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Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have

Hebrews 13:16

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About Meal-a-Day

1.1 Mission Statement

In Matthew 25, our Lord states very clearly that it is our responsibility to care for the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick, and prisoner. The people and organizations that Meal-a-Day partners with abide by our Lord's words. They work to meet the needs of the poorest of the poor in the Americas through the provision of resources that enable self-sufficiency.



For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me

Matthew 25

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2021 Report

In 2021, God richly blessed the work of Christadelphian Meal-a-Day of the Americas. Through the generosity of our donors, the lives of countless people in the Americas were changed. In June 2021, the Board of Directors allocated \$1, 141, 950.00 (USD); in December 2021 \$1, 263, 705.24 (USD) was allocated.

It is important to note how Christadelphian Meal-a-Day of the Americas and its partners have responded to the COVID pandemic, which has especially impacted the most vulnerable populations in the Americas. Both Christadelphian Meal-a-Day of the Americas and its partners responded to emerging needs by problem-solving with local communities. One powerful example of this was addressing the shortage of oxygen needed for life saving supplemental oxygen therapy in Peru. COVID ravaged Peru and oxygen was in perilously short supply. Responding to the need and working with partners and the local communities, Christadelphian Meal-a-Day of the Americas funded the creation of factories that produced the vitally needed oxygen tanks to save the lives of those who had contracted COVID.

At all times, but especially in times of trouble such as the COVID pandemic, Christ compels his followers to love their neighbors as they love themselves. As the parable in Luke 10 shows, we can show this love in the following ways:

- We see the need of others
- We do what we can to see that others' basic needs are met
- We provide financial support for on-going care

Our Board of Directors is so thankful for all of our donors, whose compassion enabled so many of our neighbors to be seen, to have their basic needs met, and to receive on-going support. Our donors' compassion is a powerful example of following Christ's command "To go and do likewise."

On Behalf of the Christadelphian Meal-a-Day of the Americas Board of Directors,

Dr. Shawn Moynihan

The financial report for 2021 is available on the [website](#).

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Funding Summary + Select Initiatives

Bolivia:

- Community resilience
- Potable water
- Sanitation in 2 schools

Colombia:

- Community dehydrator
- Training for prevention of family violence and healthy family communication
- A program that supports the safety of Venezuelan migrant children
- Solar energy
- Pig husbandry
- Strengthening sustainable farming practices
- Strengthening food security practices
- Rainwater harvesting
- Water, sanitation and energy for rural families
- Potable water

Ecuador:

- Potable water and WASH training
- Supporting household sanitation
- Evaluation of past water and renewable energy projects

El Salvador:

- Community health for the prevention of premature births
- The building of latrines
- Planting of native fruit trees and forestry trees
- Safe cook stoves

Guatemala:

- Agricultural sustainability
- Safe cook stoves
- Masks and hand sanitizer for students
- Scholarships for students

Haiti:

- Community outreach
- Meal programs
- Elementary school programs and supplies including lunch
- Vocational school to provide professions that make a living wage
- Transportation for students to get to school
- Support for farmers
- Solar power and a generator for the school
- Building a security wall for the school
- Building a well and water distribution system

Honduras:

- Safe cook stoves

Jamaica:

- Eyeglasses

Mexico:

- Improvements to hygiene, water safety and sanitation in 3 schools

Nicaragua:

- Classrooms and a kitchen garden
- Upgrades to a Community Center
- Coffee and cocoa farmers
- Evaluation of past water and renewable energy projects
- Solar pumping of safe water
- Food and nutrition security during COVID
- Safe drinking water
- Latrines to improve sanitation
- Installation of solar systems for families off the grid

North America:

- Supporting traumatized minors that have arrived in the USA
- A coffee shop that provides support for the local community
- Fresh water initiatives
- Kinderboost program

Peru:

- Evaluation of past water and renewable energy projects
- Installation of a refrigeration system and ice plant for fishing families
- Installation of an irrigation system for food security
- Empowering women to promote safe cook stoves to the local community
- Support to the organized women's network of Villa Maria del Triunfo and small rural producers
- Installation of water meters to improve water management and sanitation
- Operation and maintenance of wastewater treatment plant
- Potable water
- Planting a community tree nursery
- Support crop diversification and food security
- Improving the conditions of 10 health centers
- Strengthening the Tarpuy Children's Center (sanitation, re-training parents)
- Support for community health
- Support for women's economic initiatives

Mexico

Improvements to hygiene, water safety and sanitation in 3 schools

Guatemala

Agricultural sustainability, safe cook stoves, masks and hand sanitizer and scholarships for students

El Salvador

Community health for the prevention of premature births, built latrines, planted native fruit and forest trees, safe cook stoves

Honduras

Safe cook stoves

Ecuador

Potable water, WASH training, household sanitation, evaluation of past water and renewable energy projects

Peru

Install refrigeration and ice plant for fishing families, irrigation system, empowering women to promote safe cook stoves, supporting women producers and economic initiatives, installing water meters, wastewater treatment, potable water, planting a community tree nursery, support crop diversification and food security, improving health centers, supporting a children's center, support community health, solar water pumping, sanitation systems

