

2025 Annual Report





You moved with compassion.
Here's what changed.

Front cover: Children are having
fun playing a game at their child
development centre. Tanzania, 2024.
Photography by: Jake Thomas.

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A snapshot of your
impact in 2025

Your impact at a glance

Your 2025 impact snapshot

1,558

babies plus their mums had a village to support them during the tough first year of life.

122,758

children had a sponsor who believed their story could be more than poverty.

53,000+

children received critical support at decisive moments that changed everything.

12,922

unsponsored children continued to receive care from their loving local church for four months.

16,771

Gifts of Compassion were given to make a global impact for children.



Vicky and her siblings, Judith, Eric and Abel laughing as they walk along the road near their home. Karamoja, Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Thank you for loving your global neighbours this year. By putting love into action, you’ve answered God’s call to bring compassion to the hurting and vulnerable.

God has been powerfully moving across your global neighbourhood this year, transforming the stories of children living in poverty. We pray you’ll rejoice with us in what your generosity has made possible.

The Sound of Justice

Clare Steele, Compassion Australia CEO

I grew up on Sunset Boulevard. Not the one in Hollywood, but one nestled in the Blue Mountains of Australia. It was a street full of families, the kind where we would spill over into each other’s yards without knocking on the door first. My favourite moment of each school day was when the bus doors swung open and I’d tumble out, racing home to shed my scratchy uniform and set out for adventure.



But I never ventured out alone. Our whole neighbourhood was out exploring.

Many years later, I’d find myself exploring a very different neighbourhood, walking the streets of Cebu in the Philippines. Unlike my safe street at home, these streets felt heavy with hopelessness. Children crouched on sidewalks, selling rubbish that they had collected. Homes were patched together from scrap tin and other debris, unable to keep out the relentless heat or the rain that turned alleyways into rivers of sewage.

I remember the smell. It clung to my clothes, my hair—it seeped inside of me. I felt small, angry. I thought, ‘How do you solve something this big?’

Then I heard it—one of my favourite sounds in the world.

Children were laughing.

I heard the slap of a ball against dirt, feet pounding, squeals of delight.

Children were playing.

As I turned the corner, I saw about forty children behind the open gates of the local church. I saw a simple dirt field, a bent basketball ring and some chairs and tables. In that moment, I was standing in the middle of a miracle. One that God had made possible. Despite the unthinkable circumstances these children grew up in, they were laughing.

This is what justice sounds like.

These joyful children felt like an answer to my question, ‘How do you solve something this big?’

You don’t. Not alone. But God does, and He invites us to partner with Him.

The poverty I saw in Cebu is too vast for any one of us to fix. But standing in that playground, I was reminded of Paul’s writings in 1 Corinthians:

“I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labour” (NIV).

When you partner in God’s mission, you don’t just add effort, you multiply impact. You strengthen the work of local churches as God uses them to carry His justice to the neighbourhood.

Thank you for responding to the call to plant, to water. As you read this year’s Annual Report, I pray you’ll be encouraged by what God has been growing through your partnership.

Because you’ve moved, impact has rippled. Laughter is echoing along streets across the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Clare Steele'.

Clare Steele
Compassion Australia CEO

How we're moving to release children
from poverty in Jesus' name.

The mission you joined

Compassion is a global neighbourhood moving to love like Jesus.

We partner with over 9,000 local churches in 29 countries to release more than 2.3 million children from poverty in Jesus' name.



Compassion Australia staff and local staff pictured outside the local church that partners with us to bring hope to their community. Karambandea, Tanzania, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Our distinctives

Our distinctives reflect who we are.
They guide how we carry out the mission God has given us.

Christ-centred



Lasting transformation only comes from the love of Jesus. That’s why Christ is at the heart of everything we do. We believe true change happens not just when needs are met, but when hearts are reached. Every child participating in our program has the opportunity to hear about His love.

Church-driven



Real change doesn’t arrive from the outside—it rises from within. That’s why Compassion exclusively partners and delivers program with local churches who are already deeply rooted in their communities. They see the need, know the people and move alongside children long term.

Child-focused



Poverty hurts children most, yet they have the least power to change it. We believe the most powerful way to break the cycle of poverty is to start with the child. When children are released from poverty, they rise to transform their families, communities and nations.

Our programs

We care for children at every stage—starting from the very beginning of life. Our model focuses on these three key areas.

Mums and babies



Through Compassion’s Mums and Babies program, the local church becomes the village a vulnerable mother needs, offering essential medical care, nurturing health and heartfelt emotional and spiritual support through their baby’s first year of life.

Child Sponsorship Program



Every child in Compassion’s Child Sponsorship Program is connected to a church-run development centre where they receive tailored care, gain access to education, medical support, life skills, and have the opportunity to hear about the love of Jesus.

Critical Needs



Through Critical Needs, the local church steps in when and where the need is greatest. They identify urgent challenges for children and families in their community and respond with tailored solutions that meet the need and restore hope.

Child protection policy



Upendo pictured in her local neighbourhood. Karambandea, Tanzania, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

The safety and wellbeing of children is foundational to their healthy growth and development. Compassion has a zero-tolerance policy for child abuse. We take the protection and privacy of all children involved in our program seriously.

All children—regardless of their gender, race, religious beliefs, age, disability, sexual orientation, family or social background—have equal rights to protection from abuse.

You can read our full [Child Protection Code of Conduct](#) and [Modern Slavery Policy](#) on our website.



Upendo and her cousin Eliza pictured in their village. Karambandea, Tanzania, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.



