

# Annual Report

2011—2012

## Mission

We are a ministry of the Catholic community, creating and nurturing relationships of life and love wherever we serve.

## Value Statement

Sharing Christ with all in need

## Core Values

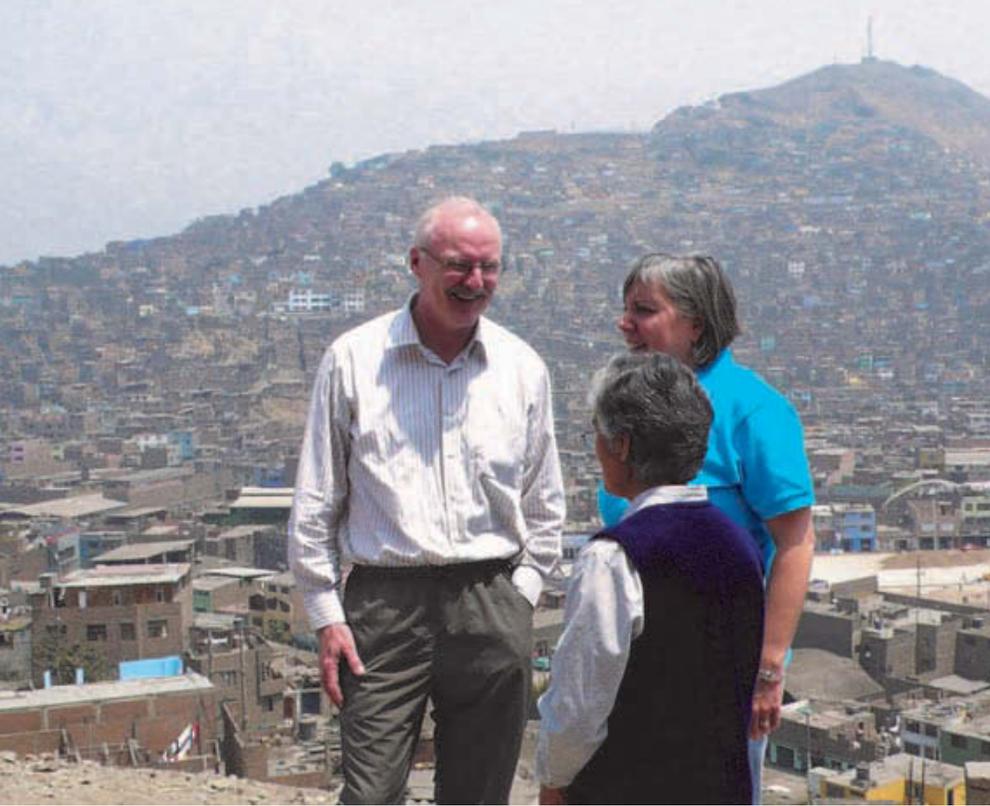
Faith, Integrity, Commitment, Compassion, Respect

## Broad Goals:

- ◇ To assist our sponsored children their families and communities in meeting their life needs and affirming their place in a community of caring relationships
- ◇ To motivate the Catholic community through increasing awareness and education of the needs of others
- ◇ To build communities of prayer
- ◇ To honour our values in all our relationships

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**2011-2012**

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### **A Message From The President**

Chalice, as a prayer based charity, serves Christ through our work with the poor in the developing world. The work that we support could not be accomplished without the dedicated commitment of the sisters, priests, and lay men and women who work in the sponsor sites. Some of these relationships have extended for years, and together children, parents and communities have received life-changing benefits. I hope every sponsor and every donor finds gratification and joy reading in this annual report about the wonderful work that has been accomplished through their generosity.

Father Patrick Cosgrove, President

### **A Message From Chair**

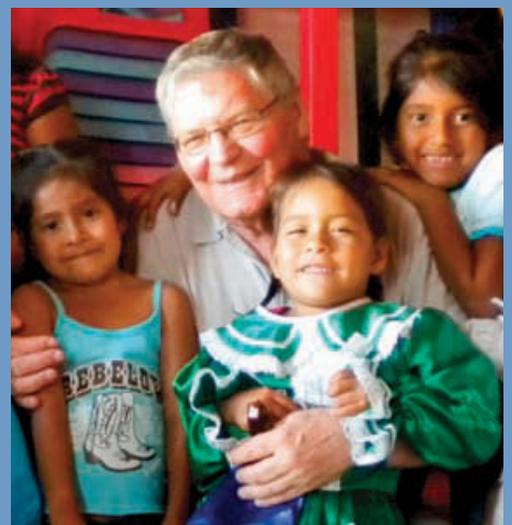
Chalice continues to be a source of hope and inspiration for sponsors, staff, sponsor sites and the Chalice Board. Chalice recorded another year of growth despite a slow and uncertain economic environment. I would like to acknowledge the leadership of Fr. Pat and his team and



Chalices' many friends and supporters in achieving another year of success. In particular, I would like to thank Board Members for their dedication and leadership.

As we move forward, the Board is excited to be a part of the Chalice journey - a journey grounded in faith in God and in service to the poor.

