



The Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund

Annual Review 2018-19

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

Psalm 133:1



Photo Archbishop of Canterbury
Justin Welby washing the feet of a young
parishioner at All Saints Cathedral, Nairobi.

Cover photo Women from the
Women's Empowerment component
of the Sudan Strategic Partnership.

From the Archbishop of Canterbury

Dear Friends,

The Apostle Paul exhorts us in Romans 12 that we should rejoice with those who rejoice, mourn with those who mourn, and live in harmony with one another. In today's world there is much to mourn over, but we also rejoice together over much, including the work of the Anglican Communion Fund, which has made a positive impact in the lives of brothers and sisters across the Communion and helped them to shine the light of Christ in their communities.

This year the Fund has, among other things, trained women in trades in South Sudan, helped rebuild a Korean church destroyed by an earthquake, provided financial assistance to families in Myanmar after severe flooding, and helped improve climate adaptation in the vulnerable Solomon Islands. Working together with and through churches throughout the Communion, it has supported discipleship, theological education, and bishops' training. It has continued to make a Christian voice heard in global dialogue on critical issues facing communities across the globe – conflict, migration and refugees, violence against women, and the environment.

We are thankful to all who have supported the Anglican Communion Fund this year. Your financial offerings and your prayers exemplify the principle of sharing in the lives of one another spoken of by Paul. Read on to learn more about the ministry of the Anglican Communion Fund this past year, and we invite you to continue with us on our journey and consider how you can be a part of it.

In Christ,

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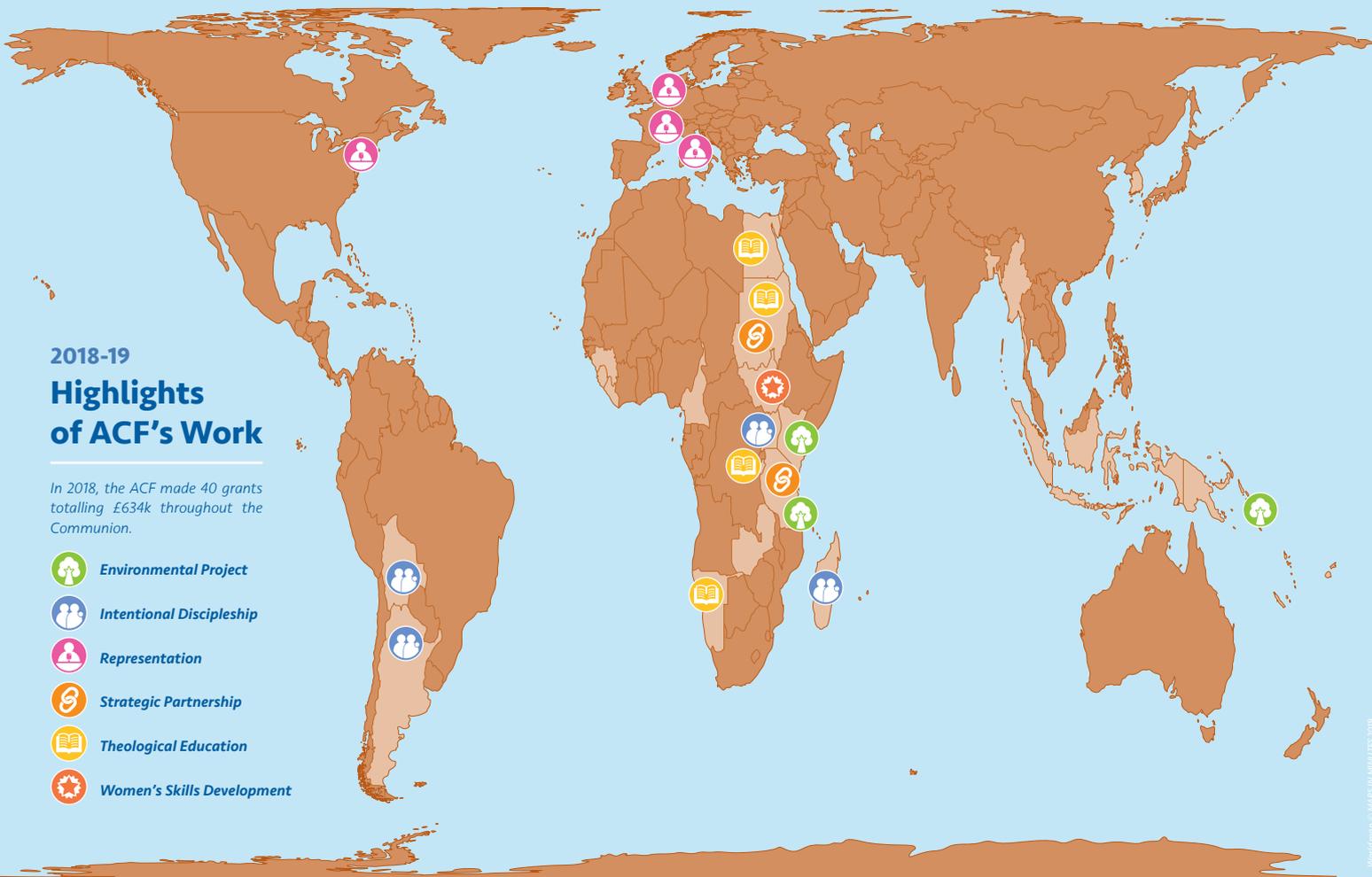
The Most Reverend and Right Honourable Justin Welby