What changed for children

What changed because *you*
moved with compassion

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Mums and Babies



Your impact this year

Funded through Compassion Australia

1,558

babies plus their mums had a village to support them during the tough first year of life.

94

local churches were equipped to run Mums and Babies in their community.

Funded through Compassion globally

37,841+

babies and their mums were nurtured to lay the foundations for lifelong wellbeing.

14,228

babies were welcomed safely into the world, with 93.2 per cent born at a healthy birthweight.

80.3%

of women had skilled birth attendants support their safe delivery.

90.6%

of mothers were able to breastfeed their babies, helping to prevent infant malnutrition.



Top: Sineit with her son, Bunchhy, pictured at her local church alongside other mothers and their babies. Cambodia, 2024. Photography by: Jeremy Tan.

Bottom: A mother cradles her baby outside their home. Ethiopia, 2019. Photography by: Ben Adams.

Your kingdom impact

In Isaiah 49:15, God speaks of His restoration for Israel:
“Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you.”

This scripture beautifully illustrates God’s unwavering compassion, which is at the heart of Mums and Babies. In a world that often overlooks the vulnerable, local churches are sustaining women as they navigate motherhood while living in poverty.

Many mothers face pregnancy and childbirth without access to the healthcare, nutrition or the support they need to keep their baby safe. Your partnership means our local church partners can provide holistic support to both mum and baby. Mothers are equipped to thrive in their role through personal guidance, home visits, education, income-generating opportunities and Bible studies. Babies are given a strong start to life through medical check-ups, nutritional support and early development activities.

Raising healthy children starts at home. And thanks to you, over 37,000 mothers are equipped to nurture their beautiful babies.

Thank you for reflecting Jesus’ compassion. Because He moves, we move, she moves.



Noeplorlue’s story



Noeplorlue was long overdue, approaching her 44th week of pregnancy. Living in a secluded village in Thailand meant she was far removed from medical facilities. The journey to get help was treacherous, particularly in the rainy season when the river swells.

Concerned by her condition, Mums and Babies staff at her local church stepped in. They arranged for her safe transport to the hospital, where she successfully delivered her beautiful baby daughter Napat.

Through your partnership, local churches advocate for women in the moments that matter most. And they walk alongside mothers for a year after birth, providing critical education to help them raise their children well.

Noeplorlue shares: “Joining the Mums and Babies program made a tremendous difference in my third pregnancy. I received much training that greatly improved both my health and my child’s.

“With my first two children, I had never used nappies; I didn’t even know what they were. Now, thanks to Mums and Babies, I have nappies for Napat, which we use for hospital visits and during program activities.”

Left: Noeplorlue holds her baby daughter Napat she safely delivered with the help of the Mums and Babies program. Thailand, 2024. Photography by: Oo Shinoda, Compassion Thailand Photojournalist.

SPOTLIGHT

Child Sponsorship



Your impact this year

Funded through Compassion Australia

122,758

children had a sponsor who believed their story could be more than poverty.

Funded through Compassion globally

2,381,795

children are supported holistically by a church who knows and loves them.

84,780

Australians moved generously to start or continue sponsoring children.

88,317

letters were sent to encourage children with your messages and prayers.

Left: Children are gathered for program activities at their child development centre. Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.



Top: Children are learning from their teacher Jessica under the shade of a tree at their child development centre. Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Bottom: Children are having fun playing on the swing set at their local child development centre. Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Your kingdom impact

Lasting change begins with the One who never leaves us. In Lamentations 3:22–23 we read, “*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness*” (NIV).

Local churches are there for children for the long term, moving alongside them until they reach adulthood and remaining rooted in the community for generations to come.

You are part of this lasting impact. Through Compassion’s Child Sponsorship Program, children are connected with a church who knows them and a sponsor who believes in them. Your letters, prayer and encouragement show children going through unthinkable hardships that they are seen, loved and never alone.

Our program nurtures children’s growth in every area of life: physical, socio-emotional, cognitive and spiritual. Thanks to your support, children receive nutritious meals and medical care to stay safe and well. Through play, education and loving guidance, they build meaningful relationships, discover their unique gifts and are equipped with skills to set them up for lifelong success.

At the heart of our program is giving each child the chance to hear about the love of Jesus. Thank you for moving with His compassion as He transforms the lives of over 2.3 million precious children.



Marjorie’s story



“One of the most important memories I had when I was a little girl was the pastor telling me that everything is possible when you have God in your heart,” says Marjorie, a young adult in Ecuador. “That changed my mind and my world.”

Marjorie grew up in extreme poverty in the rural indigenous village of San Pablo. Despite hunger, a lack of education and limited healthcare, she dreamt of becoming a nurse.

“When I told my family that I wanted to study to become a nurse, they told me that it would be a difficult dream to achieve and that I should consider giving up on it.”

But God did not give up on Marjorie, and Marjorie did not give up on her dream.

Through Compassion’s Child Sponsorship Program, Marjorie’s local church supported her with funds and mentorship to persevere in her studies.

Now, Marjorie has returned to her hometown not just as a nurse but someone creating lasting impact for the next generation. Two days a week, she serves as a health specialist for Compassion, working with children at the same church she grew up in!

“I want to give back by grace everything I received by grace.”

Left: Marjorie, a Compassion graduate, is teaching children at the same church she grew up in. San Pablo, Ecuador, 2024. Photography by: Nico Benalcázar, Compassion Ecuador Photojournalist.

Critical Needs



Your impact this year

Funded through Compassion Australia

53,000+

children received critical support at decisive moments that changed everything.