Michael E. Foster, Chairperson of the Board of Directors'



*"During this 'Year of Faith' may we bring the gift of hope to people living in fear and uncertainty and bring light to their darkness".*  
+Martin W. Currie, Archbishop of St. John's

# Chalice Canada Sponsorship Programme 30 June 2012

## 15 Countries - 50 Sponsor Sites - 208 Sub Sites

### Sponsored Children & Funds Allocated

#### LATIN AMERICA:

Amanecer	161	\$86,158
Arica	1211	\$433,433
Cañete	333	\$193,861
Chiclayo	299	\$149,314
Dominica	970	\$396,245
Fátima	222	\$88,193
Guadalupe	253	\$87,314
Itauguá	2,820	\$988,623
Lamigo	1,002	\$437,679
PENNT	772	\$272,694
PINIFE	527	\$236,125
Santiago	1,816	\$669,492
Warmi	310	\$109,417
Yapacaní	819	\$343,192

#### HAITI:

Haiti North—NDSC	1,228	\$444,591
Haiti South—Jeremie	203	\$66,935
Haiti South—Roseau	661	\$252,235

#### AFRICA:

Bakhita	426	\$144,821
Kawambwa	179	\$71,569
Kumbo	1,502	\$535,971
Mbiame	372	\$103,738
Mbinga	1,472	\$612,012
Mercy Care	317	\$110,570
Meru	1,208	\$409,106
Mikinduri	332	\$113,460
Mombasa	617	\$213,156
Nairobi	327	\$96,170
Neema	108	\$57,798
Ogwedhi (Asembo)	271	\$136,452
Saidia	278	\$85,953
Serenje	1,531	\$455,654
Wa	2,265	\$778,950

#### UKRAINE:

Pochaiv	2,057	\$762,226
Ternopil	1,885	\$712,586

#### INDIA:

Assam	65	\$38,642
Bangalore	1,257	\$430,463
Berhampur	426	\$212,571
Coastal	788	\$344,679
Imphal	190	\$40,551
Janodayam	22	\$9,657
Kerala	702	\$278,626
Madurai	565	\$166,169
Nellore	139	\$14,037
Orissa	368	\$134,074
Tamil Nadu	1,620	\$576,735
Visakhapatnam	1,440	\$528,334

#### BANGLADESH:

Jessore	4,821	\$1,593,039
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#### PHILIPPINES:

Bulacan	2,137	\$678,223
Cotabato	931	\$293,752
Margarita	1,798	\$648,496



# Cultural Experience

While many times the children who are sponsored through Chalice are described as “poor”, and that may be true in a material sense, this certainly is not true from a cultural perspective. From their early childhood, these children receive the cultural wealth of their ancestors by learning dances, music and customs that have been passed down through generations before them. The gift in all of this is that it gives them a strong sense of cultural and self-identity that they are happy and proud to share with anyone who comes to visit!!



“What struck me most was how talented the children are, even though many of them have just begun learning to play the pan flute. The pride they have in playing traditional music and instruments is so evident. The Chalice Gift Catalogue is an excellent opportunity for Sites to provide children with traditional instruments and dress to ensure that their culture and customs stay alive and part of their identity.”

MaryAnne McKinnon – International Manager for Latin America (picture top right)



“At the Mbinga Site Anne Josiah (Regional Director for East Africa) and I were welcomed with a cake. In Tanzania it is custom that those who cut the cake feed it to the younger generation. The word cake is pronounced with an extra ‘e’ – cakee. There is also a song that everyone sings together while the cake is being cut.”

Suzanne Johnson – International Manger for Africa, Haiti and Ukraine (picture mid -right cutting cakee)

Playing the perfect host is an integral part of Indian culture and tradition. As such, Indian people go to great lengths to make their guests feel welcome. Garlanding and applying tilak, or a red vermillion mark, on the forehead of the guest is, thus, an important part of the reception ritual. There are two reasons behind the garlanding tradition of India. Firstly, it showcases one's happiness at receiving the guest and secondly, it is a way to publicly acknowledge the guest's importance.



Ambrose Pereira—International Manager for Asia (picture bottom-right)

## Direct Family Funding



Direct Family Funding is helping families stay together. In Cameroon it is common for people to leave remote rural regions to search for work in bigger cities, resulting in families breaking up. The Fulani family is one of the success stories from the Mbiame Sponsor Site. Thanks to Direct Family Funding, three generations of their family are able to live together and work on the family's farm providing a sustainable livelihood for all. *(above)*

In many places in northeast India currency is a scarcity. With Direct Family Funding at the Imphal Site money is going directly into bank accounts of the beneficiaries of the sponsorship programme. For most, this is the first time they have had bank accounts. To ensure accountability; beneficiaries belong to faith circles. Members of these groups discuss best use of funds and work together to ensure their families' needs are being taken care of. The social impact that Direct Family Funding is having on communities is immeasurable. *(right)*



