

MOST Ministries

Mission Opportunities Short Term | 2023 Annual Report

Impacting the World for Jesus Christ Through Short-Term Missions



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your interest in MOST Ministries! And those of you who partner with MOST – as goers, senders, receivers, volunteers, or prayer warriors – thank you for joining with us to bring the Gospel to people whose level of need eclipses our own.

As I look back on the events of 2023, I am encouraged by the trajectory of our work in the mission field. Our numbers are not yet back to pre-pandemic levels, but there was healthy growth in the number of teams we were able to send into the field, the number of team members, the number of eyeglasses distributed, and the number of lives directly impacted.

Speaking of lives directly impacted, MOST hit a milestone this past year by passing the quarter million mark. In our 34-year history, together we have directly impacted over 250,000 lives!

Lives directly impacted counts those who personally received something, for instance, a pair of eyeglasses, from a MOST Ministries team. But then there are those whose lives are improved because a family member received a pair of eyeglasses. These benefits

can extend to parents, spouses, children, the entire household...when one life is directly impacted, many more lives are indirectly impacted.

MOST Ministries is blessed to be a blessing. We are blessed with people who have a heart for missions and who join mission teams, lead mission teams, volunteer at our mission center, serve on our Board or support our work with their financial gifts and their prayers. We are blessed with international hosts who take care of our mission team members and who provide opportunities for service. And we are blessed by our Lord and Savior who has invited us all to join Him on His mission.

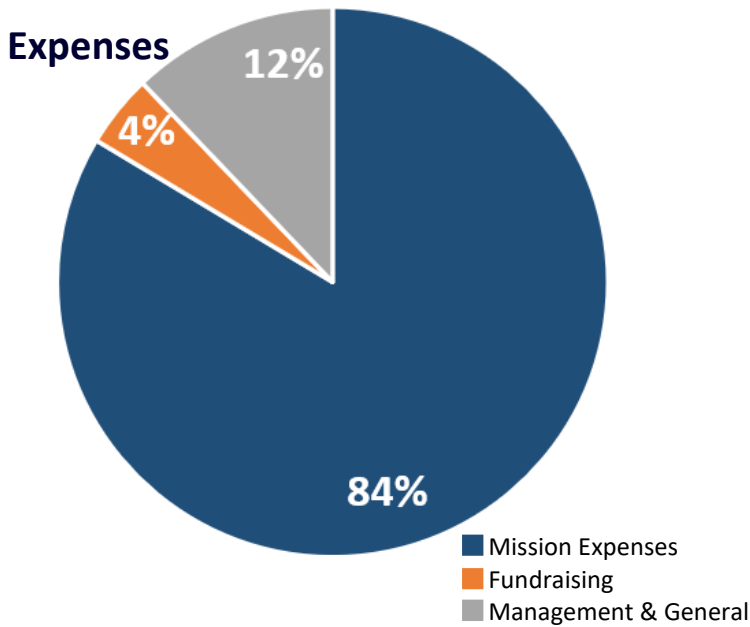
So please, take a few minutes and look through this annual report to see how MOST has been blessed to be a blessing. And thank you for your role in giving MOST mission teams the opportunity to share God's love in word and deed with people in need!

In His Service,

Marty Moro, Executive Director

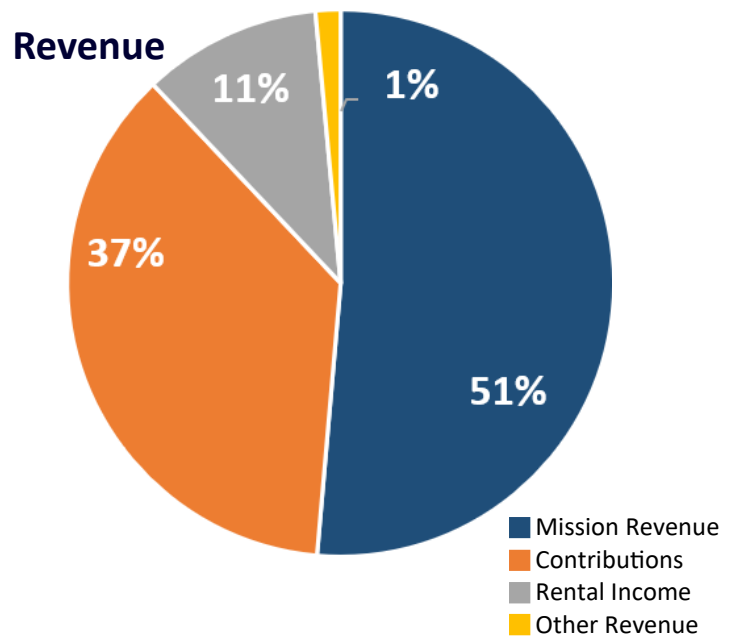
MOST Ministries Financial Statistics for 2023