6,144

children plus their families and community members are now drinking clean water.

1,478

youth were given an opportunity to pursue further education and better their future.

2

children were able to undergo life-saving open heart surgery.

Funded through Compassion globally

570

families in Myanmar received urgent food packs in the aftermath of an earthquake.

350

families in Myanmar were provided with temporary shelter after their homes were devastated.

1,000

households in the Mandalay region were able to drink safe water during a time of crisis.



Top: In Karambandea village, a water tank means clean water flows for children in the community. Tanzania, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Bottom: The local church is providing urgent food relief to families. Uganda, 2022. Photography by: Emily Turner.

Your kingdom impact

In moments of crisis, God’s mercy meets us. Exodus 33:19 reminds us of who God is: *“I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion”* (NIV).

Critical Needs reflects God’s character by stepping in with compassion when children face urgent challenges.

Your support empowers local churches to move during decisive moments, providing children with the right support at the right time. Local churches know the children they serve and are best placed to identify their needs and respond with tailored solutions. This may look like life-saving medical treatment, funding to continue education, or training to sustain families with extra income.

Poverty is unpredictable. But your partnership means, each day, more children are waking up with the stability they need for their physical and mental wellbeing, empowering them to take steps of faith that move their families beyond immediate survival toward building a secure future.

Thank you for moving to meet your neighbours in their moment of need.



Mini's story



SPOTLIGHT

“Every night, I prayed that the walls wouldn’t fall and bury me and the children in the house,” says Mini, a mother from Burkina Faso. “I put a big tree trunk outside the wall of the house to keep it from falling. I couldn’t imagine how I would survive in this house if it was not by the hands of God.”

While her village was excited for rain, Mini feared it. She lived in a dilapidated house with her two sons, twin daughters and another pair of twins on the way. Rain meant a constant struggle to manage the leaks and keep her children and belongings safe.

As a single parent, it would take Mini 120 years to save up enough money to build a single room. But the local church mobilised to support Mini and her children. They gathered sand and stones from the neighbourhood, and thanks to Critical Needs funding, were able to start construction on a new home.

Praise God that Mini and her children are now sleeping safe and sound!

“I couldn’t have dreamed of a better house. It is iron-roofed, and the floor and the walls are plastered with cement to make it stronger and safer than our previous home.”

Left: Mini and her five daughters are standing at the door of their new home. Burkina Faso, 2025. Photography by: Jehojakim, Compassion Burkina Faso Photojournalist.

Critical Needs funds



Disaster Relief

Allows for an effective and quick response when disaster threatens the safety and stability of children and their families.



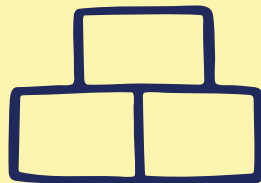
Education and Training

Opens opportunities for youth to pursue further education in fields of their choice through financial support and counselling from the local church.



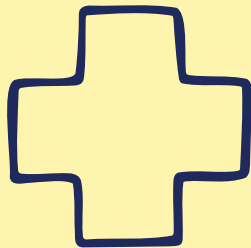
Income Generation

Empowers youth and caregivers to be economically self-supporting through vocational training and resources to start a business.



Infrastructure

Provides structures that promote safety, dignity and stability for children such as houses, classrooms and playgrounds.



Health

Covers expenses so children can access preventive healthcare and education or medical treatment when the need arises.



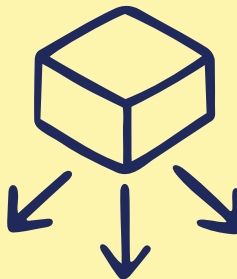
Highly Vulnerable Children

Ensures the safety and care of children living in high-risk situations through immediate housing, trauma counselling, legal support and more.



Water and Sanitation

Secures access to safe water and sanitation facilities which protect the health of children, their families and communities.



Where Most Needed

Equips our local church partners to address the needs they have identified as the most urgent in their communities.

A Brighter Future



Your impact this year

Funded through Compassion Australia

12,922

unsponsored children continued to receive care from their loving local church for four months.

Funded through Compassion globally

343,755+

children were able to eat, play and learn while they waited to be connected with a sponsor.

In 1 Peter 1:3-4 we read, *“He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you”* (NIV).

As believers, our eternal hope is secure. We can face each day with confidence knowing the Author of our story has already written the most beautiful ending. He is our brighter future.

When this hope enters children’s stories, it changes everything. They can see beyond the poverty that once made it impossible to dream and move into the plans God has for them.

On average, it takes four months for a child to be connected with a sponsor. For over 340,000 children, your generosity meant their future was not put on hold. They received the same loving care from their local church as sponsored children do.

Thank you for seeing a brighter future for every child.

Left: Children are laughing and learning in the classroom at their local child development centre. Ethiopia, 2019. Photography by: Ben Adams.

How you've moved with your
neighbours near and far

Your impact, near and far



You are part of a global neighbourhood moving together to love children.

Your neighbours this year

Your local neighbours

94,372

Australian supporters chose to move with compassion by sponsoring or giving.

122

incredible volunteers gave 1,289 hours of their time to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

75,030

people united in prayer, receiving prayer points from our local church partners.

939

churches across Australia partnered with us to create a kingdom impact for children.

Your global neighbours

46

countries united in mission, with 29 countries delivering program and 18 countries raising support.

9,017

local churches partnered with Compassion, amplifying their ministry to families living in poverty.