# Community Development

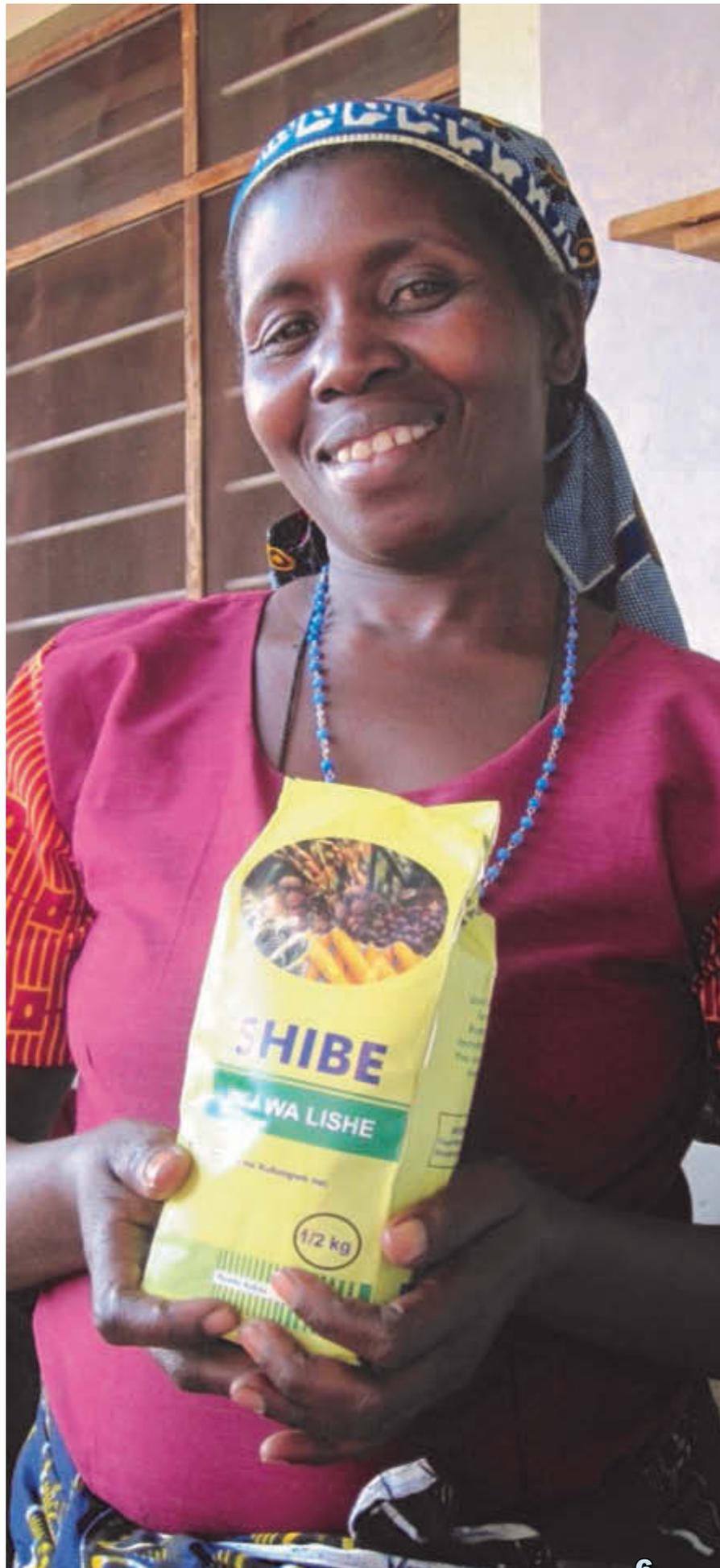
## Water Projects

To prepare for water projects being completed at the Berhampur Sponsor Site, Village Development Committees were formed, and are made up of community members. They were consulted during the planning phase and supply the local labour to ensure the project is completed on time. The committee members receive training on routine maintenance of the water system. They opened bank accounts to collect local contributions for maintenance. This approach is building capacity and capability within the institution of the community. The creation of Village Development Committees is an essential part of establishing a self-reliant system that will successfully maintain water projects in the long term. *(below)*



## Small Business Development

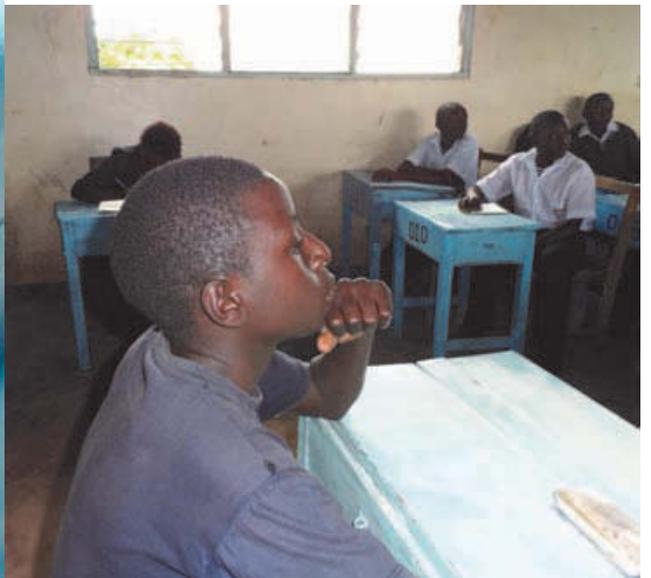
At the Neema Sponsor Site in Tanzania, the Sponsorship Programme works with parents to train them in small business development and to help them start their own enterprises. This mother mixes fortified nutritional flour, which is used for feeding young children, packages it and sells it at the market. Thanks to the support of the Site, she now has a successful business and has gained independence. She is proud of her accomplishments and teaches these important lessons to her children and fellow mothers. *(right)*



