

# IREACHAFRICA



## Annual Report 2019

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# iReachAfrica Ministries 2019 Annual Report

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Director and Founder



Dear Ministry Partner,

Historically, it takes four generations to establish “lasting change” in a culture. We believe we can do it in one generation -if we start with the children. We’ve already been successful in fostering lasting change by leading people from Islam and Witchcraft into Christianity, from illiteracy into higher education and vocational training, from poverty into prosperity and from hopelessness into “life and life abundant”.

It starts with the orphaned infants. While sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our Nutrition and Health Center supplies medical care and life-saving nutrition to orphaned children. Well over 7,000 babies have been saved to date (see [www.iReachAfrica.org](http://www.iReachAfrica.org)). In every village we save a child’s life, that village becomes open to the Gospel. Our Education Center then builds and establishes pre-schools (crèches), kindergartens and several various children’s programs for all ages. Nearly all the children embrace Christ within just a few weeks. Because of our first school-plant, nearly the entire Muslim village came to Christ through the witness of their own children within the first! We then built another school in a witchcraft village in 2018. They too, are coming to Christ. We want to build a third school in 2021 in yet another village dominated by witchcraft.

In 2014 we helped to launch the building of a Christian high school. We also run a vocational training center which teaches young adults metal work, carpentry, mechanics and agriculture (see [www.tariro.net](http://www.tariro.net)). This is part of a two-year discipleship program. All of our programs are registered with the government and enjoy favor from both the officials and the communities we serve.

## **Our needs:**

Mozambique has freedom of religion and it’s a “white harvest”. So, “Pray to the Lord of the Harvest to send workers into His harvest field” (Mt. 9:38). People are hungry and receptive to the message of God’s love and salvation through Christ. What we have need of are more missionaries, more intercessors and funding for expansion.

We at iReachAfrica, Africa 180 and Tariro have never been in debt of any kind (save “the debt of love”). In this report you will find information about our various ministries and a brief financial report for 2019. As always if you have any questions or would like to hear more about iReachAfrica and all that is being done in MOZ, feel free to connect with us.

Thank you for being one of our partners in this ministry; To God be the glory, as we endeavor to “bear fruit that remains”.

Tracy Evans, PA-C

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Founder/Director of  
iReachAfrica,  
Africa 180 and Director of Tariro

## Baby Clinic Program

Submitted by  
Tracy Evans



In 2019 we treated between 40-60 children a day in our clinic. It is such a privilege to see them recovering and growing in weight, size, and joy. Each baby receives milk, nutritional support, and health monitoring/medical assistance as needed. They also always receive a steady dose of the Father's love and lots of hugs and smiles! We continue to develop relationships with the local hospital staff and work to increasing our coordination with the Mozambican medical system, as this teamwork provides the best chance of recovery for some of our sickest children. We have worked with some fantastic local doctors and nurses who have true hearts of compassion for these suffering babies and their distressed care-givers.



This year, we were able to do more home visits and spend time personally walking vulnerable families through their hospital visits. We help them overcome their fears of medical procedures, medications, and facilities. We work constantly to break down the physical, emotional, and spiritual barriers that have kept families from getting much needed help for their children. This takes considerable prayer and countless conversations. It is so rewarding to see the caregivers grow in confidence as they begin to feel empowered to care for these children! It is my goal next year to grow in empowering more families in this way through increased home visits and assisting them in the hospitals as needed. Because of your generosity, we have had another fruitful year. Thank you! We anticipate 2020 will be another life-saving, soul-saving year full of joy as we spread the love of Jesus to all we encounter.



**Number of babies & their families cared for: between 40-60 each day**  
**Type of Care Given: milk, nutrition, health monitoring, medical assistance,**  
**beautiful heart connections & lots of love!**

## Community Development Discipleship Program

Submitted by  
Mariah McGlothlin



This year saw the exciting new beginning of a weekly meeting with the Africa 180 Mozambican staff in which we worship, pray for each other, and hear the Word preached by different local staff members or missionaries each week. Abi Read and Mariah McGlothlin collaborate on the facilitation of these meetings, with a heart to build up our staff, grow our relationships with them, and cultivate a Kingdom culture in which all members understand the value of who they are and what they do, regardless of their role.