Haiti

Community outreach, school programs, meal programs, vocational school, transportation for students, sewing machines, support for farmers, solar power and generator for school, security wall for school, well and water distribution system, rebuilding homes, addition to secondary school

Jamaica

Eyeglasses

Nicaragua

Classrooms, kitchen garden, community center, support for coffee and cocoa farmers, solar pumping of safe water, evaluation of past projects, food and nutrition security, safe drinking water, latrines, safe cookstoves, health care for rural families, solar systems for families living off the grid, clean taxis during the pandemic

Colombia

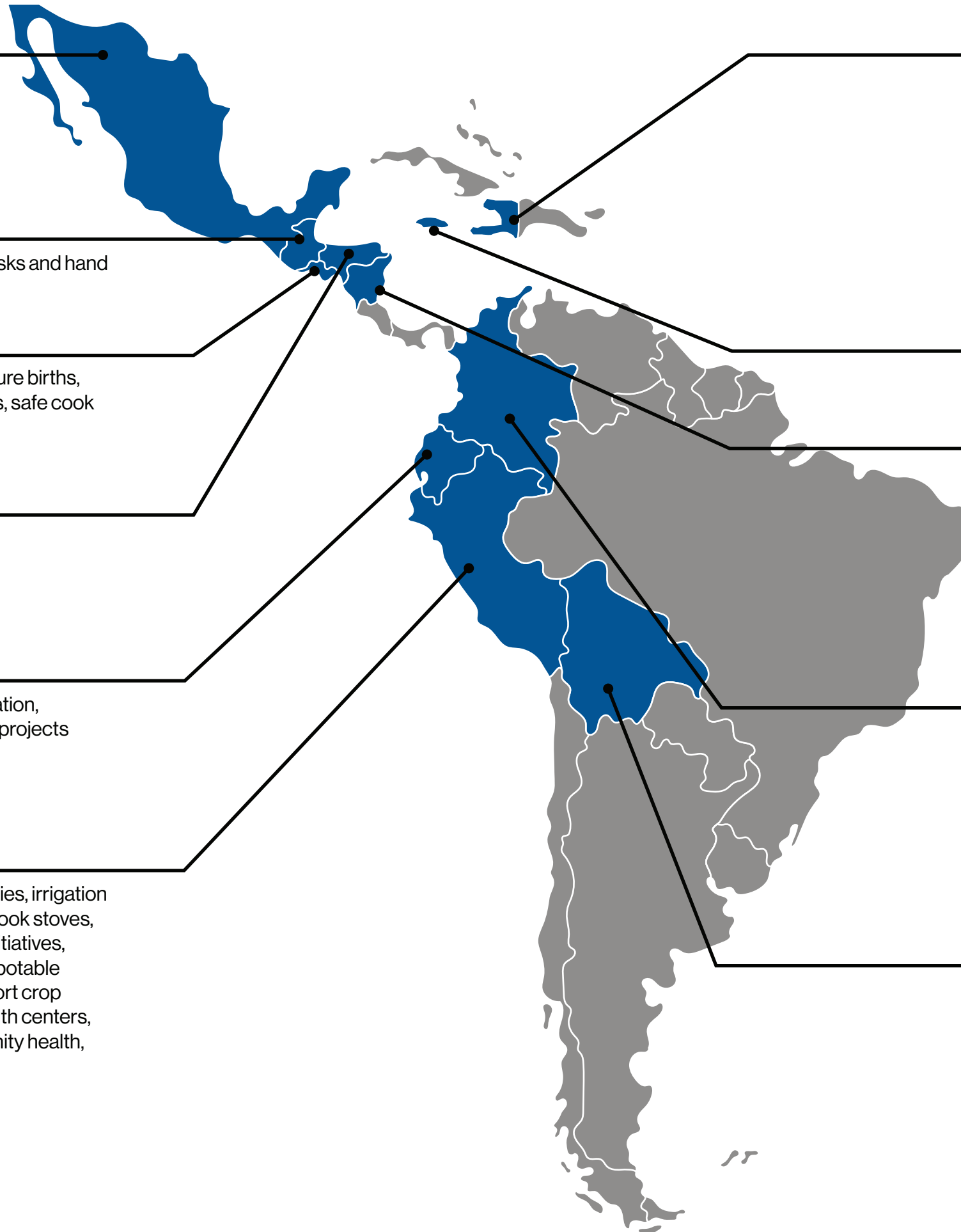
Community dehydrator, training for prevention of family violence and healthy family communication, a program that supports the safety of Venezuelan migrant children, solar energy, pig husbandry, sustainable farming practices, food security, rainwater harvesting, potable water, sanitation and energy

Bolivia

Potable water, community resilience, sanitation in 2 schools, mobile handwashing stations

*North America

Fresh water initiatives, kinderboost, coffee shop that provides community outreach, support for traumatized minors



3.1 Save the Children



“Many thanks to you, the Board members and the wonderful Christadelphian Meal-A-Day Fund community for continuing to support Save the Children. As our director has shared, the pandemic has complicated our programming in many places, but donors like you keep us nimble and prepared to pivot in response to changing circumstances for vulnerable kids, both here in the United States and around the world. That’s certainly true in Mexico and El Salvador, where Meal-a-Day’s new investments enable our dedicated teams to take action for children’s safe return to school and learning.”

