ANNUAL REPORT
Fiscal Year 2019
July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
An indigenous ministry in Ghana educates approximately 5,700 children in its elementary schools, preserving their dignity and giving them hope for the future.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit” ~ Matthew 28:19 (NASB)
Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your support in fiscal year 2019. I am honored and privileged to provide you with this encouraging look at the work God is doing all over the world through you and indigenous missionaries on the field. Some of last year’s highlights include:

**Gospel work among 1,839 unreached people groups**
The indigenous ministries we assist throughout the world made monumental progress towards the goal of completing the Great Commission task to make disciples of all nations. Collectively, they worked among 1,839 unreached people groups, which is nearly one fourth of the world’s unreached people groups!

**Collaborative efforts to translate the Bible into minority languages**
Bible translation is another hallmark of last fiscal year, as ministries in Mexico, Myanmar, China, Chad, Kazakhstan, India, and Paraguay completed translations of the New Testament and portions of Scripture into ethnic minority languages. In Chad, a coalition of indigenous missionaries translated 40 Bible stories into the languages of eight unreached people groups. In Mexico, a similar coalition that is working to translate the Bible into the languages of 22 tribal groups completed translations of the New Testament into several languages. They report that more than 500 people of one ethnic group gathered to celebrate the arrival of the New Testament in their language.

**Microenterprise and vocational training to expand God’s kingdom**
A third highlight of the past fiscal year is the large number of ministries that adopted vocational training and microenterprise as a platform for evangelism, a means to help poor or persecuted believers, and as a way to supplement their growing outreaches. An agricultural project in a Muslim-dominated community in Burundi opened doors for the gospel and led to a church of 66 people. In Jordan, a ministry offered multiple vocational training opportunities alongside the gospel message for Syrian refugees. Beekeeping and chocolate-making microenterprises in Peru helped support missionary families and forged relationships between missionaries and community members.

Thank you again for your support, and God bless you!

Until there is a Witness for Christ in Every Nation,

David Bogosian
President and CEO
2,576,330 People Evangelized

18,795,771 People Evangelized through Media

6,279 New Churches Planted

406,175 Bibles Distributed

304,824 Children Cared For

117,395 Refugees Helped

282,049 People Given Medical Aid

306,237 People Fed

271,927 Disaster Victims Helped

61,606 Missionaries Trained

11,680 Persecuted Christians Helped

45,695 Missionaries on the Field
Your support made it possible for indigenous ministries across the world to work among 1,839 unreached people groups during the past year. A single ministry in India sent workers to 27 of these people groups. Another ministry in Vietnam sent 12 missionaries to six new unreached people groups, leading to the salvation of more than 50 people.

In only six months, missionaries in Burundi planted three new churches comprised of former Muslims and nine former witchdoctors. In Nigeria, a ministry led a woman who was a well-known practitioner of witchcraft to the Lord. “Right now, because of her genuine conversion and testimony all over the place, more than four villages have [stopped] idolatry, and many accepted the Lord,” the ministry leader reported.

Ministries in Mexico, Myanmar, China, Chad, Kazakhstan, India, and Paraguay completed translations of the New Testament and portions of Scripture into ethnic minority languages.

You helped a ministry in Argentina provide crucial discipleship training to more than 400 new believers from various tribal groups throughout the country, 80 of whom started new home group Bible studies among their own people. They traveled for four days in six cargo trucks to attend the training. The ministry leader reports that one of their missionaries left a gospel pamphlet with the chief of a village who had banned missionaries from entering. After reading the literature, he asked missionaries to preach the gospel to his people. “As a result, 200 people received Christ and five new Bible home groups were initiated,” the leader reported.

Your support of Turkey’s only Christian magazine opened doors for the ministry that produces it to host two discipleship training courses for around 150 new believers. You also helped a ministry in Paraguay share the gospel in public schools with approximately 1,000 children, youth, teachers, and parents. “Many raised their hands to accept Jesus and prayed with us,” the leader said. “Our gospel workers are discipling them with special biblical materials for their respective ages. Some teachers and parents started attending a church that is close to their homes.”

*Name changed for security*
In poverty-stricken areas where most of the indigenous ministries we assist are based, your support gave people hope and encouragement through education, job creation, clean water, and vocational training.