## Education

In the northeastern Indian state of Manipur, India sponsorship is giving children a chance to regularly attend school – many for the first time. When children do not have the materials and books required there is a high occurrence of school absence. The children are proud to wear their school uniforms and go to school looking neat, with smiles on their faces. In an area that is rife with conflict, a quality education gives young men and women the opportunity to look for work outside of the state. *(left)*

St. Joseph's School in Meru was converted from a Boys Boarding School to a Mixed Day School. This development has increased access for girl students, resulting in a higher number of secondary school graduates from the local community. It has provided more opportunity for informal education to happen outside of the classroom. Dormitories have been converted to classrooms, and a new kitchen, lunch hall, and bathroom block were constructed. To get ready for the transition the school held sensitization and gender equality sessions. *(below)*



# Nutrition

In order to better meet the need for programming that supports nutrition at our Sites, Chalice has developed the Nutrition Programme which is funded through the Chalice Children campaign. The Chalice Children campaign promotes solidarity among children in Canada and children in Chalice Sponsor Sites through prayer and fundraising. Since 2011 the Luis Amigo Sponsor Site has received Chalice Children funding to prepare and serve nutritious meals throughout the week to children from one to six years of age in Andres Giron, a farming community located about eight kilometres from our Sponsor Site in Champerico. Since the inception of this nutrition programme the mothers have participated in organizing menus, registering children, cooking food and liaising with the local health nurse who tracks health indicators of the children involved in the programme. The mothers cook over fires for 70 children and the children eat their healthy meals in the nearby chapel. *(right)*

The Bulacan House of Bread Orphanage in the Philippines takes in newborn babies and children who are abandoned and orphaned. The children who live there are loved and cared for by the staff. The tiny tots have their own playroom and staff who look after their needs. The toddlers are taught daily life skills and have their own refectory where meals are provided. The older children attend play school and some attend the school which is situated within the complex. Most importantly the Bulacan House of Bread Orphanage provides nutritious meals for the children, many of whom arrive at the Orphanage malnourished, some only a couple of days old. *(below)*



## Fieldworker Health Assessment

Continual nutritional assessment and access to health care services is a critical component of all Sponsor Sites. Mercy Care Site provides remote access to children living in rural villages through the Mobile Clinic programme. Social workers and health clinic staff are therefore able to monitor and track the nutritional well-being of children and elderly providing early detection and warning of significant illness or epidemics. *(left)*



