



Inside The Charis Foundation

2017

“Development is not done to people or for people but with people. The key dynamic in development is promoting an empowering process in which all people involved—both the ‘helpers’ and the ‘helped’—become more of what God created them to be.”

Steve Corbett & Steve Fikkert, [When Helping Hurts](#)

“[T]hose who need money and those who can give money meet on the common ground of God’s love. ‘God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance so that by always having enough of everything you may share abundantly in every good work.’ (2 Cor 9:8). When this happens, we can indeed say with Paul, ‘There is a new creation!’ (2 Cor 5:17). Where there is a new creation in Christ, there the kingdom of God is made manifest to the world.”

Henri Nouwen, [A Spirituality of Fundraising](#)



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01 **I**nside *The Charis Foundation* is one small way for you to get to know us—to understand who we are, what we do and why we do it. Our desire is to deepen relationships with partners and colleagues in the charitable and philanthropic sectors.

02 We hope this report shows we are about more than writing cheques, even though we are very pleased to have provided 57 grants in support of ministries and projects located in over 22 countries this past year. We desire to help charitable organizations become all that God has called them to be and help them do all that God has asked them to do. This is crucial because we cannot fulfill our vision and mission without great organizations equipped and released to be their best.

03 We spent much of 2017 asking, “What more is God calling us to be and do?” The Charis directors engaged deeply in the process to more clearly define our vision, mission and values. This clarity helped us rethink how we make granting decisions. One of our conclusions is to identify people and organizations that share our values, rather than base our funding decisions on specific areas of interest or geography. If we find like-minded people and organizations who share a similar worldview, kingdom mindset and value proposition, then it doesn't matter as much what they are doing. Jesus modelled that the 'how' is at least as important as the 'what.'

04 This past year, a remarkable thing happened—we doubled our assets! After a lengthy and complicated process, the residue of our founders' estates was transferred to The Charis Foundation. The bulk of that transfer took place last June. It was a huge blessing to finally receive what Bob and Leslie Bernardo intended to give to Charis all along.

If you are reading this, chances are you already know about us and are quite important to us. I hope *Inside The Charis Foundation* deepens your understanding of who we are and gives you a taste of the things that are currently challenging and exciting us.

It is our privilege to be on mission with you. We wish you all God's best for 2018.

Blessings,

Peter Roebbelen

President



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Vision:**To see the love of Jesus bring hope and healing to our world.**

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Mission:**To identify, resource and build relationships with Canadian charities that bring hope and healing to the world in the name of Jesus.**

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Values:

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These values help determine our alignment with others.

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- **Long-Term:** committed to generational impact
- **Holistic:** addressing the whole person and all of creation
- **Sustainable:** moving toward financial independence
- **Innovative:** cultivating ventures that are creative, strategic and original

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- **Collaborative:** learning from peers, sharing best practices, pooling resources, and partnering with others
- **Local Church:** strengthening and encouraging the church through every opportunity
- **Local Leadership:** identifying and equipping local leaders to run local organizations

01 **Charis** – from the Greek, describing a gracious deed, gift, or practical application of goodwill.
By God’s grace, we provide *charis* to people around the world.

