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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Compassion as a Lifestyle

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries promotes 'Compassion As a Lifestyle' because we see compassionate ministries as integral to the life and ministry of the believer and to the life and ministry of the local church, not something added on or optional, just as compassion was integral to the life and ministry of Jesus. Jesus' ministry of preaching, teaching, and healing was not siloed. When people became hungry while he preached and taught, he fed them (several thousand at a time). When a lady with a chronic illness touched him, he stopped what he was doing in order to help her.



When a soldier's child was dying, Jesus took the time to address the care and concern of the father, and his child lived. When a man was known to be mentally unstable and possessed by demons, Jesus cast out the demons and he was restored. When four friends lowered a crippled man through the roof of the building where Jesus was preaching and teaching, he interrupted his preaching and teaching and healed the man.

Jesus preached and taught about the kingdom of God. In the kingdom of God, as taught and demonstrated by Jesus, His children (followers) are commanded to love God and love one neighbour as oneself. John wrote, "Jesus lived the truth of this commandment. (1 John 2:8)

Paul wrote that no matter how eloquent or profound is one's speech, if one is without love it is like a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. (1 Corinthians 13:1).

"Dear friends (believers)," wrote John, "let us continue to love one another for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who does not love does not know God for God is love. (1 John 4:7)

Love is an action word and always has an object. Love is manifested by action. Therefore we encourage you, our fellow believers, to be actively involved in your church and in your community in ministries of compassion. We encourage you to love others, working together to meet real physical, mental, emotional, social / relational, and spiritual needs of people. We encourage you to demonstrate love for your neighbour by caring for the created world. We are a global community dependant on one another. What we do impacts others. Learn about this on the Creation Care page on our website <https://www.ncmcanada.ca/care-for-creation>

Another way to put love into action is to give towards ministries of compassion. NCM Canada acknowledges and greatly appreciates the generosity of Canadian Nazarenes whose hearts are moved to give to meet the needs of people in our world.

In this report, read about how your giving is impacting the lives of many people in our world and read their stories and rejoice with us that God is at work and using your gifts for His glory!



ELAINE BUMSTEAD

Executive Director



WHO WE ARE

Our **Mission** is that of the Church of the Nazarene...

"To Make Christ-like disciples in the nations"

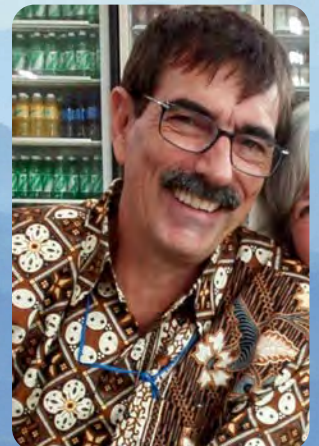
Our **Vision** is the holistic transformation of individuals, families and communities such that they thrive and become all that God has designed for them to be.

We work with and through local churches globally.

Holistic transformation means that the whole person is transformed...physically, mentally, emotionally, socially, and spiritually.

To God Be The Glory!

The NCM Canada Team 2021



PROJECTS & IMPACT

We say we have "projects".

The people who are beneficiaries of our "projects" call them
"answers to prayer"!

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CHILD SPONSORSHIP & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

292 Canadian sponsors of children
(up from 245 in 2021)



Ministering to Children & Their Families Through the Pandemic: NEPAL



"The girls' Nazarene child development center was a huge help after their father died. There, they received counseling, health checkups, meals, and educational support. During lockdown, the center became vital for Pema and her daughters yet again."

"When she wasn't able to provide food, the family received food staples from the center. And when their landlord asked for rent that Pema didn't have, the center helped the family keep their home."

BANGLADESH & CREATIVE ACCESS AREAS

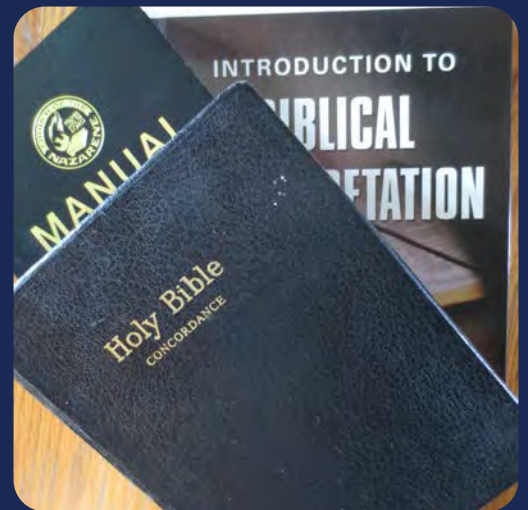
Thank you for your giving for pastor support - for the buying of the books that they need for study and for preaching, and for the cost of courses pastors are required to take in order to be ordained.

