mission to reconcile with the land. Through the “Act” section of the weekly article, we encouraged believers to practise Creation Care, as well as “Give” and “Pray”.





## Sermon, Bible Study, and Sharing

Through 68 events of preaching, bible studying, and sharing, we mobilised believers to live out the Integral Mission. We shared with over 6,700 students and church members about challenges faced by the poor and the heart of God for the poor.

## Experiential & Educational Activities

Through simulation, games, and teaching with our picture book, 969 students and children learned about the condition of children living in developing countries, helping them to build a global view and reflect on one's own lifestyle.



## Fundraising Activities

CEDAR works through the “From Church, Through Church” approach, so we often partner with churches and Christian partners to serve the poor. We are grateful that 6 churches, schools, and organisations organised their own fundraising activities to support our development work in Asia and Africa, raising a fund of HK\$128,000.

# REVIEW & PROSPECT

**“Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?” (James 2:15-16)**

Serving the poor through relief and development efforts is CEDAR’s primary call. In the past 26 years, we learnt to stay faithful to this divine mandate, despite encountering challenges along the journey. In the fiscal year 2017/2018, we responded to the global poverty by adding 14 new development projects, as well as implementing a total of 57 development projects mostly in Asia and the Middle East. This allowed us to serve more marginalised and needy people.

The fiscal year also marked a new try in our ministry – production of a picture book that captures the life story of a Burmese young girl who had suffered from conflicts and displacement but finally built by God to become a peacemaker. Reception of the book has been encouraging and we pray that it could help raise awareness on the needs of the displaced people among our Brothers and Sisters in Hong Kong and even beyond.

Internally, the Board and staff team worked closely together during the year on revamping our project approval process, so as to allow more timely response to the needs of the impoverished. This is also driving us to keep enhancing the effectiveness of our investment in the relief and development projects. As a consequence of this reformation, effort has been planned for fiscal year 2018/2019 to search for more opportunities of reaching out to the poorest of the poor. Geographically, we will explore few countries in the Middle East and sub-Saharan Africa.

To be able to minister to the most disadvantaged, we need to leave our comfort zone and be willing to enter into the darkest parts of the world. We need God’s presence and also your continuous support. Paul says, **“No one should seek his own good, but the good of others.” (1 Corinthians 10:24)** I pray that under the leading of the Holy Spirit, we all play our parts to let the most marginalized to experience the love of God.

In Christ,  
Raymond Kwong  
Chief Executive

# ANNEX 1 | 2017-2018 CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROJECTS

Country	Project	Funding (HK\$)
<b>ASIA (Excluding China)</b>		<b>4,976,474</b>
<b>Afghanistan</b>		<b>117,535</b>
SERVE	Community Development	117,535
<b>Bangladesh</b>		<b>996,853</b>
SATHI	Empowering Community for Child Rights Promotion	166,637
WCB	Disaster Risk Reduction (Alternative Livelihood)	162,863
WCB	Community Engagement for Sustainable Education	364,429
WCB	Community-based School Renovation	60,208
LAMB	Disaster Risk Reduction (Health focused)	117,981
TFB	IM (Theological Extension Programme)	39,784
SAB	Livelihood Training for Former Sex Workers	84,951
<b>India</b>		<b>958,720</b>
CMCT	Children Basic Needs	231,540
EFICOR	Peace Building	95,196
EFICOR	Sustainable Livelihood for the Most Vulnerable	177,834
EFICOR	Disaster Risk Reduction (Community Resilience)	174,230
EFIC@R	Anti-child Trafficking	157,345
GRF	Assisted Learning Programme	122,575
<b>Lebanon</b>		<b>78,260</b>
SAT-7	SAT-7 Academy Education Channel	78,260
<b>Myanmar</b>		<b>1,460,510</b>
Eden Ministry	Rescue and training for trafficking victims	101,728
Full Moon	Youth Development	204,117
Full Moon	Community Resettlement (Mon & Karen State)	141,503
Full Moon	Water Supply Project	141,276
Full Moon	Designated gift for children's home operation	32,500
HOPE	Sponsorship of Cyclone Nargis Orphans	31,338
MBC	Church & Community Mobilisation	78,664
MFDC	Rebuilding a Safe Community (Post-conflict resettlement)	286,087
MFDC	Transforming Agricultural Activities and Rebuilding Safe Community	227,059
MFDC	Agriculture and Community Rebuilding	117,523
New Hope	Community Empowerment	98,715

