
GLOBAL INTERACTION GUIDE

2012

empowering communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus



Our Mission

Global Interaction exists to...

Empower communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus

Our Vision

We see...

Growing, vibrant faith communities engaging least-reached groups with Jesus.

Australian Baptists rejuvenated through greater missional engagement in cross-cultural mission through prayer, giving, understanding and going.





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We Value... Dependence on God - Contextualised Gospel - Innovation - Authentic Relationships - Teamwork - Sustainability



From the **Chairperson** of the board

Back in 2009, the Global Interaction Board invested a significant amount of time revisiting our strategic priorities as well as clarifying the organisation's mission and vision. Now, heading into 2012, it is encouraging to see the way our teams have embraced this plan and the inroads we are making.

The cross-cultural work we undertake is not easy. We are strengthened by our knowledge that God goes before us and prepares the way. It has also been encouraging to see the number of people coming forward to join in this work of empowering communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.

We are extremely thankful for the faithful partnership of those who financially and prayerfully stand with our workers. God is providing! One of the challenges of all mission agencies is to ensure the cost of providing support to the team is adequately met. Alongside this, the importance of general donations cannot be underestimated. Funding the Australian-based team continues to be a challenge for Global Interaction as we seek to ensure those heading out are adequately trained and supported for the challenges they face in cross-cultural mission.

There has been a considerable amount of team building, both numerically and spiritually this year. Many of our teams will be at the strongest point they have been for many years. We have also been encouraged by the willingness of former Global Interaction workers to return to provide mature and experienced team leadership.

The safety of our workers is high on our list of priorities. For this reason, we have increased the understanding of the importance of risk management and have introduced a more rigorous compliance regime. We also work with our Team Leaders on a strategic agreement to ensure we remain focused on the goals for our work in each location.

In 2012 we will have a new General Director. We thank God for the contribution Keith Jobberns has made during his very significant ministry with us and wish Keith and Marilyn every happiness in the next stage of their journey.

Finally, thank you to all who contribute to the effectiveness of this ministry, whether as Board members, staff, cross-cultural workers or partners. Please continue to pray for Global Interaction, that we will see growing, vibrant faith communities among least-reached people groups.

John Peberdy
Chairperson of the Board



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Financial Report

Global Interaction has been blessed through the prayer, encouragement and financial support received through the past year. The support has enabled our ministry to continue to some of the world's least-reached people groups.

Again we were presented with many challenges as the global financial uncertainty continued, impacting both currencies and markets. Global Interaction was not immune – through the year support donations declined, contributing to a significant deficit for the 12 months to July 2011.

We are conscious of our responsibility to oversee the work of Global Interaction and being good stewards of the resources God has made available through His people. We continue to improve the care, support and training of our staff and our communication with them and our partners, whilst monitoring and controlling our costs.

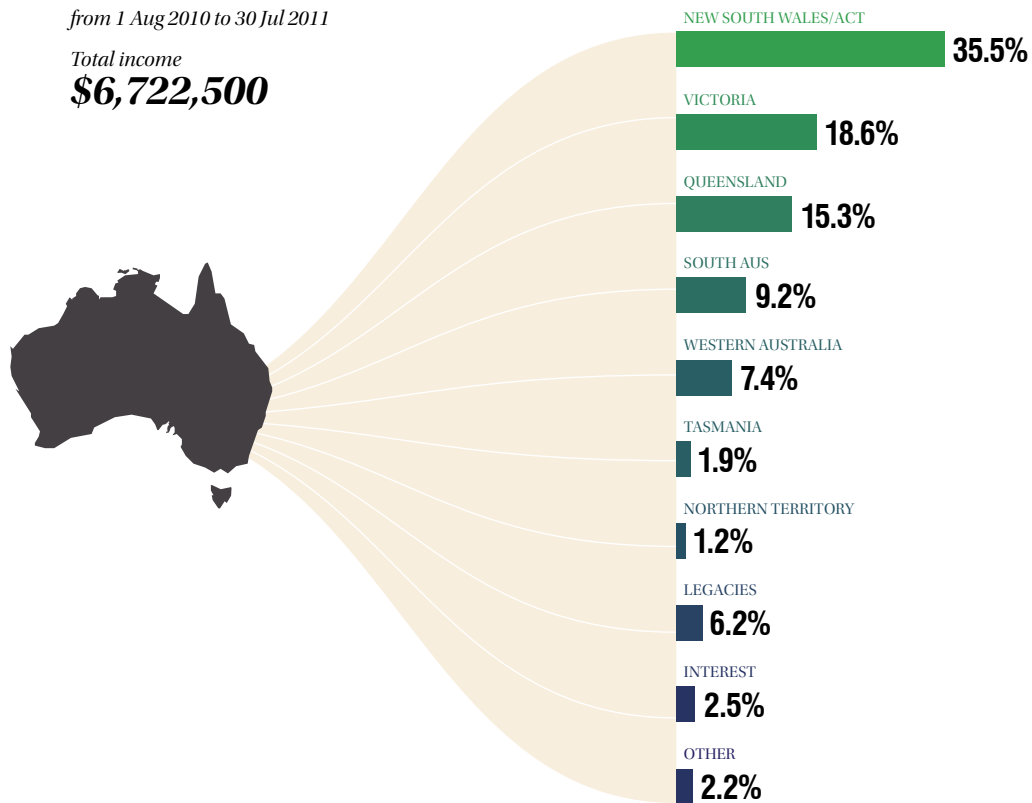
We pray, believing that He will continue to make support available for the continuation of this ministry.