A ministry in Egypt provided more than 700 widows and female-headed households with microenterprise loans to start their own businesses and provide for their families’ needs. A ministry in India reported that hundreds of unemployed youth obtained jobs after undergoing their Skill Development Training. Likewise, in Laos, you helped a ministry reach out to the thousands of young men and women from the Khmu ethnic group who come to the capital city in search of a better life; they equipped these vulnerable young people with practical guidance about city life and shared the gospel with them. Many now attend their house church meetings.

A ministry in Lebanon is providing a Christian education to more than 300 refugee children in tent schools. In Jordan, a ministry provided Syrian refugees with income-generating skills. They shared the testimony of one young woman struggling to support her ill mother and sister after her brother was killed in the fighting in Syria and her father died because he could not obtain medical treatment.

She wrote: “When the church heard my story they provided me with good services, including food. They also gave free medical treatment for my mother and sister. Through my work in sewing, I have been designing different styles and selling them in order to pay the rent of our apartment. My teacher in the sewing department taught me much and explained to me about the Bible. I loved listening to the stories of Christ and how He healed the sick and helped the needy.”

More than 2,500 people benefitted from clean water after a ministry in India drilled wells in ten villages. In Vietnam, you helped a ministry drill seven wells for Christians from multiple people groups who were prohibited from using the community wells because of their faith. The Christians willingly shared their water with their unbelieving neighbors, which softened hearts to the gospel message.

In Burundi, you helped a ministry start an agricultural project in a Muslim-dominated area that was closed to the gospel. Muslim villagers began working with the
missionaries to plant and harvest produce, and accepted the gospel. A church of 66 people now meets there.

A ministry in the Andes Mountains of Peru trained missionaries in beekeeping and installed hives to help their workers become self-sustaining. Another Peruvian ministry started a chocolate-making project for missionaries and those whom they are reaching. While peeling, toasting, and grinding cocoa beans, villagers and missionaries shared conversations about their lives and the gospel of Christ.

A ministry in Lebanon is providing a Christian education to more than 300 refugee children in tent schools.
Thanks to your support, hundreds of thousands of the world’s neediest people received practical aid delivered in Jesus’ name throughout the past year.

In Argentina, you helped a ministry purchase beds for its shelter for homeless elderly people from the Wichi tribe who, according to the ministry leader, “never in their lives slept in a bed with mattress, sheets, and blankets. These tribal elderly people were living on the streets. They simply die under a tree without anyone attending to them. Now they have a bed, food, and the Word of God.”

You made it possible for a ministry in Peru to deliver clothing and school supplies to poor tribal children living in jungle villages. The ministry leader reported: “At one village, a child had no school supplies and was attending school with no notebooks. His mother, who is a tribal native believer, told him: ‘Let’s pray to God to provide.’ When the boy saw our ministry distributing school supplies at his village, he ran toward his mother and said loudly: ‘God has answered us, Mom!’”

A ministry in Egypt provided free medical care to more than 700 people in poor villages, and in Iraq, a ministry used its mobile medical clinic to help thousands of displaced Iraqi people without access to a hospital or clinic.

A ministry in the Philippines that provided school supplies, food, and sewing machines to residents of a Muslim community reported: “The people who were previously unfriendly to non-Muslims are now open to the presence of born-again Christians in their communities.”
“The people who were previously unfriendly to non-Muslims are now open to the presence of born-again Christians...”
Thousands of people throughout the continent traded the bondage of demonic oppression for the power of Christ, on full display through the indigenous missionaries you support. Ministries report new churches in former strongholds of Islam and witchcraft, as purveyors of these false beliefs surrendered to the lordship of Jesus Christ.

A village in Cameroon where Muslims persecuted Christians, forcing them to live in the forests on the outskirts of the community, is now home to a church after indigenous missionaries led the village king to Christ. Missionaries here also began a bold ministry among high-risk prisoners in the nation’s penitentiaries, starting multiple churches inside the prisons.

In Chad, a coalition of indigenous missionaries translated 40 Bible stories into the languages of eight unreached people groups, employing members of these groups to record the stories for distribution on audio devices. In only one day, 16 members of one of these groups renounced their radical Islamic practices to embrace the Savior.

In Egypt, a ministry distributed over 52,000 copies of the Good Samaritan story to introduce Muslims to the concept of love. In Kenya, a ministry transformed their community by introducing literacy and the gospel through their Christian library as well as providing villagers with training in agriculture. “The lifestyle of begging and stealing is dying off slowly,” the leader reported. For the first time in the history of that community, five youth qualified to attend universities. Another Kenyan ministry shared the gospel with more than 3,000 people over four days and planted two churches. They report that villagers no longer seek help from witchdoctors and are sending their children to school.