The global Compassion neighbourhood

- Fundraising countries
- Program countries
- 01

Canada
- 02

United States
- 03

Norway
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United Kingdom
- 05

Ireland
- 06

France
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Spain
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Sweden
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Denmark
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Netherlands
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Germany
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Switzerland
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Italy
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South Korea
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Singapore
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Australia
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New Zealand
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Philippines
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Mexico
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Guatemala
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El Salvador
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Nicaragua
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Colombia
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Ecuador
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Peru
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Bolivia
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Haiti
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Honduras
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Dominican Republic
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Brazil
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Ghana
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Burkina Faso
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Togo
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Uganda
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Rwanda
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Ethiopia
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Bangladesh
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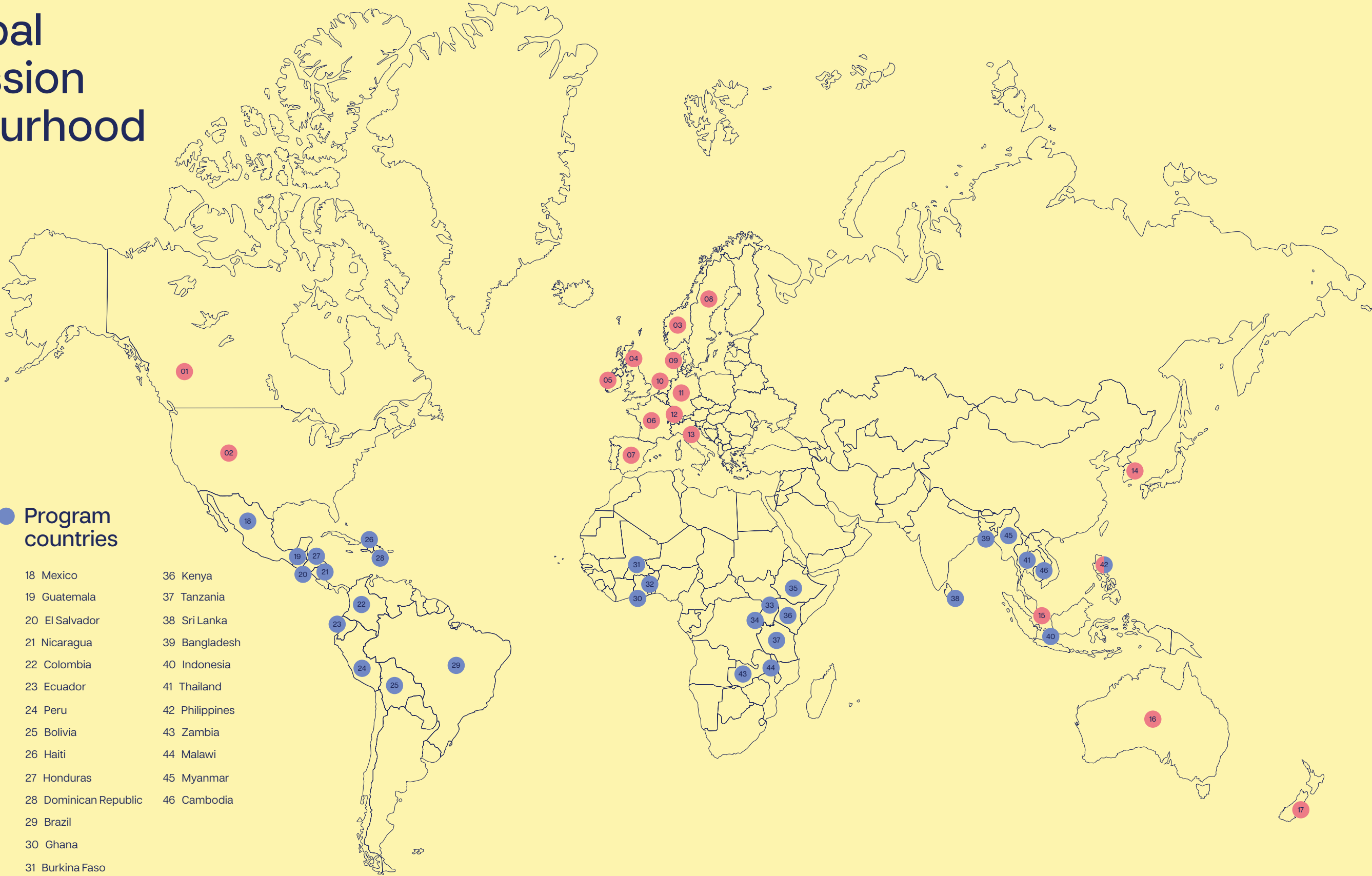
Philippines
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Zambia
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Malawi
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Myanmar
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Cambodia



37,836

babies and their mums supported

2,381,795

children supported

9,017

local church partners

Africa

Burkina Faso • Ethiopia • Ghana
Kenya • Malawi • Rwanda • Tanzania
Togo • Uganda • Zambia

10
countries

4,120
church partners

1,005,753
children supported

18,155
babies and their mums supported



Vicky and her siblings playing soccer outside their home. Karamoja, Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

Burkina Faso	Ethiopia	Ghana	Kenya	Malawi	Rwanda	Tanzania	Togo	Uganda	Zambia
31	35	30	36	44	34	37	32	33	43
Est. 2004	Est. 1993	Est. 2004	Est. 1980	Est. 2021	Est. 1979	Est. 1999	Est. 2007	Est. 1980	Est. 2023
									