<b>Nepal</b>		<b>879,228</b>
SCN	Community Development & Women Empowerment	390,991
Shanti Nepal	Community Health & Empowerment Project	196,633
TFN	Working with Church for Community Transformation	39,205
UMN	Integral Mission for Community Transformation training	174,399
VIVA	Anti-child Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation	78,000
<b>Pakistan</b>		<b>78,333</b>
PMS	Mother & Child Healthcare Project	78,333
<b>Thailand</b>		<b>407,035</b>
LIFT	Anti-human Trafficking (Prosecution)	117,258
TLF	Thai-Myanmar border Development Project	172,355
UHDP	Ethnic Minority Livelihood Development Project	117,422
<b>CHINA</b>		<b>1,698,800</b>
<b>Anhui</b>		<b>49,141</b>
CEDAR, YSCA	Social Workers Development—Community Practice Programme: Maternity Rescue Hotline	49,141
<b>Guangdong</b>		<b>482,000</b>
CEDAR, YSCA	Social Workers Development Programme in Guangdong	395,382
CEDAR, LFH	Social Workers Development—Community Practice Programme: Healthcare for Homeless in Guangzhou	86,618
<b>Shaanxi</b>		<b>26,920</b>
CEDAR, YSCA	Social Workers Development—Community Practice Programme: Community Supportive Network for Children & Youth at Risk	26,920
<b>Sichuan</b>		<b>147,440</b>
CEDAR, LQS	Rural Education & DRR Project in Dazhou City	1,879
CEDAR, CCFYCSC	Youth Leadership Development in Post-disaster Areas	145,561
<b>Yunnan</b>		<b>993,299</b>
CEDAR, TRCSDBCC	Voluntary Drug Rehabilitation & Social Workers Development Programme in Baoshan	436,834
CEDAR, LGRHCC	HIV Prevention & Care, and Seed Funding Programme in Dali	161,926
CEDAR, DCCCC	Social Workers Development Programme in Dali	61,586
CEDAR, GMCC-CSD, YNPCC, SSLCA	Community Mobilisation Programme in Response to HIV Prevention and Care for Migrant Youths	171,328

CEDAR, Home of Hope	Holistic Health Development for Migrant Children in Kunming	103,941
CEDAR, LanCCCC	HIV Prevention & Community Care Programme in Puer	57,684
<b>AFRICA</b>		<b>1,771,926</b>
<b>Ethiopia</b>		<b>697,412</b>
EGCDWO	Children Basic Needs and Parents Self-help Groups	462,583
EKHC	Prevention & Elimination of FGM	234,829
<b>Zimbabwe</b>		<b>1,074,514</b>
EFZ	Disaster Risk Reduction (Community Involvement)	78,290
FACT	Empowering Children & Families Affected by HIV/AIDS	241,498
FfF	Conservation Agricultural Training	101,699
Trinity	Legal Support & Advocacy towards Rights of Children & Guardians affected by HIV/AIDS	519,689
Trinity	Church & Community Based Youth & Women Empowerment Project	79,373
Trinity	Designated Gift to Support Vulnerable Child	7,155
Trinity	Designated Gift for Partner's Vehicle Purchase	46,810
<b>RELIEF &amp; REHABILITATION</b>		<b>4,300,917</b>
<b>Bangladesh</b>		<b>824,905</b>
CCDB, TFUK	Assistance to Rohingya Refugees & Host Communities	432,590
FH, MTI	Rohingya Response Programme (Medical Support with joint effort of UN organisation)	392,315
<b>India</b>		<b>2,990,426</b>
EFICOR	Drought Response Project	82,606
EFICOR	Bihar State Flood Relief (Funded by HKSAR Government's Disaster Relief Fund)	2,883,000
EFIC@R	Medical Camps for Flood Victims in Bihar State	24,820
<b>Iraq</b>		<b>39,141</b>
IHP	Iraq Earthquake Relief (Medical Shipment)	39,141
<b>Nepal</b>		<b>352,499</b>
ACN	Flood Relief	156,587
ACN	Livelihood Recovery Support for Flood Affected People	78,231
SUS	Livelihood Recovery Support for Quake Affected People	117,681

<b>Yemen</b>		<b>93,946</b>
Medair	Emergency Cholera & Nutrition Response	93,946
<b>OTHERS</b>		<b>3,340,409</b>
CEDAR	Project Support	3,340,409

