

The Archbishop of Canterbury's
Anglican Communion Fund

Annual Review 2020-21





This photo: National Covid Memorial Wall, UK
Cover photo: North India

*Bear one another's
burdens, and so fulfill
the law of Christ.*

Galatians 6:2



Dear Friends,

2020 was an extraordinary year for us all. The unfolding of a global pandemic the likes of which were unheard of in our lifetimes touched each one of us. It has been said that though we are all in the same storm, we are not all in the same boat. We know that in many parts of the Anglican Communion, the effects of the pandemic were crippling to both health and livelihoods. Through the generosity of our supporters, the Anglican Communion Fund was able to support the global Anglican Church with a record number of grants, helping to fund Church-led initiatives that provided PPE, water and hygiene equipment, supported communication of public health messages, and provided food and income support to the vulnerable in the face of lockdown-related income losses.

We have been privileged to witness the outpouring of financial support that came from multiple areas around the world. We truly saw the Church coming together in unity. We are grateful for every person who supported the Anglican Communion Fund this year, whether individually or through a church gift. In Matthew 25:40, Jesus says, *“whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”* Our prayer is that the Lord will repay each of our supporters for their generosity.

Please find in the following pages a summary of all you have helped us to achieve. In the troubling times we see in the world, with the continuing pandemic, conflict, poverty, inequality, and the climate crisis, our work is needed more than ever. We welcome you to continue with the Anglican Communion Fund on our journey.

In Christ,

Lord Stephen Green

Chair, The Friends of the Anglican Communion Fund



The Anglican Communion Fund supports Anglican communities worldwide in their mission to live and share Christ's love.

The Anglican Communion, consisting of 42 provinces that span 165 countries and include 85 million people, has significant reach and enormous potential. The ACF aims to harness this potential, making small investments across the church, which in the right hands, can have substantial impact. A vital component of the Archbishop of Canterbury's global ministry, the Anglican Communion Fund supports the Church in three main areas:

Strategic Initiatives

Building the capacity of the Church, strengthening its leadership, enhancing its ability to implement effective ministry, and supporting it to be a source of stability in its community.

Representation

Maximising the influence of the Archbishop of Canterbury on global policy, providing for Anglican voices to speak into and influence key global forums, such as the United Nations and European Institutions.

Times of Crisis

Bolstering the Church in times of great need and in the midst of unexpected circumstances.



Regular grants and emergency funding

In 2020-21, the Charities of the Anglican Communion Fund (FACF and ACF) committed over £690,000 across the Communion, including over £300,000 dedicated to Covid-relief.



Strategic Initiatives



Representation



Emergency and COVID-19 Response



Highlights from our 2020 Covid response

The emergence of COVID-19 last year saw increasing emergency needs across the Communion, as lockdowns in many areas caused severe economic hardship, greatly contributed to by large numbers of daily wage earners suddenly without income. Church closures also contributed to a lack of income to support clergy families. Through funds raised from the **Together in Unity Covid Appeal** and our generous supporters, the ACF has, through June of 2021, committed over £515,000 to Church-led Covid responses across 25 provinces of the Anglican Communion.

Food kitchens



South Africa

Peru



Distribution of essentials

Covid prevention: training and equipment



Bangladesh



Long-term solutions

The installation of a water tower (*right*) at All Saints Secondary School in **Busoga, Uganda**, will improve water and sanitation access for the school and the local community, maintaining hygiene, reducing communal conflict over scarce water points, and keeping students – especially girls – safer, as they will now have separate water points.



The purchase of motorbikes in **Kitale, Kenya** (*above*) has enabled priests and evangelists to effectively navigate the challenging topography and terrain to minister to the ten existing congregations, saving time and money, and motivating ministers in their service. Opening churches in new areas of the archdeaconry is now feasible.



Food security and long-term solutions in Tanzania

The Covid-19 pandemic led to food insecurity in many parts of the world. With a grant from the ACF, the **Diocese of Western Tanganyika**, through VERITAS (Voluntary Education & Relief Initiative for Tanzanian Society), gave entrepreneurial and agricultural training to 150 vulnerable women and five pastors, along with agricultural inputs such as seeds, tools and fertiliser. As a result of the project, food security was strengthened for over 1,000 community members. Through the success of the project, VERITAS was able to additionally secure funds from another donor to procure a new tractor that will further enhance the programme.



Community Kitchens in Peru

The nation of Peru declared a pandemic-related state of emergency in March 2020, with a curfew and restrictions on economic activities. Its impact was devastating to small businesses and the informal economy, and was further exacerbated by intense political upheaval. This was especially felt by vulnerable families in shanty towns surrounding large cities, the primary locations of Anglican parishes and missions in Peru. Female-headed households were particularly vulnerable, with children home from school and requiring childcare. With help from an ACF grant, the Church has worked to implement **“parish communal kitchens”** and **“shared pot” initiatives** to help people survive. Those who can work contribute financially to the pot, while others cook and serve in other ways, fulfilling mutual needs. The Church and families collaborate, enabling the daily provision of nourishing food to children, the elderly and the sick, and providing counselling and pastoral support to the bereaved and others in need.



Strategic Partnerships

The ACF remains committed to multi-year strategic capacity building partnerships with provinces. Our partnership with the **Anglican Church of Tanzania** is nearly complete. The **Church and Community Mobilisation Process** (CCMP) programme at the heart of this partnership has been immensely impactful, not only transforming family financial situations, but leading to a marked increase in church finances as well as bringing new people to faith. Through the programme *(right)*, a Bible study on resource mobilisation helped Tarime parish recognise the fruits and vegetables around them as assets that could be sold for profit.

Representation

The ACF supports the **Anglican Communion Office at the United Nations** (ACOUN) to harness the global experience of the Anglican Communion, bringing the voices of Anglicans who are undertaking remarkable and transformative work across the Communion right to the heart of those who are making decisions about some of the world's greatest issues. It is against this backdrop that Archbishop Justin Welby *(below)* is also able to speak into global power structures.



FACF and ACF income and expenditure for 2020



Mozambique

Donations receivable	GBP
US Friends	203,082
UK Friends (including Gift Aid)	311,316
Covid-19 Appeal and other restricted	429,995
Adjustment to prior years' grants	34,386
Investment income	3,823
Total income	982,602

Expenditure	GBP
Grants approved during the year	378,645
ACF Covid grants approved	314,966
Total grants approved during the year	693,611
Administration	58,859
Loss (gain) on exchange	-234
Fundraising costs	24,469
Total expenditure	776,705
Excess of income over expenditure for the year	205,897
Gain (loss) on investments	13,271

Reserves	GBP
Reserves at beginning of year	178,198
Reserves at end of year	397,366
Available for distribution	252,366
Other reserves	145,000



How to support the Anglican Communion Fund

In 2020, the Anglican Communion Fund raised and distributed more than ever before. It is only through our supporters' generosity that we have been able to help our Church family to carry communities through such challenging times. Please help us continue and to expand our reach and impact through giving. Thank you.

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