Pastor Training



During the pandemic, pastor training has largely been on hold. However, in some creative access areas, where information and learning are predominantly oral, training is oral.

Country leaders are trained who in turn train district superintendents, who in turn train area / zone pastors, who in turn train other pastors, who train leaders in their churches.



Books for Pastors

BANGLADESH



Finishing & Furnishing District Centre North District

The Bangladesh North District Centre was constructed to give the district a building for their district offices as well as to provide a centre out of which to operate ministries of compassion.



This year NCM Canada provided some funding for furnishing and finishing of the centre so that it could become totally operational.

The building is now being used as the main offices of the district and for district meetings and for pastor and leadership training. The building contains rooms to accommodate visiting guests and to accommodate trainees who are attending trainings in the building.

As well, the building houses offices and meetings for the 3 year food security project that NCM Canada is funding (read about that on the next page.)

BANGLADESH

3 Year Food Security Project



This project is being funded through Canadian Foodgrains Bank and is impacting 1100 families or about 5500 people.

The beneficiaries are small farmers (the poorest and marginalized) and women. The goal of the project is to reduce hunger among these 1100 families by helping the subsistence farmers to produce more food, and diversify their livelihoods so that they have more income to provide food for themselves. The project is also working with the women to increase their knowledge and skills and empower them to help address needs in their families and in their communities.



NEPAL

3 Year Food Security Project



The goal is to Improve the food security and livelihoods of 1000 smallholder farmers and ultra-poor households in ward 8 and 14, of Phidim municipality, Nepal helping them to learn improved farming methods which will increase their food production. The project is teaching women how to prepare nutritious meals from locally available foods. The women and farmers have been organized into self-help groups to learn money management and how to save money and start new small businesses to supplement family income.



MALAWI, AFRICA

Conservation Agriculture

Margret Balakasi is a farmer at Chilikhuma village in Malawi. She is a mother of 4 and a widow. She planted her maize seeds in a 1-acre plot of land using Conservation Agriculture (CA) techniques. *“Doing CA was a gamble because it was my first time to do it. I planted CA in a small plot that my family cherished so dearly because it has been feeding us. I accepted to sacrifice the land for CA after seeing what my friends were able to get from their field. Today I am a happy farmer because the same land that was giving me 2 ox carts has given me 4. This is a great breakthrough. I look forward to the next growing season with hopes.”* Nearby to Chilikhuma village, two new churches have been planted as a direct result of the expansion of Conservation Agriculture.

The ultimate outcome of this project was two-fold. To reduce hunger for 360 (approx. 2160 people) of the most vulnerable households in 14 targeted communities surrounding communities we are already working in by introducing CA farming techniques; and the furthering of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through ministries of compassion to the same.



As conservation agriculture spreads from village to village, new churches are being planted.

MALAWI, AFRICA

Zukuma Nazarene School Teacher's Housing

This past year, NCM Canada funded a teacher's house at Zukuma Nazarene School and funded repairs to the other teacher's houses. If housing is provided it will attract well qualified teachers to this remote area



Zukuma School had almost 400 students and only 5 full time teachers. The lack of teachers had seriously impacted the quality of education the school can provide.

Latrines were also built at the teacher's houses and at the new church / chapel building.

All teacher's houses are on the school property which is owned by the Church of the Nazarene in Malawi.



MALAWI, AFRICA

Zukuma Nazarene Women Empowerment



Learning about Self-Help Groups

Women in this context are frequent victims of sexual abuse, defilement, forced labor, forced prostitution, sexual exploitation, accused of many crimes, unwanted pregnancies, discrimination by the whole community, and sexual transmitted diseases

Women's lack of status, lack of support and lack of opportunity to meet their basic needs is attributed largely to their lack of knowledge, skills and training.

