



2019 Annual Report


Our Vision

A world
without leprosy.



Our Mission

American Leprosy Missions
exists to serve as a channel
of Christ's love to persons
affected by leprosy and
related diseases, helping
them to be healed in body
and spirit and restored to
lives of dignity and hope.



A Message from the President and Board Chair

Thank you for your faithful partnership this past year. Together we have cured people suffering from leprosy and related diseases, cared for those affected and moved closer to ending these terrible diseases.

With your support, American Leprosy Missions is reaching more people and transforming more lives, ensuring that people have access to the health and hope they so desperately need. You are making a real and lasting difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of people around the world.

We look forward to partnering with you in the years ahead to bring healing, dignity, hope and the love of Jesus to even more men, women and children.



Bill Simmons
President and CEO



Neal Joseph
Chair, Board of Directors



Bill Simmons talks with Bibiche, a Buruli ulcer patient, at a Christian hospital in the DR Congo. Thanks to your compassionate support, people like 19-year-old Bibiche receive the cure and ongoing care for this flesh-eating disease.



Neglected People: Neglected Diseases

More than one billion men, women and children are affected by neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), including leprosy and Buruli ulcer. These diseases affect the poorest and most neglected people and can lead to:

- ◆ Profound pain and suffering
- ◆ Malnutrition
- ◆ Lifelong disabilities
- ◆ Increased poverty
- ◆ Stigma and isolation

American Leprosy Missions serves people affected by six NTDs that can cause disabilities and ongoing complications:

- ◆ Leprosy
- ◆ Buruli ulcer
- ◆ Lymphatic filariasis
- ◆ Yaws
- ◆ Leishmaniasis
- ◆ Trachoma

Yaw (left) is married with three young children. He works on a plantation in rural Ghana. For years the large wound on his leg was misdiagnosed. But thanks to your generous gifts, Yaw was found by our partners and diagnosed with Buruli ulcer. He then received the cure and a skin graft and still has ongoing wound care. Credit: Tom Bradley

More than 40 million people live with lifelong disabilities caused by these terrible diseases. More information at leprosy.org/neglected-diseases/.



Your compassionate support helps our partners find and treat children like these in Magwe, Myanmar who suffer from devastating diseases like leprosy.
Credit: Tom Bradley

Restoring Hope and Dignity for More Than 100 Years

For 113 years, American Leprosy Missions has served as a channel of Christ's love, helping people with leprosy and related diseases be healed and restored to lives of dignity and hope.

Today, with the support of people like you, we continue to lead a global fight against leprosy and neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), working to **CURE** and **CARE** for those affected, and actually **END** these devastating diseases in our time.

CURE

We work in some of the most impoverished areas of the world to find, diagnose and cure people with leprosy and other NTDs.

-  Awareness/health education
-  Case detection
-  Disease mapping
-  Health system support
-  Health worker training
-  Hospital infrastructure
-  Lab support
-  Medicines and medical supplies
-  Research
-  Treatment

CARE

We minister to people affected by NTDs, providing services to mitigate the crippling effects of these terrible diseases.

-  Awareness/health education
-  Christian discipleship
-  Disability prevention
-  Disease mapping
-  Footwear
-  Health system support
-  Health worker training
-  Hospital infrastructure
-  Income generation
-  Medicines and medical supplies
-  Nutrition
-  Reconstructive surgery
-  Research
-  Self-care training
-  Self-help groups
-  WASH