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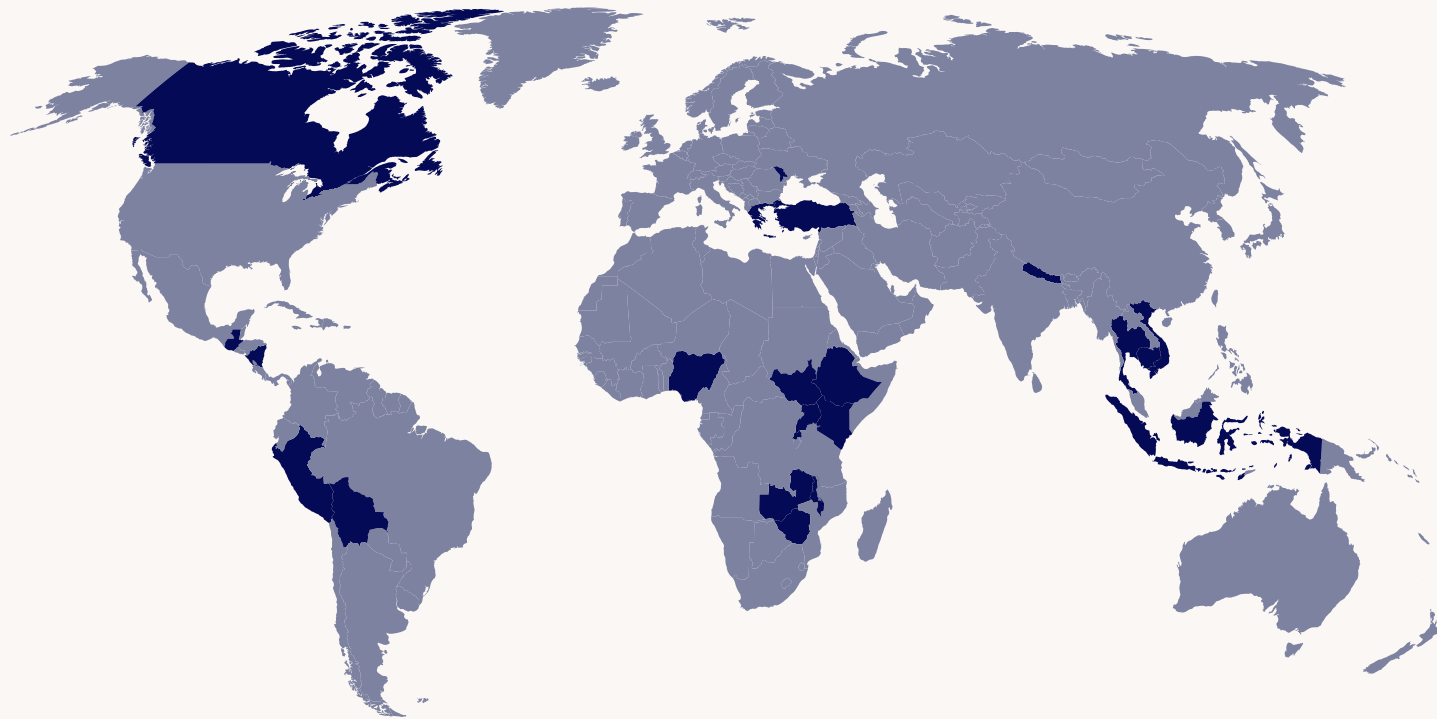
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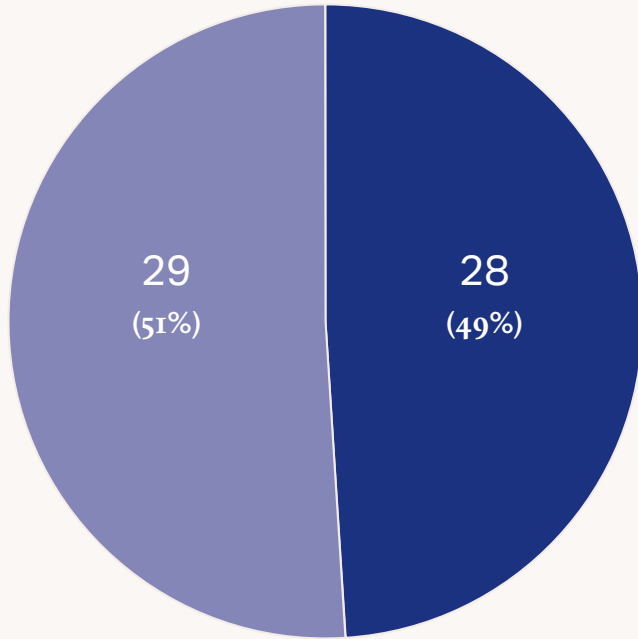
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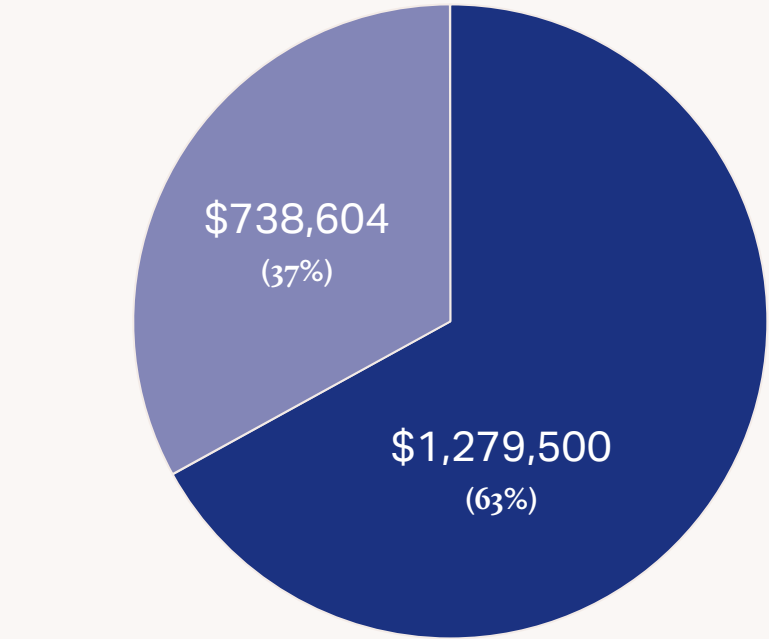
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Granting Dollars



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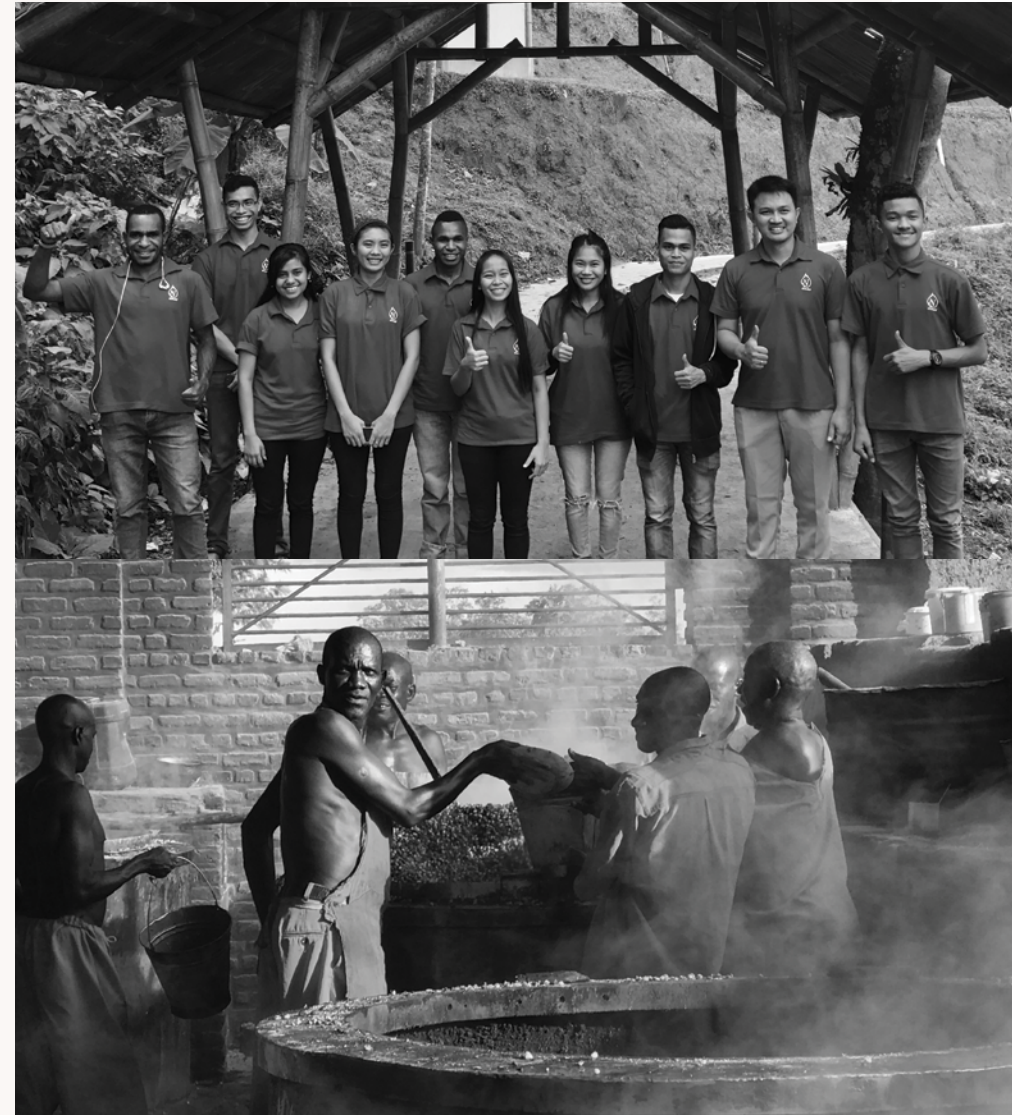
*For a full list of our 2017 grants, see [Chapter 9](#).

