



Annual Report | 2008

**GLOBALCONNECTIONS**  
RETHINKING HUMANITARIAN AID

AFRICA



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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

2008 proved to be an exciting year for Global Connections. Our approach to humanitarian aid has two focuses: leveraging resources for indigenous-led efforts and facilitating travel experiences for westerners. In both of these categories we experienced extensive growth. Our staff grew to include Will Porter as Site Developer (East Africa), Bryan Mitchell as Program Coordinator (U.S.) and Anna Terry as Executive Director (U.S.) We are excited to have them on board with their vast talents and passion to help the orphaned, widowed and oppressed and to serve others who want to volunteer.

## HUMANITARIAN AID ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Directed more than \$250,000 to sustainable humanitarian aid projects in Kenya.
- We added 9 total orphans to our family (35 children) at the Limuru Children's Centre.
- We increased our day students (food, uniforms, medicine) by 75 kids, feeding a more than 300 children daily.
- \$20,000 was raised for a water distribution system in Northern Kenya that will supply thousands of Kenyans with water for perpetuity.
- Planted a seven acre farm to underwrite food budget at Children's Centre and Volunteer House, while training kids in sustainable farming techniques.

## CROSS-CULTURAL TRAVEL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- We guided 71 travelers through the problems of poverty and oppression in Kenya.
- Renovated 8,500ft<sup>2</sup> house for travelers.
- Started relationships with Haitian Development projects.



# GlobalConnections | Financial Statement | 11/1/07 - 10/31/08

## INCOME

### Direct Contributions:

Unrestricted	\$ 58,954.34
Designated	\$ 307,319.77
Interest	\$ 2,022.39

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<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 368,296.50</b>
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## EXPENSES

### Operating Expenses:

Subscriptions & References	\$ 343.44
Fundraising Expense	\$ 4,018.00
Computer Expense	\$ 2,054.61
Communication	\$ 707.57
Marketing	\$ 8,289.98
Supplies, Postage, Registration	\$ 813.42
Auto Repair & Maintenance	\$ 321.90
Staff - Meals Long-term travel	\$ 343.14
Fees	\$ 2,330.09
Staff Payroll Expenses	\$ 40,288.08
Staff Travel, Seminars, & Short-term Service Trips	\$ 29,095.73

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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 88,605.96</b>
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<b>INCOME - EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 279,690.54</b>
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**ASSETS**

Total Checking / Savings	\$ 93,603.66
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 862.00
Other Current Assets	\$ 34,955.40

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**TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS** \$ 129,421.06

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Accounts Payable	\$ 6,922.44
Other Current Liabilities	(\$ 2,158.00)
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$ 4,764.44

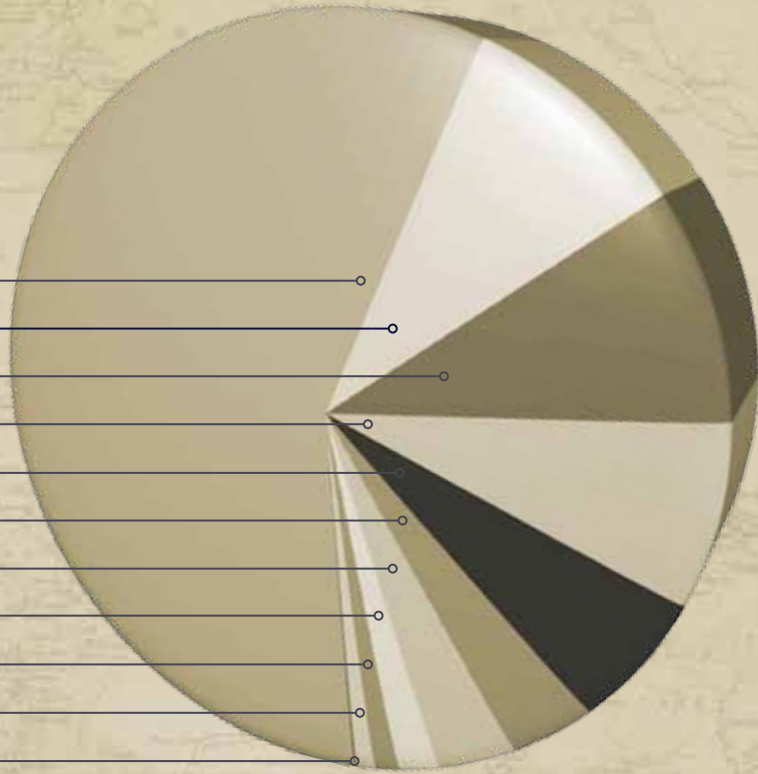
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 110,265.20
Net Income	\$ 14,391.42
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	\$ 124,656.62

**TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY** \$ 129,421.06



# GlobalConnections | Project Support

- Limuru Children's Centre
- Volunteer House
- Mosaic House
- Nguishi Water Project
- Tigoni Scholarship
- Emergency Evacuee Assistance
- Jamii Moja
- Pat Dixson Feeding Program
- Care of Creation
- Sister Sandra
- Miscellaneous Projects



## Funds directed to Grassroots Partners and Programs

Limuru Children's Centre - Kenya	\$ 152,824.20
Volunteer House	\$ 23,535.96
Mosaic House - Christian Youth Hostel - Prague	\$ 23,214.00
Nguishi Water Project - Kenya	\$ 20,000.00
Tigoni Scholarship - Education - Kenya	\$ 16,300.00
Kenya Emergency Evacuee Assistance	\$ 10,189.56
Jamii Moja (GC Farm)	\$ 9,550.15
Pat Dixson Feeding Program - Kenya	\$ 5,000.00
Care of Creation - Kenya	\$ 3,000.00
Sister Sandra - Girls Education - Kenya	\$ 2,307.69
Miscellaneous Projects - Missionary Support	\$ 276.36
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 266,197.92</b>

# GlobalConnections | Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

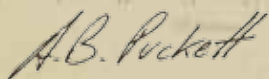
What a year it has been! I am so thankful for each one of you that have supported our work in Kenya. It has been an exciting year and we've seen a number of lives changed. It is a great honor to work in such a capacity and see lives changed on both sides of the Atlantic.