490 church partners	610 church partners	452 church partners	488 church partners	81 church partners	457 church partners	581 church partners	396 church partners	495 church partners	70 church partners
116,664 children supported	139,520 children supported	100,590 children supported	137,265 children supported	17,271 children supported	118,637 children supported	120,922 children supported	88,218 children supported	155,900 children supported	10,766 children supported
2,510 babies & their mums supported	2,507 babies & their mums supported	948 babies & their mums supported	2,473 babies & their mums supported	894 babies & their mums supported	1,645 babies & their mums supported	2,124 babies & their mums supported	1,791 babies & their mums supported	2,839 babies & their mums supported	424 babies & their mums supported

Asia

Bangladesh • Cambodia • Indonesia
Philippines • Myanmar • Sri Lanka
Thailand

7
countries

1,771
church partners

417,692
children supported

7,872
babies and their mums supported



Local Compassion staff walking to work in their colourful sarees. Sri Lanka, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

<div><div>39</div><div>Bangladesh</div><div>Est. 2003</div></div> <div><div>193 local partners</div><div>57,075 children supported</div><div>1,240 babies & their mums supported</div></div>	<div><div>46</div><div>Cambodia</div><div>Est. 2023</div></div> <div><div>25 church partners</div><div>2,182 children supported</div><div>339 babies & their mums supported</div></div>	<div><div>40</div><div>Indonesia</div><div>Est. 1968</div></div> <div><div>722 church partners</div><div>157,816 children supported</div><div>2,639 babies & their mums supported</div></div>	<div><div>45</div><div>Myanmar</div><div>Est. 2022</div></div> <div><div>Program startup underway</div></div>	<div><div>42</div><div>Philippines</div><div>Est. 1972</div></div> <div><div>480 church partners</div><div>103,885 children supported</div><div>1,245 babies & their mums supported</div></div>	<div><div>38</div><div>Sri Lanka</div><div>Est. 2010</div></div> <div><div>145 local partners</div><div>31,929 children supported</div><div>1,665 babies & their mums supported</div></div>	<div><div>41</div><div>Thailand</div><div>Est. 1970</div></div> <div><div>144 church partners</div><div>64,805 children supported</div><div>744 babies & their mums supported</div></div>
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Central America

Dominican Republic • El Salvador
Guatemala • Haiti • Honduras
Mexico • Nicaragua

7
countries

1,805
church partners

518,481
children supported

6,636
babies and their mums supported



Children are playing on the swing set at their local child development centre. Dominican Republic, 2020. Photography by: Yrahisa Mateo

<div><div>28</div><div>Dominican Republic</div></div>	<div><div>20</div><div>El Salvador</div></div>	<div><div>19</div><div>Guatemala</div></div>	<div><div>26</div><div>Haiti</div></div>	<div><div>27</div><div>Honduras</div></div>	<div><div>18</div><div>Mexico</div></div>	<div><div>21</div><div>Nicaragua</div></div>
Est. 1970	Est. 1977	Est. 1980	Est. 1968	Est. 1974	Est. 1979	Est. 2002
						
234 church partners	246 church partners	252 church partners	406 church partners	218 church partners	208 church partners	241 church partners
62,307 children supported	73,453 children supported	69,901 children supported	138,467 children supported	59,274 children supported	53,037 children supported	62,042 children supported
1,008 babies & their mums supported	823 babies & their mums supported	907 babies & their mums supported	1,677 babies & their mums supported	723 babies & their mums supported	748 babies & their mums supported	750 babies & their mums supported

South America

Bolivia • Brazil • Colombia
Ecuador • Peru

5
countries

1,321
church partners

439,869
children supported

5,173
babies and their mums supported



Children are playing soccer in their neighbourhood. Bolivia, 2018. Photography by: Ben Adams. Solano.

Bolivia			Brazil			Colombia			Ecuador			Peru		
25			29			22			23			24		
Est. 1975			Est. 1975			Est. 1974			Est. 1974			Est. 1980		
														
237 church partners			222 church partners			308 church partners			258 church partners			296 church partners		
102,687 children supported			66,470 children supported			91,064 children supported			89,653 children supported			89,995 children supported		
1,072 babies & their mums supported			514 babies & their mums supported			1,179 babies & their mums supported			1,295 babies & their mums supported			1,113 babies & their mums supported		

How your generosity was
strategically used this year

Your generosity multiplied

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Children having fun playing on the beach. Rote Island, Indonesia, 2019. Photography by: Jake Thomas.



Children smile with joy alongside friends at their local child development centre. Philippines, 2019. Photography by: Ben Adams.