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Every year provides the opportunity for some Charis-related travel. These trips, whether in Canada or abroad, are crucial for our ongoing vision and mission. They allow us to come face-to-face with the profound brokenness in the world, which prevents us from being lulled into complacency. It is much too easy to believe that it's not so bad out there, but it is. It is also really important to come face-to-face with the beauty of God's saving activity as He redeems, restores and creates. Charis trips can be profoundly disturbing and profoundly inspiring. These two disparate responses keep us humble and grounded.

This year, our sense that education is one of the core factors in generational poverty alleviation was confirmed in our travels to Indonesia with Mustard Seed International (MSI), and Rwanda with The Wellspring Foundation for Education, and Rwanda and Zambia with Prison Fellowship International (PFI). MSI has a multi-generational vision to transform a predominantly Muslim nation through Christian education. Likewise, The Wellspring Foundation for Education is working at the national level to implement value-based, student-centred curriculum to transform decades of poor-quality teaching, preparing a generation of children for greater flourishing. Beneficiaries of the Children of Prisoners Program said that while they appreciate receiving food, shelter, and clothing, education is the main resource that will help the next generation have a better life than their parents.

We also spent time visiting our many partners in Canada, learning more about their mission and spending time with their staff in their local settings. Some of the Canadian organizations we visited in 2017 include A Rocha, Arrow, Cardus, Duncan Africa Society, Food for the Hungry, Home Suite Hope, InterVarsity's Ontario Pioneer Camp, and The Yonge Street Mission.



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Through an extended season of discussion and prayerful discernment, we entered into deeper relationships with four Canadian charities. These are charities with whom we share a lot of history and a particularly close alignment of values and worldview. Our intentional move towards a deeper relationship with a few organizations is, in part, an attempt to address some of the dysfunction that exists in the relationship between funders and donors. We need our Partners to know us, guide us and hold us accountable, just as much as they might need us to know them, guide them and hold them accountable. We've invited these four to share who they are and what they do.



A Word from Arrow Leadership Ministries

At Arrow Leadership Ministries, we believe the world needs *more Jesus-centred leaders!* The world around us is increasingly complex, uncertain and ever-changing. What worked well yesterday no longer applies today. But Jesus-centred leaders bring clarity and capacity as they are *led more by Jesus, lead more like Jesus and lead more to Jesus.*

Being led more *by* Jesus, Jesus-centered leaders lead with greater dependence on God. In leading *more like* Jesus, Jesus-centered leaders lead with depth of character and greater competency. In leading *more to* Jesus, Jesus-centered leaders personally model and passionately proclaim Christ to our needy world.

Arrow Leadership develops and equips Jesus-centred leaders in three important ways: through providing *transformative leadership development programs*, such as the Arrow Leadership Program and the Sharpening Leaders Initiative; through producing *exceptional products and services* for leaders, churches and non-profit organizations; and through *sharpening leaders globally* via our international partnerships and training.

As a result of these offerings, we are developing Jesus-centered leaders who impact at-risk youth, lead outreach on college campuses, spearhead global relief, pioneer ministry with unreached people groups, faithfully pastor local churches and express God's love to the poor and needy in communities across North America. In a word, we're equipping Jesus-centered leaders to change the world!

In 2017, Arrow Leadership developed over 2,200 leaders serving in over 490 churches, non-profits and marketplace organizations across Canada and the US. We currently have 13 ministry partnerships with churches, denominations and parachurch ministries as well as 11 academic partnerships with Christian universities and seminaries across North America in addition to our partnership with the Charis Foundation.

Lisa Peters, teaching and women's pastor at St. Albert Alliance Church, sums up well the impact of Arrow Leadership: "*God transformed me through Arrow. I am living and leading from a place of greater health and wholeness with greater contentment, joy and confidence in God. I have more confidence in who God is, how He sees me and what He wants me to do.*"

Developing Jesus-centred leaders is our core focus because we believe Jesus-centred leadership changes everything!

A Word from Cardus

Cardus believes that our world belongs to God. In the workplace and the home, on the streets and in our public spaces, we are surrounded by a created order that reflects the grace and life-giving love of our Lord Jesus Christ. But this worldview is a gift which does not blind us to the fallen state of nature. We are put into proximity to people who bear the image of their Creator, and we are called to love them. It is in this calling that we claim, and earn, the name, “Christian.”

