



Changing Lives & Saving Souls

An annual report from the Orthodox Christian Mission Center for the fiscal year 2019 to 2020

Around the world - from Alaska to Latin America, across eastern Europe, throughout Africa, and in Asia - the seeds of the Orthodox Faith were sown in the hearts of countless people by Orthodox Christian Mission Center missionaries, mission team members, and mission priests. They oversaw ministries and projects that transformed lives with the light of Christ. In 2019 and 2020, this witness grew. ***You made the following possible through your prayers and support of OCMC:***

Education

- 7** missionaries provided education
- 4** religious education projects funded
- 6** theological training initiatives supported
- 9** pre-k to 12 school programs funded

\$82,900

for educational initiatives

Children

- 5** missionaries in children's ministry
- 14** projects addressed children's needs
- 1** ministry for mothers and their children
- 9** countries received support for children

\$43,500

for orphans and children

Health

- 2** healthcare mission teams sent
- 2** clinics received support
- 1** substance abuse ministry funded
- 3.5K** for medical students

\$133,400

for healthcare/counseling

Outreach

- 3** permanent churches built
- 47K** for disaster relief
- 10** global Churches supported
- 3** soup kitchens supported

\$230,500

in support and relief

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Letter from Leadership

Reflections and thanks from the Executive Director and Board President



Dear Supporters of the Orthodox Christian Mission Center:

His Beatitude Archbishop Anastasios of Albania once wrote:

"I am simply a candle that is lit in front of an icon. I shine so that people can see the icon. One day my candle will be snuffed out. When my candle goes out, someone else will have to come and let their light shine before the icon of Christ. The important thing is the icon, not the candlelight."

Your faithful support of OCMC helps provide the light so that people can see Jesus Christ – the True Light. Thank you!

On the following pages you will gain a glimpse of how your generosity empowers our OCMC missionaries, team members, and staff to cast a light so that people can see and come to know Jesus Christ. And even though you might not see it, rest assured that every encounter with Jesus Christ – that your generosity has made possible – is life-changing!

As our 2019 – 2020 fiscal year was ending, the full impact of the COVID pandemic was reverberating in the mission countries we serve and here in the United States. But with your steadfast support and encouragement, we continued to shine so that people could see Christ. As St. John reminds us: "The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5).

We remain committed to continuing to shine so that others may come to know Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Fr. Martin Ritsi
Executive Director

John Colis
Board President

2019/20 at a Glance

OCMC Long-term Missionaries



The Andruchow Family
Project Mexico



Anastasia Pamela Barksdale
Albania



The Bendo Family
Albania



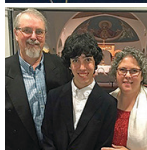
Dr. William Black
Kenya



The Brandow Family
Guatemala



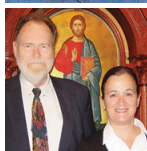
The Chakos Family
Guatemala



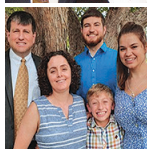
The Colburn Family
Multi Country



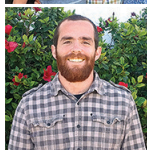
Oliver Fahling
Project Mexico



The Frantz Family
Romania



The Hoppe Family
Albania



Thomas Ingram
Project Mexico



The Macdonald Family
Albania



The Manuel Family
Guatemala



The Moore Family
South Korea



The Patitsas Family
Fiji and Tonga



Archimandrite Juvenal Repass
Guatemala



Jennifer Rice
Guatemala



The Ritsi Family
Albania



Noelle Robaidek
Project Mexico



The Saur Family
Multi Country



Felice Stewart
Multi Country

13 volunteers and 2 specialists also served during the fiscal year 2019 to 2020.

OCMC Executive Staff

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Executive Director

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Dr. Kosta Zinis

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Mission Personnel

47
Missionaries
& Volunteers

7
Countries

27
Ministries

Mission Teams

1,128
People
Catechized

1,220
People
Treated

1,474
Youth
Reached

Mission Priests

374
Supported

16
Countries

~2+
Parishes
per Priest

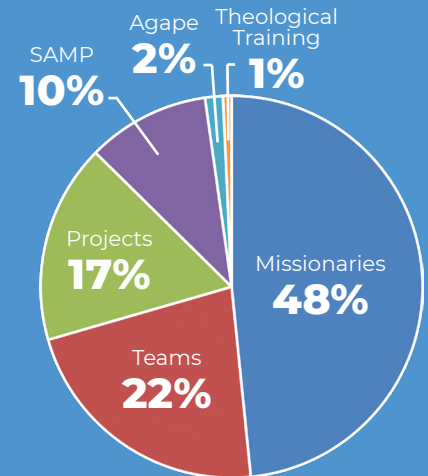
Projects

3
Construction

7
Healthcare

11
Schools

Fund Allocations



Missionary	\$1,322,950
Teams	\$604,964
Ministry projects	\$461,017
Support A Mission Priest....	\$283,814
Agape	\$41,295
Theological Training	\$19,728

Audited Statement of Financial Position

Assets	6/30/2020	6/30/2019
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$656,292	\$238,799
Short-term investments	3,901	3,279
Accounts receivable	1,555	42,922
Pledges receivable (net)	10,761	10,515
Prepaid expenses	50,587	68,193
Total current assets	723,096	353,983
Noncurrent Assets		
Pledges receivable, noncurrent portion	-	10,279
Cash value life insurance	-	-
Investments	7,894,411	6,276,034
Property & equipment	3,700,835	3,778,338
Total noncurrent assets	11,595,246	10,064,651
Total assets	<u>\$12,318,342</u>	<u>\$10,418,634</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	4,953	30,910
Accrued expenses	522,547	479,869
Deferred revenue	93,350	66,113
Total current liabilities	620,850	576,892
Net assets	<u>11,697,492</u>	<u>9,841,742</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$12,318,342</u>	<u>\$10,418,634</u>

Audited Statement of Activities

For Year Ended	July 2019 to June 2020	July 2018 to June 2019
Revenues and support		
Contributions	\$4,388,848	\$3,721,664
Bequests	1,187,964	1,030,078
Special event, net of direct costs	-	-
Investments	64,883	201,392
Other revenues and support	21,825	40,273
Total revenues and support	5,663,520	4,993,407
Expenses		
Mission programs	2,617,676	2,765,763
Management & general	512,014	480,850
Development	678,080	607,371
Total expenses	3,807,770	3,853,930
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenses	1,855,750	1,139,477
Net assets		
Beginning of the year	<u>\$9,841,742</u>	<u>\$8,702,265</u>
End of the year	<u>\$11,697,492</u>	<u>\$9,841,742</u>

OCMC's audited financials are available online at <https://www.ocmc.org/about/financials>

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