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Annual Report 2021

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iReachAfrica Ministries 2021 Annual Report

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Greetings to you in this 2022 New Year. We all needed a new year, right?!

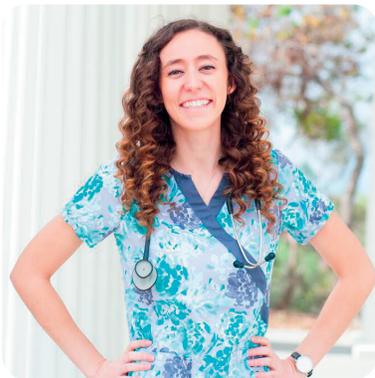
Welcome to our 2021, end-of-year report and our 2022 goals. Although we (you, and the whole world) have had many challenges, we've made some good progress in our efforts to share God's love to one another and the beautiful people of Mozambique. Check it out!

The following reports will summarize this past year's activities and progress:

- Community Health Education and Discipleship Program
- Children's Education and Graduate Program
- Health and Nutrition Clinic
- Tariro Vocation Training Center

I'm sure you have heard the phrase: "Whatever doesn't kill you makes you stronger." That's certainly true of us. Despite Covid, shut-downs, isolation, political troubles in the nation, inflation... we have grown stronger for it. And 2022 will bring us great increase as we embrace **four new missionaries**.

We have TWO, full-time pediatric nurse-missionaries on the way! Introducing:



Sabrina Richardson:

Sabrina is Pediatric Nurse from San Diego, California. She has done outreaches into Mexico, Guatemala and South Africa.



Rema Atwood:

Rama is from Raleigh, North Carolina and works as a nurse in a Neonatal Intensive Care unit. She has done outreaches in Central Asia, Germany, South Asia and China.

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And introducing two other missionaries coming to Mozambique this year:



Bridget Stanley:

Bridget has worked for 30 years with people with developmental disabilities. We happen to have 47 children presently with such conditions. Bridget has already visited us in Mozambique and feels lead to return to us full time to assist these families.



Valeria Silvero:

Valeria is from Argentina and is a tried and true evangelist/discipler/church planter. Valeria is fluent in Spanish, so she will likely pick up Portuguese in a heartbeat. She currently pastors a church which she planted in Argentina. She has trained up leaders and elders to take the reigns. And now she joins us in Mozambique.

With this combined man-power (or, in this case woman-power) we will be able to expand our services, take on new patients in the clinic and increase our Gospel reach into many homes and villages.

First, we will need to plop these four new missionaries into language school for the first several months and then we'll turn them loose! Pray for their upcoming season of adjustments to tropical heat, new African dance moves, bugs, snakes, potholes, beautiful sunsets... Africa!

We're also hosting a three-month outreach in Beira. Beira is the second largest city in Mozambique. It's an international port city with a strong, Muslim population. We're receiving three to five rounds of Antioch out-reachers who will walk the city and lay down a carpet of intercession. We'll work with local Believers as we blanket the city with blessings and prayer.

Health & Nutrition Center

Submitted by
Tracy Evans



Many lock-downs this year and 2020 due to Covid felt like a roller-coaster ride for our Health and Nutrition Clinic. After losing our nurse in the clinic we could no longer provide medical assistance to our hundreds of babies. But we could provide them with formula, milk, weaning foods and the usual hugs, encouragement, and care. We were also experiencing difficulties with procuring long-term resident visas for our two new missionary-nurses (Rema and Sabrina, both from the USA). But those days are behind us now and we're pressing on into 2022 with new staff.



We also have a third addition to our clinic staff, Bridget, who will be working with our 47 special needs children and their families. For various reasons, many children born with special needs do not survive. Life in a tribal setting is extremely challenging, even for the strongest among us. It takes great love and courage for a family to take on the challenge of raising children with special needs. Now we are able to offer more assistance through Bridget's expertise and experience. We are overjoyed!

The clinic has also undergone a significant face-lift. (happy face) The building was looking pretty tired... even depressing. Our buildings in general are pretty basic. But a fresh coat of paint can work wonders! We also laid tiles on the cement floor, a particle board ceiling (instead of rafters and steal roofing panels which radiated the tropical heat down upon us). And new desks and chairs for the staff and patients. We're lookin' good!