We believe that a rightly-ordered love will bring us into contact with institutions that are designed to enable human flourishing. The church, family and school structure our engagement with each other and the wider world. That is why, in an age of fervent individualism, we believe it’s increasingly important to belong to something that’s larger than we are. That is also why we are dismayed when we encounter, in our lives and in our work, broken institutions and structures in disarray.

At Cardus, our work as thinkers, facilitators, writers and creators is a cultural investment that is designed, and intended, to bend disordered civil structures to kingdom come. We are equipping others with the language and arguments which enable them to be salt and leaven in their homes, workplaces, and neighbourhoods. We know that cultural and institutional renewal simply isn’t possible without submitting ourselves, and calling others to submit themselves, to Jesus. As a think-tank, our work finds virtue in showing others how to live and work in peace with God and their neighbour.

Cardus currently operates five research programs—education, family, law, work and economics, and social cities—and publishes both a print magazine (Comment) and an online forum for faith in our common life (Convivium). We issue research reports and disseminate our ideas through the media in order to influence and equip change agents in church, academic, and business settings. We also facilitate events to bring together our constituents as well as government policy makers, academics, religious leaders, and others to shape the public discourse about what it means to be a Christian in North America today.

A Word from Partners International

Since 1963, Partners International (Partners) has existed to transform the least resourced and reached areas of the world through the holistic power of the Gospel. To achieve this, we identify and equip locally led Christian ministries as the most effective and sustainable form of holistic development. This tremendous partnership advantage ensures that projects and programs emerge contextually. Their knowledge of local political structures and economic challenges enables them to develop effective grassroots plans which can overcome the pitfalls often experienced by well-intentioned development or mission agencies.

The local leader is the heartbeat of Partners, whether that is the barefoot evangelist, or the key leader casting vision for one of the 140 mission movements we work with. Having equipped thousands of Christian leaders, they in turn have blessed the global missions movement with inspiring ministry models and thought leadership including the '10-40 Window,' which focuses on the region of the world with the greatest human suffering combined with least exposure to Christianity, and the '4-14 Window,' a child evangelism movement seeking to deliver children between the ages of 4-14 years old from oppression, deception, depression, and destruction (Luis Bush).

Our goal is to fulfill both the Great Commission and the Great Commandment by going into the world to preach the gospel with love. As people of faith, we want to reach out with the hands of Jesus to touch people in need and bring health, justice and economic hope. We also want to be the voice of Jesus, sharing the message of freedom and love that transforms lives for today and eternity.

Today our exciting family of global social entrepreneurs is modeling the next generation of development and missions through creative and relevant ministries.

Partners International is part of a global alliance with offices in the UK, Australia, Singapore and the USA. Together we work in 56 nations in partnership with over 140 indigenous Christian agencies.

A Word from The Yonge Street Mission

For more than 121 years, The Yonge Street Mission (YSM) has been working in downtown Toronto providing help, support and encouragement to Toronto's most vulnerable. To people who believe that every person is of value and has promise, YSM is the vibrant, local Christian development agency that is leading an infectious movement—going beyond meeting immediate needs by offering holistic programs and a pathway that moves people living with poverty from merely surviving to thriving. Our goal is to end chronic poverty in Toronto in one generation.

YSM offers holistic programs through our RISE model, which goes far beyond simply meeting immediate needs to help transform lives. We Respond to the immediate needs of community members in crisis, Invite them into a deeper relationship built on trust, Support with counselling and practical skills, and invite them to Engage in their community as a continued resource for help.

We continually evaluate our programs and services so that we can improve on what we do and how we do it. We do so by using our innovative Transformation Integrated Measurement and Evaluation System (TIMES™) to measure the progress and success of our communities and individuals as they take positive steps out of poverty.

Progress in 2017:

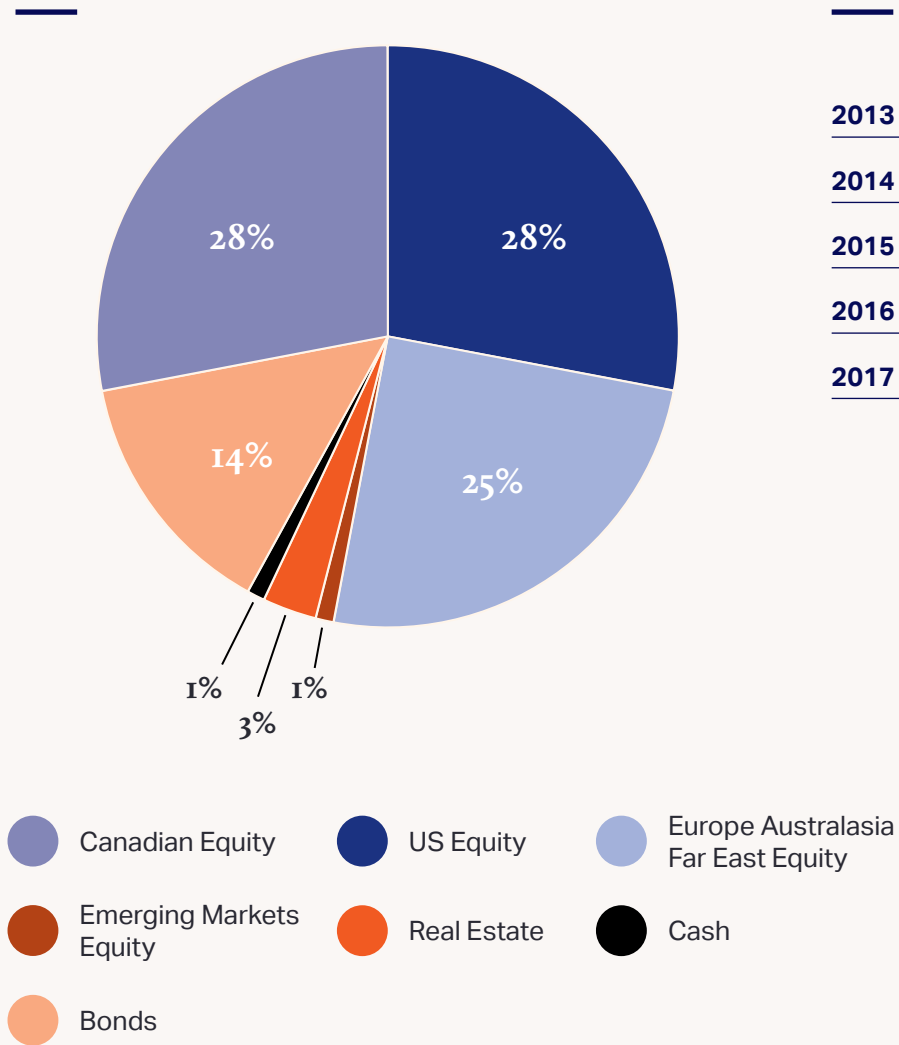
- Placed over 3 people per week through youth employment programs
- 65% of families and adults that visited housing services received housing supports, crisis intervention, conflict mediation and housing advocacy
- Worked with 197 youth to prevent homelessness and support transition to housing
- 70% of youth served through pre-employment programs are employed or in training