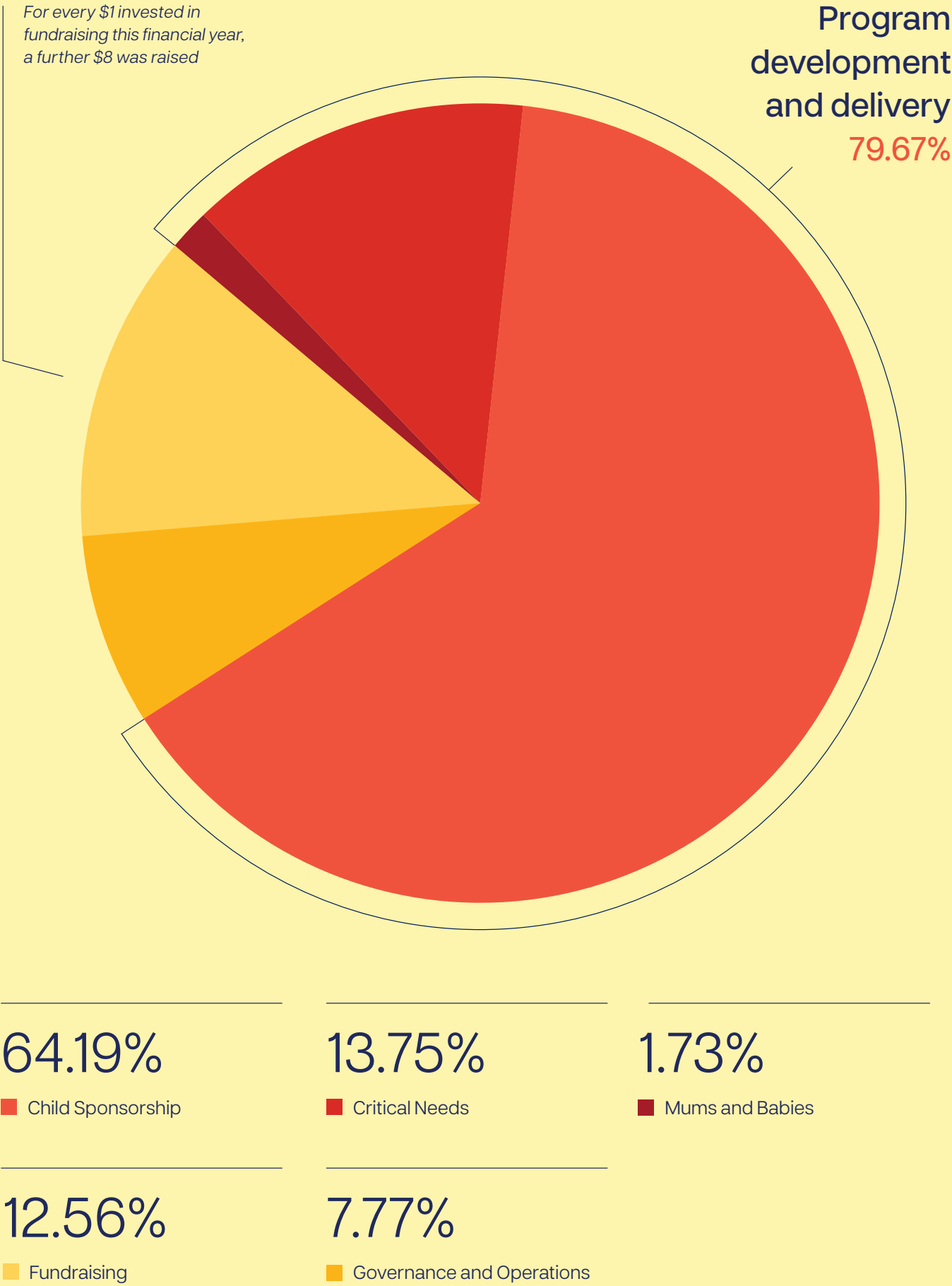
Upendo lovingly hugs her father, Edward. Karambandea, Tanzania, 2024. Photography by: Jake Thomas.

How your generosity was strategically used this year

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”
1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

Throughout the Bible, we are taught to be wise stewards of our gifts, time and money. These biblical principles reflect how we use the funds you have entrusted to us.

We share your heart to maximise our impact for the children we serve. Your generosity directly benefits children, supporting local churches to make a lasting difference in their lives. A portion of your gift is used to ensure strong governance and sustainable operations for our ministry and to multiply your impact through fundraising.



Dedication

Maureen Currie , Compassion Australia Head of Finance

In March this year, I visited Thailand and witnessed for the first time the work of our local church partners. For me, this visit amplified the impact that your generosity has for children, families and staff.

At the Compassion child development centre, we were taken to the office where local staff carefully keep track of children’s development. They document living situations, holistic health milestones and correspondence with their sponsors. Their dedication was evident in every detail.

It was in that office while I was sifting through the records that I came across paperwork that looked familiar: it was a record of financial gifts that sponsors had sent to their sponsored children. My team produces similar documentation back home.

It was a powerful reminder that the work I do every day is connected to our shared mission. Every gift you give is carefully stewarded and managed with the same care and dedication by our local church partners.

In the 2025 financial year, we received the highest amount of donation income we ever have in a single year. I want to personally say thank you and tell you how deeply encouraging these results were to me. We also saw your overwhelming generosity during our Christmas appeal and end of financial year appeal which meant over 12,922 unsponsored children will be supported for four months!

During this financial year, we lifted the cost of sponsorship for the first time in 11 years—an increase of over 14 per cent. This decision was prayerfully made to ensure that amid inflation our local church partners can sustain the delivery of vital program work. I know this meant a financial sacrifice for many supporters, and I am humbled that so many sponsors remain dedicated to the children whose futures they believe in. Just like the local staff in their communities.

This is work we are doing together, and I’m thankful for your partnership in it.

Wishing you the Lord’s special blessing, from Numbers 6:24–26:

May the LORD bless you and protect you. May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. May the LORD show you his favour and give you His peace.



Maureen Currie
Compassion Australia Head of Finance

Faith and Courage

Isaac Moody, Compassion Australia Chair of the Board

In 1 Kings chapter 18, Elijah confronts the prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel. When I take a closer look at this story, I am amazed by how God so often places people exactly where they need to be in accordance with His will.

In 1 Kings 18, Obadiah, Ahab’s palace administrator, was exactly where he was needed. I can only imagine the amount of faith and courage it took for Obadiah to return to Ahab with the news that Elijah had come.