With a larger staff, we have set a number of aggressive goals for 2009. We look forward to strategically serving the world's oppressed while making their plight known to people of more comfortable means. In the next twelve months we will:

- Rebuild our identity around “**Rethinking Humanitarian Aid**”, including web presence and marketing materials. The “Rethinking” language is important to us, because no one has all the answers to effective humanitarian aid. However we are constantly addressing, or rethinking, the needs and assets of the poor and wealthy in order to find mutually beneficial solutions.
- Guide 100 travelers to serve and learn from world's marginalized people.
- Set up an individual traveler program with ACTSOverland and increase volunteer capacity to 18 beds.
- Start a Famine Relief Program.
- Add an East African staff member to handle traveler program and curriculum.
- Build new dorms at Limuru Children's Centre.
- Start home for abandoned babies with HIV.

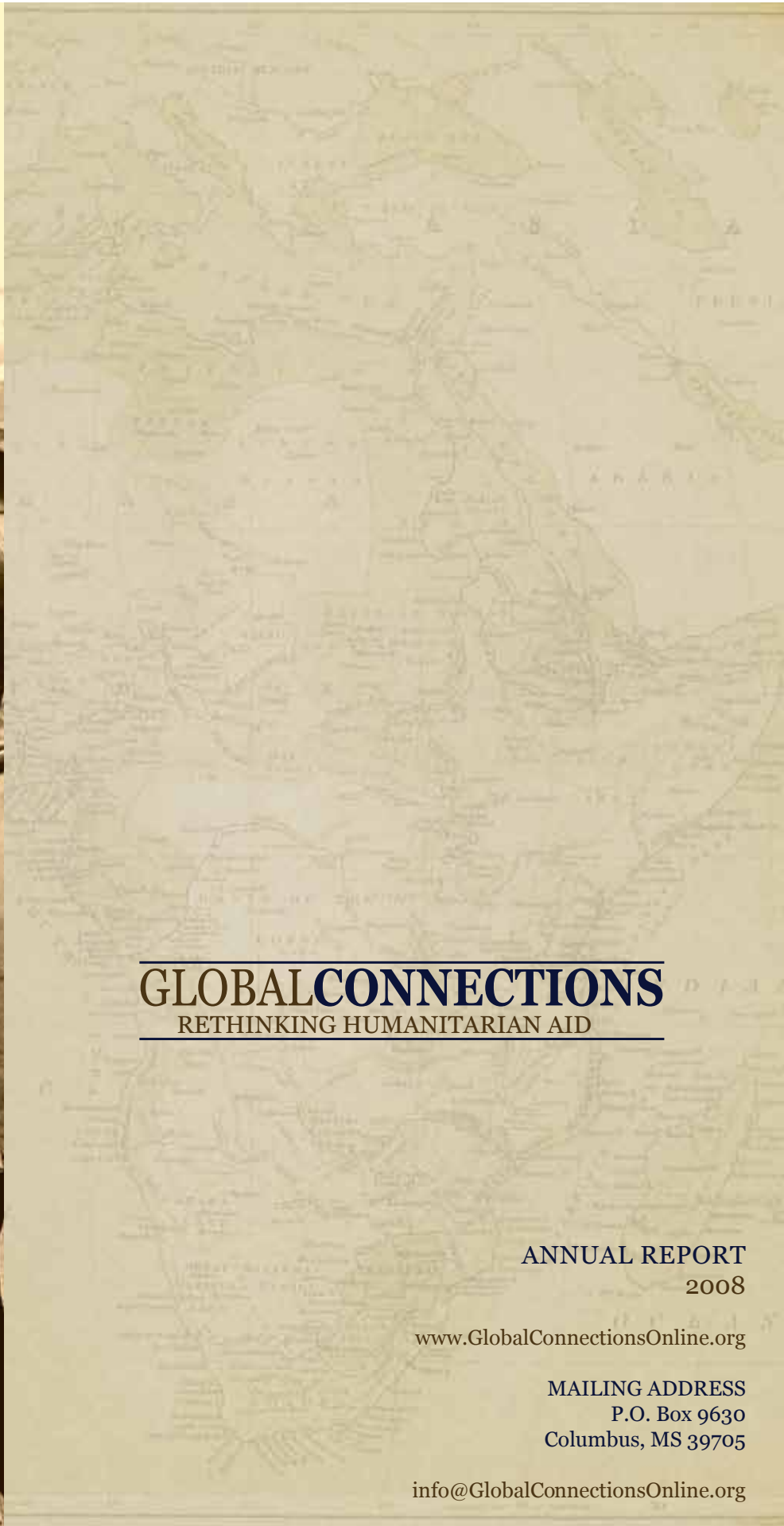
Thank you for your interest in Global**Connections**' endeavors to confront social injustice and enrich the lives of people around the world.

Sincerely,



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