“YSM made me realize that I am worth it and that with a little support, I can make the changes I once thought were impossible. They held me up when I felt like giving up and motivated me to keep going. I don't know where my family would be without their support.”

Community Member

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Asset Allocation as of December 31, 2017



Return on Investment

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| 2013 | 13.05% |
| 2014 | 11.65% |
| 2015 | 11.26% |
| 2016 | 5.86% |
| 2017 | 7.89% |

How Do We Operate?

The Charis Foundation has been established to exist in perpetuity. This means that our capacity to grant is directly linked to our return on investment. By Canadian law, we are required to give away a minimum of 3.5% of our assets to charities registered in Canada on an annual basis. We regularly exceed that number, giving 6–8% away in grants. We have at least two years of granting funds invested in short-term bonds so we can weather a downturn in the markets. We are researching social impact investing and plan to make our first impact investment in 2018.

Our Investment Team consists of John Tabet, Rhondi Fowler and Peter Roebbelen. This committee is guided by a board-approved Investment Policy Statement that is reviewed at least annually.

The Charis Foundation is audited annually by MAC (McClurkin Ahier & Company LLP). Our 2016 Audited Financials are available upon request and our 2017 Audited Financials should be available in late May.

We own a small two-story commercial condo in Oakville, Ontario. Our two full-time staff occupy the second floor and we lease the ground floor to a local business, providing us with rental income that covers operating costs for the building.

While our audited financials are not yet available for 2017, we believe the cost for running The Charis Foundation amounted to roughly \$600,000 with more than half of this being paid out in investment management fees. We began 2017 with assets of \$21,500,000 and ended the year with approximately \$43,800,000.

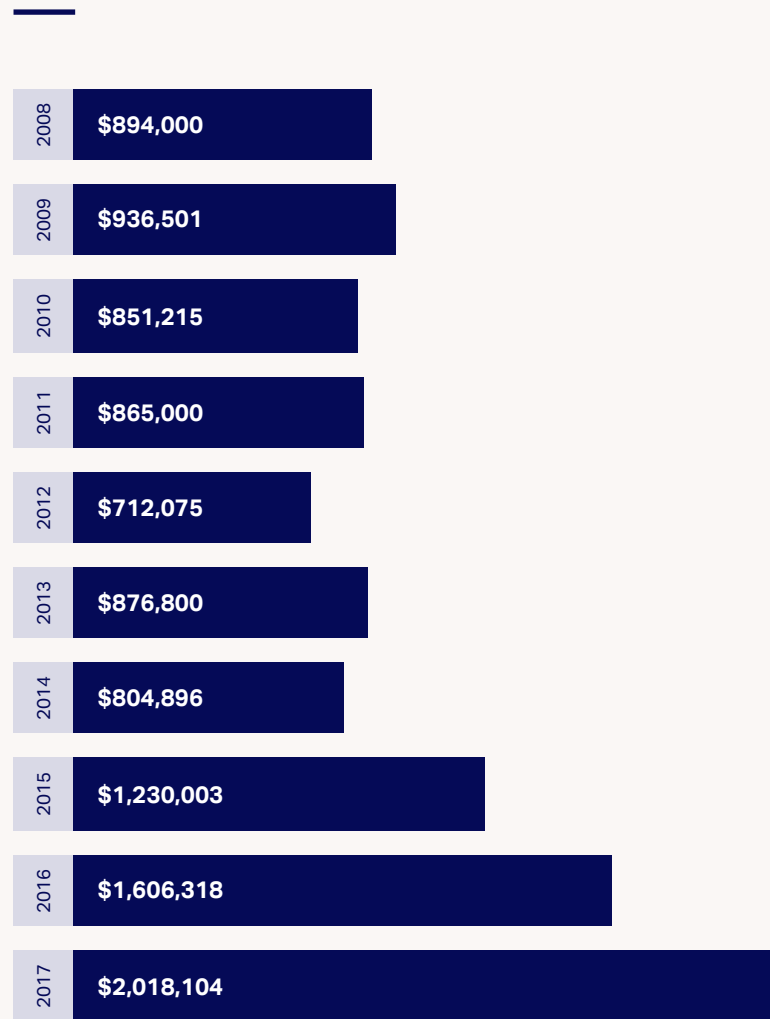
Annual Granting

Each year the Charis Foundation receives hundreds of inquiries, letters of interest and proposals. Many of these inquiries do not fit our legal requirements for granting. Those that are eligible for funding are reviewed by Peter for completeness and alignment. The Directors have given Peter authority to determine which of the proposals should be reviewed by them. All grants must be approved by the Charis board. Grant review meetings typically take place three times each year. The dates for proposal submission are regularly updated on [our website](#).