This project is training women about their rights, helping them with literacy, teaching them money management, teaching them skills, and helping them start small income generating activities.



Taking sewing classes

MALAWI, AFRICA

Training of Teachers for Child Development Centres

Many churches in Malawi are operating a Child Development Centre (CDC) on weekdays for community children. The holistic program cares for the mental, social, emotional, physical, and spiritual needs of the children. The teachers for the program are usually the pastor and a church leader who then need to be trained in the NCM program of holistic child development. Teachers are not paid for this work with children and often struggle to provide for their families.

In the spring of 2020, NCM Canada funded such training for 25 CDC teachers representing 19 different communities throughout Malawi.

Goats were provided to each teacher on condition that they commit to serving within Nazarene Child Development centres for a minimum of two years.



KENYA, AFRICA



Integrated Water / Health / Sanitation Program

Training in health, hygiene, and sanitation is given to mothers and also to school children and children in child development centres. They are also taught about the importance of maintaining wells and clean drinking water.

Community Health Volunteers teach the importance of a clean environment for good health and well-being and work with the community on "clean-up days"



KENYA, AFRICA

**1000 Families
for
5 Months**

Monthly Ration

50 Kg Maize (Corn)
10 Kg Beans
5 L Cooking Oil
10 Kg Fortified Corn Flour



SUPPORT FOR OTHER PROJECTS

Food Assistance

LEBANON

NCM Canada contributed towards a cash for food project for 3830 families, mainly Syrian refugees and the most need Lebanese families. This was a project of Canadian Baptist Ministries.



Food Rations

AFGHANISTAN

NCM Canada contributed towards another cash for food project for 1,100 families who were suffering from hunger because of drought and failed crops.

This was a project of Presbyterian World Service and Development (Canada).



ASIA-PACIFIC | THE PHILIPPINES



Anti-Human Trafficking

NCM Canada supports Shechem House - a home for the rehabilitation of children and youth rescued from cybersex trafficking.

ASIA-PACIFIC | VIETNAM



For many years NCM Canada has funded two dormitory projects in Vietnam. The dormitories provide accommodation, meals and house parents for students from impoverished rural families so that they can access higher education in the city. One of the dormitories is for young women and the other is for young men. The house parents care for the students and lead Bible studies and prayer times.

THE MIDDLE EAST



Zarquu Nazarene
School

During Covid impoverished families and families of refugee children were unable to pay school fees. Thanks to your giving NCM Canada provided some funds towards operational costs for school supplies and teacher's salaries so that the school could remain open.

THE MIDDLE EAST

A Nazarene School in Lebanon

With the economy in Lebanon in chaos, electricity is frequently not available. Without electricity the school could not legally be open. NCM Canada provided funding for a solar panel system so that the children's education could continue uninterrupted.



CONTAINER SHIPMENTS

From time to time, NCM Canada partners with Compassionate Resource Warehouse to ship containers of goods and supplies to people in need.

Cote D'Ivoire



Crutches, hospital beds, medical supplies

School supplies were sent to an elementary school



Medical supplies were sent to a clinic



CANADIAN INITIATIVES

Disaster Response Training



NCM Canada is partnering with the Salvation Army Canada for basic training in Disaster Response and in Foundations in Emotional and Spiritual Care for Nazarene volunteers. Once completed successfully, this training will allow Nazarene volunteers to be deployed to work under the Salvation Army in case of a disaster.

These trainings were held in January and February 2021. There will be more trainings scheduled. For more information contact Yara at the National Office or Elaine at elaine@ncmcanada.ca

Anti-Human Trafficking

NCM Canada provides an Anti-Human Trafficking information and awareness kit on our website. We also post on Social Media re Freedom Sunday and encourage churches to promote Freedom Sunday.

We raised over \$6,000 in 2021. We partner with like minded organizations who work with local churches or church agencies and will split the funds between U-R Home in central Ontario; Next Step Ministries in Calgary, and YU-Turn Home in central Alberta.





CANADIAN INITIATIVES



BC Flooding Response Abbotsford Chilliwack



Thanks to your giving, NCM Canada was able to provide \$26,500 to the Abbotsford Church of the Nazarene to help affected families in the area of Abbotsford and Chilliwack with immediate needs and temporary housing while they began the difficult process of rebuilding their lives.