A thousand thanks to all of you who have supported this ministry with your prayers and giving. May the Lord receive His reward in this ever-growing harvest!

Community Health & Discipleship Program

Submitted by
Mariah McGlothlin



The Africa 180° Community Health and Discipleship (CHAD) program is an integrated ministry that includes community health education, clean water solutions, and Christian discipleship. The CHAD team now consists of three Mozambican graduates from the Tariro trade school, together with program director, Mariah McGlothlin.

This year we focused a great deal on becoming trainers of water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH). Once the team had learned sufficient training theory, we practiced our skills in a community in Nhambonda, near the Africa 180° base. In March 2021 we concluded a baseline survey of the households in that community, gathering data on the community's current WASH practices and their awareness of healthy practices.



Our analysis of the survey results showed it would be beneficial to offer the community an 8-week basic WASH training course for interested individuals. Between April-June 2021, representatives from 65 families attended at least some of the lessons, and 36 of them completed the course. Interest was high enough to offer the course again, so in July-September another 31 household representatives graduated the WASH course.

Once the majority of families in the community had received at least some WASH training, we began house visits to reinforce the messages from the WASH lessons, encourage progress already made, and track families' implementation of improved WASH practices. When participating households could demonstrate initiative and dedication to healthy sanitation and hygiene behaviors, they were offered the chance to receive one of our biosand filters.

In order to build the participants' value and ownership of the biosand filters, we instituted a sweat equity program in which WASH course graduates were invited to volunteer alongside us to fabricate biosand filters. Then within a month a filter would be installed in each of their homes.

Community Health & Discipleship Program Continued

From January-November 2021, the Africa 180° CHAD program fabricated 50 filters and installed about 40 of them.

We wish to offer group discipleship/Bible lessons in the communities in tandem with the WASH courses. The team currently prays for people who want it and facilitates weekly Bible studies house to house in a village called Bucursi. This practice could be integrated into our WASH and BSF follow-up home visits, when appropriate, with the hope of starting house churches through these small, informal gatherings.



Education Program

Submitted by
Anna Capener

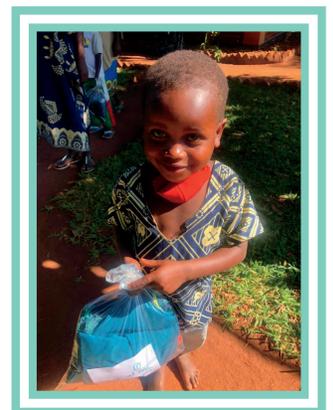


PRESCHOOLS

After the 2020 academic year was severely disrupted by school closures due to Covid-19, we started 2021 hoping for a more 'normal' year. Unfortunately we still experienced much disruption to many of our school programs during 2021. Our graduate program was able to open on 22nd March and continued uninterrupted until the end of the academic year. The creche and preschools however saw a very disrupted year. They opened on 22nd March after an arduous inspection process and much bureaucracy, but were closed four weeks later. On 31st May they reopened again and ran for seven weeks before being closed again due to a nationwide surge in Covid cases. They finally reopened on 27th September and ran for eight weeks until the end of the academic year. The preschools and creche therefore had a total teaching time of nineteen weeks as opposed to an average of around thirty-nine weeks of teaching on a 'normal' year.

With the opening of an additional class in Chipindaumwe to meet increased demand, we had our highest student numbers ever - and it was both heartbreaking and immensely frustrating to see these children sitting at home for the majority of the year. We tried a number of ways to continue educating the children, including visiting their homes and teaching them in small groups, but the local community leader at Mussunsa was not happy with this and felt that we could get in trouble from the authorities, so we had to stop.

The teachers continued coming to work on a rota system during this time and were able to help out by doing one-one reading and writing practice with students from our graduate program. This was also an opportunity to do a lot of site maintenance, and the exterior of the Chipindaumwe school received a much needed fresh coat of paint.



PRESCHOOLS CONTINUED

Another fruit of the school closure was the ability to work alongside three children with special needs (two from Chipindaumwe and one from Mussunsa). With the help and advice of an occupational therapist in the UK we were able to provide Genita (a nine year old child with physical and developmental difficulties) with a wheelchair and worked with her on a one-one, seeing much improvement at school and home. Melina, a two year old child with severe physical and mental disabilities was also supported during this time, and is soon to receive a chair enabling her to sit up in a well supported position and interact more easily with the world around her. Aleandre, a three year old child was also supported with some one-one play sessions and both he and his mum left these sessions feeling much encouraged.

