

ANNUAL REPORT 2010





Dear Ministry Partners,

It is my real pleasure to introduce this year's Annual Report. 'Tandem' means 'working together' and we are so thankful that you work together with us in Christ's kingdom - we simply could not help people reach their world, without your partnership, support and prayers. Thank you!

I am very encouraged as I look back over the past year at the **students** who have come to know Christ, at **graduates** going on to be labourers in the harvest, **sportspeople** using their public profile to be witnesses for Christ, **families** changing as marriages are restored, and **churches** and ministries working together to impact communities for Christ. As we people work 'in Tandem', God's kingdom is growing (Matthew 13:31-32)!

Financially, it has been a tumultuous year for many people, and we are very grateful for the investments of our partners. The Lord has continued to provide the needs of our staff and ministry, as our financial report shows.

I am happy to say that we have wonderful leaders and teams that work hard and effectively and I believe they are certainly worthy of your support.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership with us,

Roger & Nicki Osbaldiston
National Directors

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ON THE JOURNEY studentlife

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Dennis waits nervously on campus, his backpack filled with jandals to give away. The night before he called a few fellow Auckland University students and arranged to meet with each of them individually to give them a pair of jandals and talk with them about their spiritual journey. Dennis knows how the students feel. Last year, he was one of those students wanting a free magazine and wondering what the conversation was going to be about. At the time he had felt like there was no purpose in life and was willing to give anything a go.

When he met up with Jeremy, a staff member with Student Life, the conversation resulted in Dennis deciding to give his life to Christ. "What touched me was hearing that God loved me and had a wonderful plan for my life," says Dennis.

Dennis meets up with 3 guys over the course of the day and shares with them his experience. Each of these three guys ends up praying to receive Christ. "I was scared at first because I didn't know what I was doing, but once one of the other students showed me the first time, it was all good," says Dennis. "Now I have 6 guys in an Action Group, [follow up Bible Study]. It was challenging at first ... but it really paid off."

Every year Student Life launch a new campaign giving away freebies to thousands of university students in order to connect with them, talk to students open to considering the gospel as well as find the Christian students who want to be discipled and grow closer to God. This year the campaign is called "On the Journey" and jandals are being given away.

"Who would have thought that students would love free jandals so much?" says Justin O'Malley, the Student Life National Director. "It has been exciting with the new 'On the Journey' campaign, not only because of the great response of the students taking part, but because of the openness of their response to the gospel.

It is such an encouragement to see lost students turning into Christ centred labourers. Our goal is to see more and more student-led ministry, like Dennis is doing, creating multiplying ministries on all the campuses."



STATISTICS

Shared the Gospel with	2429 students
Prayed to receive Christ	340 students
Students being discipled	445 students



The (W)hole story

Terry was sceptical wondering "How can faith in God play itself out in the corporate world? It doesn't seem to belong." Terry was amongst the audience of 140 at a downtown Auckland hotel listening to a senior banking executive talk about The (W)hole: How do we get out of the financial hole we are in and stay whole in the process? A work colleague had invited Terry and was rather surprised when he agreed to come. The banker presented the challenges of managing through difficult times and business and personal principles that had worked for him. He talked about the current economic and banking realities and the hole created by the world financial crisis and the need to address the bigger picture of the whole to find a way forward. He also shared his personal story of how he had gotten into a hole in life and the long and painful process of understanding some things about himself, the importance of relationships and his journey to faith in Christ that had enabled him to become whole. This included some reflections on the challenges and tensions in living out his faith at work. At the end of the evening guests were given the opportunity to attend a Christianity Explored course held over seven weeks if they wanted to investigate the person and work of Jesus Christ further. Terry had thoroughly enjoyed the evening and decided to do the course along with his wife Christine.

The Christianity Explored course examines three questions that cut to the heart of Christianity: Who was Jesus? Why did he come? What is involved in following him? Over the period of seven weeks participants read and discuss the gospel of Mark. Terry and Christine loved the weekly gatherings around a meal which included watching short video clips and lots of discussion about what they had discovered from their reading. They had been seeking God and the course really helped them on their journey. As Terry remarked "I had questions that I wanted answered but I had no idea what they were until I turned up on the first day.

What struck me as we did the session on God's grace is that forgiveness was available to me." By the end of the course both Terry and Christine had become confident that they had placed their faith in Christ. Commenting on the course Christine said "Christians did not seem like normal, everyday people. So the course was a lot about watching other people, meeting people walking with God. People full of joy. It was as if they were married to Christ. I was seeing people living it rather than just knowing about God and going through the motions."

Terry and Christine continue to grow in their walk with God. They were recently baptised and are actively involved in a local church. Part of their passion now is to help others explore the person of Jesus Christ and find wholeness in Him.



STATISTICS

Shared the Gospel	158
Indicated Decisions to Receive Christ	3
Attending Equipping Events	160
Small Group Members	26



ATHLETES IN ACTION

www.athletesinaction.org.nz

Carli's focused! Totally! Have you ever seen someone kick a conversion, or shoot a penalty, and it seems that at that moment, despite booing and jeering, there is nothing else going on in the world? That's Carli. She's a totally focused type of girl.