In 2017, the board reviewed 65 new proposals. Of those proposals, 38 received a positive response.

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Ten-Year Granting History



Our increased capacity to grant in 2015, 2016 and 2017 coincided with the final donations from our founders' estates.

Inherent in every challenge is the opportunity for something good.

One of our growing concerns has been the dysfunction and brokenness in the philanthropic and charitable landscape—specifically the relationship between those asking for money and those with money to give. This is a complex dynamic with many layers and dimensions. It is a dynamic that has, in many respects, moved from a human relationship to institutional transactions. Thinking about this, let alone attempting to respond to it, has been somewhat daunting.

The opportunity is to bring a measure of health and wholeness to these relationships and although we do not presume to know how to do this, we do believe it begins with honesty, vulnerability and a lot of humility. We hope to organize one or two discussion forums where charity leaders and donors can safely sit in the same room and openly talk about their concerns and hopes. Perhaps, once we have a better understanding of the current state, we can, with God's help, figure out a better way forward.

We also struggle with how to engage in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region. Peter Roebbelen and John Tabet travelled to Lebanon in late 2016 hoping for a better understanding of the geo-political and religious landscape. Their conclusion was that MENA is even more complicated and more confusing than they had imagined. Peter hopes to return to MENA in June 2018 to continue the process of discernment.

We also admit we are having a hard time figuring out how to come alongside our Indigenous brothers and sisters here in Canada. How do we address the very real, complex, longstanding and profound pain with humility, honesty, respect and dignity? How can we be part of bringing hope and flourishing? As a first step, we are developing a relationship with Terry and Matt Leblanc of Indigenous Pathways. We are hoping to learn from them as we determine our next steps in this journey.

We have much to learn and 2018 promises to be very exciting. We are grateful to have you as partners and colleagues for the journey.

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Peter Roebbelen

President

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Peter joined The Charis Foundation as a Director in 2005 and assumed the role of President in 2011. Peter worked closely with founding President Bob Bernardo and considered him a dear friend and mentor. Peter has more than 30 years of pastoral experience with local Oakville churches and has a huge heart for helping others ‘listen to Jesus.’ Peter’s book, *Mercy – Life in the Season of Dying*, was recently released. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto, Tyndale Seminary and Arrow Leadership and currently serves as an Arrow trainer. Peter loves being with his family and experiencing the world in all of its beauty and brokenness, and enjoys being outdoors whenever he can.

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Stephanie Schoenhoff

Planning & Operations Lead

Stephanie joined The Charis Foundation in the fall of 2016 as Executive Assistant and has quickly moved to overseeing Planning and Operations. Stephanie has a background in public policy research and communications, with experience at a range of non-profits such as Cardus, Canadian Journalists for Free Expression, and OpenMedia. Stephanie holds an Honours Specialization in Media and the Public Interest from Western University in London, Ontario. Stephanie loves spending time with family and friends, being in nature, cooking and reading.

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Paul Davidson

Director

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Following a broad-ranging international business career, Paul developed a passion to use his skills in the context of a Christian organization. He has served faithfully at The Yonge Street Mission since 2009 in an executive capacity. Paul and his wife, Sue, attend Chartwell Baptist Church where they became good friends with Bob and Leslie Bernardo. Paul's current hobbies include mentoring younger managers and executives in both not-for-profit and for-profit organizations, as well as golf, tennis and fishing. Paul joined Charis as a director in 2014.

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Rhondi Fowler

Director

After working as a youth and high school pastor at Chartwell Baptist Church, Rhondi began serving at Impact Romania, a program of International Teams Canada. She completed the Arrow Leadership program in 2007 and graduated from Laurier with a Masters in Social Work in 2012. Rhondi and her husband, Jon, have a four-year-old daughter, Kaitlyn. Rhondi loves exploring new places, reading a good book, playing board games and chatting with friends over coffee or breakfast. Rhondi joined the Charis board in 2014.

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Brad Klinck
Director

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Brad started out his career as a Robotics Engineer before God prompted him to change vocational directions. For the next 13 years, Brad served in various roles in support of church planting. Brad currently serves as the Associate Pastor of Connections at Compass Point Bible Church. He is an alumni of Tyndale Seminary, and the Arrow Leadership program. He is married to Lisa and together they have three children—Caleb, Sarah, and Joshua. Brad is passionate about his family, wilderness canoe tripping, sports of all kinds, and helping others move into areas of Kingdom service. Brad joined the Charis board in 2014.

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Glynis MacGibbon
Director

Glynis first met Bob and Leslie Bernardo through Chartwell Baptist Church in 1998. Participating on a mission trip with Bob and other team members to India, Nepal and Indonesia in 2004, gave Glynis opportunity to appreciate the Bernardos' heart for supporting mission work both at home and abroad. Glynis joined The Charis Foundation in 2006 serving as Executive Assistant until 2016. During that time, Glynis was invited to become a Charis Director, and Board Secretary. Glynis lives in Oakville with her husband, Alan. They have two adult daughters. She enjoys showing hospitality, golfing, fishing, reading, and quilting.

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John Tabet

Director

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John is an independent financial advisor with Industrial Alliance Securities, and the President/Founder of Viewstone Partners Inc., and has his office in Oakville, Ontario. John is a past member of The Yonge Street Mission board and chaired its Finance & Audit Committee. John and his wife Keri have four children (Kaitlyn, Melissa, Michael and Kyle), all in university. He is an avid golfer, fledgling cyclist and mediocre hockey player. John enjoys reading and playing the piano. John became a Director in 2010.