Information is taken from the independently reviewed financial statements of Mission Opportunity Short Term



Expenses:

Mission Expenses	794,974
Fundraising	40,741
Management & General	<u>115,460</u>
Total Expenses	\$951,175



Revenue by Source:

Mission Revenue	498,441
Contributions	357,138
Rental Income	102,568
Other Revenue*	<u>10,064</u>
Total Revenue	\$968,211



Welcome Melissa!

Melissa Kasper joined the MOST staff in 2023 as Mission Team Support. Melissa comes to us with a heart for missions and a wealth of mission team experience, having served as a team leader on six mission teams when she worked for Camp Luther in Three Lakes, Wisconsin. Melissa and her husband, Gabe, have three children. They all attend church at University Lutheran Chapel in Ann Arbor where Gabe serves as senior pastor.

2023 Staff

Marty Moro, Executive Director
Kelly Bone, Business Manager & Volunteer Coordinator
Kaleigh Bone, Team Administrator & Communications
Linda Thompson, Ministry Support
Melissa Kasper, Mission Team Support
Cindy Pine, Mission Engager
Jennifer Kuszynski, Team Administrator Assistant

2023 Legacy Members

MOST Ministries Legacy Members provide a five-year financial pledge of at least \$1,000 per year. In 2023, MOST had a total of 28 Legacy pledge members. They are a tremendous blessing to the Ministry.

2023 Board of Directors

Bill Hahn, Chair
Greg Gessert, Vice Chair
Pam Bishop, Treasurer
Mary Anne Hibbard, Secretary
Tim Bernthal
Charlotte Campbell
Sandy Hardies
Chuck Hempel
Barbara Hoffmeier
Bethel Larsen
Linda Meier
Kellen Patterson
Fritz Quitmeyer
Ruth Richert-Martin
Rev. Joel Sarrault
Penny Selle
Karen Shalfeieff
Janet Stechholz
Carol Stuhr
Don Sommerfeld, Emeritus
Gayle Sommerfeld, Emeritus

2023 Team Leaders

Tim Bernthal
Kaleigh Bone
Kelly Bone
Kathryn Chrzanowski
Katie Cowan
Lin Dehning
Sarah DePriest
Clay Donnell - Trainee
Bill Hahn - Trainee
Barbara Hoffmeier
Lorrie Kirst - Trainee
Deanna Leimbach - Trainee
Alysia Masters
Cindy Pine
Mandi Ressler - Trainee
Annette Trelfa
Craig Watkins
Darcy Zent

