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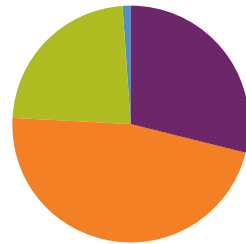
World Renew's response to the earthquakes in Nepal has been made possible through the faithful support of many individuals, churches and organizations. This includes:

- + All We Can (UK Methodists)
- + Bijzondere Noden (Board for Special Needs) Reformed Churches of the Netherlands
- + Canadian Reformed World Relief Fund
- + Dorcas Aid
- + Food for the Hungry, USA
- + Reformed Churches of New Zealand
- + Tear Switzerland
- + Woord en Daad
- + World Concern, USA
- + World Transform, CRC Australia
- + ZOA International

World Renew extends a special thank you to the nine International Relief Managers who have served in Nepal to carry out its earthquake response. Thank you Harry & Annie Bergshoeff, Pete Diepersloot, Harry & Greta Harsevoort, Mike & Colleen Hoyer, Brad Lucas, and Dwayne Nienhuis for your leadership, talents and service.

Financial Information

Revenue

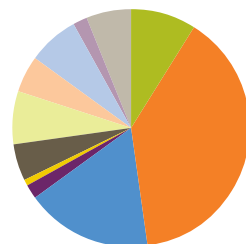


April 25, 2015 to March 18, 2016

Private Donors in the USA	\$850,205
Private Donors in Canada	\$1,250,100
Organizational Donors	\$657,971
Gift in Kind (water filters)	\$9,000
Total	\$2,834,657

Between April 25, 2015 and March 18, 2016, World Renew received \$2.8 million (USD) for its response to the earthquakes in Nepal. This included \$2 million in donations from individuals and churches. These donations were leveraged through World Renew's membership in the Integral Alliance and other organizations to raise an additional \$774,000.

Expenses



April 25, 2015 to February 29, 2016

Food Assistance	\$69,788
Shelter	\$299,615
Non-Food items	\$130,623
Medical	\$10,000
Psycho Social Support	\$1,454
Water Sanitation and Hygiene*	\$35,557
Direct Personnel	\$53,295
Transportation	\$34,767
Indirect costs	\$57,197
Capital Assets	\$15,353
Administration	\$45,952
Total	\$753,601

*includes \$5,000 (Phase 1) and \$4,000 (Phase 2) of Sawyer water filters that were donated

Between April 25, 2015 and February 29, 2016, World Renew spent \$753,601 (USD) of the funds it had received for its emergency and early recovery phases of the Nepal earthquake response. This included \$69,800 for food assistance, \$299,600 for temporary shelter, \$130,600 for non-food items including tarps and blankets, and \$35,500 for water, sanitation and hygiene programs. The remaining balance of \$2 million will be used over the next two years as we continue to help earthquake survivors in the reconstruction phase rebuild their homes and rehabilitate livelihoods.

Many of us will remember April 2015 and the horrific images we saw on our television screens of collapsed buildings and grief-stricken people searching for lost loved ones. Located in South Asia between China and India, Nepal was already one of the world's poorest countries before two earthquakes devastated the country on April 25 and May 12, 2015. Nine thousand people died and 22,000 were injured. For those that survived, the task of rebuilding seemed almost insurmountable.

You heard about their needs — more than 600,000 homes destroyed; an additional 290,000 damaged; roads, schools, businesses, farm fields and other infrastructure in need of huge repair. You cared enough to respond. Thanks to your prayers and financial gifts, World Renew has been able to reach out in Christ's name in this time of urgent need.

Together with Christian Reformed World Missions and the staff and students from the Evangelical Presbyterian Theological Seminary, World Renew provided an initial distribution of food and tarps to 1,942 families in five districts within days of the first quake.

Because of the success of this initial response, World Renew received permission from the government of Nepal to provide additional, longer-term assistance in specific villages in the Districts of Nuwekot and Ramechhap. World Renew provided families in these communities with food, hygiene supplies, buckets, tarps, ropes, water filters, blankets, tools, and iron sheeting for temporary shelter. Since then, World Renew has also provided training in trauma care, health and sanitation training, repaired water sources and new latrines.

This ministry was not without its challenges. Receiving permission

from the government of Nepal to carry out this work took a great deal of time and persistence. What's more, a political dispute within Nepal's population and leadership led to a blockade at the border between Nepal and India. This caused critical fuel shortages throughout the country and limited World Renew's ability to procure and transport essential materials.

Despite these challenges, God always provides. In total, World Renew has helped 33,131 people in Nepal pick up the pieces of their life and begin to put them back together. As we now enter a second year of our response, we have trained 110 masons in earthquake resistant construction techniques as we begin the process to build new, permanent homes.

Thank you for making this ministry possible. I hope that as you read the stories on the following pages, you will be able to recognize the important role you play in this ministry.

Warmth for the Winter

While spring has sprung in North America, the memory of winter snow and cold is not that far behind. In the mountains of Nepal, the memories of this past winter are pleasant ones thanks to blankets distributed by World Renew.

The average winter temperatures in lower central Nepal range from approximately 18° C on a sunny day to a nighttime low of 2°C. In the higher elevations of the mountains, it is colder and may even snow.