Archbishop of Canterbury and Chair of the Anglican Communion Fund

2018-19 Highlights of ACF's Work

In 2018, the ACF made 40 grants totalling £634k throughout the Communion.

-  Environmental Project
-  Intentional Discipleship
-  Representation
-  Strategic Partnership
-  Theological Education
-  Women's Skills Development



Where Your Money Goes

The Anglican Communion Fund (ACF) supports communities throughout the Anglican Communion in their mission to live and share Christ's love, often in the poorest and most dangerous parts of the world. This year we granted £634,000 through 40 projects spanning more than 20 nations and three global institutions.

Strategic Partnerships. Through our Strategic Partnerships we work together with Provinces at the level of the Primate (senior leader of Anglican provinces, usually an Archbishop) to strengthen the provincial church. The province develops a strategic plan that will address their most critical needs.

Projects. The ACF supports a wide variety of projects that span the Five Marks of Mission, initiated and executed by church communities throughout the Communion. It also responds to needs of the church during times of crisis.

Representation. The ACF enables an Anglican voice to be heard in key global fora through financially supporting representation at the United Nations in New York and Geneva, the European Institutions, and the Anglican Centre in Rome.





Sudan

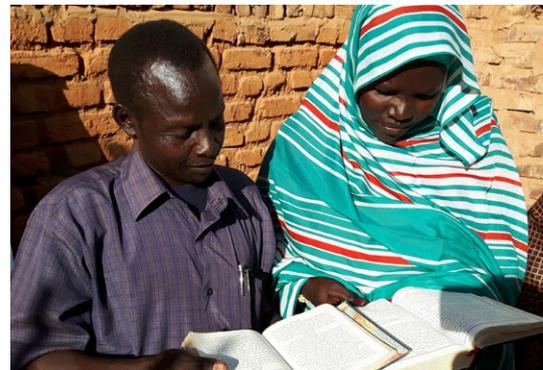
Strategic Partnership

Having recently separated from the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, the **Church of Sudan** is a new and small province facing many pressures as a minority religion in a country with escalating political turmoil. The ACF is working together with Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo to help this church get on its feet and flourish. The province outlined key areas where they need support.



- **Episcopal Accompaniment.** Enabling experienced senior clergy to come alongside senior clergy newer to their role to share experiences and provide mentorship and encouragement.
- **Theological Education.** Supporting the training of new clergy and the ongoing development of the Shokai Bible Training Institute.
- **General Capacity Building.** Supporting the development of EDARRA, the relief and development branch of the Church of Sudan Provincial Office.
- **Financial Capacity Building.** Developing the capacity of provincial and diocesan staff for financial accountability.
- **Women's Empowerment.** Supporting women to be all they can in Christ through deeper engagement with and understanding of the Bible.

We work together with partners to implement this partnership, including the Sudan Round Table, Diocesan links, and the Mothers' Union. The ACF provides the majority of funding.