**Two class 4 cyclones:** After smashing the coast in March, and then immediately again in April of 2019, Cyclones devastated large swaths of coastal and inland Mozambique. Both Africa 180 and Tariro teams joined the relief efforts to deliver much needed medical treatment and emergency aid to communities that lost access to local hospitals. We assisted with various relief efforts for many months thereafter. During the response, one community leader from Pambanissa region asked Africa 180 not for food or clothing, but for missionaries to bring the Gospel to his village, which is heavily steeped in ancestor worship and witchcraft. We started a monthly outreach to that village. We also brought Africa 180 staff along to help preach the Word, lead out in worship, and pray for the sick. Scores of people are responding to the call to make Jesus their Lord and Savior, and our local staff members are growing in confidence to minister to others.

**Bible Teaching:** 2019 was Mariah's second year teaching the Bible class at Tariro Technical School. This year students learned that the Old and New Testaments are part of a unified story that all points to Jesus. They practiced analyzing and synthesizing related texts. Their confidence to read and understand the Bible grew and expanded outside the classroom context which led them into deeper revelation of God from the Word. It was a joy to witness students grow in the Lord as the year progressed.



**Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH):** This new program took a big step forward this year with a 10-week training course at the site of the Chipindaumwe preschool. Mariah trained a translator to work with her as a co-trainer, found volunteer trainees, and facilitated sessions each week for 10 weeks. With the participatory lessons, they taught basic concepts such as making water clean, identifying safe sanitation methods, and the group's favorite: effective handwashing. At the conclusion of the course, I invited those who were interested in making a difference in their community to keep coming each week to work together to implement healthy WASH practices in their community. Eight individuals continued to come, and together we put on WASH dramas at public schools and the hospital, and installed hand washing stations all over the village.

At the end of the year, **Seeds of Hope International Partnerships (SoHIP)** returned to help us establish a bio-sand filter fabrication project. SoHIP donated a filter mold to Africa 180, and within two weeks we were trained in the fabrication process and built four filters. A structure to house the bio-sand filter fabrication project was under construction before the end of 2019. In 2020 we plan to train up more Mozambicans in filter fabrication and install filters in the homes of villagers with no access to clean water.



# Education Program

Submitted by  
Anna Capener



**Preschools:** It was another successful year in both of our preschools. The new preschool in Chipindaumwe completed its second year and is now becoming very well established. At the beginning of the year the site was completely transformed due to the planting of grass. Once the grass was well rooted the children loved the chance to run around and play during break-times, especially football!

The community in Chipindaumwe continue to hold a very high value for the school which was evident in the feedback we received from the parents at the end of the year. Many expressed their amazement at the things their child had learnt to do and many also commented on how their child has taught them to pray before mealtimes or when a member of the family is unwell.



When the cyclone hit in March we were able to help the families and teachers at our preschool in a number of ways. We gave roofing plastic to many families and decided to continue our feeding program for the entire year instead of just during the usual hunger season. One of our teachers who is a single parent suffered a lot of damage to her house. We were able to help repair this damage. In October we distributed maize seed and rice to each of our students' families.

In April Anna's father visited Mozambique and worked very hard redecorating the two Mussunsa preschool classrooms. They were transformed by the end of his two week visit with freshly painted walls, framed photographs of the children, new whiteboards and display boards, tiles around the sink and new coat pegs. The children were amazed when they came back from their holidays to see the new classrooms.



During the cooler months of June, July and August we were able to visit each of our students' homes. The whole class of children go on each home visit where they sing and pray for the family.

Towards the end of the year Anna carried out end of year assessments to check the progress of each child. It was very encouraging to see that the vast majority of our students are making very good progress and can confidently write their name, count, order and write numbers from 0 - 10 and recognise each letter of the alphabet.