With your help, a ministry in Nigeria helped care for and resettle hundreds of people displaced by Boko Haram terrorists. You helped them drill wells in eight villages and build a Christian school for children from an unreached people group.
China’s Christians faced heavy persecution throughout the past year. Pastors were imprisoned and churches, Christian schools, and Bible schools were systematically shut down.

Many church leaders divided their congregations into small, underground groups; and despite the persecution, several ministries reported that these groups are growing. Your gifts helped one ministry support workers who oversee 675 of these groups in 14 locations throughout the country.

Your support also enabled Christian and Bible schools to continue to operate in covert locations. Multiple ministries report fresh batches of graduates who started new ministries and home groups throughout the country.

While it is illegal in China to share the gospel with minors, several ministries reached them through creative methods. One ministry sent a team of 12 workers into public schools and universities in five cities to share a biblically inspired message of love with students and faculty. They also held parenting classes for more than 8,000 parents. “We published one of our coworkers’ life story, and through it we had over 60 school club talks that impacted 50,000 students,” the ministry leader reported. With your help, they also built a daycare and held a weekly program for over 100 special needs children and youth.

Another ministry trained more than 100 volunteers to witness to and counsel youth and held a two-month mentoring program for 200 young people. They used character-building games to connect and build relationships with more than 3,000 children from unreached minority groups, including Tibetans. Through this outreach, they established four new youth ministries.

Your support enabled two Christian rehabilitation centers to continue leading people out of addiction through the power of Christ. One of the centers started an organic farm to supplement their ministry and teach residents an income-generating skill.

With your help, several ministries translated books and passages from the Bible into the languages of unreached ethnic minorities and provided them with material aid.

“Despite the persecution, several ministries reported that these groups are growing.”
God’s Kingdom Grows among the Desperate and Downtrodden

An indigenous ministry in Greece that has been sharing the gospel with refugees from Syria and Iraq through a wide variety of social services reported a sharp increase in the number of people in need of their help. With your support, the ministry provided refugees with food, clothing, diapers, baby formula, and strollers; booked medical appointments and provided them with interpreters; helped them complete paperwork to apply for asylum; and counseled them.

Many of these refugees opened their hearts to the gospel as a result of the ministry workers’ loving care. The ministry held Bible studies at their headquarters twice per week and provided intensive training and discipleship for new believers every six weeks. Due to their diligent efforts, groups of believers meet together in several refugee camps. A refugee couple who received Christ as Savior through the ministry a few years ago moved to Belgium and planted a church there among fellow Kurdish refugees from Syria. The couple contacted the ministry leaders who traveled to Belgium to join them in baptizing the members of their home church in a small pool they purchased for their backyard.

With your support, a ministry in Spain started 19 first-ever house churches among two unreached people groups from North Africa, in addition to starting new ministries among gypsy artists and refugees in five provinces and a safe house for trafficked women. “Mainly I work with people considered outcasts,” the leader wrote. “Gypsies, narcotraffickers, prostitutes, addicts, prisoners or ex-prisoners.”

The ministry’s children’s club, attended by 200 children from more than 15 nationalities, provided many opportunities for the ministry to reach entire families with the gospel as parents were invited to participate and witness how the ministry taught the children Christian values.

Through its outreach to young couples, the ministry facilitated the establishment of 60 new house churches through 60 couples who accepted Christ as Savior.
Your support for indigenous ministries in the former Soviet Union enabled them to work among 88 unreached people groups throughout the region. Ministries in Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan more than doubled the number of people groups they are reaching for Christ.

A ministry in Kyrgyzstan reports 21 new home churches comprised of bold believers, many of whom suffered loss and persecution because of their faith. One such believer decided to follow Christ after missionaries visited his small, Muslim village. Neighbors attacked and beat him, and then poisoned his cow, stole his sheep, and set his house on fire. He and his family moved to a new village where they are part of a small congregation, and he periodically visits his old village to preach the gospel and has led five families to the Lord.