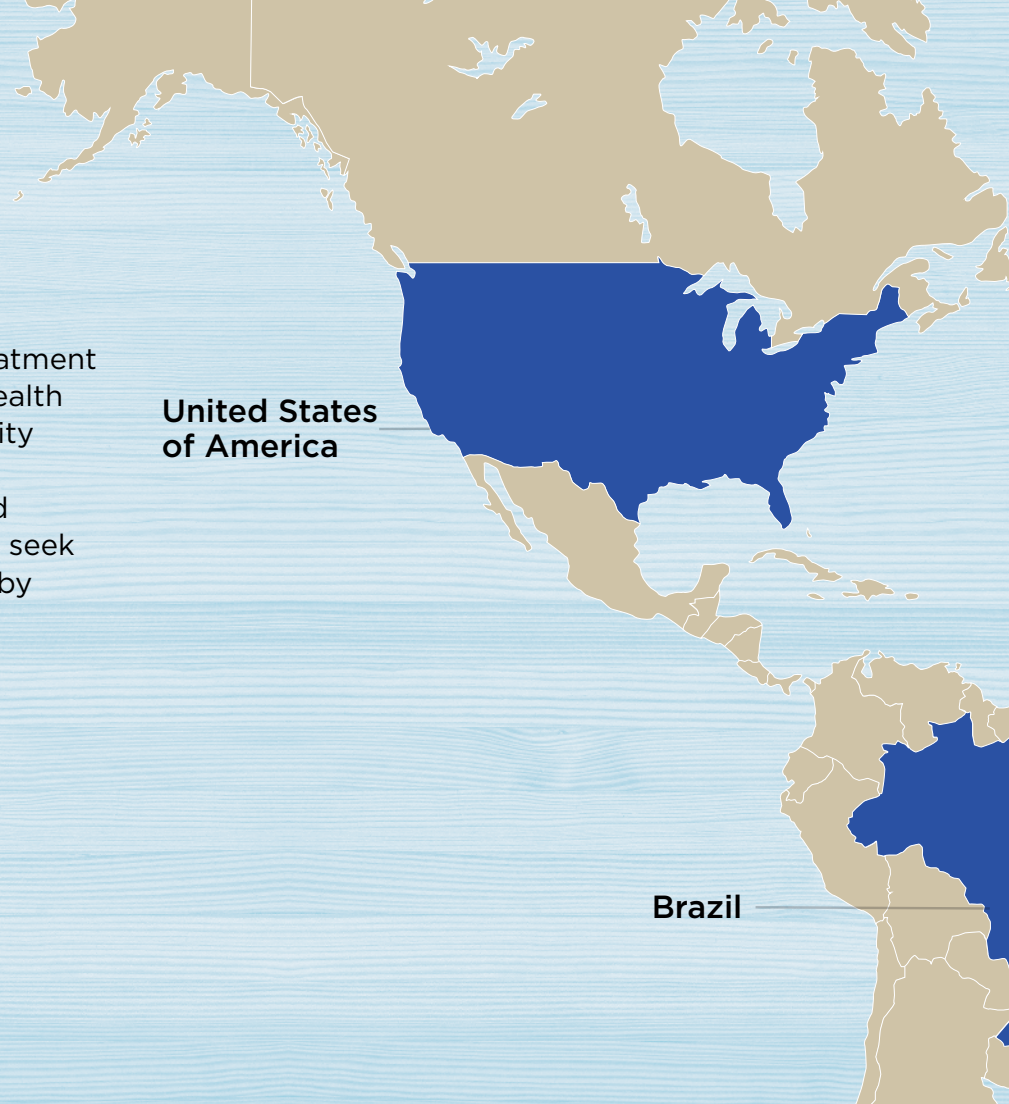
END

We develop innovative ways to treat and prevent leprosy and other NTDs.

-  Disease mapping
-  Health system support
-  Preventative drugs
-  Research
-  WASH

Transforming Lives Around the World

In 2019, you helped us impact the lives of hundreds of thousands of suffering and marginalized people through medical treatment and training, medical supply deliveries, health system strengthening, research, community development, and disease mapping and management. This map reflects the broad reach of our ministry and expertise as we seek to transform the lives of people affected by neglected tropical diseases.





