

IN OUR VERY FIRST ISSUE, IN THE FALL OF 2016, WE WROTE THAT “WE BELIEVE THAT TRUE PARTNERS SHOULD HAVE INSIDE INFORMATION. There are life-long supporters of MSC who are interested in knowing what the financial situation is, as well as others eager to direct funds through MSC but unaware of the programs and support that MSC offers to mission workers.”

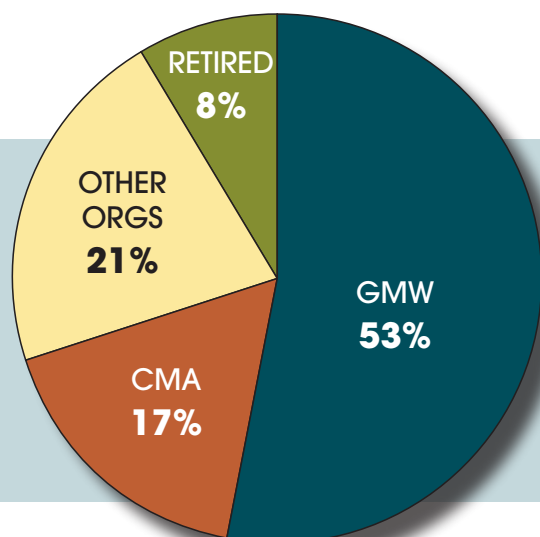
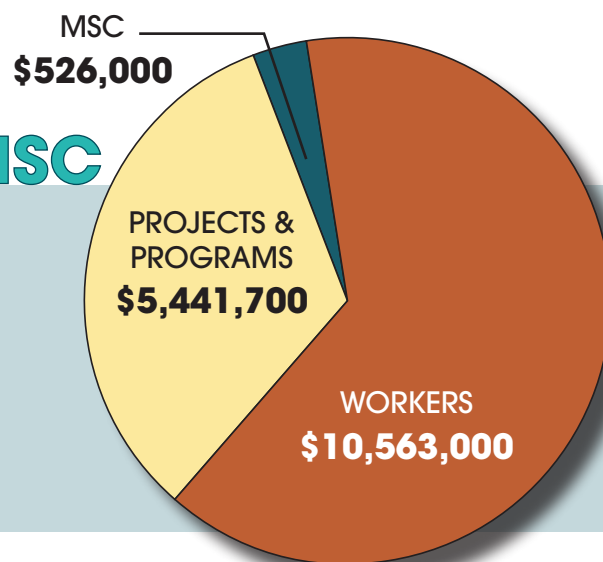
Our goal with every quarterly issue is to keep you informed about what’s happening at MSC, both financially and in our programs and the legal, logistical, and technical support we provide to workers. We see this ministry as a partnership with you, supporting missions around the world for God’s glory.

In past years, we have included an annual Donors Report with your annual tax receipt. This report typically featured a detailed breakdown of all of the funds MSC handled that calendar year and how donors like you designated their gifts - whether to workers, projects, programs, or MSC itself. Moving forward, this kind of information will find a home here in the summer issue with numbers from our fiscal year, which turns over on July 1st.

For fiscal 2022, MSC received donations from **4,001 unique donors** and **511** of these donors were **first time donors**. Those who gave submitted **23,672 unique donations** from as low as \$10 to as much as tens of thousands. In general, donations handled by MSC are designated one of three ways - either *to a worker, to a project, or to MSC*:

Overall Donations to MSC

- **WORKERS** includes giving to mission workers around the world.
- **PROJECTS & PROGRAMS** includes giving to ministry projects, relief, development, and MSC programs such as ACCTS, MEAP, and short-term teams
- **MSC** includes giving to our operations, administration, and general fund.