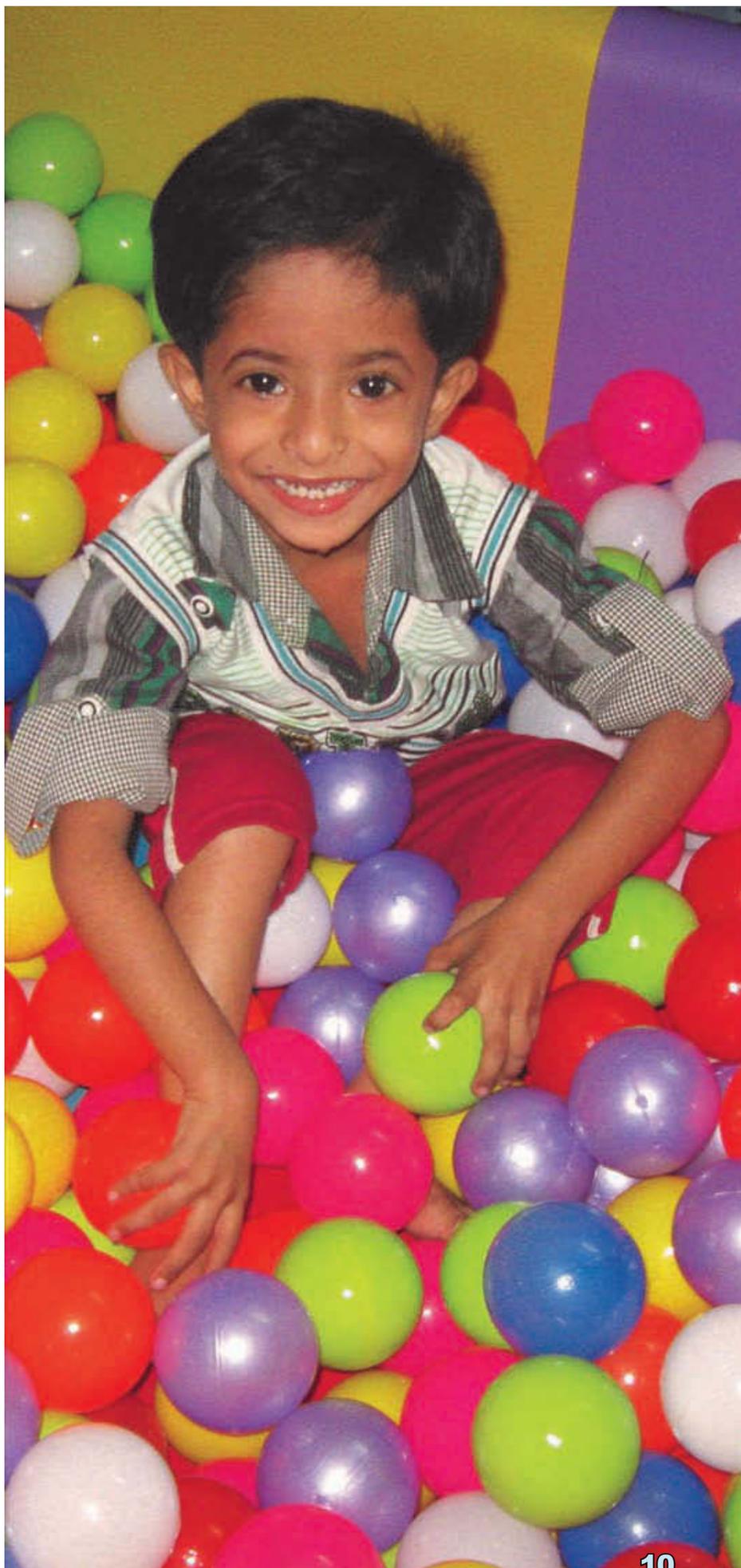
Newly sponsored children at the PINIFE Sponsor Site in Peru receive a thorough medical check-up, including blood work; if there are any concerns appropriate follow-up is done. These initial findings serve as baseline data, which is tracked throughout subsequent checkups. Tuberculosis is a significant problem so education, hygiene and nutrition are very important. The nutritionist gives workshops to children and parents. All children receive ongoing dental care. Most health services are offered at the Good Shepherd Centre. There is a psychologist on staff and support is available to all sponsored children and their families in the form of crisis intervention, counselling and personal development workshops. *(above)*

## Special Children

The Association for Down Syndrome is a Sub Site of the Amanecer Sponsor Site in Cochabamba, Bolivia. The Association has a parent-run Board of Directors who worked hard to raise funds to build the state of the art facility, the only one of its kind in the country. The parents work tirelessly to educate health and education professionals, as well as the community at large about Down Syndrome. The programme that is run at the centre is leading edge for Bolivia. Sponsorship provides professionals such as speech therapists, psychologists, physiotherapists and tutors, who provide support, care and therapy. Association for Down Syndrome is like a big family for the participants. The older participants become big brothers and sisters to the younger ones. (below)



The Holy Cross School for Special Children is a Sub Site of the Kerala Sponsor Site in India, run by the Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod. The school provides rehabilitation and training for differently-abled children and young adults. Through sponsorship funding the Sisters are able to equip the School with motor-sensory equipment that aids in the students' overall development. At the 2011 Special Olympics World Games in Athens, several athletes who attend the School represented India. The athletes did well, winning several medals. (right)





## Faith and Prayers

Anita is a sweet eight-year-old girl from Totonicapán, Guatemala, one of the locations of Chalice Sponsor Site Fray Luis Amigó. Three years ago she was diagnosed with lupus. At least once per month Anita and her mom must make the five hour journey by bus to Guatemala City for medical appointments and treatments. Despite the difficulty and uncertainty of the last three years the family is grounded in faith. The Chalice office in Canada regularly prays for Anita and her family during morning devotions. On a recent visit to Guatemala the International Manager for Latin America surprised Anita with a prayer bear called Evena (named after Chalice's eVena Prayer). Evena will accompany Anita on her appointments and remind her we are praying for her. (left)

Every day at noon the Angelus is said at the Bulacan Sponsor Site. The bell rings, everyone stops what they are doing and the prayer is announced over the PA system of the school. Each Friday afternoon the basketball court is transformed into a sanctuary and Mass is said. A staff member helps to distribute holy communion. (below)



# Disaster Relief

## Guatemala Flood

On October 10, 2011 Tropical Storm 12E passed through Central America and Mexico. Guatemala was hit hard and declared a National State of Emergency. The resulting floods damaged homes, destroyed crops and isolated entire communities. Although the flooding impacted the whole country, people living in high risk areas were particularly affected. The flood interrupted a field review as Chalice staff just could not get into the communities where we work. Funds raised by Chalice through the Urgency Fund were used to repair and rebuild homes and bring relief to several families. *(right)*



## East Africa Drought Relief

Successive seasons of failed rains, combined with increasing food prices, conflict, and limited humanitarian access resulted in a humanitarian crisis affecting millions of people in East Africa. Following the drought in Kenya in July 2011, a rapid relief programme was initiated by affected Chalice Sponsor Sites with the primary objective of assisting its beneficiaries in immediate food relief. Three phases of the East Africa Drought Relief Programme were developed:

- a. Rapid Relief Operations, Interim Food Relief;
- b. Capacity Building, Promotion of Health;
- c. Hygiene, including Mother-to-child care, Food Security Development, Sustainable Food and Water Delivery Projects.