Norway

United Kingdom

Nepal

Bangladesh

Myanmar

Philippines

India

Indonesia

Kenya

Tanzania

Comoros

Madagascar

Mozambique

DR Congo

Republic of the Congo

Cameroon

Côte d'Ivoire

Liberia

Sierra Leone

Senegal

Ghana

Benin

Niger

Central African Republic

Uganda

Ethiopia



Your faithful partnership equips self-help groups in Nepal with training and support. In turn, they transform the lives of everyone in their community, like these people in Haripur, improving health and well-being. Credit: Tom Bradley

Your Gifts in Action

2,983 pairs

of special footwear distributed

61,842 people

screened for NTDs

4,372 toilets

constructed in India and Nepal

\$5,408,051

worth of critical medicines and
medical supplies sent to Central
African Republic and Nepal

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leprosy vaccine
successfully completed
Phase Ia clinical trial

\$510,067

invested in
pioneering research
in 18 countries

5,149 tests

administered for
nerve function

25,749 households

reached with education on
sanitation, hygiene and NTDs

2,442 patients

received wound
care treatment

Last year, partners like you helped relieve suffering and restore hope to more than 200,000 men, women and children around the world. **Thank you!**



Walking into History

The staff at our partner hospital in Nepal — Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital — are no strangers to minor miracles. **But there was a special miracle on March 10, 2019, when Lalgadh Hospital produced their first below-knee prosthesis for 22-year-old Sushil at the new footwear and prosthetics department that you helped build.** Sushil was forced to have his left leg amputated below the knee because of complications from leprosy. But thanks to your support, he had a special opportunity to rebuild his future. Sushil joyfully talks about rebuilding not just his mobility but his entire life. Your gifts, and a grant from USAID's American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) program, helped us build and equip the new footwear and prosthesis department. And now your gifts are helping Sushil rebuild his life.

Thank you!



Above: Sushil (left) now has the gift of mobility and can rebuild his life, thanks to your faithful partnership.

Left: Your gifts helped us build and equip the new footwear and prosthesis department at Lalgadh Hospital in Nepal. Now the staff can help people suffering from leprosy walk again. Credit: Tom Bradley



15-year-old Prabhavathi (center) is a leader of her high school's menstrual hygiene management committee. Aliveni, to her right, is a leader of the personal hygiene committee. They are chatting with Challa Lakshmi (far left), the local leader of the women's NTD WASH project in India. Your gifts helped them set up school handwashing stations and toilets, and equipped them to teach students about good health and hygiene. Credit: Tom Bradley

Equipping Women in Asia to Improve WASH and Stop Disease

Clean water to drink. Toilets. Sinks for washing hands. All things that help stop disease and keep us healthy. But many people living in poverty do not have adequate water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH). And this contributes to the spread of disease. **Thanks to your generous gifts last year, two WASH projects reached 25,749 households in 164 villages in India and Nepal.** We worked with local partners to empower women leaders and train them in advocacy, WASH and NTDs. Then they facilitated the construction of 4,372 toilets and reached 6,315 school children with health education. What's more, 380 people affected by NTDs were found and referred to clinics for treatment. Thank you for equipping women in Asia to improve WASH and stop disease.

Thank you!



Your support equipped and empowered Navara and the other women in her village in India to build this well. Now they finally have safe, clean water for their families. Credit: Tom Bradley



Improving Access to Quality Care

In 2019, the AIM Initiative — a disease data, mapping and management program of American Leprosy Missions — launched activities as part of the U.S. Agency for International Development’s Act to End NTDs | West Program. The program helps fight neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) in 11 countries in West Africa. The AIM Initiative is working with ministries of health in Benin, Côte d’Ivoire, Ghana and Senegal to provide critical disease data, promote collaboration and help develop national strategic plans to tackle NTDs. This will help governments extend limited resources by targeting areas of greatest need and highest risk, and ultimately improve people’s ability to access quality care.



