

## 2016 President's Report

Helen Barkley completed her term as TJJ President this year and resigned from the Board of Directors. Ruth Galway-Gerrard also completed her term. We appreciate the dedication and expertise which both of these women brought to TJJ. Rosemary Gibb was appointed as President, Liz Harper as Vice-President, and Steve Dunn as Secretary. We were saddened by the recent death of Maureen Belgrave, who had been a faithful TJJ Director. She had retired from the Board earlier in the year at which time we were pleased and fortunate to have Murray McBride assume the vacant position. Irene Savage and Gloria Sorge were welcomed as new Directors and David Gibb remains as Treasurer.

The Trinity congregation continues to generously support TJJ. This year donations were made in memory of Alexander Beckingham, Isobel Elliott, Jean Comfort, and Marjorie Haney. These bequests along with donations throughout the year made it possible to fund the following programs in 2016:

**EcoEquitable** is an Ottawa-based charity that works with immigrant and marginalized women, teaching them sewing skills in order to improve their labour market outcomes and move them from social assistance to meaningful, dignified work. In 2016, it worked with 40 women in beginner and intermediate/advanced programs. These are environmentally friendly programs which use discarded textiles destined for landfill sites.

TJJ awarded EcoEquitable \$5000 to help support 16 women in the *Beginner Sewing for Jobs* program. The trainees develop strong relationships with each other and with EcoEquitable. They learn useful skills and receive employment counselling and referrals to community services as needed.

Several Trinity members attended *Metamorphosis*, an EcoEquitable fashion show in October, 2016. This was a fundraiser and an opportunity for the students and graduate designers to showcase their creations.

**Inter Pares** is a Canadian social justice organization which partnered with Likhaan in 1995, a women's health organization in the Philippines. Inter Pares received \$5000 to continue their work with the Likhaan Centre for Women's Health. Likhaan trains local women to provide health care and it is involved politically to change the laws in the Philippines that negatively impact women's reproductive health.

In 2016, TJJ contributed to the following Likhaan achievements:

- \* 3 integrated non-profit reproductive health clinics in Metro Manila were established. All of the necessary staff were hired and trained and the emergency vehicles for each clinic were obtained. Each clinic will be staffed by two midwives, one nurse, three community health workers and consulting doctors to offer pre-pregnancy care, antenatal care, childbirth care, postnatal care, newborn care, immunization for children under five years, family planning, referrals, emergency transportation, and other reproductive health services as well as health promotion and outreach programs.
- \* A reproductive health clinic was established in the town of Quinapondan in rural typhoon-affected Eastern Samar, where distance and availability of transportation are significant barriers.
- \* Community health workers and community volunteers began the process of educating people in the slums to enroll in PhilHealth, a national health insurance program. The development of materials to help people to understand and navigate the government rules and bureaucracy was started.
- \* Likhaan has started to make contacts in Metro Manila and in Eastern Samar with on-call specialists (obstetrician-gynecologists and pediatricians) who will be shared across clinics.

\* Likhaan selected Community Health Workers (CHWs) and Community Volunteers (CVs). Each clinic now has three CHWs on staff and almost 300 CVs – women who have extensive knowledge of their communities – have been enrolled and training has begun.

TJF first provided a grant to Inter Pares in 2004 and has been supporting them each year since 2014.

**War Child** received \$5000 to help alleviate the effects of war on South Sudanese children. It focuses on the educational and vocational training of local teachers to bring education to students who have been unable to attend school due to the devastating effects of war.

The following achievements were met in 2016 with help from TJF funds:

\* More than 2000 young students (more than half female) enrolled in education programs in South Sudan.

\* 19 teachers were trained (21% female).

\* Stipends and paid incentives were provided to 30 educators.

\* Education clubs were formed which helped encourage student retention.

\* War Child Functional Literacy and Numeracy learners worked to strengthen their communities through improved life skills, including conflict resolution and youth empowerment. Working together also enhances peaceful coexistence among youth from different communities.

\* 3 community mobilizations targeting youth to enrol in life skills and peace-building training were conducted through community meetings, reaching approximately 570 individuals (55% female), including community leaders and police representatives.

\* 109 youth were reached through sports activities.

*Youth expressed that the life skills and peace-building trainings conducted were very practical and relevant to real life. They expressed much interest in the training, which resulted in many being mobilized to participate. In addition, the training brought together youth from different ethnic groups to learn together, which plays a tremendous role in promoting community dialogues and establishing a sense of peaceful coexistence.*

The director of War Child, Aaron Sanderson, spoke about this very worthwhile program at the Sunday service on April 10, 2016.

TJF held a fundraising Christmas concert featuring *The Stairwell Carollers* on December 2, 2016. It was a beautiful concert, well attended with 160 tickets sold.