Team Impact Since 1989

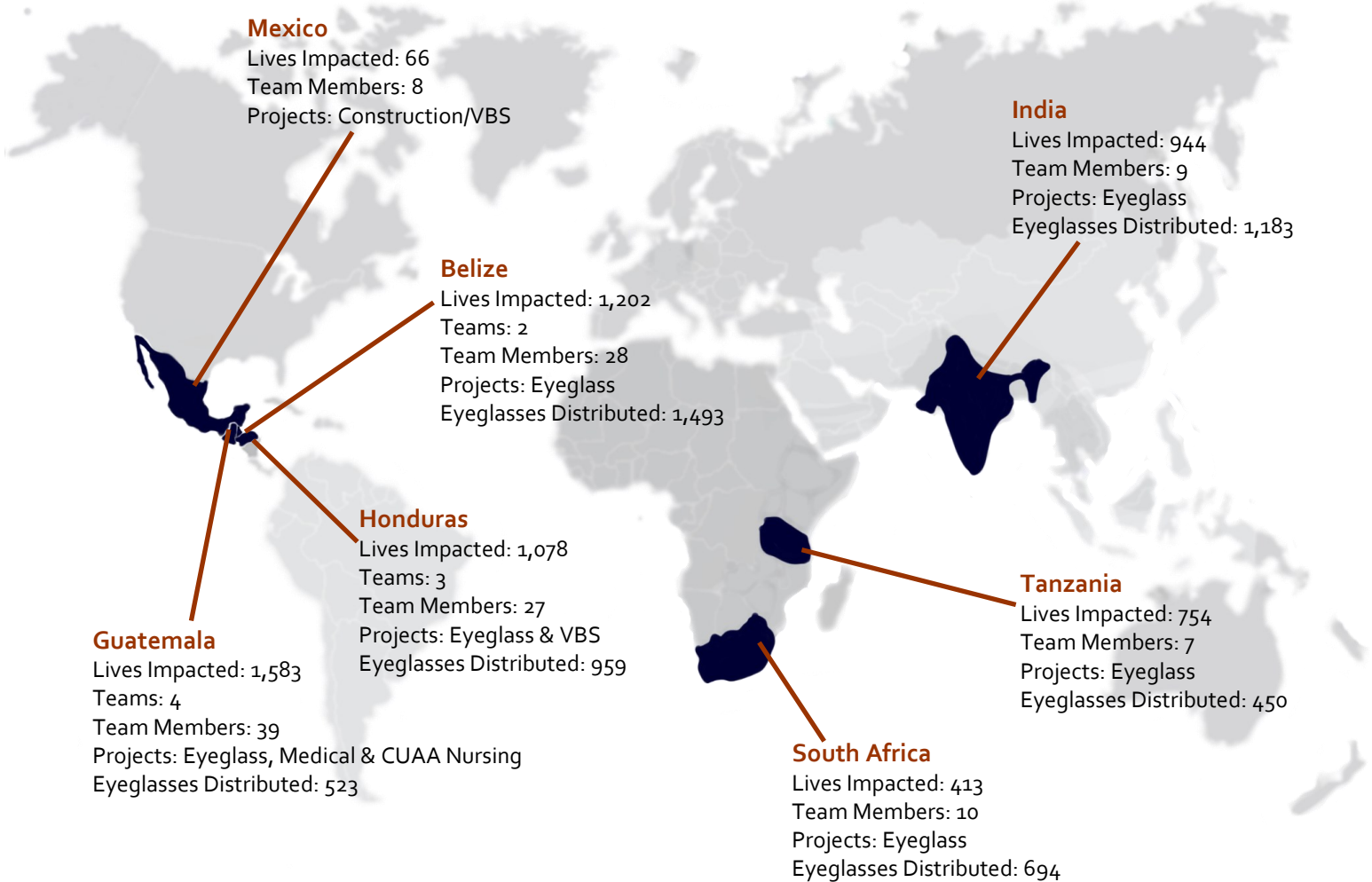
LIVES IMPACTED	COUNTRIES SERVED	TEAMS	TEAM MEMBERS
255,418	52	565	6,618
EYEGASSES DISTRIBUTED	WATER FILTERS DISTRIBUTED		
163,100+	1,820		

MOST Ministries Happenings in 2023...



- The number of mission teams and team members increased by 30% over 2022
- Mission teams returned to Belize, India, and Tanzania
- Thanks to some generous donors the Mission Center has a new roof and new HVAC units
- MOST is renewed as a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the LCMS
- MOST exhibited at the National LWML Convention and the LCMS Convention
- Welcome to new board members Tim Bernthal, Mary Anne Hibbard, Barbara Hoffmeier, Linda Meier, Kellen Patterson, Ruth Richert-Martin, & Kay Shalfeieff
- Thank you for your years of service to our outgoing board members Charlotte Campbell, Chuck Hempel, Bethel Larsen, Penny Selle, and Carol Stuhr

2023 TEAMS



2023 in Review	TEAM MEMBERS	LIVES IMPACTED	
	128	6,040	
	EYEGASSES DISTRIBUTED	MEDICAL CLINIC PATIENTS	VBS PARTICIPANTS
	5,302	1,122	156



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