We had a feeling that she would be that way when we saw her little brother, who's not small at all. Marnu came to the world's first teenage Ultimate Training Camp, held right here in NZ. Right in the midst of a gruelling 14 hour challenge Marnu got sick. Rather than 'quit', Marnu pushed on, giving more than physically possible. But what would be the case for Carli...

If you meet Carli, you think of poise, pretty, posture. If you talk to Carli you would think that she never experienced anything difficult in her life. Yet at 13 she had to leave her city of birth (Johannesburg) along with her family because crime was so high. At 16 she left her country alone and came to NZ and stayed with a foreign family for one year. At 18 she became NZ's junior javelin champion (3rd also in open category) and despite offers to go to the world championship, Carli took the enormous risk of turning her back on something she knows and is the best at to go with netball and volleyball, sports that she is still to reach her full potential in.

Carli was one of the types of athletes who always thought, "if only I achieve so and so, then I will be happy!" Yet it didn't matter what she achieved, she was never really happy and fulfilled. In 2009 Carli completed her first AIA Ultimate Training Camp. Never before had she ever thought that God was right there with her. Never before had she thought that God cared how she played.

If you think that this means that Carli is now less focused and less driven to give her best then you have got this girl wrong. Carli knows God is always watching and she wants to give her best as a thank you response to God for all that he's given her, including her sporting prowess. As well as be happy and fulfilled in her sport, in just a few short years Carli has made the national U21 squad in netball and beach volleyball.

So what's the difference? Carli is no longer primarily focused on what her sport can give her because she knows that is temporal. She is focused on Christ and through her relationship with him she is able to give her best in netball, volleyball, javelin or whatever comes her way. Carli's story is an example of how Athletes in Action helps athletes become Christ-centered leaders who impact their world for eternity.



STATISTICS

Shared the Gospel with Individually	301
Group and Media Exposures	6578
Prayed to Receive Christ	11
Follow Up	8



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A recent letter received by FamilyLife...

10 August 2009

Dear Andy and Nikki,

You probably get lots of feedback after weekends like the past one we have been on. It has been, in one word: inspiring, but apart from the impact it has had on me and my husband in just again standing still and remembering that God has a plan for our life and our union, it also had an immediate impact on our kids.... So I will tell you the story....

When we received the marriage covenant page on Sunday we decided to sign it that night with our two girls (aged 6 and 8 years). So after dinner we sat down with them and explained what a "covenant" was. That it is like making a very special promise you are not allowed to break and that you are including God in this promise. Our 6 year old is a very spirited child who doesn't often get involved in things that are symbolic or philosophical. However last night she was listening attentively to me reading out loud the words on the certificate. We explained that this "basically" means that mum and dad promise to always love each other and not get divorced etc. AJ then looked at me and said his own (spur of the moment) vows and just as he took the pen to sign, Karmi (the 6 year old) stopped him and said "Wait Dad ... I want to ask you something." We paused and with a very serious face she looked at him and said: "Dad tell us now, do you choose Mum forever or not?"

(Luckily we managed to keep our own faces serious), AJ proceeded to say "I do" and she said: "Sign it now Dad". I then had to follow suit and said my vows and was asked the same question when the pen was handed to me. I also said "I do". We then gave the pen to our oldest who signed as witness on the line and when the pen was given to Karmi she again stopped and looked at us. She looked AJ in the eyes and said: "Dad I promise to always be your daughter and love you and not to leave you even when you are old"..... "Mum I will always love you and stay with you and be your kid".....

"Chare I am your sister and always want to be your sister, and I will play with you and be your friend...." She then turned to the page and wrote "Karmi" in her best 6 year old handwriting. We all sat there in the presence of God (almost not knowing what hit us) because in some way the true meaning of a covenant was planted in a 6 year old's heart that night....we might never know the impact this will have on the future, but for someone who's name in Hebrew means "tiller of God's vineyard" the Weekend to Remember might have just started a journey – A life time of covenants....

Thank you again for your courage and honesty. May God's blessing continue to rest on your family and this ministry.

AJ and Sanel van der Merwe
Rotorua



STATISTICS

Number of Events	17
Total Attendance	810
Shared The Gospel With	552
Family life Volunteer Speaker Team	10
Volunteers	88
Indicated They Prayed to Receive Christ	2



N E T W O R K

www.loveyourneighbour.co.nz

“The natural outworking of being Christians in the Albany community is that we want to help Albany be a better community”, explains Carl Becker, Projects Coordinator for Shore Community Church (SCC). There was early dialogue with Love Your Neighbour as the church sought to find practical ways to be more missional.

Albany Community House was once a scout hall. The Scouts no longer used it and it was gifted to the Albany Community Board to be used by the community co-coordinator as an office and a meeting place for community groups.

