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AS A LIFESTYLE.

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Annual Report for NCM Canada 2015

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Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Total value of NCM Canada projects funded through CFGB

\$1.6 million

Total cost of these projects for NCM Canada

\$239,619

This multiplication of our donor dollars is because of government matching funds and because of significant support for our Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) projects in Bangladesh by the Salvation Army Canada.

CFGB Projects funded this year by NCM Canada (and its funding partners) were a nutrition and food security project in 70 communities in Bangladesh, a food aid project for 1,000 families who were victims of the earthquake in Nepal, a food-for-work project in Southern Bangladesh, and a food security project in eastern Nepal. Thank you to all who gave to CFGB and made these projects possible.



Elaine Bumstead and Joan Barkman Azar (CFGB) visit the CFGB funded project in Bangladesh in May 2015

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A Growing Project tackles the problem of world hunger head on. Find out how you can help.

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Join together with other Canadians urging our government to prioritize small-scale agricultural programs.

Compassionate Resource Warehouse (CRW)

Compassionate Resource Warehouse (CRW) in Victoria, BC under the direction of Dell Marie Wergeland reported shipping 25 containers this year; 8 of those were shipped for NCM Canada. A total of 205 volunteers from local churches (including Victoria First Church of the Nazarene) and the community helped sort, repair, place in inventory, and load containers. A highlight of the year was a visit by Dr. Francis Kateh, Liberia Deputy Minister of Health, Chief Medical Officer, National Incident Manager–Ebola Response, Medical Director/CEO of Jackson Doe Memorial Hospital, who flew especially to Victoria for a meeting with the CRW board and volunteers, to express gratefulness from the Liberian Government and his own personal thanks to CRW and our partners in sending over seven containers during the Ebola crisis.



Container loaded and ready to be shipped to Angola.

NCM Gift Catalogue Disbursements and Other Projects

- \$20,000 for site preparation and foundation –the Philippines
 - \$13,750 for Canadian team (Victoria) who erected the building
 - \$15,000 for Ebola response – Liberia
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- Well in honour of Robert Hughes*
- \$41,104.46 for Kanainagor School building – Bangladesh
 - \$38,063 for CDC's - Sri Lanka
 - \$35,000 for Dulag School building – the Philippines
 - \$3,000 for Dhaka Ministry Project – Bangladesh
 - \$3,300 for food for CDC's in Chiimba – Malawi
 - \$25,000 for capacity building / training – the Philippines
 - \$5,000 for capacity building for conservation agriculture – Malawi
 - \$1,191 for training in market analysis – Nepal
 - \$10,000 for conservation agriculture project (3rd installment) – Malawi
 - \$22,500 for Disaster Aid kits and tents – Nepal
 - \$1,055.38 for customs fees on second shipment of tents – Nepal
 - \$836.87 for two BNM staff to do food assessment after earthquake – Nepal
 - \$15,000 for goats – Bangladesh
 - \$0 for container shipments to Cape Verde Islands, Zimbabwe, Swaziland
 - \$2,700 for a container - Ukraine
 - \$19,960 for a livelihoods project – Sri Lanka
 - \$8,060 for a dormitory (boarding school) project – Vietnam
 - \$3,775 US + 1,974.50 CDN for a shipment – Ukraine
 - \$16,384 for 2 ministry centres – Nepal
 - \$5,844 for income generating activity for Dhaka ministry – Bangladesh
 - \$4,875 for a motorcycle ambulance – Malawi
 - \$18,750 for wells – Malawi
 - Container to Angola (no invoice yet)

Africa Famine Response

First Ethiopia and now many parts of East Africa and Southern Africa are experiencing horrific famine conditions due to drought. Over 40 million people are battling hunger daily. Malawi is the latest country in the region to declare a drought emergency. Zimbabwe, Lesotho, Swaziland, Botswana, and parts of South Africa made similar declarations in recent months.



How does the drought impact people in these affected areas? Pastors in our Nazarene Churches and Child Development Centres say that parents are keeping their children home from school to search for food. If they are lucky, they find wild foods and some roots to boil. Many of them spend nights sleeping outside at supply depots waiting for the next shipment of food to arrive. When the food arrives, there is a scramble to secure some for their families. Some people wait for 3–4 days and then they are faced with price hikes of over 200%. They are poor. Many cannot afford the food at the depot.

The situation will worsen over the next few months as the El Nino drought has greatly reduced the harvest. The most severely affected will be the children who are orphans because of HIV/AIDS, the elderly, and babies. Canadian Foodgrains Bank is responding. You can be part of the CFGB response by donating to Canadian Foodgrains Bank directly at www.foodgrainsbank.ca

OR you can multiply your dollars further by sponsoring an acre or part of an acre in the "Seeds of Life" growing project. (See next news article)

Seeds of Life A Virtual Growing Project

Scott Brooks has offered his 74-acre farm near Brantford Ontario as a virtual growing project for CFGB. This is an opportunity for you, your church, your Sunday School class, youth group, adult Bible Study group or adult fellowship to invest some "seed" funds and feed hungry people.