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| 01 | <p>Action Refugees \$7,500</p> <hr/> <p>Providing legal information and care to refugee claimants, sponsored refugees, and family members of refugees in Montreal, Quebec.</p> | <p>C2C Network \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>Church-planting incubator in Montreal to support, equip and release gospel leaders for ministry in Quebec.</p> |
| 02 | <p>Alpha Canada \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>'French Translation Project' equipping Alpha Quebec with leader training and video curriculum materials in French.</p> | <p>Cadence Leadership Resources \$15,000</p> <hr/> <p>'The Burning Stone Project', in partnership with iEmergence and Muskoka Woods, mentors youth from the Mishkeegogamag Ojibway First Nation in summer camp leadership program.</p> |
| 03 | <p>Alpha Canada \$25,000</p> <hr/> <p>Supporting the Global Alpha Campaign for the Greater Toronto Area through the purchase of online and outdoor advertising.</p> | <p>Canadian Christian Relief and Development Association (CCRDA) \$6,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building grant to hire a Media and Relations Officer to assist in CCRDA's efforts to grow their network membership.</p> |
| 04 | <p>Arrow Leadership \$50,000</p> <hr/> <p>Supporting Arrow's 2020 strategic goals for expansion of their leadership development programs.</p> | <p>Canadian Association for Pregnancy Support Services \$10,000</p> <hr/> <p>Production of a video and accompanying resources to equip the church for conversations with post-abortive men and women in need of care.</p> |
| 05 | <p>Arrow Leadership \$13,644</p> <hr/> <p>Professional development and leadership training for Iris Malawi staff, David and Joanna Morrison, during their sabbatical.</p> | <p>Cardus \$100,000</p> <hr/> <p>'Faith in Canada 150' initiative to celebrate the place of faith in Canada's past, present and future on the occasion of Canada's 150th Anniversary of confederation.</p> |
| 06 | <p>A Rocha \$35,000</p> <hr/> <p>Establishing an online and in-person engagement model to mobilize the church across Southern Ontario toward creation care.</p> | <p>Christians Against Poverty \$37,000</p> <hr/> <p>Establishing CAP Job Clubs in Southern Ontario to provide the unemployed with one-to-one coaching, skill-building, and gospel-focused community while they search for work.</p> |
| 07 | <p>Asian Outreach (Cambodia) \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>Outfitting The Hope Centre with equipment and staff to host language, agricultural, and discipleship classes in the Stung Treng region.</p> | |
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| 01 | <p>Christian Direction \$25,000</p> <hr/> <p>'50th Anniversary Vision Campaign' in support of long-term spiritual and social transformation in Montreal and the wider Francophonie.</p> | <p>DuncanAfrica Society & Guitar Co. \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>Expansion of The Suubi Trade School, training and employing guitar builders in Southern Uganda and the community of Mpigi Town.</p> |
| 02 | <p>Community House Damaris (Through AMG Canada) \$3,000</p> <hr/> <p>Equipping the Community House Damaris in Greece with a new kitchen to serve vulnerable women and children rehabilitating from or fleeing human trafficking.</p> | <p>EduDeo- Raspberry Pi \$40,000</p> <hr/> <p>'The Faith and Technology Project' to deliver low-cost minicomputers to educators and children in Nicaragua, Zambia and the Dominican Republic.</p> |
| 03 | <p>Countryside Camp \$10,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building grant for Ontario's largest residential summer camp serving individuals with special needs.</p> | <p>Elimu \$ 30,000</p> <hr/> <p>'Building a Learning Community' project to provide students with mentorship and tutoring in after-school programs in Malindi, Kenya.</p> |
| 04 | <p>Canadian Youth Network \$33,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building grant to hire an Executive Assistant for CYN, a national youth ministry support network.</p> | <p>FH Canada- Cambodia \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>Food for the Hungry's Church Engagement Program in the Tropeang Prasat and Svay Leu districts of Cambodia.</p> |
| 05 | <p>DevXchange \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Holistic agro-forestry program in North Shoa, Ethiopia, including food security, water, sanitation, education and church-planting programs.</p> | <p>Frontline Outreach \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building to equip the church in the Greater Toronto Area to come alongside public housing communities through barbeques, day camps, food banks and more.</p> |
| 06 | <p>DevXchange \$12,000</p> <hr/> <p>'Fadhili Trust Watoto Wetu Program' to provide student scholarships to vulnerable children in Kenya.</p> | <p>Galcom- South Sudan \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Subsidizing the cost of 2000 solar-powered Go-Tell radios communicating the gospel in remote areas through Christian radio programming.</p> |
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| 01 | <p>Global Disciples \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Support for Global Disciples' Annual Equipping Events: five days of worship, prayer, mentorship and leadership training for local churches to reach the unreached.</p> | <p>International Needs \$15,000</p> <hr/> <p>'The Good News Club' provides nutritious meals, Bible study, connections to medical care, counselling and education to children in the Kibera slum of Nairobi, Kenya.</p> |
| 02 | <p>Health Partners International Canada \$40,000</p> <hr/> <p>Sending shipping containers of essential medicines and medical supplies to the Caribbean, Latin America and Zimbabwe.</p> | <p>International Teams \$31,200</p> <hr/> <p>'Middle East Refugee Project' supporting two Syrian refugee interns working toward the launch of an Arabic fellowship.</p> |
| 03 | <p>Home Suite Hope \$15,000</p> <hr/> <p>Expanding wraparound support programs Homeward Bound Halton and ReStart Halton for single parents and their children experiencing poverty or homelessness.</p> | <p>International Teams \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>'Forge Internship' and transformational development program 'Impact Romania' to develop a Family Farm for Romanian orphans to experience meaningful relationships.</p> |
| 04 | <p>Hughson Street Baptist Church \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Refugee ministries providing mental health services, drop-ins, marriage groups, ESL classes and more for the Portuguese and Karen communities in North End Hamilton.</p> | <p>Iris Malawi \$10,000</p> <hr/> <p>Research and development trip for a team from Iris Malawi to visit Mully Children's Family in Kenya.</p> |
| 05 | <p>IncarNATION \$6,000</p> <hr/> <p>Professional development and missional support for artist Jason Hildebrand as he completes his Masters of Fine Arts in Theatre Performance/Creation at York University.</p> | <p>Kerr Street Mission \$50,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building grant to hire a Manager of Program and Partnerships to oversee ongoing direction and development of Kerr Street Ministries' programs.</p> |
| 06 | <p>International Justice Mission \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>'Fighting Child Sexual Abuse in Thailand' project to rescue victims of sexual abuse, prosecute the perpetrators, and provide restorative aftercare to help victims heal.</p> | <p>Loving Arms \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>Ongoing classroom expansion at Loving Arms school for Indigenous children in Guatemala.</p> |
| 07 | | <p>Medical Ministry International Canada (MMI) \$100,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building funds to increase financial viability and international medical aid delivery as MMI U.S. folds into MMI Canada.</p> |
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| 01 | <p>Mustard Seed International \$15,000</p> <hr/> <p>Sponsorship program for TransformNation, an indigenous missionary teacher training program in East Java, Indonesia, that trains and equips Indonesian students to teach children in their local villages.</p> | <p>Scripture Union Canada \$20,000</p> <hr/> <p>The development of a ‘Discipleship Strategy’ for children and their families as a follow-up to Scripture Union’s sports camp program in Ontario churches.</p> |
| 02 | <p>Operation Mobilization Canada \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>Church-planting initiative in Nepal to raise up to 40 Nepalese disciple makers to be trained and mobilized to live amongst the unreached.</p> | <p>Teen Challenge \$10,000</p> <hr/> <p>‘Hope-for-the-Addict’ video project sharing testimonies of those who have recovered from addiction to raise awareness for the addiction recovery program.</p> |
| 03 | <p>Partners International \$90,000</p> <hr/> <p>Funding to support three unique programs: young adult leadership training at Beginning of Life, Moldova; Quechua Literacy programing with Indigenous communities in Bolivia; and the Holistic Tribal Mission of Peru (MINAP).</p> | <p>The Dam: Cooksville \$5,000</p> <hr/> <p>Program costs to expand The Dam’s peer mentorship programs for at-risk youth in Cooksville, Mississauga.</p> |
| 04 | <p>Prison Fellowship Canada \$25,000</p> <hr/> <p>Establishment, distribution and training of biblically based offender curriculum, INNERchange, to be used in prisons across the national network.</p> | <p>The Roundtable (Through Incarnation Ministries) \$25,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capacity-building grant to hire Executive Assistant support for the E.D. and board as they expand their network of Canadian Christian philanthropists.</p> |
| 05 | <p>Prison Fellowship International \$65,000</p> <hr/> <p>‘The Prisoner’s Journey’ curriculum for prisoners and ‘Children of Prisoners Program’ providing safety, health, education, and spiritual care for children of prisoners in Rwanda.</p> | <p>Tyndale University \$125,000</p> <hr/> <p>Capital campaign for development of a new student centre at Tyndale’s recently acquired Bayview campus.</p> |
| 06 | <p>reSource Leadership International \$23,760</p> <hr/> <p>‘Sponsor a Future Leader’ project to support twelve future Christian thought leaders as they study at Hanoi Bible College in North Vietnam.</p> | <p>Wellspring Foundation for Education \$30,000</p> <hr/> <p>‘Building Vibrant School Communities in Rwanda’ program to train school leaders and teachers in a value-based, student-centred, biblical worldview approach to teaching.</p> |
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01 **Working for Orphans and Widows** **\$40,000**