Tanzania

Strategic Partnership

The **Anglican Church of Tanzania** has a vision for spiritual and socio-economic transformation across the country. Our Tanzania Strategic Partnership addresses both the spiritual and economic elements of this vision. Working through the Mothers' Union, the church is rolling out a **Church and Community Mobilisation Programme** (CCMP) in over 20 dioceses. CCMP is having significant impact across the globe. Group Bible Study is at the centre of it, promoting spiritual transformation and empowering people to use their resources to change their families and communities.

Groups are formed through the Mothers' Union for the purpose of undertaking CCMP-based Bible study. Once the spiritual element of the group is well underway, a savings and loan element, **Village and Community Banks** (Vicoba), is introduced. These enable group members to contribute towards and receive micro-loans to help them create business,

generating much-needed income. As well as improving family finances, the spiritual grounding of the group in corporate prayer and Bible study has also encouraged greater giving to the Church and empowered people to fulfil their desire to help their community, particularly the vulnerable.

The **Amani Vicoba** (pictured below) are from the diocese of Central Tanganyika. *Amani* means 'peace' in Swahili. Their pastor reports that these women now contribute regularly to the church offertory and take responsibility for repairs to the church building. They are also helping others to meet their basic needs, providing food and contributing to school fees for others who cannot afford to. Essentially, through participation in this programme, they have become their own group of charitable donors.



***Shining the light of Christ
in challenging contexts.***

In mainly Muslim areas of the world, God's Church provides an important witness through both its presence and its service to the local community. In Palestine and in Yemen, the ACF is helping the local church to minister the light and love of Christ.



Christ Church in need of repair



Christ Church after restoration

Christ Church, Aden Yemen

Christ Church has stood in Aden, Yemen, for over 150 years. Due to the ongoing war it had fallen into a state of disrepair. ACF funding enabled basic maintenance and repair of the building, an important testimony of Christian presence in this predominantly Muslim area. As we pray for peace to come, the church now stands ready and viable for times ahead.



St Luke's Hospital

Nablus, Palestine

St Luke's Hospital is a 60-bed hospital in Nablus, Palestine, founded by the Church Mission Society (CMS) over 100 years ago. It is operated by the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem and provides a vital health service to the local Palestinian community of 393,000 by treating around 20,000 patients per year. St Luke's also runs a mobile health team to reach those who struggle to travel to the hospital.

After more than fifteen years of service, St Luke's lone ambulance's frequent breakdowns and expensive repairs rendered it unreliable and in desperate need of replacement, jeopardising the hospital's ability to continue operating. The ACF contributed towards the purchase and equipping of a new ambulance, enabling St Luke's Hospital to continue providing critical medical services to the community of Nablus and shining the light of Christ in an area where there are few Christians.



Environmental Stewardship

Kenya

The **Anglican Church of Kenya** is doing its part to help members live out the Fifth Mark of Mission – caring for creation – with the help of the ACF.

The Church has long been seen as a first point of refuge for those affected by man-made or natural disasters. However, the climate-change induced drought / flood cycle has intensified resource-based conflict over grazing land and water for livestock as well as cattle rustling and charcoal burning, straining the church.

The Anglican Church of Kenya is working to increase the capacity of its congregations for environmental stewardship and management.



The Anglican Church of Kenya is:

- Developing a church-wide strategy for wholesome ecology.
- Mobilising priests to be ambassadors of environmental stewardship.
- Launching the **Green Anglicans** movement in multiple dioceses.
- Establishing model tree nurseries to raise seedlings for reforestation.

Bujumbura Christian University Burundi

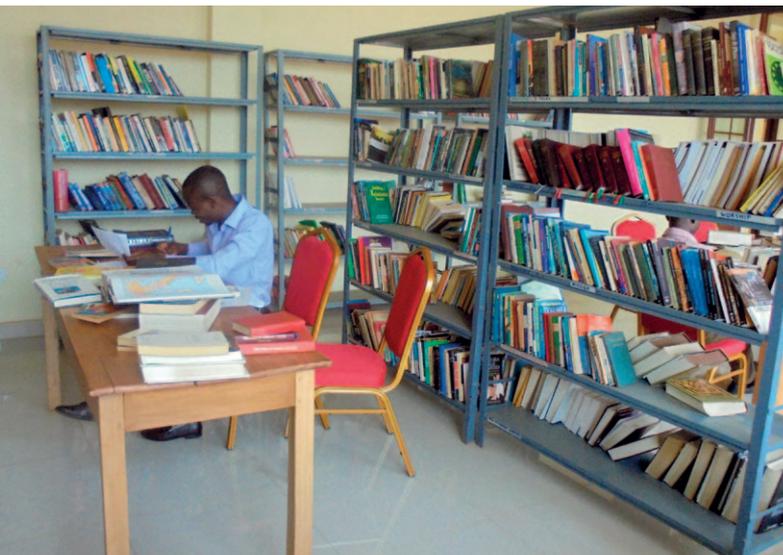
ACF support for a new theological college in Burundi is helping to deliver critical training for new leaders throughout the Burundian church – for ordained and lay ministry. The ACF has supported infrastructure development, theological faculty and the equipping of the library and computer lab. It is very valuable for this training to be delivered locally, in their own language and cultural context.