While these temperatures are not extreme, they cause concern for families living in tents or temporary houses made out of salvaged or new galvanized iron sheeting. Those whose permanent homes were not destroyed by the quake, are not much better off. They are living in houses built out of stone or cement without any insulation.

In a typical winter, some families would ward off the cold by using propane heaters. This past winter, however, the ongoing blockade at the India border meant that the entire country had a severe shortage of petrol, propane and kerosene. Families struggled to cook without cooking fuel. Those in poverty could also not afford to adequately heat their homes even if they could find fuel for sale.

World Renew responded to this need by providing families in all of its target communities with large, thick blankets. Each family received one, two, three or four blankets depending on the size of the family. In January, World Renew provided additional blankets in nearby mountain communities.

Nepal Earthquake Response At-A-Glance

Between April 2015 and March 2016, World Renew:

- Worked with Christian Reformed World Missions, Crossway Disaster Response team, and the Evangelical Presbyterian Theological Seminary (EPTS) to provide a one-week supply of emergency food assistance and 140 tarps to 1,942 families
- Started up a World Renew Nepal office, working with EPTS and Crossway volunteers and direct staff
- Provided an additional two week supply of rice, lentils, oil, salt and nutrilla (soybean-based product) to 1,325 families
- Provided plastic buckets, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, towels, feminine products, laundry soap, comb and oral rehydration tablets to 1,325 families along with hygiene messages
- Distributed tarps and rope to 1,325 households for emergency shelter
- Provided blankets to 6,633 families (1-4 blankets per household)
- Distributed 1,768 temporary shelter kits consisting of 16 sheets of corrugated galvanized iron sheets, law hammer, tie wire, and nails
- Provided 328 Sawyer water filters to provide portable water to 9,457 individuals
- Provided 2,000 oral rehydration sachets to Female Community Health Volunteers for community use particularly during the monsoon season
- Supported the health of 751 children through education via 10 child clubs and hygiene camps
- Completed the repair and protection of 4 water sources in 3 wards restoring access to potable water for 246 households.
- Set up and trained 2 registered Water Utilization Committees (WUCs) and 3 sub-water utilization committees in 3 wards. These committees can now operate and maintain the technical aspects of water filters and water sources.
- Trained 13 Female Community Health Volunteers in Hygiene practices
- Contracted with the Centre for Mental Health and Counselling – Nepal (CMC-Nepal) to train 13 Female Community Health volunteers on Psychological First Aid (PFA) so that they are better able to recognize trauma. Identified cases were then counseled by Community Psycho Social Workers and four people were referred to Kathmandu for additional treatment.
- Completed the construction and repair of 429 latrines and helped communities work towards declaring an Open Defecation Free Status.
- Contracted with Build Change for the training of 110 masons in earthquake resistant construction techniques.

“While we set up for the distribution, the first beneficiaries eagerly lined up to receive their blankets.

It seemed to us that many people were inadequately dressed for the cold. Many were wearing summer sandals, often without socks, and a

few of the elderly were barefoot. We wondered if they have possibly been barefoot all their lives,” said Greta Harsevoort, World Renew’s International Relief Manager in Nepal. “It was a joy for us to see their expressions of happiness and thankfulness when they received their blankets.”

Children Rally For Change

Pramila Ghale is a small girl, but what she lacks in size she makes up for in passion. On a December day, she joined a throng of other children walking up and down the mountains of Nepal to share messages about toilets.

“They walked through beautiful rice paddy fields and across several small villages,” explained World Renew’s Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Educator, Rubash Tamang. “They sang for two to three hours unceasingly without any complaints to help make the community aware that they should stop open defecation and start building toilets.”

The child rally was part of World Renew’s sanitation and hygiene program in Nepal. As part of this effort, World Renew has started children’s clubs in nine regional wards. The clubs help children cope with trauma, but also teach messages about health and hygiene through fun games and songs. The children have been trained about the importance of having and using latrines, washing their hands with soap and only drinking clean water.

The children also participated in projects to improve their communities. They cleaned schools, picked up trash in their communities and even cleaned a local marketplace and provided it with trash cans for future use.

As a next step, the children wanted to share their knowledge with the adults in their communities. They decided to hold a rally. The children in the clubs planned a route, wrote slogans and invited all of their friends to join. Even though



it rained on the day of their event, they kept walking and shouting.

“When I joined the rally for wards four and five, I heard the small and loud voice of a young girl leading them,” said Rubash. “It was apparently a small, shy girl with big courage named Pramilia Ghale. She was constantly shouting slogans during the long rally up and down the terrain.”

In addition to being part of the child club, Ghale’s family has received food, blankets and other assistance from World Renew. They currently live in a temporary shelter built with iron sheeting provided by World Renew and their new latrine was part of World Renew’s response.

World Renew provided materials for these latrines to earthquake survivors, but the families first had to build a proper pit before they could receive materials. By educating all members of the family about the importance of latrines, more families built latrines and are using them. The ultimate goal is for all nine wards where World Renew works to be open defecation free.

“It was an overwhelming experience to observe how children were so enthusiastic and motivated to help their communities become open-defecation free,” said Rubash. “Children really can make a difference.”