After the preschools opened for the final run of eight weeks, Anna was amazed at how much progress the pre-school students made in such a short time. This is due to the hard work and dedication of the teachers and is also an answer to prayer that what the children had lost would be restored to them.

This year a new school office was built at the Mussunsa site, with construction starting on March 9th. As the school programs have expanded over the years, so has the amount of administration, and it was becoming challenging to do this work in our homes. Leaving the school site to do administration also took us away from being at the heart of the school.

Since moving into the new school office we have not only found it easier to administrate our programs, but have felt so much more in tune with what is going on each day. Staff meetings and parent meetings have also been able to take place in the office. We are both very grateful that this project was able to go ahead.

We have still not received our official pre-school registration documents from Social Services. Anna spoke with the pre-school representative at Social Services earlier in the year and was given a document saying that the documents had been sent to Chimoio. This will be a priority to follow up in January when government officials should be back in their offices after the summer break.



GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The graduate program opened on 22nd March and was able to run consistently throughout the year. We re-organised our timetable and introduced Maths lessons at our Mussunsa site; so at both our sites, classes in reading, number and the Bible were taught. Due to the pre-school program not running for much of the year (due to Covid-19 restrictions), the graduate students received additional one-to-one learning support in reading and number from the pre-school teachers. It was delightful to see the impact this had on individual's learning and we saw good progress being made, especially in reading.

At the start of the year, a new member of staff joined our team at the Chipindaumwe site. It was impressive to see how our new teacher quickly learned new teaching strategies and implemented them with great effect. The three classes at our Chipindaumwe site have really thrived under his teaching. At the end of the year, we invited the parents to come inside the classroom to celebrate their child's learning. A highlight was seeing the reaction of the parents of our Second Grade students. The parents clapped and cheered when they saw the children counting or adding and then the children sat with their parent to show them their workbook from the year. Smiles were big and consistent that afternoon!

Midway through the year, without knowing exactly why, attendance significantly dropped at the Mussunsa site. The parents were invited to attend a meeting where the program was explained and learning activities were demonstrated. This helped them to understand more clearly the incredible opportunity that is available to their children through the graduate program. Following this meeting, attendance doubled and children consistently attended each week until school closed for the holidays.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY CLASSES

We were unable to run our sex education classes for teenagers in our communities due to Covid-19 restrictions.

OUTREACH AND HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB & YOUTH CLUB

We were unable to run these programs in our communities due to Covid-19 restrictions.

PRAYER POINTS

- That 2022 will be a year of uninterrupted learning for our students and that we will maintain a high number of students across two sites.
- Teaching staff would be filled with compassion and care for the students and walk in a living relationship with Jesus, filled with integrity.
- January we are looking for new Mozambique staff members - pray that we would be led to the right people and the team of teachers would continue to work well together.
- Favor with the Muslim community at our Mussunsa site and their children would continue to receive permission to attend our school.
- That we would be granted registration for our pre-school as well as favor to continue with our chosen curriculum and approach to teaching.
- Wisdom for Anna and Abi as they lead their educational programs as well

EDUCATION PROGRAM REPORT 2021 STATISTICS

Educational Programs	Number of children at Mussunsa site in 2021	Number of children at Chip. site in 2021	Total
Creche (3 - 4 year olds)	30	n/a	30
Preschool	60	59	119
Graduate program	50/(106)*	31	81
*Attendance increased at the end of year. See below for details.			230

Mozambican Staff employed	Full time 2021	Part time 2021	Total
Mussunsa site	4	3	7
Chipindaumwe site	4	6	10
			17

Current programs	Additional info
Creche program	3 - 4 year olds at Mussunsa site
Preschool program	5 - 7 year olds across two sites
Graduate program	8 - 14 year olds across two sites
Feeding program	Across two sites during hunger season (creche and preschool students) SUSPENDED DURING COVID
Friday outreach	Open to all ages but usually attracts 1 - 16 year olds SUSPENDED DURING COVID
Youth club	For students from our graduate program (20 teenagers on average) SUSPENDED DURING COVID
Youth volunteer program	Students selected from local high school (currently 2 volunteers) SUSPENDED DURING COVID
Sex and relationship education	For students from our graduate program (groups of 10) SUSPENDED DURING COVID
Vacation Bible school	All invited to attend during school holiday in August (on average 300 children across two sites) SUSPENDED DURING COVID

Tariro

Submitted by
Terri Cash



JANUARY - DECEMBER 2021

January 2021 classes began with 40 Metalworks students and 8 Agriculture students of which 7 were female students.