# Community Projects and Programmes



## The Gift of Nutrition

In the community of Loma Merlo, which is located within the service area of the Dominica Sponsor Site in Paraguay more than two hundred children receive a daily nutritious meal. The meals were prepared by mothers in a small section of the San Pedro Chapel and the children ate outside on benches. Chalice provided Community Project funding to construct a Dining Hall and Bakery. The children now have a clean, warm space to eat and the mothers have a great facility in which to prepare the meals. The bakery provides a source of income which will help sustain the new building. The building is also used by the community to hold training courses and workshops. (above)

## Community Projects and Programmes Approved July 2011 - June 2012

### Community Improvements

Water Drainage - Yapacani, Bolivia  
Water Drainage School and Playground - Haiti N.  
House repairs/bathroom - Yapacani, Bolivia  
Dining area and kitchen/bakery training - Dominica, Paraguay

### Education

Trade school and skills training; furniture and supplies  
- Ituaguá, Paraguay  
Kindergarten School - Cotabato, Philippines  
Skills Workshops (Sewing, Baking, Computer) Girls  
Home - Luis Amigo, Guatemala

### Health Care

Physiotherapy and equipment - Virgen Nina, La Paz, Bolivia

### Nutrition and Water

e-Roots sustainable farming "Enough food. For Everyone. Everywhere" - Kenya

### Emergency - Critical Needs

Christopher (leukemia travel expenses) - Arica, Chile  
Nayra (hospital expenses) - PENNT, Bolivia  
Edgar (dengue fever) - Luis Amigó, Guatemala  
Jose (medical expenses) - Yapacani, Bolivia  
Gideon (medical expenses) - Kawambwa, Zambia  
Cesar (medical treatment & lodging - Chiiclayo, Peru  
Repairs from lightning strike - Mbinga, Tanzania  
Rodrigo (travel expenses) - Arica, Chile  
Sigfred (hospital expenses - Mbiame, Cameroon  
Jaison (medical/operation expenses) - Tamil, India

### Emergency - Disaster Relief

East Africa Drought Relief  
Typhoon Flooding Pedring, Marikina, Philippines  
Heavy Rains and Flooding - Guatemala

# Access To Clean Water

## Water Project

In the state of Odisha, India the majority of people live in small, rural villages. Basic services like electricity, water and sanitation are not available. Women walk several kilometers over rough terrain to collect water for daily use. The lack of proper sanitation results in a high incidence of water borne diseases. Farmers only harvest one crop per year as they do not have irrigation facilities. Through Community Project funding thirteen villages were selected to benefit from water projects. Based on the outcomes of community goal setting and asset assessment meetings several different approaches to water security are being used. *(left)*

## Pipeline

In the communities of Mbangamao and Mpepai, where our Mbinga Sponsor Site is located, having a sufficient water supply was a constant challenge. The area is mountainous and water sources are difficult to get to. With Chalice funding a pipeline was laid and water tanks were installed to expand the distribution of water to the communities. This water system provides sufficient water to the De Paul Secondary School and hostel, a nearby dispensary and to many families who live in these communities. *(Below)*





## Chalice Sponsorship Creates Lifelong Bonds

I would like to offer another heartfelt thank you to all our sponsors for their loyal support this year. Through our church appeals and other campaigns we were able to unite over 1500 new sponsorships with children in need this year. Through your continued support we are now helping over 46,500 children by providing an education, nutritious food, medical care and clothing. As a sponsor of three children I have seen them grow and prosper each year from the letters and photos received. It's quite amazing to see how much this simple communication strengthens our bond and gives me much joy and satisfaction. Just this week I received a letter from a sponsor saying, "I was so happy to receive my child's letter and photo. It brought tears to my eyes to know she is doing so well."

Letters and photos received by sponsored children are some of the best treasures they have and are kept close to their hearts. During a recent visit to one of the homes of our sponsored children in Capiata, Paraguay, by our Regional Director for Latin America, Patricia Bozo de Durán, she spied this framed photo proudly displaying this child's 'God Mother' and 'God Father'.

We are very thankful for your generous support of our other initiatives this year. Our Chalice Children Programme reached out to over 900 parishes and schools, allowing young Canadians the opportunity to reach out and support children in the developing world through the Nutrition Fund. This fund gives children in our sites who may not be sponsored the opportunity to focus on their school work and be prepared for opportunities they deserve in the future.