Sometimes the Lord asks us to serve Him in ways that require immense courage and faith. We make our plans and strategies, but ultimately, we rely on the Lord to move.

This year, we praise God that He has indeed been moving. But He hasn’t been moving alone. He has been bringing people into His story in accordance with His will. I am so excited to see God’s Church moving in faith and courage to serve children, and I want to thank you for being part of what He is doing. I am so grateful for your generosity.

Because you moved, we are seeing some seeds planted begin to bud. As you may be aware, we have a God-given vision to see 1 million more children released from poverty in Jesus’ name by 2028. Compassion Australia has been able to support the launch of fundraising in the Philippines and Singapore and witness the Church in Asia empowered to support their neighbours. United across oceans, we are closer to seeing our vision realised.

In 1 Kings 18:36 we read, “At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed.” To be people of God is to be people of prayer, stepping forward in faith and courage. For the Board of Compassion Australia, prayer is central to our work. In this year ahead, we are praying particularly for the 9,000 local churches that we are now blessed to partner with.

I humbly ask you to join me in this prayer: that each of our local church partners will continue to move forward in faith and courage, knowing God is behind them.

Thank you again for moving so generously this year.



Isaac Moody
Compassion Australia Chair of the Board

Our Board



Isaac Moody

Chairman of the Board; Chair of the CEO and Governance Committee and the Executive Committee; Board member since 2008

Isaac has a group of businesses in hospitality, agriculture and property which enable him to volunteer for ministries like Compassion and maintain strong community involvement in the Toowoomba region.



Mark McCrindle

Vice Chair of the Board; Member of the Strategy Committee; Board member since 2015

Mark McCrindle MA, BSc (Psychology), Grad Cert Theol, Dip B.S. is a demographer, social researcher and founding principal of McCrindle Research. He brings more than 20 years of experience in management and director roles.



Mike Jeffs

Member of the Finance Committee; Member of the Board of Directors of Compassion International since 2010; Australian Board member since 1995

Mike has extensive business knowledge with 40+ years' experience in management and director roles. He is the Founder and Director of Network Communications Pty Ltd, Founder & CEO of Australian Christian Channel Pty Ltd, GOOD, and Director of Southern Cross Institute Pty Limited.



Kent Medwin

Chair of the Finance Committee; Board member

Kent has been in business for over 25 years and is the Managing Director of Rock Property Australia, and Head of Strategy for Hillsong Church Australia. Kent is passionate about seeing change, growth and empowering others to impact their sphere. Kent resides in Melbourne, Victoria with his wife and three children.



Mabel Chua

Secretary of the Board; Chair of the Risk Committee; Member of the CEO and Governance Committee; Board member since 2012

Mabel holds a Master of Laws, Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Commerce majoring in accounting and finance. Prior to becoming the Managing Director of M 6:8 Legal in Perth, Mabel was a partner at a multi-disciplinary boutique legal practice. Mabel has served in various leadership capacities in her local church and in the Christian community.



Jonas Golze

Member of the CEO and Governance Committee, Member of the Strategy Committee; Board member since 2023

Jonas has more than 20 years of expertise in strategy, transformation and technology-enabled decision making. He has worked in Europe, the US and Asia-Pacific across a range of industries.



Irene Yu

Member of the Finance Committee, Member of the Risk Committee; Member of the Board since 2023

Irene has over 20 years of experience in the accounting, banking and finance industry with global and domestic institutions across multiple jurisdictions.



Rebecca Lambert-Smith

Member of the Board since 2025

Rebecca brings 20 years of experience in legal practice, including more than 10 years working in the charity and not-for-profit sector. Her expertise extends to governance, disputes and regulatory compliance and investigations.

Board declaration

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COMPASSION AUSTRALIA DECLARES THAT:

[a] The financial statements and notes as set out on pages 82 to 85 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:

- i. Comply with Australian Accounting Standards, and
- ii. Give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the company.

[b] In the directors’ opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the organisation will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Isaac Moody, Chair of the Board

Mabel Chua, Secretary of the Board

Accountability and transparency

Compassion Australia is committed to earning and keeping your trust and confidence through transparency and godly stewardship. Integrity is a value that drives the whole organisation in Australia and across the world. You can give confidently, knowing that your support will be stewarded well and that it makes an impact in the lives of vulnerable children.

 <p>We are independently audited annually by BDO Audit Pty Ltd.</p>	 <p>We are an organisational partner of the Fundraising Institute of Australia.</p>	 <p>We comply with the standards of Missions Interlink.</p>
 <p>We're committed to complying with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) external standards.</p>	 <p>We are an accredited member of the Christian Management Association (CMA) Standards Council.</p>	

Compassion Australia is authorised to fundraise in New South Wales (Authority CFN/10658), Victoria (Registration No. FR0010734), Queensland (Registration No. CH1569), South Australia (License No. CCP2632), Tasmania (Approval No. F1A-208) and Western Australia (Licence No 20740). No authority to fundraise is required in the Australian Capital Territory or the Northern Territory.