Donations to Workers

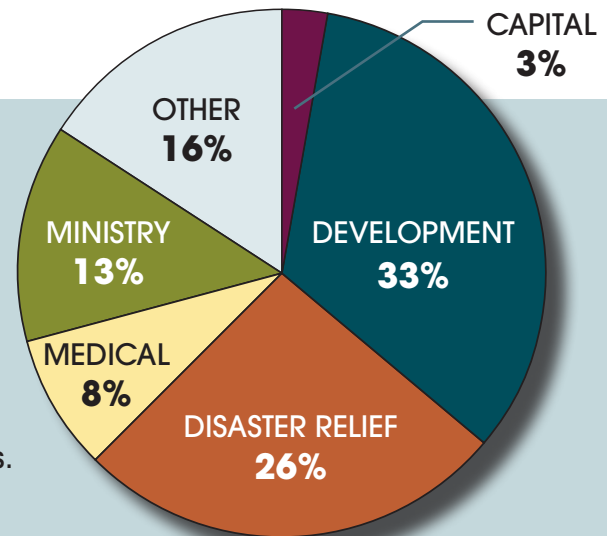
- **GLOBAL MISSION WORKERS** serve cross-culturally around the world and in Canada.
- **CANADIAN MINISTRY ASSOCIATES** serve within Canada.
- **OTHER ORGS** workers serve with another charity or service organization.
- **RETIRED WORKERS** serve in new ways and receive ongoing support.

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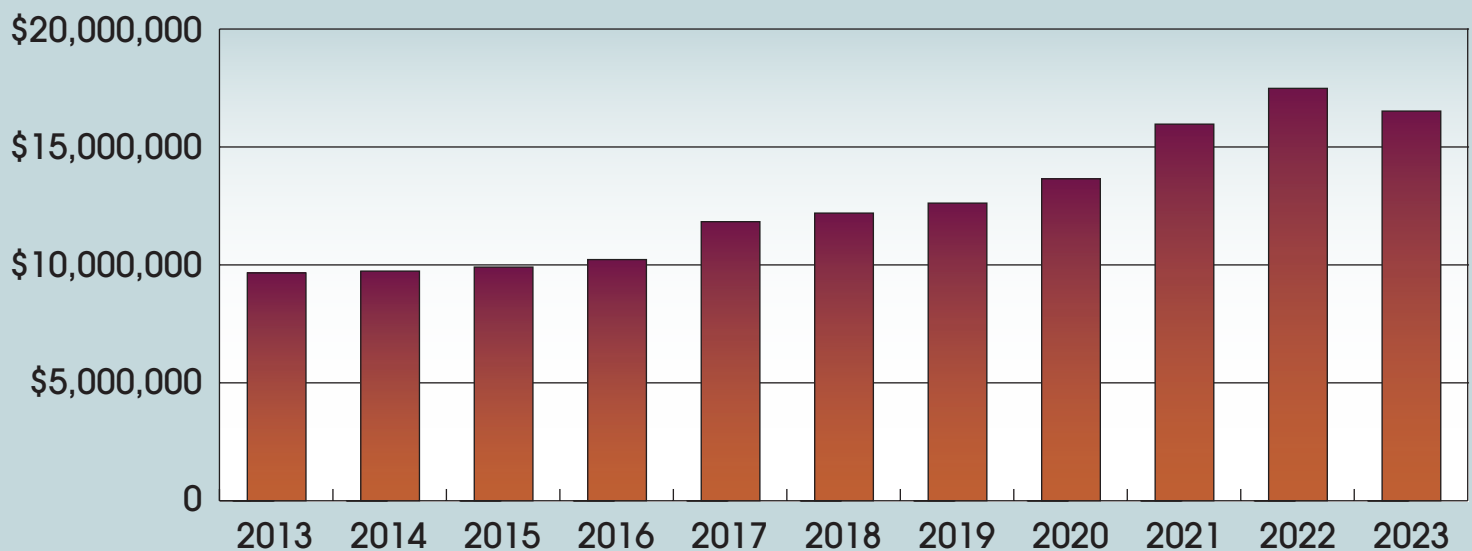
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Donations to Projects

- DEVELOPMENT** includes building, maintenance, and other infrastructure projects.
- DISASTER RELIEF** includes nutrition, hydration, safety, and other disaster response.
- MEDICAL** includes mission hospitals and their activities.
- MINISTRY** includes correspondence courses, prison outreach, and other evangelistic programs.
- CAPITAL** includes funds intended to help begin new works.
- OTHER**



Annual Donations Year over Year



PLEASE JOIN US IN THANKING GOD for the faithfulness of His people in supporting and enabling Local Church Driven Missions around the world.

INPRACTICE... PEN TO PAPER

REACH OUT TO MSC WORKERS BY WAY OF A LETTER OR EMAIL!

- Ask about family and their day-to-day routine / challenges;
- find out how you can pray specifically for them;
- connect families for some cross-cultural camaraderie.

Your care and interest can lift a weary heart, and remind workers that they are loved and prayed for by the Lord's people back home.