February brought an increase in Covid cases and temporary close of all schools.

March found us back in session but due to Covid-19 restrictions, we operated on a staggered schedule, dividing the classes into 3 groups and further divided in half to allow for the required social distancing. Each group had 10 hrs. per week practical.

Our Agricultural students planted 10 avocado trees, 10 leche trees, and over 200 hardwood trees. They also started a nursery for citrus trees, germinating 800 lemon trees. In 2022 We would like to build a small hot house for germinating seeds and saplings of various trees and vegetables. I am excited to see them learn new things and experiment with grafting citrus fruits together.

Our Metalworks classes and students are doing well. The students first build their own toolboxes to hold their personal tools (which they also fabricate) and the materials they use for class. They take this toolbox with them after graduation. We have added a design class to the practical portion. The intention is to help the students draw, read plans and construct according to a drawing; to go from 1D to 3D.

We have implemented a daily guard report at the change of every shift. The guards at shift-end and the guard at the beginning shift walk the property together and note any possible breach or maintenance issues that need to be addressed.

We began a Cement Fence Post project with three 2019 graduates. They have had steady orders from Africa 180 and the Vanden Bosh farm. They expanded the inventory by making non-slip hexagon cement pavers. We have replaced all the mud brick sidewalks with pavers and sold several to Prodsuola.

Despite many Covid shutdowns, we've done quite well! Thank you for your partnership, prayers and support.



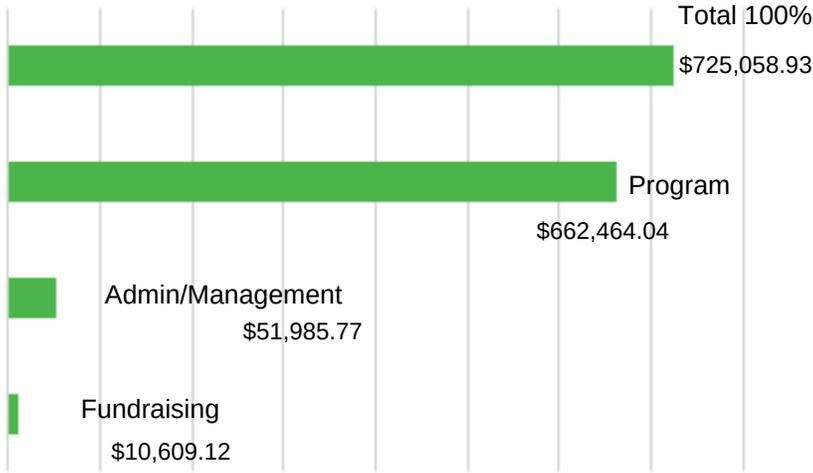
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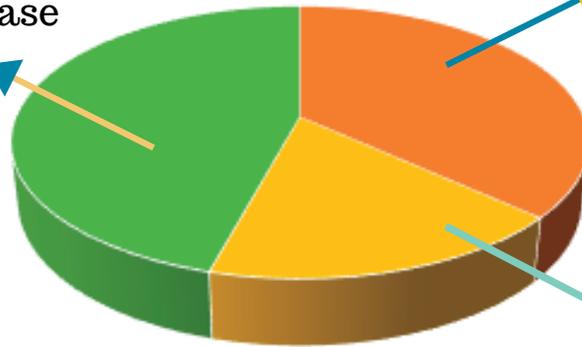
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Missionary/MOZ Base

MOZ Base: 4 properties, 37 acres, 28 buildings (including clinics, VoTec shops, housing) 32 F/T Local Staff and Volunteer Missionaries



Education/Three Schools

Health/
Nutrition Center



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