Our Gift Catalogue continues to reach out beyond our sponsored children to support both the families and communities we serve. This year over 17,000 items were purchased, including animals like chicks and ducklings, school supplies like these blackboards (for a school in the Ukraine), beds and mattresses, as well as items bought through donations to our 'most needed' category.

I would also like to give thanks for the outpouring of support for the East African Drought Relief and the way that our supporters reached out to help with immediate food relief. Your generosity is truly humbling. Thank you for all the ways you continue to support Chalice and for sharing Christ with all in need.

Sehne Connell

Marketing Manager.



**Chalice (Canada)**  
**Summarized Statement of Financial Position**  
**As at June 30, 2012**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets	3,998,357	4,796,492
Investments	5,057,512	1,506,955
Capital assets	1,915,061	2,025,508
	<u>10,970,930</u>	<u>8,328,955</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>		
Current liabilities	6,298,963	4,750,230
Long-term portion of promissory note payable	-	1,294
	<u>6,298,963</u>	<u>4,751,524</u>
Fund balances		
Invested in capital assets	1,913,767	2,009,342
Restricted	1,361,955	559,224
Unrestricted general	1,396,245	1,008,865
	<u>4,671,967</u>	<u>3,577,431</u>
	<u>10,970,930</u>	<u>8,328,955</u>

**Chalice (Canada)**  
**Summarized Statement of Operations**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2011**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	\$	\$
<b>Revenues</b>	21,084,365	18,909,944
<b>Expenditures</b>	<u>19,834,100</u>	<u>19,268,062</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures before amortization	1,250,265	(358,118)
Amortization	<u>155,729</u>	<u>152,767</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	<u>1,094,536</u>	<u>(510,885)</u>

**Chalice (Canada)**  
**Summarized Statement of Changes in Fund Balances**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2011**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	\$	\$
<b>Fund balances – beginning of year</b>	3,577,431	4,088,316
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>1,094,536</u>	<u>(510,885)</u>
<b>Fund balances – end of year</b>	<u>4,671,967</u>	<u>3,577,431</u>

## Revenue

Our revenues come largely from sponsorship contributions, most of which originate from the 96 weekend appeals conducted by our deacons and priests. During the past year through the goodwill and generosity of all our donors and supporters we have managed to sponsor over 1500 new sponsorships through our various marketing activities.

Programme Expenses include overseas project site expenses, onsite management, financial and operational evaluation, audit and support visits by Canadian staff and other expenses incurred at Head Office in direct support of our sponsor sites and community projects and programmes.

**AUDITORS' REPORT ON SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

To The Members of the Board of Directors of Chalice (Canada)

The accompanying summarized statements of financial position, operations and changes in fund balances are derived from the complete financial statements of Chalice (Canada) as at June 30, 2012 and for the year then ended on which we expressed an opinion without reservation in our report dated October 26, 2012. The fair summarization of the complete financial statements is the responsibility of management. Our responsibility, in accordance with the applicable Assurance Guideline of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report on the summarized financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly summarize, in all material respects, the related complete financial statements in accordance with the criteria described in the Guideline referred to above.

These summarized financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes. For more information on the organization's financial position, results of operations and cash flows, reference should be made to the related complete financial statements.

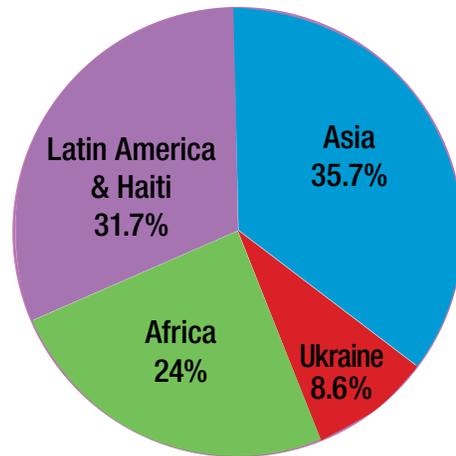
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**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

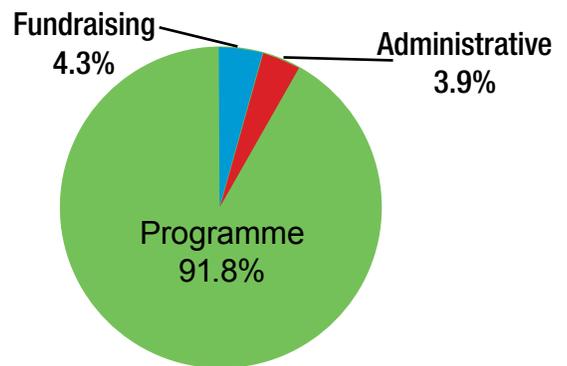
Bedford, Nova Scotia  
October 26, 2012

**'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me.'**  
[Matthew 25:40]  
  
A copy of Chalice Canada's complete financial statements is available upon request