In October we graduated 49 students from our Mussunsa preschool and 30 from our Chipindaumwe preschool. Both graduations took place on a swelteringly hot day and were well attended by parents and carers. The children performed a drama of Joshua and the battle of Jericho, sang songs and performed a dance - much to the delight of the onlookers who then asked that we repeat it so they could join in!



**Number of preschool students that graduated in 2019: 79**

**Number of students regularly attending our education programs in 2019: 200**

**Number of staff employed through the education programs in 2019 : 14**

**Graduate Programs:** In Mussunsa, the literacy and bible lessons continue to be well attended by children aged 7yrs - 13yrs and in Chipindaumwe, this program commenced for the children who completed the pre-school in 2018. Mathematic lessons are now included for some of the younger children and two new members of staff joined our team this year to teach this program. It's been a positive process of training the two teachers; both have shown a willingness to learn, are receptive to new ideas/teaching methods and have built good relationships with the children. This year, the bible lessons have been extended to include games and art to encourage children to learn well. The children, and even our teacher, have thoroughly enjoyed these fun approaches. The oldest children (13yrs) attended the series of identity workshops towards the end of the year and, although a shy cohort this year, learned about their value and identity in Christ. Our 12yr old class enjoyed weekly dance clubs and smiles were seen from children who don't often display such an expression! At our Chipindaumwe site, the year finished with parents joining us in the classroom for children to show their learning and present their work. It was a memorable morning and a joy to celebrate the children's learning with members of the family.



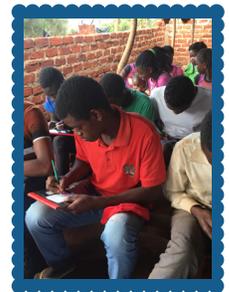
**Additional Community Classes:** Following on from the success of the parenting classes in 2018 we decided to start 2019 with more parenting classes that focussed particularly on raising teenagers. These were well attended in Mussunsa and Chipindaumwe. The teacher who led the sessions, Grace, handled the subject matter sensitively and courageously. Many parents requested that we hold classes for the teenagers themselves. This was the outcome we were hoping for as it has long been on Anna's heart to hold sex and relationship classes for the older graduates. In a country where HIV/AIDS is rife but where it is shameful to talk about sex, many unhealthy beliefs and behaviours result. Grace and Anna designed a four week course aimed at girls who were beginning to go through puberty. A maximum of ten girls were invited to the course which was then repeated for another group of ten. The classes were very well attended and feedback from parents was very positive. The classes focused on the biological aspects of puberty, menstruation, sexual intercourse, contraception and pregnancy. Grace also talked a lot about identity and how our perception of our worth and value can affect the choices that we make. Each lesson had a strong biblical foundation where Grace was able to share God's design for sex and healthy relationships.



**Outreach and Holiday Bible Club:** Kids Club has continued to be enjoyed each Friday this year by local children at both of our sites. A particular highlight has been to see the commitment and confidence growth in our three youth volunteers. These three volunteers have come early each week to learn the story and understand how to apply it to their lives. They have told the bible stories well to the children as well as also developing in their own character. During August, our annual holiday bible club happened with 300 children attending. The teachers took more ownership over the program this year, performed engaging dramas, shared inspiring testimonies and truly demonstrated worshipful hearts during the singing and dancing times.



**Youth Club:** Our weekly youth club started this year with one of our preschool teachers leading it. Each week, eleven 14yr olds have attended the youth club where they have enjoyed games, engaged in activities and learned more about God, particularly what living with Jesus means for our daily lives. Abi has worked with Mateus to design this program and it has been hugely encouraging to see the way that he has flourished in leading this club as well as being a role model of authentic faith to the teenagers. The teenagers show great commitment to this club and a real sense of belonging and acceptance has been established. One comment made by Mateus during the year was 'Children this age are normally afraid and don't want to give their ideas, but the teenagers here, have freedom to speak and there is no fear.' Towards the end of the year, this teacher suggested the idea of taking the youth program to his local church for other teenagers to attend. This started at the end of the year with twenty teenagers attending and will continue into next year.