Revenue

	2025	2024
Donations and gifts		
— Monetary	\$101,901,873	\$95,897,299
— Non-monetary	-	-
Bequests and legacies	\$313,987	\$257,538
Investment income	\$957,267	\$715,450
Other income	\$39,035	\$161,140
Total	\$103,212,162	\$97,031,427

Expenditure

Year ended 30 June

	2025	2024
International aid and development programs expenditure		
International programs		
— Funds to international programs	\$63,939,249	\$60,927,928
— Program support costs	\$16,676,499	\$15,866,811
Community education	-	-
Fundraising costs		
— Public	\$12,712,570	\$11,828,068
Accountability and administration	\$7,858,752	\$8,774,282
Total International aid and development programs expenditure	\$101,187,070	\$97,397,089
Domestic programs expenditure	-	-
Total expenditure	\$101,187,070	\$97,397,089
Operating surplus/(deficit)	\$2,025,092	(\$365,662)
Other comprehensive income		
— Property valuation decrement 30 Warabrook Blvd, Warabrook NSW	-	(\$887,015)
Total comprehensive income for the year	\$2,025,092	(\$1,252,677)

Assets

	2025	2024
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$24,785,252	23,117,322
Investments	\$375,323	\$417,776
Other receivables	\$279,873	\$273,876
Prepaid expenses	\$790,469	\$471,546
Total current assets	\$26,230,917	\$24,280,520
Non current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	\$14,892,832	\$14,465,713
Right of use assets	\$952,822	\$1,092,900
Intangibles	\$4,393,294	\$5,168,578
Total non current assets	\$20,238,948	\$20,727,191
Total assets	\$46,469,865	\$45,007,711

Liabilities

	2025	2024
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	\$14,884,238	\$15,621,901
Income in advance	\$338,306	\$87,164
Lease liability	\$396,567	\$360,193
Provisions	\$477,349	\$489,227
Total current liabilities	\$16,096,460	\$16,558,485
Non current liabilities		
Lease liability	\$594,963	\$745,797
Provisions	\$240,551	\$190,630
Total non current liabilities	\$835,514	\$936,427
Total liabilities	\$16,931,974	\$17,494,912
Net assets		
Net assets	\$29,537,891	\$27,512,799
Equity		
Restricted reserves	-	-
General reserves	\$24,156,428	\$22,131,336
Revaluation surplus	\$5,381,463	\$5,381,463
Total equity	\$29,537,891	\$27,512,799



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Compassion Australia

Report of the Independent Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements

Opinion

The summary financial statements, which comprise the assets and liabilities statement - representing the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the revenue and expenditure statement - representing the consolidated profit statement for the for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial report of Compassion Australia (the Entity) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report and the auditor's report thereon. The summary financial statements and the audited financial report do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial report.

The Audited Financial Report and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial report in our report dated 8 December 2025.

Responsibilities of management on the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary financials and the extraction of such information from the Company's full financial report to give an abridged summary of the financial position and performance of the entity for the relevant financial year. This responsibility includes ensuring the summary financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities on the Summary Financial Statements

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

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Director

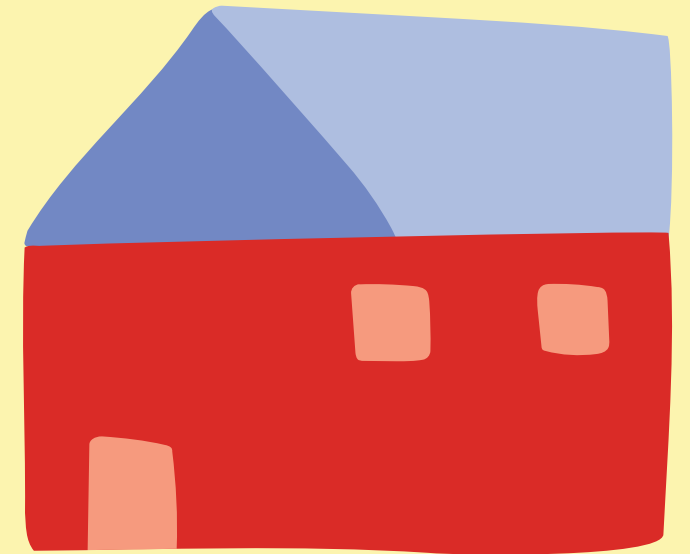
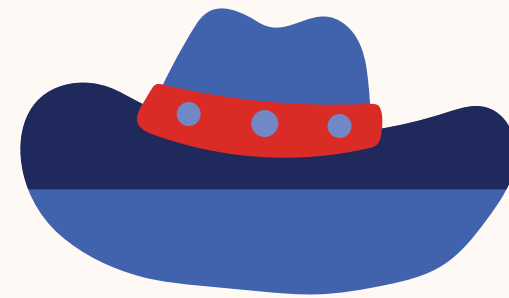
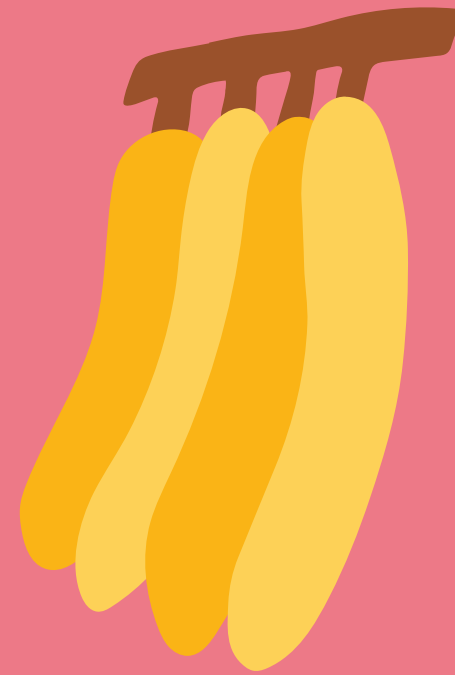
Sydney, 8 December 2025

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Children are learning under the shade of a tree at their child development centre, Uganda, 2023. Photography by: Jake Thomas.



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