Remark: This table shows CEDAR's appropriation records to projects from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

# ANNEX 2 | 2017-2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

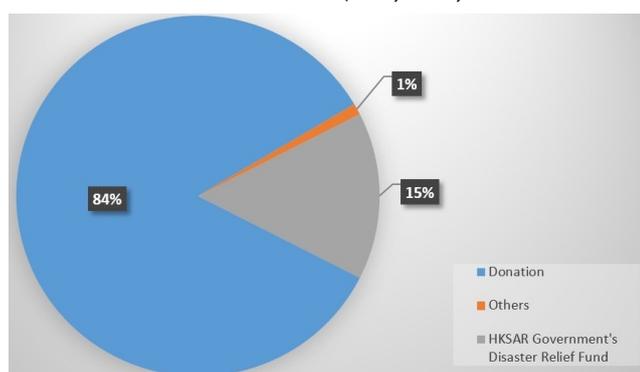
## 2017-2018 Financial Statements

(Fiscal year began from 1/7/2017 to 30/6/2018)

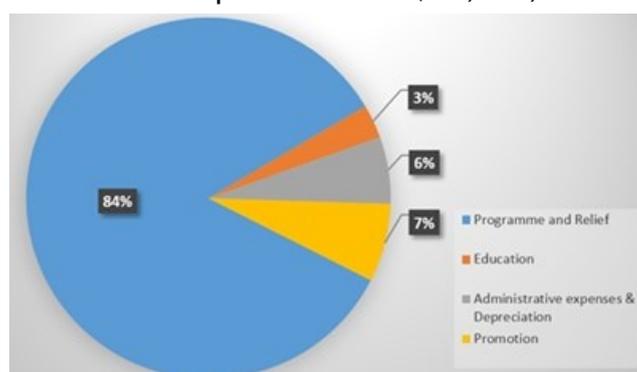
		HKD
Donations		15,764,247
HKSAR Government's Disaster Relief Fund for Flood Relief in India		2,883,000
Other income		<u>108,354</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Programme and Relief</b>	<b>(13,205,526)</b>
	HKSAR Government's Disaster Relief Fund for Flood Relief in India	(2,883,000)
	Education	(617,690)
	Promotion	<u>(1,242,695)</u>
		806,690
Administration out of total expenses		(1,016,010)
Depreciation		<u>(240,622)</u>
Deficit		<u>(449,942)</u>

## 2017-2018 Financial Pie Charts

Total income: HK\$18,755,601



Total expenditure: HK\$19,205,543



- ◆ This financial report has been audited by auditor. We have a deficit of HK\$449,942 in this fiscal year.
- ◆ The “Programme & Relief” expenses stated in the pie chart included a grant from the HKSAR Government’s Disaster Relief Fund responding to the flood relief work in India.
- ◆ Please continue to support CEDAR and its partners’ work through prayers and donations.



# ANNEX 3 | 2017-2018 OUTREACH LIST

## Churches

Assembly of God Harland Park Memorial Church  
All Virtues Baptist Church  
Celebrate Life Baptist Church  
Cha Kwo Ling Baptist Church  
Chai Wan Peace Evangelical Centre  
Christ's Evangelical Centre  
Christian & Missionary Alliance Oi Man Church  
E.F.C.C. Jachin Church  
ELCHK Truth Lutheran Church  
Jordan Baptist Church  
Kai Tak Christian Church  
Kwai Shing Baptist Church  
Kwun Tong Church Of The Christian & Missionary Alliance  
Lai Tak Evangelical Church  
Kowloon Deaf Lutheran Church  
Manifesting Grace Baptist Church  
Mongkok Baptist Church  
North Point Alliance Church  
North Point Alliance Church—Tiberias Fellowship  
Remembrance Grace Church Tai Po Church  
Sheng Kung Hui Holy Carpenter Church  
Siu Sai Wan Baptist Chapel  
St Andrew's Church  
Tai Kok Tsui Church of Foursquae Gospel  
The Church of Christ in China Hop Yat Church—Youth Choir  
The Church of Christ in China Hop Yat Church (Ma On Shan)  
The Church of Christ in China Kei Pun Church  
The Church of Christ in China Keito Church  
The Church of Christ in China Quarry Bay Church  
The Hong Kong Chinese Church of Christ—Wai Yin Group  
The Hong Kong Chinese Church of Christ (Lai Wo)  
The Hong Kong Chinese Church of Christ (Wah Fung)  
The Min-Nam Chinese Christian Trinity Church  
The Min-Nam Chinese Christian Trinity Church (North Point Church)