### Prayer Points

Please pray for Grace as she continues to teach sex and relationship classes to the girls across both our sites and for wisdom as we seek to write and deliver classes for boys. Pray that the right male teacher is willing to lead these classes.

Last year some of our graduates stopped coming to classes. Upon further investigation it became apparent that leaders within the Muslim community were telling them not to come. They were told to go to the mosque for lessons instead. Please pray for the growing Muslim influence upon certain parts of our school community. Pray that we can carry on our work peaceably and without opposition.

It has become necessary for us to register our preschool under the department of social services in order for us to continue functioning legally. Anything involving paperwork/government departments here can be extremely slow and frustrating. Please pray that this process happens quickly and easily. Pray for great favour. Please also pray that after we receive registration we can continue to function as normal without any demands made like having to alter our curriculum or approach.



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Tariro

Submitted by  
Terri Cash

## JANUARY - MARCH

This year was rather busy from the Cyclones to our Graduation of the class of 2019. Then we began entrance exams for the new 2020 students. January and February, we were rushing to finish the remodel of the guesthouse. March found us overwhelmed with cyclone relief and community service, which lasted for many months. The staff, students and Director Terri Cash, repaired more than 20 homes in the local village as well as roofs on both a primary school and baby clinic at Africa 180.

## APRIL - JULY

During this school session we went to a four (4) day week class schedule, 8-4 and Friday was set aside for makeup exams, teacher planning and staff meetings. We also divided into two (2) lunch periods giving us more actual class time. In June and July, we were frantically working to secure practical placement for all 32 students. We were successful in placing all the Agriculture students at a Fruit Tree Nursery in Messica. While the Metal Works student were scattered from Chimoio to Beira.

## AUGUST

We spent August doing needful maintenance, repairs and upgrades to the 21 acres of trees and facilities. Our carpentry machines were fitted with new blades, belts and greased. The Sawmill also received new blades and some much needed TLC. We completely upgraded the toilets to include a septic system and flush squatty potties, each being designated to its own gender, complete with user friendly picture instructions. We prepared the documents for Paul Smith to obtain a business visa and allow the family to enter on his credentials. The documents were translated and forwarded to the Dept of Education for an equivalency based on transcripts and documents from the university in the UK. Terri asked Danielle Clyde-Wiggins (owner/operator) Probusola tree nursery to look at our agg land and give some feedback as to the best use/crops suited for the terrain and the contour. She felt that it has very little potential for commercial use due to the limited access, small size and the effort it would take to terrace the hill area for growing functionality. We could do fruit trees as the juice company will take even second and third pickings.

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

September and October are the months set aside for Fire prevention and prep for the rainy season. This began with cutting grass by manual machettes on the entire 21 acres of perimeter fence-line in a path of 2 ½ meters (8-9 feet), and cleaning and cutting the brush and grass in the hardwood forest. We made site visits to all our students at their place of practical training and were very pleased with the status reports and how well the students were received.

## NOVEMBER

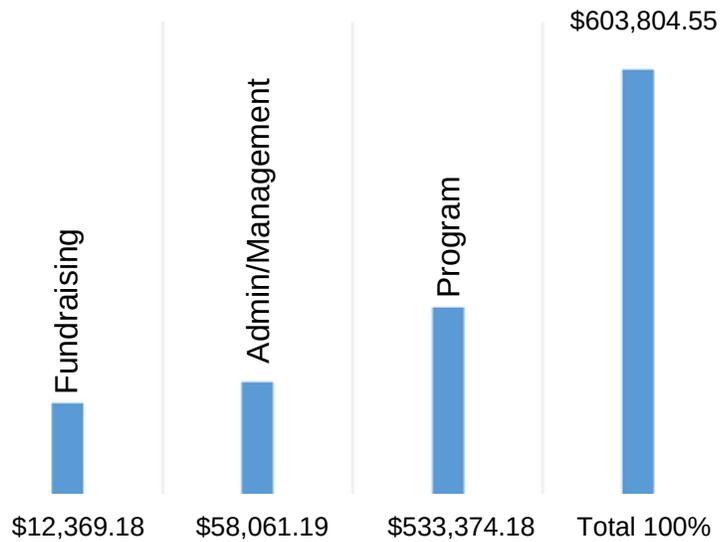
November occupied us with preparing, executing and marking 2020 entrance exams. We had 86 potential students take the exams, of which 12 were female. 35 Passed (2 female Agriculture, 3 Female Metal works) 25 Metal Works and 10 Agriculture. A second catchup exam was scheduled for Jan 28, 2020 with 68 potential students registered. The end of the month marked the return of our students from practicals and the beginning of graduation preparations.