Michael Pittendrigh
Treasurer

Sources of Income

from 1 Aug 2010 to 30 Jul 2011

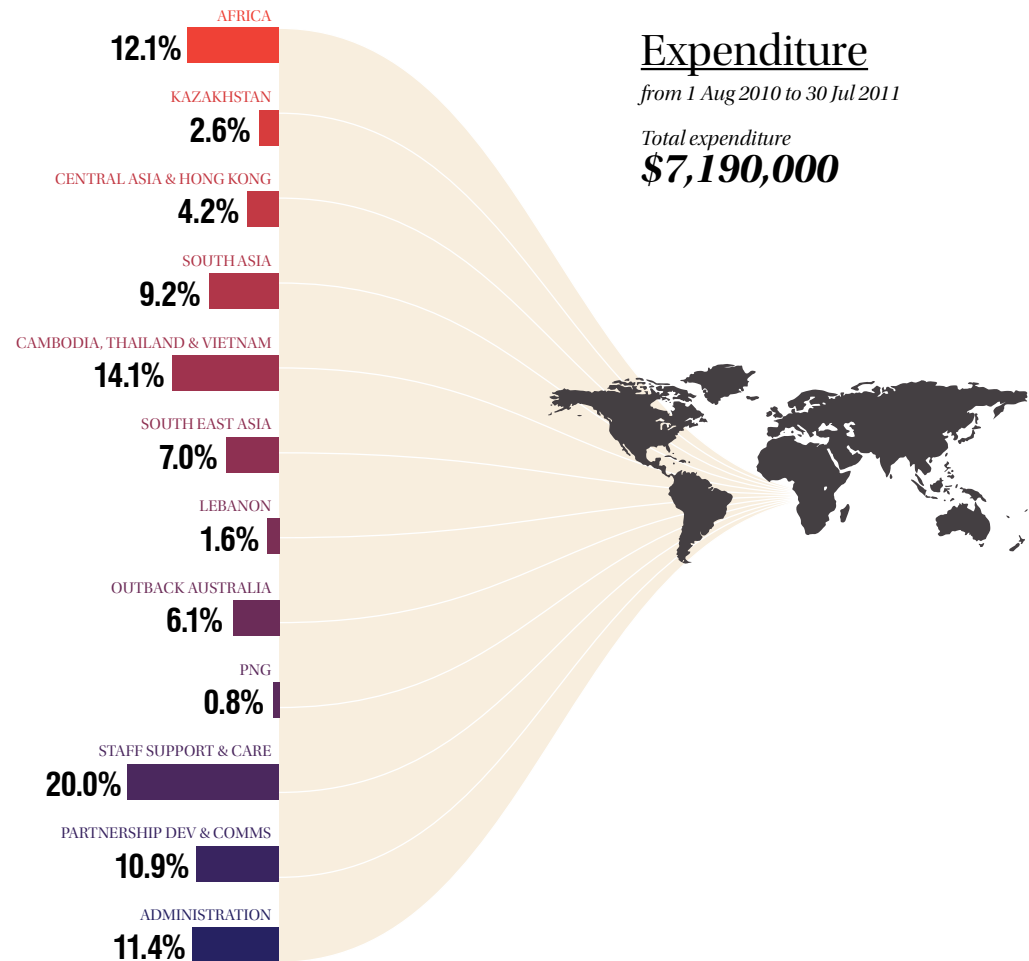
Total income
\$6,722,500



Expenditure

from 1 Aug 2010 to 30 Jul 2011

Total expenditure
\$7,190,000







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