February 2019 saw the first class graduate from **Bujumbura Christian University** (pictured below left).



The ACF is also supporting theological education in other areas of the Communion:

- **Sudan** – Shokai Bible Training Institute.
- **Egypt** – Alexandria School of Theology in Minya.
- **Namibia** – Diocesan School of Ministries.





Jack Palmer-White
Anglican Communion Permanent Representative to the UN



Achievements at the United Nations

- Consulting on drafts of the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) and Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM).
- Supporting a delegation of eighteen Anglican women from across the Communion to participate in the UN Commission on the Status of Women.
- Membership of working groups for major events on HIV, Migration, Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict.

Representation

From its inception, the Anglican Communion Fund had an intent to give Anglican voices a 'seat at the table' in Global Institutions including the **United Nations**, the **Anglican Centre in Rome** and, more recently, the **European Institutions**. Our status as a diverse global family means that wherever globally important issues are unfolding – poverty, climate change, violence against women and girls, conflict, migration and refugees – the Anglican Communion is there. Our work, and the work of others across the Anglican Communion, enables us to understand the issues and we want to use our experience to influence global policy with a Christian perspective.

In the past year we have influenced discussion on the following topics and more:

- Sustainable development.
- Tackling human trafficking.
- Climate-induced displacement.
- Statelessness and birth registration.

The representative to the European Institutions has been actively engaged in issues such as citizen's rights post-Brexit, human rights, and EU refugee and migration policy.



Become a Friend

Any donation, large or small, makes you a **Friend of the Anglican Communion Fund**. This year, the Anglican Communion Fund made 40 grants totalling £634,000 which were distributed over more than 20 nations and 3 global institutions. This ministry was all made possible by the Friends of the Anglican Communion Fund (FACF).

The 40 Provinces of the Anglican Communion span 165 countries and include 85 million brothers and sisters in Christ, more than 80% from the Global South. It is through the support of Friends that God provides the ACF with the means to build up our brothers and sisters across the Communion. We invite you to join us in this work if you haven't already. Will you become a Friend?

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Donate online give.net/20183500

Ways Friends can Help

Give. Every donation makes a real difference to the needs of the church across the Communion. Whether you give as an individual or as a church; as a one-off or as a regular giver, your money makes an impact.

Pray. Praying for the ACF, the projects we support and the work of the Anglican Communion makes a difference.

Share. We would love your help sharing the work going on throughout the Communion with Anglicans in the UK. Pass on this annual review or invite a Trustee to speak at your church. See the back cover for contact details.

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2018 Income / Expenditure

Income

£

Donations receivable	
US Friends	191,795
UK Friends (including Gift Aid)	334,906
UK donation re: Development Office	10,000
Administration services (donated by Lambeth Palace)	4,000
Adjustment to prior year's grants	12,250
Investment income	4,452
Total income	557,403

Expenditure

£

Grants approved during year	634,527
Administration	42,305
Loss (gain) on exchange	-556
Fundraising costs	23,951
Total expenditure	700,227
Excess of expenditure over income for year	-142,824
Unrealised gain (loss) on investments	-1,839

Reserves

£

Reserves at beginning of year	277,008
Reserves at end of year	132,345
Available for distribution	-7,322
Other reserves	139,667



The Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund (ACF) was created to apply its income for the benefit of the churches and provinces of the Anglican Communion and the international ministry of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Friends of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund (FACF) and its sister charity, The American Friends of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Anglican Communion Fund, act as fundraising arms for the ACF.

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