



Annual Report | 2009

GLOBAL CONNECTIONS
RETHINKING HUMANITARIAN AID

*Serving and learning from the
orphaned, widowed, poor and oppressed*





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MISSION

Global Connections addresses social injustice through sustainable humanitarian aid to the orphan, widow, poor and oppressed while providing opportunities to serve and learn from the world's marginalized people.



GlobalConnections | Impact Statement

2009 was a year of growth for Global Connections. We increased our partners and projects around the world. A capable and committed staff coupled with a dedicated and growing support base contributed to a dynamic year.

CONTRIBUTIONS AROUND THE WORLD

AFRICA

- Raised more than \$130,000 for sustainable humanitarian aid projects in Kenya.
- Joe Heritage joined us as a Projects Manager in East Africa. He instigated Food Relief for famine stricken families in southern Kenya, worked with an Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) village to build a community, and led the Volunteer Program for individual travelers.
- Kyle Davis also joined our team as the Executive Director, East Africa. He and his wife, Jessica, and children, Alexis (9) and Beckett (8), have lived in Kenya for three years and bring a vast amount of experience to the Global Connections family.

JIKAZE VILLAGE

- Developed relationships with IDP camp, formulated a plan through those relationships, and sponsored 90 individual micro-finance loans to entrepreneurial businesses.
- Joined local villagers to complete the remaining 52 semi-permanent houses of their 145 house village.

NGUSISHI WATER PROJECT

- Provided funding to expand the project with three additional reservoirs in the North Eastern Province of Kenya.

LIMURU CHILDREN'S CENTRE (LCC)

- Relocated and re-modeled a new kitchen, including stoves and cooking equipment.
- Developed the Christmas Gift Program which fed 36 children for two weeks, sent 37 children to primary school for a year and increased care givers' salaries.
- Started a sustainable model of support, The Godparent Program, which increases monthly financial support and facilitates better education in English, reading and writing, and enhances the relationship skills of the children.

FOOD RELIEF

- Delivered food to 1,000 families in the drought-ravaged area of Mali Tisa, feeding as many as 5,000 people.

IN LIMURU

- Organized and successfully held a Youth Symposium and Trash Pickup initiative in Limuru Town.
- Provided 48 scholarships for high school students in the Limuru area.

GC FARM

- Utilized the resources of the Farm to subsidize the LCC food budget and provide vegetables to partner organizations.
- Connected 93 HIV+ men and women to a micro-finance organization, Jamii Bora.

UHURU CHILD

- Advised and coordinated the logistics of building secondary schools with Uhuru Child.

GlobalConnections | Impact Statement (continued...)

SOUTH AMERICA

- Facilitated the relocation of a Global Connections' partner to Ecuador to start Imagine, a nonprofit that works with university students and the problems of local poverty.
- Conducted an initial visit to survey potential partners in Haiti.

EUROPE

- Disbursed more than \$35,000 to partner organizations working in Prague.
- Started a relationship building process for expansion into Eastern Europe.

UNITED STATES

- For the Kids Fundraiser: seven ambassadors biked 217 miles to underwrite the LCC's annual operating budget.
- 41 individuals traveled to Kenya through a Global Connection Group Trip.
- 22 people traveled to Kenya through our Volunteer Program.
- All travelers worked alongside some of the most marginalized people of Kenya and experienced the problems of poverty and oppression.
- Encouraged environmental responsibility of volunteers through environmental education with Care of Creation (i.e. water harvesting, no-till farming, and tree planting.)

GlobalConnections | Financial Statement | 1/1/09 - 12/31/09

INCOME

Unrestricted Contributions	\$ 182,617.30
Designated Contributions	\$ 293,870.58
Interest	\$ 3,023.09
Income from Service Trips	\$ 41,659.53

TOTAL INCOME	\$ 521,170.60
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EXPENSES

Disbursement of Project Support	\$ 156,015.34
Operating Expenses - U.S.	\$ 20,510.50
Operating Expenses - Kenya	\$ 61,864.88
Payroll Expenses	\$ 81,505.34
Group Service Trip Expenses	\$ 33,272.33
Staff Development	\$ 10,733.40

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 363,901.79
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FUND BALANCE:	\$ 157,268.81
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GlobalConnections | Financial Standing | 12/31/09

ASSETS

Total Checking / Savings	\$ 215,221.78
Total Other Current Assets	\$ 44,391.07
Total Fixed Assets	\$ 14,883.33
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 274,496.18

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Accounts Payable	\$ 1,224.17
Other Current Liabilities	(\$ 8,972.85)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(\$ 7,748.68)

Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 124,976.05
Net Income	\$ 157,268.81
TOTAL EQUITY	\$ 282,244.86

TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY	\$ 274,496.18
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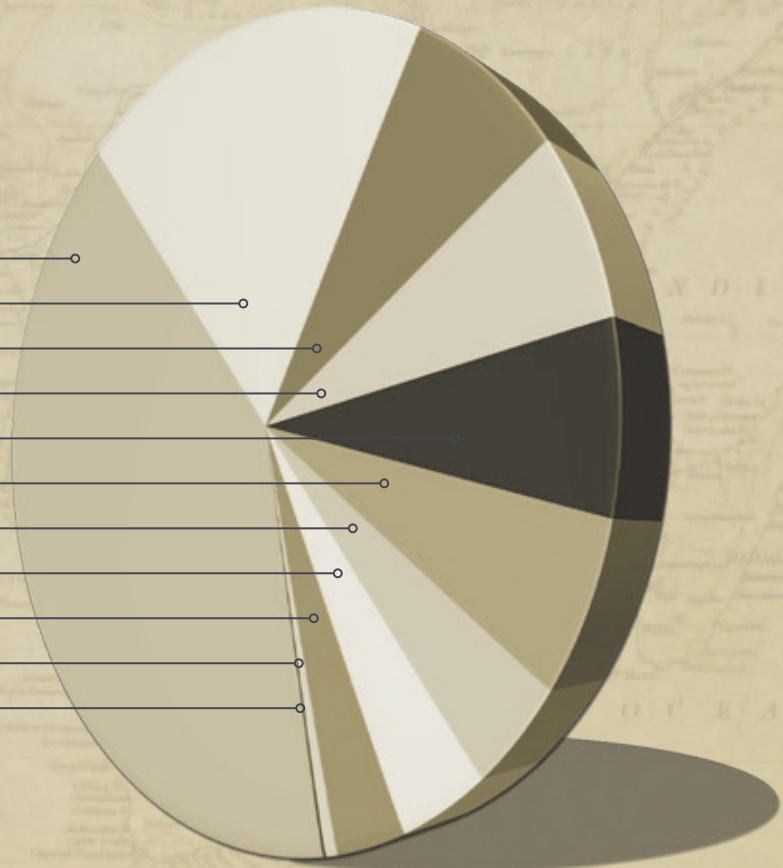
GlobalConnections | Project Support 2009



Funds Raised for Partners & Programs 2009

Limuru Children's Centre	\$ 82,928.00
Mosaic House (Prague)	\$ 37,975.00
Food Relief	\$ 8,337.00
Ngusishi Water Project	\$ 12,150.00
Uhuru Child Secondary Schools	\$ 13,350.00
Care for Aids	\$ 1,152.05
Educational Scholarships	\$ 8,100.00
Imagine (Ecuador)	\$ 14,850.00
Jikaze Village (IDP Camp)	\$ 6,610.00
Pat Dixson Feeding Program	\$ 13,000.00
Sister Sandra Ministry Support	\$ 300.00
Total:	\$ 198,752.05

Limuru Children's Centre
 Mosaic House (Prague)
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GlobalConnections | Income and Expense Trend

Since our inception in January of 2007, Global Connections has handled our income and expenses with integrity and careful attention to detail. Looking forward, we hope to increase our investment in sustainable humanitarian aid projects while facilitating more volunteer travel experiences.

Income and Expense Trend Since Inception:

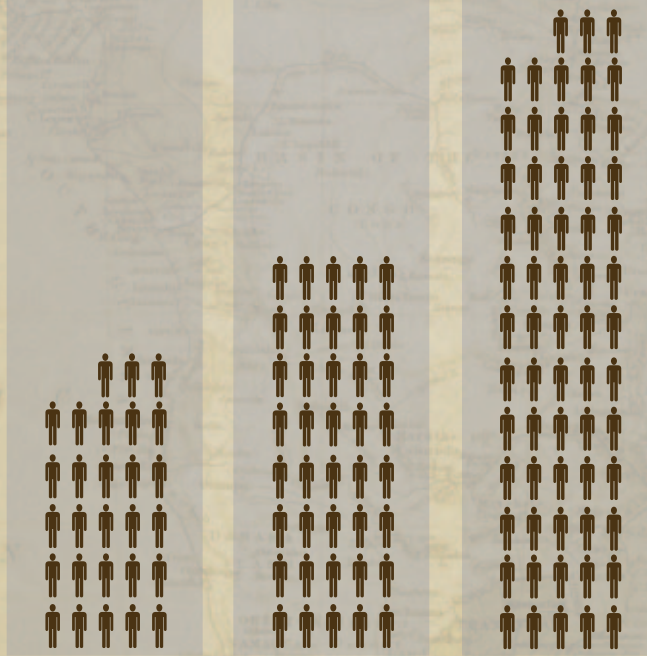
	2007	2008	2009
INCOME			
Unrestricted Contributions	\$ 103,198.20	\$ 80,262.34	\$ 182,617.30
Designated Contributions	\$ 100,241.94	\$ 298,737.63	\$ 293,870.58
Interest	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,634.03	\$ 3,023.09
Income from Service Trips	\$ 900.00	\$ 179,695.33	\$ 41,659.63
Total Income	\$ 204,340.14	\$ 561,329.33	\$ 521,170.60
EXPENSES			
Disbursement of Project Support	\$ 52,370.11	\$ 229,785.03	\$ 156,015.34
Operating Expenses - U.S.	\$ 10,800.09	\$ 14,878.95	\$ 20,510.50
Operating Expenses - Kenya	\$ 0.00	\$ 47,058.96	\$ 61,864.88
Payroll Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 49,161.71	\$ 81,505.34
Group Service Trip Expenses	\$ 2,128.40	\$ 182,947.40	\$ 33,272.33
Staff Travel & Meetings	\$ 19,128.63	\$ 33,332.94	\$ 10,733.40
Total Expenses	\$ 84,427.23	\$ 557,164.99	\$ 363,901.79
FUND BALANCE	\$ 119,912.91	\$ 4,164.34	\$ 157,268.81

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GlobalConnections | Three Years of Serving and Learning

	2007	2008	2009	Totals
Limuru Children's Centre	\$74,201.80	\$163,644.54	\$82,928.00	\$320,774.34
Mosaic House (Prague)	\$13,130.00	\$22,655.00	\$37,975.00	\$73,760.00
Ngusishi Water Project		\$20,000.00	\$12,150.00	\$32,150.00
Pat Dixson Feeding Program	\$5,000.00	\$5,014.00	\$13,000.00	\$23,014.00
Educational Scholarships		\$13,223.75	\$8,100.00	\$21,323.75
Imagine (Ecuador)			\$14,850.00	\$14,850.00
Uhuru Child Secondary Schools			\$13,350.00	\$13,350.00
Food Relief			\$8,337.00	\$8,337.00
Jikaze Village (IDP Camp)			\$6,610.00	\$6,610.00
GC Farm		\$6,580.49		\$6,580.49
Tears of Africa	\$3,246.14			\$3,246.14
Care of Creation	\$3,000.00			\$3,000.00
Sister Sandra Ministry Support		\$2,350.00	\$300.00	\$2,650.00
Care for AIDS			\$1,152.05	\$1,152.05
TOTAL	\$98,577.94	\$233,467.78	\$198,752.05	\$530,797.77



Travelers to Kenya:

28 40 63
 2007 2008 2009

GlobalConnections | Looking Forward

Dear Friends,

It has been a pleasure to work with the projects and supporters of Global Connections this year. The statistics in this report are a tribute to the hard work of many Kenyans and the overwhelming support of people from the West. We hope that you are proud of the part you played to accomplish so much last year.

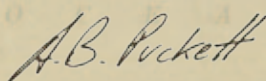
We have set a number of goals for 2010, and any of these would be wonderful areas for volunteer energy and help--whether you visit Kenya or want to help from your home.

- Develop and implement a system of harvesting rainwater in the Jikaze Village to provide clean drinking water. (\$31,000 needed.)
- Coordinate with HEART and African Impact to provide sanitary napkins to high school girls in Kibera. Initially we would like to provide the necessary supplies to 6,000 girls for one year. This is an effort to increase access to educational institutions by reducing the number of school days missed each month. (\$26,000 needed.)
- Continue to partner with the Ngusishi Water Project in order to facilitate the completion of 21km (13 miles) of piping, enabling over 8,000 people access to clean drinking water. This process will also achieve the environmental goal of restoring the Ngusishi River back to its original state. (\$20,000 needed.)
- Provide food relief to several partners that are struggling to feed the people they serve: Jikaze, Mukeu, Pat's Food Aid, Mission Link in Western Kenya, Cheshire House. (\$25,000 needed.)
- Complete the new dorms at the LCC. (\$10,000 needed.)

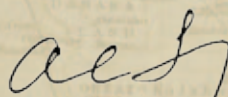
We still hold it as a top priority to start a Baby Centre for abandoned HIV babies. We have experienced a number of setbacks due to working in a developing country, but we are pushing forward. We ask for your prayers and support as we work very hard to make 2010 the year it opens.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to serving and learning with you as we confront social injustice and enrich the lives of people around the world.

Sincerely,



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