CREATION CARE

One of the ways we love our neighbours is by caring for the environment in which we all live and upon which we are all dependent.



Why should Christians care about the earth?

- God cares for His creation and has charged us with the stewardship of His world
- God's mission is the redemption of ALL of creation
- Every generation has a role to play
- When we abuse our world, we all suffer the consequences
- Our actions prove our love for God and love for neighbour. Everyone is our neighbour and we are commanded to "love our neighbour as ourselves".

See: <https://www.ncmcanada.ca/care-for-creation>

Care for Creation is a cross-cutting theme for all our projects.

CARE FOR CREATION

WAYS TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER BY CARING FOR CREATION



FOOD AND FOOD WASTAGE

- **Eat Leftovers:** A great way to be a steward to the Earth is to consume your food. Did you know that we in North America throw away 25% of the food we buy? Not only is this a waste of money but it is also harmful to the environment. Producing food takes land, water, and heavy machinery. By eating your leftovers, you are not only saving money but also preventing energy waste from food production. Not to mention you are keeping them from taking up space in a landfill. Learn recipes for soups, casseroles, smoothies etc.
- **Reduce Food Wastage:** If you cannot eat food before it spoils or if you grow more than you can consume, give it to a neighbour or to a local food bank or invite someone to join you for a meal. Share it!
- **Buy only what you need.** A good practise is to create a menu a week ahead and only buy what you need for meals for that week.
- **Become aware of what best before dates mean** and do not throw away food that is still fit for consumption. (View video “Just Eat It” <https://foodwastemovie.com/about/>
- **Plant a Garden – Indoors and Out.** Start a garden in your yard or share the work with your community by creating a community / neighbourhood garden. Do you have space in the yard of your church, or at a vacant lot or nearby park? Gardening is good for creation and saves you money. It is also good exercise! If you do not have outdoor space, consider growing vegetables in pots or containers on your balcony or even inside. Indoor plants produce oxygen and help improve air quality.

- Compost – Use the compost / food wastage containers provided by your municipality or invest in a compost bin and make your own compost. Compost can be added to flowerpots or gardens to improve the soil.
- When possible, buy food in reusable or recyclable containers. Seek out bulk food stores or Refilleries.
- Buy local. These purchases help support your farming /food producing neighbours and the food is fresh. It saves on packaging and on energy consumption and pollution needed for transport. For foods not sold at local farms, give preference to purchase of foods that are produced, packaged, and made available in your area (to support local producers and to reduce transport and handling).
- Buy foods in season. Many foods are seasonal, and the price is lower when these foods are in season (fruits, vegetables, citrus fruits, etc.). Canning or preserving these foods while in season can make them available to eat when they are not in season. Check with grandma for recipes!
- Bring leftover foods from your restaurant meals home to be enjoyed the next day. If workable, bring your own reusable container for leftovers.
- Research food wastage in your community – restaurants, grocery stores, vendors, etc. and find ways to make consumable foods available to food banks
- Start a food bank in your church or create space for a local food bank to use in your churchbuilding (accessible to the public)
- Set out a “sharing” table or stall in your neighbourhood or room or area in the lobby of your apartment building. For example, people can bring foods that are consumable, toiletries, and cleaning supplies which others take as needed). It is a dignified way to share with those in your neighbourhood who are less fortunate.
- Cook one-pot meals often. These save on fuel for cooking and often give you food for several meals.
- When using the oven, consider preparing more than one food at a time. For example, when cooking a roast, do roast potatoes and vegetables in the oven also, or if baking a cake or pie, bake other food(s) at the same time.





WATER AND WATER SUPPLY

- Turn off the tap when not using the water. For example, when brushing your teeth or shampooing your hair.
- Take shorter showers.
- Boil only what water you need for coffee or tea or other hot drinks.
- Keep a pitcher of water in the fridge instead of always running the tap until the water is cold.
- Save rinse water for your plants.
- Use a rain barrel to collect water for outdoor plants, cleaning driveway etc.
- Fix dripping taps or leaky pipes.
- Wash your clothes in cold water.
- Purchase energy smart appliances which use less electricity, fuel, or water.
- Wash clothes or dishes only when you have a full load.
- Use a clothesline or drying rack to dry clothes.
- When washing your car, use a pail and cloth.
- Invest in a reusable water bottle instead of drinking from bottled water in plastic bottles. Most tap water in Canada is safe to drink.
- Reduce or eliminate use of water on lawns.
- Recycle containers. Do not litter.
- Engage your church or community in cleaning up waterways or road ditches.
- Reduce your use of containers that are not biodegradable and advocate for reduced use of plastics.