I would like to emphasize to the congregation, particularly to newer members, that TJF is not competing for funds given to Trinity United Church or to the Mission and Service Fund. TJF was established for those who would like to contribute beyond their regular givings and fulfill the Jubilee undertaking of a “regular re-distribution of wealth” to some of the truly disadvantaged of the world.

TJF appreciates the encouragement and donations of our Supporting Members (i.e. the current members and adherents of Trinity United Church), who believe so deeply in what we are doing. Your contributions to TJF help disadvantaged people the world over to become healthier, better educated and self-sufficient. On their behalf, I thank you for your support.

Rosemary Gibb, President

## Statement of Operations – December 31, 2016

### Active Account

Balance on December 31, 2015	\$16,115.34
Total Revenue 2016	\$17,009.91
Total Expenditures 2016	\$15,774.56
Balance on December 31, 2016	\$17,350.69

### Revenues 2016

Donations	\$11,761.12
Investment Interest	\$ 2,185.42
Bank Account Interest	\$ 0.57
Fundraising Concert	\$ 3,062.80
Total Revenues 2016	\$17,009.91

### Expenditures 2016

Awards (3)	\$15,000.00
Bank Account Fees	\$ 16.00
Fundraising Costs	\$ 587.94
Administration Costs	\$ 170.62
Total Expenditures	\$15,774.56

### Capital Fund Account

Investment with Alterna Bank  
\$45,000.00 – 90 day term deposit at 1.5% maturing February 8, 2017

Investment with Alterna Bank:  
\$65,000.00 – two-year term deposit at 2.10% maturity January 21, 2017

David Gibb  
Treasurer  
**January 29, 2017**

## PROJECTS SUPPORTED

2001

- \* \$7,000- Co-op. Dev. Fndn of Canada (CDF)- for farmers' co-op in El Salvador.
- \* \$5,085- WaterCan- to assist development of well and water system in Uganda

2002

- \* \$15,000- Habitat for Humanity – to assist building a house for an Ottawa family.

2003

- \* \$7,185- CDF - to assist Home Care-Givers in Soweto to provide care to AIDS victims.
- \* \$10,000- Cause Canada – rehab of war-affected women and children in Sierra Leone.

2004

- \* \$10,000- Inter Pares – to help staff and operate health clinics in the slums of Manila.

2005

- \* \$10,520- CDF - to continue assisting the Soweto Home Care-Givers Co-operative.
- \* \$3,000- to assist the Multifaith Housing Initiative (Ottawa) (MFHI) to acquire condos.

2006

- \* \$5,542- WaterCan – to provide sanitation system for a school in Ethiopia.

2007

- \* \$10,500- Cause Canada – to help disadvantaged children in Sierra Leone.
- \* \$5,000- CanHave - to help provide vocational schooling for AIDS orphans in Uganda.

2008

- \* \$6,000- Cause Canada – to assist the school development program in Sierra Leone.
- \* \$2,500- CanHave- to further assist equipping the vocational school in Uganda.
- \* \$1,250- TEMBO- to assist in the construction of a guest house in Tanzania.
- \* \$350- United Church of Canada – for the Myanmar cyclone relief fund.

2009

- \* \$10,400- Cause Canada – to assist building a new school in Sulamania, Sierra Leone.
- \* \$1,500- TEMBO – to assist with its development program in Tanzania.

2010

- \* \$9,370- Cause Canada – to further assist the school project in Sierra Leone.
- \* \$4,000- Arctic Children and Youth Foundation - to assist with a youth program.

2011

- \* \$8,500- Cause Canada – continued assistance with the school in Sierra Leone.
- \* \$2,000- MFHI (Ottawa) for site improvements at its apartment complex.

2012

- \* \$5,000- Canadian Hunger Foundation - a water scheme in Northern Pakistan.
- \* \$3,000- Cause Canada – an agriculture and food security program in Sierra Leone.

2013

- \* \$4,550- CEYOH0 - assisting victims of AIDS in Botswana.
- \* \$3,000- TEMBO - assisting in building a library in Longido, Tanzania.

\* \$3,000- Cause Canada – birthing huts in Sierra Leone.

2014

\* \$6,350- WEIF – Office for microcredit loans to women in Pakistan.

\* \$10,000- Inter Pares – to train community health workers in the Philippines.

\* \$3,000- Cause Canada – infant nutrition program in Sierra Leone.

2015

\* \$10,000- Inter Pares - Women's health in Philippines.

\* \$3,000- EcoEquitable – Sewing for Jobs, Ottawa.

\* \$2,000- Cause Canada – Ebola prevention in Sierra Leone

2016

\* \$5,000 - EcoEquitable – Sewing for Jobs, Ottawa

\* \$5,000 - Inter Pares – Likhaan Centre for Women's Health, Philippines

\* \$5,000 – War Child – Education for Child Victims of War, South Sudan