The Act to End NTDs | West Team: Funded by USAID, the Act to End NTDs | West program is led by FHI360. Other partners include Helen Keller International, Health and Development International, Deloitte, World Vision and AmeriCares. More information available at www.actntdswest.org.



Above: The AIM Initiative team meets in Accra, Ghana with Act to End NTDs | West partners (Ghana Health Services NTD Program, World Vision and FHI360) to discuss collection and verification of NTD data in West Africa.

Left: Ten-year-old Koffi has a wound on his leg from Buruli ulcer. Thanks to your support, our partners in Côte d’Ivoire provide treatment and care, and educate him and his family about this flesh-eating disease. Credit: Tom Bradley



What Our Supporters Are Saying

In November 2019, some of our supporters had an opportunity to travel with us to Nepal to visit our partners, Anandaban Hospital and Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital. After seeing our ministry firsthand, here's what they're saying:

"American Leprosy Missions empowers people to reduce disease by expanding access to clean water and improved sanitation. To see these programs in practice has been a revelation. They take a tiny investment and they change generations with it. They change entire worlds."

- James Knode, supporter

"Patients have gone from a place where they didn't have hope and faith to a place where they feel motivated to get up early in the morning and come and praise God [during chapel]. They find peace and joy among people who are also followers of Jesus Christ and sharing that love."

- Lori Schmidt, board member and supporter

"If you have an opportunity to donate, this is an incredible organization and mission and I would encourage anybody to get involved to the greatest possible degree you can... This organization should be at the very top of your priority list."

- David Hughes, supporter

Recently some of our staff and supporters visited Anandaban Hospital in Nepal. Thanks to your gifts and a grant from USAID's American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) program, the hospital is building a new, three-story facility that will help them better serve people with leprosy and related diseases, as well as pregnant women and new mothers.

Fiscal 2019 Finances and Program Support

Revenue

Public Contributions	\$ 6,104,848
Legacies	\$ 1,952,417
In-Kind Gifts	\$ 5,408,051
Investments/Other	\$ 127,050
Total Revenue	\$ 13,592,366

Expenses

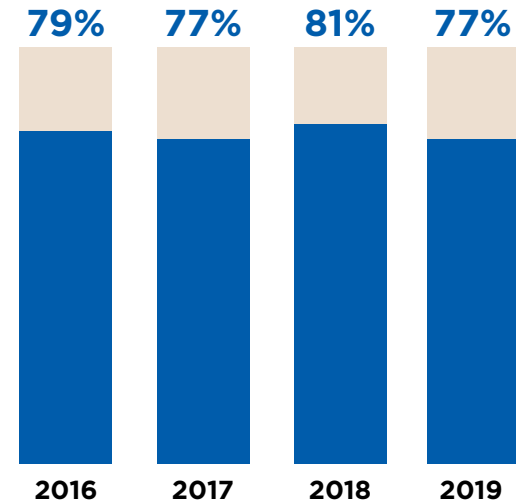
Program Services	\$ 10,517,342
Fundraising	\$ 2,503,629
Management & General	\$ 621,326
Total Expenses	\$ 13,642,297

Assets & Liabilities

Current Assets	\$ 1,188,961
Other Assets	\$ 15,435,947
Total Assets	\$ 16,624,908
Current Liabilities	\$ 364,020
Other Liabilities	\$ 134,329
Total Net Assets	\$ 16,126,559
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 16,624,908



Program Expense Ratio



Leadership

Board of Directors

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Compensation: Directors and consultants to the Board of Directors of American Leprosy Missions receive no compensation for service.

Term Limits: A director may serve no more than nine consecutive years on the Board. However, an individual who has filled a single director vacancy is eligible, in addition, to be elected for his/her own three consecutive three-year terms. Following Board service of nine consecutive years (or nine consecutive years plus service in a director vacancy), a one-year mandatory rotation off the Board is required before an individual can be considered for re-election to the Board.