CARE FOR CREATION EVERYDAY

- Reduce use of fossil fuels. Share rides. Consolidate trips to stores. Walk, cycle or take public transit or drive electric or hybrid vehicles.
- Bring good used clothes to local thriftstore and buy used when possible.
- Be green when you clean. Use vinegar, soap, lemon juice, and baking soda as cleaners (check online to find out how to use these) or buy refillable cleaning products. Use reusable microfiber cloths instead of paper towels.
- Turn off lights and use LED lightbulbs. They last longer and use less energy.
- Recharge batteries. Switch to rechargeable batteries. Recycle old batteries instead of sending them to landfill. There are designated collection points for these.
- Break your plastic habits. Use reusable glass containers. Buy reusable lids instead of using saran wrap.
- Use fabric item to wrap gifts.
- Recycle paper and cardboard.
- Bring old or broken electronic items to specified stations that receive electronic waste.
- Fend off energy vampires. Make sure to turn off and unplug items when they are not in use. The socket draws electricity even when items are "turned off." Some items that are often plugged-in when not in use are blow-dryers, phone chargers, electric kettles, and coffee pots. Other items that are often left in the "on" position when not in use are televisions, computers, and video game consoles. Using the battery-saving function on smart phones and computers helps them last longer, as well as saves energy. Perhaps you have a spare refrigerator you only need to run when you are preparing to entertain guests. Look around your house and find what can be unplugged. You might be surprised by your energy savings!
- Share your care for creation ideas with family, neighbours, and community. Become an advocate for creation care! You might celebrate World Water Day or World Food Day or Earth Day...

THANK YOU!!!



The team at NCM Canada wishes to convey a heartfelt and sincere "Thank you" to all who supported the ministry of NCM Canada over the past year. Without your generous giving, our ministry would not exist. Your generosity has enabled us to provide support to overseas Churches of the Nazarene who are responding with compassionate ministries in their local communities. Needy families are being fed, have clean drinking water, receive skill training and tools, receive livestock, learn how to produce enough food for their families, are helped in times of disaster, and are empowered to make longer term changes so that they and their families can thrive. Many, many hear the good news of the gospel and come to faith in Christ. Families now have hope, faith and know they are loved, because of your giving!

**Click to watch and share a
video from our staff.**



Thank you from Kenya!

Testimonial from a participant who received food:

"My name is Ekalale (Name Changed). I am 32 years old and a widow who has 6 children. I live with my children in Napetet village. I do casual jobs for people to earn a living. But due to Corona virus (Covid-19), my daily income stopped because I could not get any casual job to do for people. That meant there was also not enough food to eat at home. Sometimes I could get support from people around but also that stopped with the Covid-19 disease.

There was not even
a single grain of
food in our house.



One day a survey was conducted by Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Kenya for distribution of food in the village, in which I was also selected. When I told this thing to my children, they jumped with joy. There was not even a single grain of food in our house. I am fortunate to be among the first 500 families that is receiving food distribution of 50 kgs of maize, 10 kgs of beans, 2 liters of cooking oil, and 10 kgs of nutritious flour along with a hygiene kit - facemask - which protected me from the corona epidemic. The food will ensure our food supply in the family for at least three weeks while we get two meals a day. My family will be happy now because at least even as I go to look for casual job, they are assured of something to eat. I personally thank the Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Kenya and Canadian Foodgrains Bank organizations."

Testimonial from the Church in Kenya:

The food assistance project reinvigorated the local churches passion for service. It enabled them to be deeply involved in community life and thereby making links between faith and action. The churches realized that the things they do in, for, and with other community groups, events, and activities, formal and informal all contributed to God's mission. The project gave the church of the Nazarene an opportunity to address a root cause of poverty which lies in broken relationship with God, self, others, and environment. The platform enabled the church to identify receptive people and people of peace, who are being followed up for discipling and then be made agents of social transformation in their communities.

- The local churches registered a 20% increase in their numerical church membership.
- The local churches noted an increase in the number of people getting involved in various church ministries and 25 new volunteers are playing active roles in local church ministries.