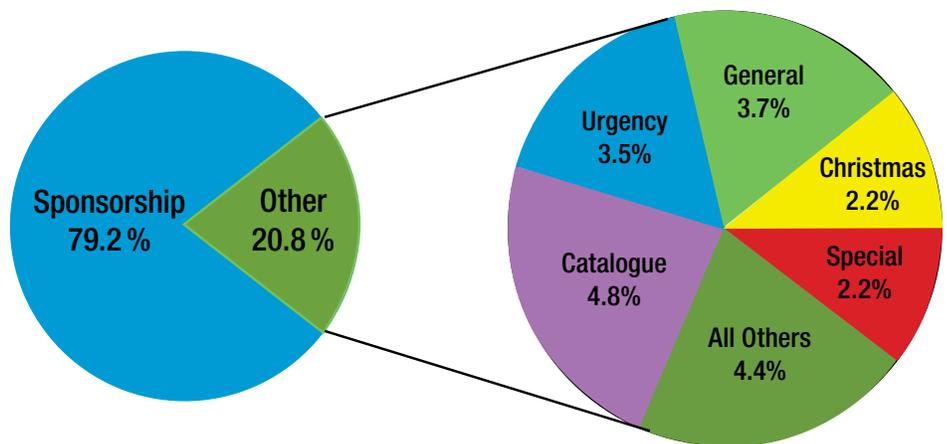
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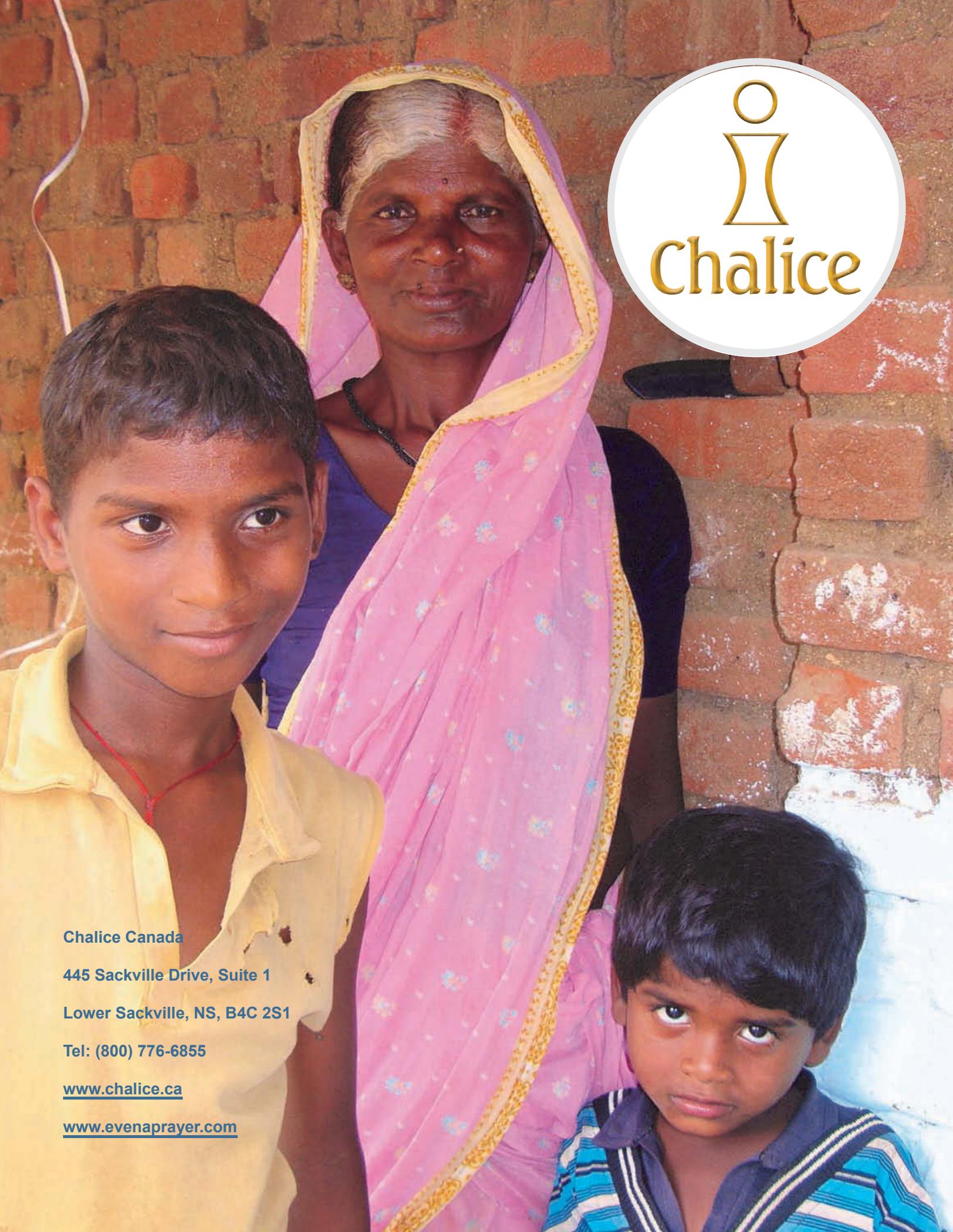


**2012 Expenses**



**2012 Revenue**





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