Senior Leadership

Bill Simmons – President and CEO

Christina Colton – Vice President of Development

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James Oehrig, M.A. – Vice President of Integral Mission

Darren Schaupp, M.A. – Vice President of Programs

Stefanie Weiland, M.Sc. – Vice President of Special Initiatives



Poyari and her village in India now have safe, clean water thanks to your support which helped build a well. A clean, reliable water supply improves hygiene and health, stopping the spread of disease.
Credit: Tom Bradley

Partners

Non-Governmental and Faith-Based Organizations

Actions Transforming Lives (ACTs) Liberia

Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP)

Aid for Africa

ACCORD Network

Christian Connections in International Health (CCIH)

Coalition for Operational Research on NTDs (COR-NTD) effect:hope – Canada

FHI360

Ganta Leprosy/TB Rehabilitation Center – Liberia

Global Outreach Mission

Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy

Hope Commission International – Côte d'Ivoire

Institut Médical Evangélique/ Kimpese Hospital – DR Congo

International Leprosy Association (ILA)

Leonard Wood Memorial/CLTRFI – Philippines

Lepra Society – India

Leprosy Mission Nepal

MAP International

MICAH Global

Neglected Tropical Disease NGO Network

Nepal Leprosy Trust

Novartis Foundation

Schieffelin Institute of Health – Research and Leprosy Centre – Karigiri, India

Sustainable Mission Aid (SMAID) – Ghana

The Task Force for Global Health

TLM India Trust

United Methodist Committee on Relief

International Federation of Anti-leprosy Associations (ILEP) Partners

Associazione Italiana Amici di Raoul Follereau – Italy

DAHW (German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association) – Germany

American Leprosy Missions collaborates with more than 50 organizations on policy development, program coordination, research, advocacy, technical training, community development and more, in order to best serve people affected by leprosy and related diseases.

Damien Foundation
Belgium

effect:hope – Canada

FAIRMED – Switzerland

Fondation Raoul
Follereau – France

Fontilles – Spain

LEPRA – United
Kingdom

Le Secours aux
Lépreux – Canada

Netherlands Leprosy
Relief – Netherlands

Sasakawa Memorial
Health Foundation –
Japan

The Leprosy Mission
International – U.K.

Government Entities

Department of
Health – Philippines

Department for
International
Development
(DFID) – U.K.

Federal Ministry of
Health – Nigeria

Ghana Health
Services – Ghana

Ministry of Health –
Brazil

Ministry of Health and
the Fight Against AIDS
– Côte d'Ivoire

Ministry of Health –
Democratic Republic
of the Congo

Ministry of Health –
India

Ministry of Health –
Liberia

Ministry of Health –
Mozambique

Ministry of Health and
Sports – Myanmar

Ministry of Health –
Nepal

Ministry of Health –
Republic of the Congo

Ministry of Public
Health – Cameroon

National Institute of
Health Research – U.K.

USAID/American
Schools and Hospitals
Abroad (ASHA) –
U.S.A.

USAID/Act to End
NTDs | West – U.S.A.

International Organizations

United Nations

World Health
Organization

Universities and Research Institutes

Erasmus University –
Netherlands

Infectious Disease
Research Institute
(IDRI)

Leprosy Research
Initiative

Liverpool School of
Tropical Medicine

London School of
Hygiene and Tropical
Medicine (LSHTM)

National Hansen's
Disease Programs
(NHDP)

Swiss Tropical and
Public Health Institute,
Basel

The Royal Tropical
Institute (KIT) –
Netherlands

University of
Cambridge – U.K.

University of Groningen –
Netherlands



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Left: Paul sits with three of his nine children outside his home in rural Liberia. He has a large Buruli ulcer wound on his left leg. Your compassionate support has helped provide him with treatment and care. Credit: Tom Bradley

Front cover: Ten-year-old Suman is at Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital in Nepal. Thanks to your generous partnership, he is receiving expert treatment for leprosy and learning self-care. Credit: Tom Bradley