**THE PROJECT GAVE THE CHURCH OF
THE NAZARENE AN OPPORTUNITY
TO ADDRESS A ROOT CAUSE OF
POVERTY WHICH LIES IN BROKEN
RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD, SELF,
OTHERS, AND ENVIRONMENT.**

**Thank you from the Church in Kenya
for funding water / wells / health / sanitation project...**

"The project is building the capacity of the church in Kenya to fulfill her roles of discipleship in the community and meeting the needs both church and community members. The project has also helped these churches achieve membership growth. The projects Community Health volunteers refer community members to partner churches where they receive more support and spiritual guidance. The local churches have been equipped with skills to provide comprehensive services to their congregants and community in general. Therefore, the project has strengthened and supported the work of the local church by making the church more visible (and valued) as it goes about meeting the needs of the community."

Thank you from the Middle East!

Testimonial from a student, for assistance for operational costs of a Nazarene school in the Middle East

"Nowadays Nazarene school is considered one of the best schools in Zarqa. The school's aim is to show students that they are loved and in addition to this it encourages the students to improve their skills. This year the school made many activities in many fields such as the scientific field. The walls of the classrooms are painted with beautiful colors. The students feel very happy to be back to school." Lara, staff at the school.

"Hi, I am in tenth grade. I would like to mention some of the things that have changed when we return to our schools and classes. There are many things that have changed, the first of which is the revolution of our life system in a big way. I also love this current system, because it enables us to see our friends and teachers, And our classes are face-to-face, it also helps us to receive information in a clearer and understandable way, and it strengthens our minds and helps us move forward, and it makes us organized, and it also has not only positives in terms of study but also social positives, as it strengthens the personality and makes us able to deal with others because it forces us to mix with students and teachers and this is a major reason to strengthen our social side and on the one hand I think it has many positives and no negatives. And in the end, I would like to thank my beloved school because it does all these things and is keen to make us move forward." - (Female student, 10th grade)

Thank you from Malawi!



**Thank you from Zukuma
Nazarene School
in Malawi for
new teacher's housing
so that they can attract
more teachers to this
school of 400 children.**



Thank you from a lady farmer in Malawi who learned new conservation agricultural methods

Eletina from Njuzi village keeps orphans and has no husband. Eletina happens to be the head of the household. Eletina got trained in Conservation Agriculture (CA) in the year 2019. In 2019/2020 season she piloted the CA technology on a small plot size of less than 20 square metres. Eletina got shocked with the results which proved that the methodology gave her bumper yields that exceeded her expectation. This motivated her to consider having bigger plot for this year cultivating season in 2021.

As a family, they have managed to fill a granary and Eletina is expecting to sell some and use the income to support children with school fees. "To say the truth, the coming of the project in our community has really changed me and my family a lot. Before the project, I was struggling financially, I was not able to support my children with enough food and money for school fees. But now with coming of CA method, I'm able to cultivate more yields than before which I sell some to support my children not only with food but with school fees".

Thank you from a teacher in Malawi who received school supplies for a child development centre

Since COVID outbreak, teachers have been visiting CDC pupils in small groups in their homes. They have provided short time lessons with them because public schools were closed due to COVID 19. The good news has come from the public teachers that those pupils who have been visited by the CDC teacher are doing fine in class because they had an opportunity of having someone to help them during the school lockdown. Speaking with one public school teacher of Chivite School in the area, Mr Patrick Mwale has said the CDC programs in the Church of the Nazarene really help the children in equipping pupils in the area for they are not having so many challenges as other school are facing in their Zone, since most of their pupils also attend Nazarene CDCs. He noted that pupils who also attend CDC's are of good manners at school for they are spirit filled.



Thank you from Bangladesh!



**Thank you from Bangladesh
for furnishings for the District centre -
North District Bangladesh**

***Thank you from
Grow Hope Markdale & Seeds of Life***

Thank you for your support of Grow
Hope Markdale and Seeds of Life

This past year, in the Grow Hope Markdale Growing Project 50 acres were sponsored and a total of \$27,864.71 was sent to Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

In the Seeds of Life Growing Project, all of the NCM Canada designated acres were sponsored and \$17,885.38 was sent to the NCM Canada account at Canadian Foodgrains Bank.





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