

A movement of uplift: then and now

Thanks to the incredible generosity of the Australian Catholic community in 2023, over half a million people were empowered through Jesuit Mission Australia-supported programs in 14 countries around the world.

Jesuit Mission's latest annual Gratitude Report reveals the continuing impact of the legacy of the first six young Australian Jesuits who travelled to India in 1951. Their mission sparked a movement of uplift that brought quality education and opportunity for marginalised communities in Hazaribag, India and later expanded around the world.

"Last year, 25,000 individuals in remote communities gained access to vital healthcare, 23,000 people received clean water facilities and over 25,000 refugees received much needed education, livelihood training, psychosocial support and housing assistance," said Helen Forde, CEO of Jesuit Mission.

"I want to sincerely thank our whole Jesuit Mission family – for the support you've provided throughout the year."

The project partners of Jesuit Mission accompany vulnerable communities, delivering programs in areas of education, livelihoods, agriculture, water and sanitation, emergency response, refugee accompaniment, and pastoral services.

These Jesuit partners have also stood in solidarity alongside 171,000 people in crisis around the world, providing emergency relief and long-term assistance to people in Myanmar, Ukraine, Syria and South Sudan.

"Please join me in a moment of reflection as you read our Gratitude Report. Every story of hope and transformative change is only possible through the love, compassion and generosity from people like you in our community," said Ms Forde.

Jesuit Mission Australia invites you to read the 2023 Gratitude Report, a salute to the courage, the zeal, and the audacity of all of the Australian Hazaribag Jesuits, past and present and the impact of their legacy in inspiring positive change around the world today.

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Caption: The cover image of Jesuit Mission's 2023 Gratitude Report.



Caption: An impact graphic taken from Jesuit Mission's 2023 Gratitude Report.



Caption: A mother and child stands in the devastation left from Cyclone Mocha in Myanmar in May 2023, which killed over 450 people and destroyed thousands of homes.



Caption: Young students from the Korwa-tribe in rural India, joyfully dancing in a classroom at Tenuahi Primary School.



Caption: Students at Xavier Jesuit School in Cambodia.

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About Jesuit Mission Australia

Jesuit Mission Australia works in over 14 countries across Asia and Africa to uphold the innate dignity of people living with the effects of poverty, especially the most marginalised and vulnerable.

Funds from our supporters:

- Break cycles of poverty through teaching and education



- Protect the health of communities by providing medical care and programs that improve access to clean water and toilets
- Develop independent, sustainable communities through livelihood training and income-generating projects
- Provide vulnerable individuals with pastoral care, social inclusion and advocacy
- Support refugees in crisis
- Enable effective disaster response and relief.