Your generosity contributes greatly to improving water, sanitation and hygiene facilities at three schools in Mexico. These upgrades are essential to making sure girls and boys are able to protect themselves from COVID-19 and other infectious diseases. And with your support for our Safe Back to School initiative in El Salvador, you help make possible the safe reopening of five rural schools where we will distribute much-needed disinfectant kits.”

- Save the Children

Kinderboost



3.2 Fresh Water Programs



Indigenous students learn about hydrology and watershed ecology while further developing their relationship with water and their lands in Northern Ontario.

3.3 Green Empowerment



Meal-a-Day partners with Green Empowerment on many projects including ensuring potable water and WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) training.
Photographer: Javier Gutierrez

3.4 Peace Project



Kindergarten starts at age 4 with three levels (ages 4, 5, and 6).



Meal-a-Day serves a Meal a day to over 500 children at the three schools it supports.



Meal a Day is supporting an Agricultural Support project first begun and now administered by PEACE Project of Haiti. 70 farmers in the rural Carrefour area are getting advice and instruction as well as good seed and fertilizer from a certified agronomist. The idea is to help them produce more and better food for their tables and to sell at the market.



Meal a Day launched this vocational school 6 months ago. 125 plus students learning trades.

3.5 Stove Team

StoveTeam trains local people to build cookstoves in their own communities, providing meaningful employment and stimulating economies in areas that need it most.

I am so thankful to our family of wonderful donors who support this project and the people of Guatemala. And today, I am especially grateful to the Christadelphian Meal a Day Foundation for their continuous, generous support. We could not do this work without you.



“The stove is beautiful! I think it’s going to save us a lot of firewood. The cooking surface is excellent too.”

- Luis Santos, Guatemala

3.6 Hearts United with Haiti



“The adult literacy class is doing well. They started the second week of July and continue. Their last class for level one will be ending soon and they are already begging for a second class to continue to study. They are all at different levels, but we have some borrowing library books already to practice what they are learning with reading. Some can write their name for the first time ever. Others are reading to their children/grandchildren. One has the goal to surprise her Pastor by reading to him from the Bible one day. Even if they are not reading well, they have found fellowship and encouragement with one another and with our staff and, for that alone, we consider this program extremely successful. THANK YOU!”

3.7 Norwalk Child Development Centre

The impact of the Meal-A-Day grant has been truly life changing for the children and families of Nagarote. The program began in January 2021. We opened 2 classrooms, one for 5 year olds (kindergarten) and one for 3 and 4 year olds, fully furnished with materials and equipment.



“I thank you from the heart with the donations you make and that this continues to work in this way we thank you I think I am one of the mothers who speaks in this way and I all think they are thinking in the same way that it has been a great blessing thank you very much.”

Juana Elizabeth Solís Ordoñez

3.8 Shared Beat Guatemala

Shared Beat recently celebrated our 15th anniversary as a Non-Profit. In looking back on our journey, you as a volunteer, a donor, and/or a friend of Shared Beat have been instrumental in our success. One of our best ongoing successes is our Scholarship Program. Despite COVID, Shared Beat has maintained the Scholarship Program and currently is supporting eight students at the university level and one student in health careers high school. Since 2008 when the Scholarship Program began, 17 students have graduated from the program and three more will graduate in 2021. All are in health careers.

As a result of your commitment to Shared Beat, we are enabling four women to pursue their dreams of becoming doctors. These students study under a seven-year medical school program starting after high school. With an annual medical school cost of approximately \$10,000 per student, Shared Beat's total commitment to just these four students is \$280,000. These young women are determined to realize their potential, help their families and their communities, and save lives. We are very proud of all the students' dedication and perseverance during these times of virtual learning.

Thank You for Investing in Their Future



3.9 Blue Energy



Meal-a-Day partners with Blue Energy on many projects including providing safe drink water to many communities.

3.10 Eye Glasses in Jamaica



3.11 World Relief Teen Empowerment California



“In this project, Meal a Day has partnered with us to help us address the multifaceted needs of newly arrived new American children (aka unaccompanied minors, some of whom are torture victims) with high quality immigration legal representation, mental/emotional health support services, and college readiness programs (i.e. mentorship, tutoring, etc.). This project, called Teen Empowerment Academy, is giving practical and holistic support to children who are in desperate need- with a long-term goal towards healing, wholeness, and opportunities to thrive. Each part of the Teen Empowerment Academy is vital, and we have already seen success in the tying together of the legal representation, emotional/mental support, and the educational preparation. One particular part of the emotional support aspect is called Little Brushstrokes, which is an arts program that provides an outlet for creativity, healing, and community. We believe that this targeted and creative approach is bringing true transformation in the midst of great brokenness, and we are humbled and grateful to have Meal a Day’s support for the first year of this three year journey!”

3.12 SOS Children's Villages



An SOS staff visiting a family whose children participate in the Child-Friendly Space.

Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:40