\$500 for an acre
\$250 for a half acre
\$100 for a quarter acre

This "seed" money is used to purchase crop inputs such as seed and fertilizer, and equipment use and fuel. The crop is planted and when harvested, the proceeds less expenses, are sent to Canadian Foodgrains Bank at Canadian Foodgrains Bank the funds for food aid projects are matched 4:1 by the Canadian government. In 2016 we project that:

- \$500 investment in one acre becomes \$800 when harvested and when matched at CFGB becomes \$4,000 to feed hungry people.
- \$250 investment in a half acre becomes \$400 and when matched at CFGB becomes \$2,000 to feed hungry people.
- \$125 investment in a quarter acre becomes \$250 when harvested and when matched at CFGB becomes \$1,250 to feed hungry people.



Scott Brooks at the growing project

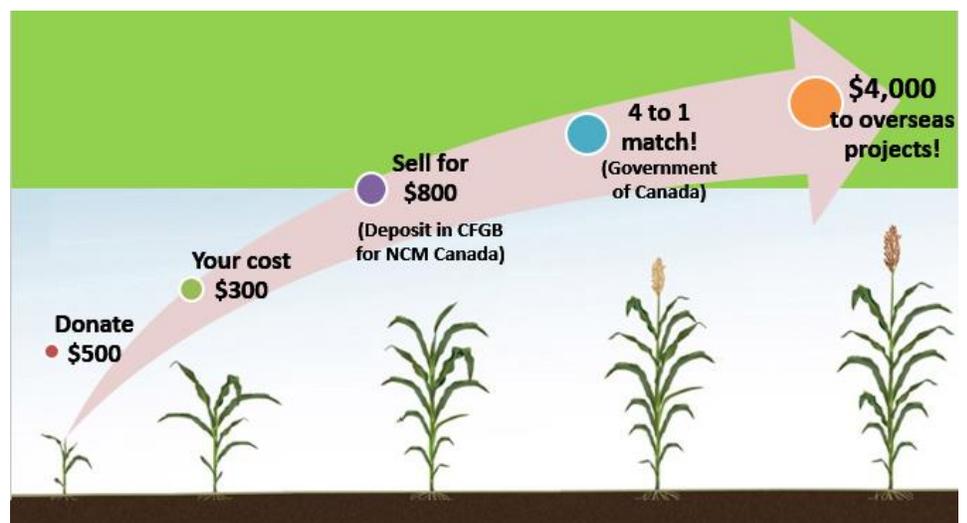
Watch your money grow! Help feed hungry people!

Visit the "Seeds of Life" growing project website at www.seeds-of-life.ca and provide 'seed money' for an acre or part acre today!

Report for 2015

Scott Brooks is pleased to report, "We got a good average yield of food grade quality wheat from the farm. We realized 2.4 tonnes or the equivalent of over 5000 loaves of bread from each acre!! Your generous donations more than covered the expenses of producing the crop, and we sent just under \$11,000 to Canadian Foodgrains Bank."

TOGETHER ARE MAKING
A DIFFERENCE IN ENDING
GLOBAL HUNGER.



Forced to Flee A Simulated Refugee Experience



"Forced to Flee" is a new resource produced by CFGFB for youth groups / young adults to experience what it is like to be a refugee. It is a one-hour activity designed to transform thinking and engage youth about conflict, migration, and refugees. It involves discussion questions, real-life stories, vocabulary, and facts on conflict and migration. To access this free resource, visit the CFGFB website at

foodgrainsbank.ca/product/forced-to-flee-a-simulation-on-decision-making-during-conflict-and-migration/

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Youth Leaders / Educator's Tour of Canadian Foodgrains Bank Projects in Nicaragua

This study tour is open to all youth educators, youth leaders, and youth pastors. Participants will engage with small-scale farmers, expand their knowledge and understanding of hunger and food security, and gain awareness of the livelihoods of rural farmers in Nicaragua. Included in the tour is a homestay with a Nicaraguan farm family and a river excursion through the Northern Autonomous region, visiting Indigenous communities. The dates are August 2-14, 2016. The cost is approximately \$2800. NCM Canada is willing to fund half of the cost of approved Nazarene applicants on the condition that they

share their experience with students and others (educators, youth, etc.) in their communities, promote the work of NCM Canada / CFGFB including the Good Soil campaign materials (for example, distributing postcards), and keep in contact with the Foodgrains Bank for at least one year. For further information, visit

[foodgrainsbank.ca/
current-tours/](http://foodgrainsbank.ca/current-tours/)

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Good Soil Campaign

Good Soil is a campaign through Canadian Foodgrains Bank and its members, to advocate that the Canadian government increase its support for small-scale agriculture in Canada's international aid programs.



Investing in agriculture in developing countries, especially small-scale agriculture, delivers many benefits. It is effective in reducing poverty and overcoming hunger and contributing to a fairer world.

Canada has a history of being a strong supporter of agricultural development. However, Canada's aid budget for agriculture development has been steadily declining over the past few years.

Send postcards to Prime Minister Trudeau showing your support for increased aid for agriculture. For more information and to order postcards, visit:

[foodgrainsbank.ca/
campaigns/good-soil](http://foodgrainsbank.ca/campaigns/good-soil)



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