

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

Anglican Missions Board of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Our 2020 year began following an operational restructure and the development of our new Strategic Plan, Te Ara Hou, or “a fresh wind, a new breath” which provides framework for understanding what we do, where and why. Te Ara Hou describes a three-fold approach to mission.



As for most people during Covid-19 lockdown, we worked from home for part of the year, and then from our temporary office in the Boardroom of Anglican House while our office earthquake strengthening and refurbishment was completed. However it was business as usual for our work and we held our usual Lenten Appeal, this year supporting the Penman Medical Centre and the Princess Basma Centre (both under the auspices of the Diocese of Jerusalem), plus a third project to provide assistance in roofing churches in the Diocese of Mara, Tanzania. \$42,960 was raised in total for this Appeal.

The Anglican Missions Board approved grants in response to applications from our usual partners and details of these were outlined in our [2020 Projects Booklet](#).

Every year usually brings at least one emergency appeal, but 2020 was somewhat of a busy year for emergency responses. **Cyclone Harold** landed in April 2020 mainly in Vanuatu but also affecting Fiji and we launched a joint appeal aimed at supporting Vanuatu to recover from the effects of the cyclone; together with a **Covid-19 appeal for Polynesia**, not only to help them rebuild after the cyclone but to assist people affected by Covid-19, especially to strengthen food security and provide opportunities to rebuild livelihoods.

We also for the first time partnered with two dioceses to support specific emergency projects. Firstly, with the Diocese of Wellington we launched ‘out of our abundance’ a “**Covid-19: Our Global Response**” which provided support for projects in Fiji, Mozambique, Gaza and Kolkata, India. Over \$100,000 was the amazing total amount raised. You can read about what these funds achieved on our website <https://angmissions.org.nz/projects/global-response>.

Our next partnership was with the Diocese of Christchurch and NZCMS to support the **Mirpurkhas Boys Hostel** in Pakistan, which was facing closure. \$27,770 was raised for the hostel enabling marginalised students from remote rural areas to complete their final years of high-school education.

These were very effective collaborations reflecting our aim to further work with others. In September we joined the Council for International Development and we are continuing to work on liaising with other like-minded organisations as appropriate, such as Tearfund, Anglican Alliance, etc.

As 2020 drew to a close, we launched another emergency appeal following Tropical Cyclone Yasa which lashed Fiji on 17th December. In response we joined with [Tearfund NZ](#) and Australia's [Anglican Overseas Aid](#) and [Anglican Board of Mission](#) to raise funds to provide assistance.

Regular updates of our appeals and projects are posted on our website and in our electronic newsletter. If you would like to receive our E-news, sent to subscribers email addresses about twice a month, please contact Linda at info@angmissions.org.nz or sign up via the website, www.angmissions.org.nz

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