Tsuen Wan Baptist Church—Elijah Fellowship and Brothers Group  
Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong Kau Yan Church  
Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong Whampoa Church  
Western District Evangelical Church

### **Seminaries**

Bethel Bible Seminary  
Yan Fook Bible Institute

### **Schools**

Evangel College  
Fanling Kau Yan College  
Heep Yunn School  
CCC Fuk Yau No. 2 Child Care Center Cum Day Creche  
Lingnan University Alumni Association (HK) Primary School  
Ma On Shan Methodist Primary School  
Semple Memorial Secondary School  
St. Stephen's Girls' Primary School  
Tung Tak School  
United Christian College  
Ying Wa Girls' School

(Note: Churches, seminaries and schools listed above are in alphabetical order.)

## Partner Organisations

Asal Chhimekee Nepal (ACN)

Chengdu City Fuyi Community Services Centre (Sichuan Province, China) (CCFYCSC)

Christian Council of China/Three Self Patriotic Movement (CCC/TSM) of Dali Prefecture (DCCCC)

Christian Council of China/Three Self Patriotic Movement (CCC/TSM) of Lancang County (LanCCCC)

Christian Council of China/Three Self Patriotic Movement (CCC/TSM) of Yunnan Province (YNPCC)

Christian Missions Charitable Trust (CMCT)

College of Christian Theology Bangladesh (CCTB)

Community Services Department of Gengma Christian Council (GMCC-CSD)

Eden Ministry

Ethiopian Guenet Church Development & Welfare Organization (EGCDWO)

Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church Development Commission (EKHCDC)

Evangelical Fellowship of India Children At Risk (EFIC@R)

Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief (EFICOR)

Evangelical Fellowship of Zimbabwe (EFZ)

Family AIDS Caring Trust (FACT)

Food for the Hungry (FH)

Foundations for Farming (FfF)

Full Moon

Grass Root Foundation Trust (GRF)

Home of Hope

Hope Children Home (HOPE)

International Health Partners (IHP)

Life Giving Rain Health Care Center (LGRHCC) at Dali

LIFT International (LIFT)

Living Fountain Home at Tianhe (LFH) (Guangzhou Province, China)

Lungquan School (Xuanhan, Sichuan Province, China) (LQS)

Medair

Medical Teams International (MTI)

Myanmar Baptist Convention (MBC)

Myanmar Family Development Company (MFDC)

Neighbourhood Helping Centre at Luyang (NHC) (Hefei Province, China)

New Hope

Pak Mission Society (PMS)

SAT-7

Serve Afghanistan (SERVE)  
Shanti Nepal  
Share & Care Nepal (SCN)  
Society for Promotion of Tribal Welfare & Development (SPTWD)  
Sustainable Association for Taking Human Development Initiatives (SATHI)  
Tearfund Bangladesh (TFB)  
Tearfund UK (TFUK)  
Thai Lahu Foundation (TLF)  
“The Rock” Community Services Department of Baoshan Christian Council (TRCSDBCC)  
The Salvation Army Bangladesh (SAB)  
Transformation Nepal (TFN)  
Trinity Project (Trinity)  
United Mission to Nepal (UMN)  
Upland Holistic Development Program (UHDP)  
VIVA Network (VIVA)  
World Concern Bangladesh (WCB)  
World Mission Prayer League (LAMB Hospital)  
World Renew  
You Share Charity Association (YSCA) (Guangdong Province, China)  
ZOA

### **Affiliation**

Hong Kong Church Network for the Poor  
Integral Alliance (IA)  
Micah Global  
Wise Giving  
World Evangelical Alliance (WEA)

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# ANNEX 5 | 2017-2018 OUR TEAM

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# ANNEX 6 | ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Banking Evangelistic Fellowship Ltd.  
Christian & Missionary Alliance Sun Oi Church  
Christian & Missionary Sun Kei Secondary School  
City One Baptist Church Caleb Fellowship  
HKSAR Government's Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee  
Hong Kong Housing Authority & Housing Department  
Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Chai Wan)  
Hong Kong Red Cross Hospital Schools  
Kwun Tong Swatow Baptist Church  
Leisure & Cultural Services Department  
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