## DECEMBER

December was a whirlwind, the construction of the Africa 180 Bio-Sand Project Shelter. Graduation was a success with 32 students graduated having completed both class work, their practical and their discipleship course to receive certificates from ANEP (The government department overseeing our school). Early in the year we received monies earmarked for cyclone relief. Immediately following the disaster we jumped in to help the community at large but not our direct staff so we used part of this money to establish an account with a local merchant and each employee could buy anything they needed up to 5000 MZN. Another portion was used to repair the drive at the Fitzsimons' mission. We also took time to prune and trim the fruit trees at Tariro.



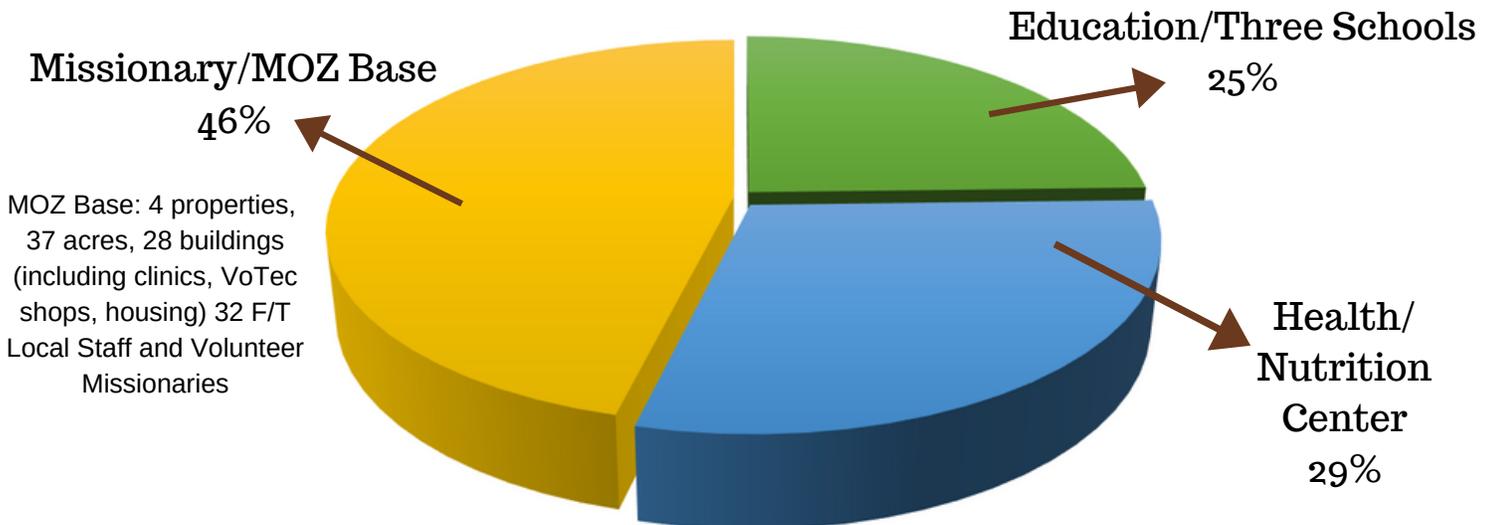
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