02 Advancing maternal and newborn healthcare through the “Mother-care 2.0” program in Malawi to help vulnerable mothers assess pregnancy and labour, access effective clinic care and nurture healthy babies within a biblical community support network.

03 **World Renew** **\$20,000**

Youth Economic and Leadership Development in Nigeria mobilizing 402 youth in economic empowerment and providing 180 youth with Christian healing and counselling following trauma.

04 **Yonge Street Mission** **\$425,000**

Commitment to the Yonge Street Mission’s 2020 Strategic Goals, to support ongoing services and program development.

05 **Youth For Christ (Youth Unlimited)** **\$25,000**

Formation of a new ministry team in South Central Etobicoke to support the urban poor, aged 10–25, through the local church.

06 **Young Life** **\$5,000**

Capacity-building grant to hire a part-time staff member to expand Young Life’s program in high schools in Mississauga, Ontario.

07 **Total Commitments 2017** **\$2,018,104**



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Hope for Human Flourishing

Once again men and women of ripe old age will sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each of them with cane in hand because of their age. The city streets will be filled with boys and girls playing there. It may seem marvellous to the remnant of this people at that time, but will it seem marvellous to me?

I will save my people from the countries of the east and the west. I will bring them back to live in Jerusalem; they will be my people, and I will be faithful and righteous to them as their God.

Before that time there were no wages for people or hire for animals. No one could go about their business safely because of their enemies, since I had turned everyone against their neighbour. But now I will not deal with the remnant of this people as I did in the past.

The seed will grow well, the vine will yield its fruit, the ground will produce its crops, and the heavens will drop their dew. I will give all these things as an inheritance to the remnant of this people. Just as you, Judah and Israel, have been a curse among the nations, so I will save you, and you will be a blessing. Do not be afraid, but let your hands be strong.

These are the things you are to do: Speak the truth to each other, and render true and sound judgment in your courts; do not plot evil against each other, and do not love to swear falsely. I hate all this.

The fasts of the fourth, fifth, seventh and tenth months will become joyful and glad occasions and happy festivals for Judah. Therefore love truth and peace.

Many peoples and the inhabitants of many cities will yet come, and the inhabitants of one city will go to another and say, 'Let us go at once to entreat the Lord and seek the Lord Almighty. I myself am going.' And many peoples and powerful nations will come to Jerusalem to seek the Lord Almighty and to entreat him.

In those days ten people from all languages and nations will take firm hold of one Jew by the hem of his robe and say, 'Let us go with you, because we have heard that God is with you.'

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