Go to msccanada.org/workers to get started!

PRAY FOR CAMPS



For many MSC Canadian Ministry Associates, summer is the high season as they serve in ministry and outreach at camps throughout the country. We reached out to some CMA's and asked them to help us pray for them over these busy months. Although each has their specific camp in mind, their requests can be made for any Christian camp this summer. Here's what they had to say:

“Over 700 children are expected to attend day camp at Hope Valley this summer, many of whom come from unbelieving homes. Our focus is on presenting the gospel with simplicity and clarity. There is no charge for campers to attend, however the work has significant operational expenses in order to hold the camp program, offer bus shuttles, feed the staff, and maintain the property.



HOPE VALLEY DAY CAMP,
Peterborough, ON

We rely heavily on volunteer labour and the financial support of gracious Christians and local churches. The staff lead-

ership team is composed of full-time workers, assisted by 55 teenage junior staff and adult volunteers. There are no employees, and the ministry does not pay salaries, so the services provided by MSC to the full-time workers involved are very helpful.”

from Don & Martie Salmans and Jon & Trish Easton

“Our theme this summer is *The Armour of God* and one of our focuses with our staff is that we are not wrestling “against flesh and blood but against principalities and powers...” (Eph 6:12). Many of the issues that come up in a week of camp seem to be “flesh and blood struggles” when in reality they are spiritual battles fought in heavenly places. Please pray for our volunteers as we look to God for His enabling and His working in us as we present the gospel and live to show His love to all who come to camp.”



**MORNING STAR
BIBLE CAMP,** Kelowna, BC

from Josh and
Blayre Caplan

“The vision and passion for camp outreach has been passed down through five generations so far. In 1969, the whole camp facility was skidded across the ice with tractors and the buildings were dropped at their current location. In the past 20 years, a complete upgrade of the camp facility has taken place with very few original buildings remaining. Despite the fact that there was \$0 in the building fund in 2003, the Lord has provided abundantly for its renewal over the past two decades.



FAITH BIBLE CAMP,
Sandy Bay, MB

FBC is a cooperative ministry, owned and operated by eight member churches throughout Manitoba. Volunteers fill all the staffing needs. The gospel is preached and the Bible taught in chapel sessions morning and evening. Several hundred campers annually attend the camps which run from late June to early September. About a third of the campers are from our member churches, another third from other evangelical churches, and the last third who are from non-church backgrounds.”

from Ron Hampton

PLEASE PRAY WITH US for the salvation of many young souls this summer, the spiritual growth of staff, wisdom for camp leadership and boards, physical and spiritual protection, strength and endurance, sufficient financial resources, and that Christ would be glorified at camps all across Canada this summer.





MOP 2023 *in Review*

Held annually during the first week of June in Fayetteville, PA, the **Missions Orientation Program (MOP)** is a weeklong intensive training program designed to help people prepare intentionally for cross-cultural missions.

Training modules are taught by 16 former and current mission workers and experienced mission staff from MSC Canada and CMML (US). For a number of years now, I've had the privilege of helping out with MOP by serving as technical support throughout the week, ensuring that we stay on schedule and that technology aids the program rather than restrains it.

Training modules include topics ranging from the *practical* (Risk Management, Personal Discipline, Servant Leadership) to the *personal* (Serving from Fullness, Missionary Lifestyle, Emotional Intelligence, Interpersonal Relationships) to the *technical* (Communication with Supporters, Cross-Cultural Communication, Cultural Simulation).

You need to know that MOP is only possible because of the many who faithfully support the operations of MSC and CMML. As a weeklong program, it is a significant investment of time for many staff and volunteers, and a significant cost for food and lodging. Together as organizations, we have seen repeatedly for three decades now the incredible benefit of these investments long-term in the lives and ministries of mission workers who are able to receive instruction at MOP.

This was the 31st year of holding MOP and it was attended by **23 participants including seven couples and nine individuals**. Of these, a number are already mission workers but were unable to attend MOP previously, some are preparing to head to the field imminently, and others are praying about the possibility of missions service.

If someone you know is prayerfully considering cross-cultural missions, please encourage them to consider attending MOP. You can learn more at msccanada.org/mop

Jerry Bolton,
Communications & IT Director



Top: MSC Risk Manager Phil Barnes teaches a module.
Middle: The MOP class of 2023 with instructors and staff.
Bottom: MOP participants on their way to a cultural simulation.

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