The problem was that it needed \$90,000 of work to be done on it before it could be used by the community. The community board had \$20,000 to put towards the task. They had applied to several trusts for a grant but had been turned down. After looking over the renovation plans SCC decided that this could be their first community project, planned for the month of ‘Servetember’.

The project involved the relining and painting of the inside, the installation of new deck and roof over the deck, the painting of the outside, building a new storage room on the side of the hall, new paths and a massive cleanup. “We knew that the project would need some cash so the church put in \$10,000 from its mission budget plus free labour for three weekends” says Carl.

The weekends were divided into four hour shifts with a big lunch each day. This was a project that required a significant amount of specialist knowledge. Thankfully SCC had a good number of builders who could be fully involved in the project. (One of these weekends the church cancelled its Sunday service and also had people working at the local school installing seating and a ‘Pipe Henge’ in a garden setting.)

Members of the community also pitched in, and Mitre 10 provided materials at cost, so this was a partnership venture.

The community board is thrilled with the outcome, even if they are a little mystified as to why a church would do such a thing. “One of them made the comment, ‘I don’t know what’s in your communion wine, but keep using it, it’s doing a good job!’” laughs Carl.

“What was going to cost the community \$90k was all done for \$30K, and we got the chance to serve in a way that is consistent with the Gospel. Relationships within the church were strengthened, and our relationship with the community board and local school will open doors to more opportunities in the future!”



STATISTICS

Church Consultations	9
Church Camps	5
Conference Workshops	3
Outflow Tour - 7 Centres - In Attendance	481
Website & Ezine - New Stories	34
Ezine Subscribers	2100
Website Visits	30,000

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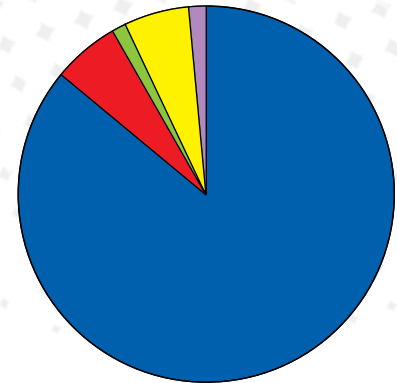
Statement of Financial Performance for the period ended 31 March 2009

	2009	2009	2008
Revenue	\$	%	\$
Support Raised	3,368,322	85.9%	2,834,095
Conference Revenue	227,854	5.8%	151,375
Profit on Merchandise	45,513	1.2%	28,926
Interest Received	225,300	5.7%	81,079
Other Revenue	52,606	1.3%	2,730
TOTAL REVENUE	3,919,595	100.0%	3,098,205

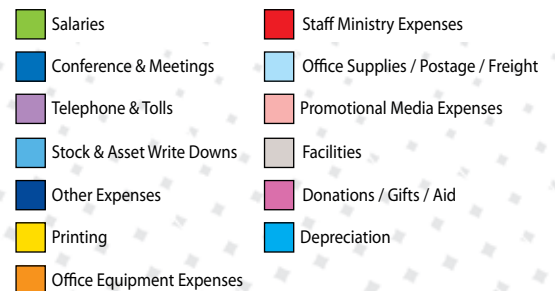
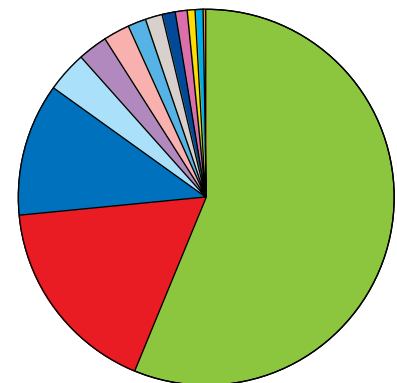
Less Expenses

Salaries	2,006,102	56.2%	1,774,789
Staff Ministry Expenses	615,872	17.2%	513,917
Conferences and Meetings	410,783	11.5%	265,491
Office Supplies / Postage / Freight	125,745	3.5%	88,917
Telephone and Tolls	92,348	2.6%	63,646
Promotional Media Expenses	80,613	2.3%	110,257
Stock and Asset Write Downs	55,773	1.6%	53,623
Facilities	53,660	1.5%	66,003
Other Expenses	40,270	1.1%	26,356
Donations / Gifts / Aid	37,250	1.0%	60,982
Printing	24,914	0.7%	27,673
Depreciation	24,299	0.7%	57,298
Office Equipment Expenses	4,610	0.1%	9,999
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,572,239	100.0%	3,118,951
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	347,356		-32,327

2009 Revenue \$3,919,595



2009 Expenses \$3,572,239



NOTE: This statement is a summary of revenue and expenses taken from the 2009 audited financial accounts. A full set of audited accounts is available on request. The surplus for the year shows a net increase in total fund balances, some of which is funding raised or grants given for projects the following year that have not incurred expenses yet. Designated donations (funds donated for a specific purpose) must be used for the purpose it was given for and these funds are not available for general use. Total designated funds as at 31st March 2009 were \$636,189.



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