Missionaries in the nation of Georgia preached the gospel to more than 13,000 people, leading over 700 people to repent and give their lives to Christ. In Armenia, you helped missionaries open churches in five Yazidi villages. People from this ethnoreligious people group, which is notoriously closed to outsiders, are now attending discipleship meetings to grow in God’s Word and sending their children to gospel outreach events.

In Uzbekistan, where there are no Christian colleges, you helped make it possible for a ministry to hold training conferences for young people wanting to go into the ministry. In Tajikistan, where it is illegal to share the gospel with minors, you helped a ministry hold children’s camps outside of major cities where they were less likely to be noticed. Because of your support, a ministry in Kazakhstan was able to translate their Bible school training materials into the Kazakh language, opening the door for native Kazakh Christians who do not speak Russian to receive theological training in their own language.
New Churches among Unreached Tribal Groups

From Mexico to the southern tip of South America, the gospel is taking root among unreached tribal groups. Thanks to your support, indigenous ministries worked among 85 people groups during the past year.

A ministry in Peru established a new mission base among an unreached people group in the heart of the Amazon basin. To reach the tribe, missionaries had to travel a week by river after a lengthy plane trip. Tribal authorities asked missionaries to teach them God's Word after witnessing their love and care for them.

In Argentina, missionaries planted new churches in eight tribal villages. More than 200 people received Christ as Savior in one of these villages. Nine newly ordained missionaries in Colombia led 30 people from an unreached people group to Christ and built the first-ever church in one of their villages.

In Mexico, a coalition of indigenous missionaries working to translate the Bible into the languages of 22 tribal groups completed translations of the New Testament into several languages. “Among music, songs, tears, cheers and shouts of joy, was received the New Testament in the Mixtec language of Mechoacán,” the ministry leader reported. “More than 500 people gathered to celebrate the arrival of this book.”

Missionaries in Mexico also brought God’s redemptive power to a tribe where women were frequently abused by their husbands. “The beating of women has dropped significantly,” the leader wrote. “Best of all, the authorities are supporting our work.”

With your support, 175 missionaries in Cuba living in deep poverty received food, clothing, and other basic aid. They report a radical transformation of “one of the worst neighborhoods” in Cuba, marked by witchcraft and gang violence, after reaching residents with the gospel of Christ. Today, “militants of the communist party have opened their homes as centers for preaching,” and young people “serve the community in the name of Christ.”

“Militants of the communist party have opened their homes as centers for preaching...”
Revival Continues among Muslims

Thanks to your support, a ministry in Iraq provided food, medical treatment, Bibles, and the gospel message to thousands of families displaced by terrorism. Likewise, in Turkey, your support enabled a ministry to provide approximately 1,300 families in refugee camps with emergency aid assistance, which opened the door for them to share the gospel with hundreds of people.

In Israel, you helped a ministry share the gospel with 120 Holocaust survivors during a Passover meal. In Jordan, you supported teams of missionaries who daily visited Iraqi and Syrian refugee families and started more than 10 Bible study groups in their homes. Ministry workers also distributed hundreds of food boxes to needy families in 10 locations, including a family suffering extreme persecution after leaving Islam to follow Christ. After their home was burned by an angry relative, the father lost his job, and the children were expelled from school. “I thank the Lord for all who helped me from the church, because they came to visit me always and brought me humanitarian aid and spiritual prayers,” the father said.

You helped a ministry in Lebanon deliver food to approximately 1,000 refugee families per month, leading many of them to inquire about Christianity and attend church services. Among the many refugees who participated in their vocational training programs, 19 young women graduated from their nursing program, several of whom put their faith in Christ. A second ministry in Lebanon reports: “We are providing food, medicine, schooling, and shelter to over 325 families a month. They express that without the help of the church, many of them would not survive.”

Though planting churches is illegal in Syria, a ministry there reports that home churches continue to grow. With your support, they baptized over 100 people in six months and held Bible-training retreats for hundreds of new believers at safe locations outside the country.

“Your support enabled a ministry to provide approximately 1,300 families in refugee camps with emergency aid assistance.”

A Syrian refugee carries life-saving aid from an indigenous ministry to his family's tent. Success! A Syrian refugee woman graduates from a ministry's nursing program in Lebanon. Inside the tent house of a Syrian refugee family who missionaries are reaching in Turkey.
Because of your gifts, indigenous ministries throughout South Asia pushed past obstacles to bring the gospel to people who had never heard the name of Jesus Christ. In Bangladesh, you helped three ministries respectively to start a Bible institute, begin a women’s ministry, and open a safe house for persecuted believers. Missionaries led a man to Christ who was a guru for the last 45 years with over 1,000 followers.

You helped a ministry in India organize an evangelistic meeting in a Hindu community. “Soon after the meeting most of the people came forward with their tears and with a broken heart and testified Jesus Christ is Lord,” the ministry leader said. “From now on we will gather together thrice a week to worship the Lord Jesus.”

Another ministry led more than 4,000 people to Christ after sharing the gospel for the first time in 75 villages. A ministry sent new graduates from their Bible school to share the gospel in one of India’s most persecuted states. “Our students have started prayer cells and are praying for the sick, and they are getting healed,” the leader reported. “God is using them powerfully among the tribals there.”

A ministry to refugees from the Muslim Rohingya tribe established a new church among them and completed the Gospel of John in their language. The leader reported a noticeable decrease in stealing, drinking, and spousal abuse in their community.

Over a two-month span, a ministry held evangelistic events in jungle communities where over 12,000 people attended. Another ministry trained 155 pioneer missionaries from 13 North Indian states.

One ministry started a new home fellowship among a community of high-caste Hindus, and another reported a breakthrough among a primitive island tribe, noting the people listened to his message and even brought their children to him for prayer. “The small group now believes in Jesus, and they pray to him for their needs to be met in the jungles.”

“Soon after the meeting most of the people came forward with their tears and with a broken heart and testified Jesus Christ is Lord.”
The Indigenous Church Matures and Expands

Your gifts bolstered indigenous ministries throughout Southeast Asia to persevere despite opposition, train new missionaries, plant churches, and provided much-needed aid to the poor and persecuted.

With your support, a ministry in Cambodia continued their Christian daycare for children who live in slums near a 100-acre landfill. Workers cleaned, fed, and educated the children as well as visited their families on a monthly basis.

In Indonesia, a ministry began a new outreach to the blind to teach them God’s Word and how to start small businesses. In the Philippines, you helped a ministry provide livelihood projects to struggling Christian families, which revitalized their faith. A second ministry planted three new churches, and a third ministry provided literacy training, water filters, and commodes to two unreached tribes.

You helped provide Christians in Laos with clean water and electricity after local authorities denied them these amenities. Your gifts also sustained the families of imprisoned pastors in Vietnam. In Myanmar, a ministry preached the gospel to more than 500 inmates in two prisons, and another ministry led 86 mostly Buddhist people to Christ.

In a country near North Korea, a ministry established a refugee evangelism center to guide North Korean refugees to a local church community and help resettle them. Between 40 and 70 North Korean refugees attend their Sunday services and weekday Bible studies.

A ministry in Vietnam held a new training course for tribal believers during which time the trainees led more than 300 people to Christ. Two other Vietnamese ministries provided food for people with leprosy in nearly 30 colonies, and fed, educated, and shared God’s Word with more than 300 street children.
for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019
(July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019)

INCOME
Contributions ................................................. $11,258,728
Gifts in Kind .................................................. $6,834,985
Other Income .................................................. $569,443
TOTAL INCOME .............................................. $18,663,156

HOW USED AND DISBURSED
Disbursed directly to, or expended on behalf of, indigenous ministries

  Missionary Program Services ........................................ $17,480,671
  Admin and Operating Expense .................................... $1,168,344
  Fundraising ................................................................ $885,163

Total Operating and Fundraising Expenses ......................... $2,053,507

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS AND EXPENSES ....................... $19,534,178
Disbursement over Income ............................................. ($871,022)

Lifetime income annuity gifts not included
Investment activity not included

Administration and Operating Expenses = 6.0%
Fundraising = 4.5%

89.5% for Ministry

All accounts, books and records of Christian Aid Mission are audited each fiscal year by an outside independent CPA firm. Christian Aid Mission has never failed to receive an unqualified opinion. Christian Aid Mission is a non-profit, tax-exempt foreign mission board classified 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service.

Contributions are Tax-Deductible
I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.

John 4:35 NIV
Founded in 1953, Christian Aid Mission seeks to establish a witness for Christ in every nation by assisting indigenous ministries based in areas of poverty and persecution, giving priority to ministries sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with unreached people groups. Today, we work with hundreds of indigenous ministries in eight regions of the world that share the gospel with more than 2,000 unreached people groups.