



July 2015

The Bible Mission in America (CBMA) and the Bible Mission in Canada (CBMC) have three common goals. Our mission, by the grace of God, is to help preach the Truth of God's Word in the countries located in North America, Central America, South America and the Caribbean; and to encourage and strengthen our brother's and sister's lives in Christ with pastoral and welfare assistance. In these three ways we assist in building ecclesias.

- Your donations make possible the **(Preaching)** efforts (advertising, correspondence work and missionary family support) in the western hemisphere undertaken by the many brethren and sisters who volunteer for short visits and long term assignments.
- Between the changing demographics of their membership, the deteriorating conditions of their country's economies and resulting emigration of their members to North America, they are in need of regular visits and guest speakers for special efforts **(Pastoral)**.
- We are the only "safety net" available **(Welfare)** for most of the ecclesias we serve. We make every attempt to have welfare administered by brethren with firsthand knowledge of the situations on the ground. Obviously we cannot cure the world, that awaits our Lord's return, but we do seek to ensure the necessities of life are available and from time to time that major medical needs are met.

Caribbean Update

This month we feature serving in the Caribbean. There are 25 ecclesias with about 340 members spread across many countries (mostly islands). Some ecclesias have been there for over 100 years, some are very small and some brothers and sisters are virtually isolated with no ecclesia. The countries include: The Bahamas (3 islands), Barbados, Guyana, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, St. Lucia, and Trinidad & Tobago.



THE BAHAMAS

Visits will be planned to continue supporting the small ecclesia with members spread across three islands. If you are visiting the Bahamas, or if you wish to help, please contact the link brother, Bro. Ted Hodge, Jr.

BARBADOS

Barbados brethren number about 30 members; an ecclesia has been operating continuously since the late 1890s. CBMC sponsors an Easter Bible School - a great success in 2015 among both members and visitors. Recently, CBMC funded major renovations to the Bank Hall meeting place. Through many challenges, our brothers and sisters continue their witness for Bible Truth.

GUYANA

Guyana has six ecclesias with 88 members. Major preaching efforts concentrate on Sunday school and CYC work, Bible classes in the homes of friends, and Sunday evening Bible talks for neighbors. There were seven baptisms in 2014/15. Guyana hosts the 2015 triennial CCYC camp in August, when some 150 youth and leaders from across the Caribbean and North America share fellowship and study of the Word. Please pray for God's blessing on this exciting time! The brethren welcome visiting brothers and sisters to help minister spiritually to the ecclesias, to contribute to the annual youth camp and their Bible School, and to promote outreach work. If you wish to help, please contact the link couple, Bro. Ted and Sis. Dolores Sleeper.



JAMAICA

Jamaica has 10 ecclesias with 130 members. They hold several fraternal gatherings each year, as well as a 4-day Easter Youth Camp and an annual Mutual Improvement Day. Thankfully, there are several baptisms each year. This area is so large that four Jamaican Bible Mission meetings are held throughout the year. In addition, CBMC-sponsored visits

take place each year.

PUERTO RICO

A number of contacts are receiving correspondence courses, some by mail and others via www.labiblia.com. The members appreciate visits by English or Spanish speaking brothers and sisters: contact the link man for information. Spanish-language printed material and recorded talks continue to be sent weekly.



ST. LUCIA

Visits by brothers and sisters from Canada and the UK have taken place in 2014-15. "Bible Enrichment" classes are held at the ecclesial hall on most Tuesdays and Thursdays evening with 5 to 7 visitors on each occasion. Pastoral visits from the Caribbean, Canada and the UK are planned for 2015-16.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

There are four ecclesias with 70 members. A yearly Bible School and Youth Camp are conducted each summer to coincide with a national holiday on August 1st. The location alternates between the island of Trinidad and the island of Tobago, with Trinidad hosting in 2015. Various gatherings and youth camps are also held throughout the year hosted by individual ecclesias such as during Carnival and Easter.



DISASTER RELIEF UPDATE

(Summarized from reports sent by the Australian Christadelphian Bible Mission)

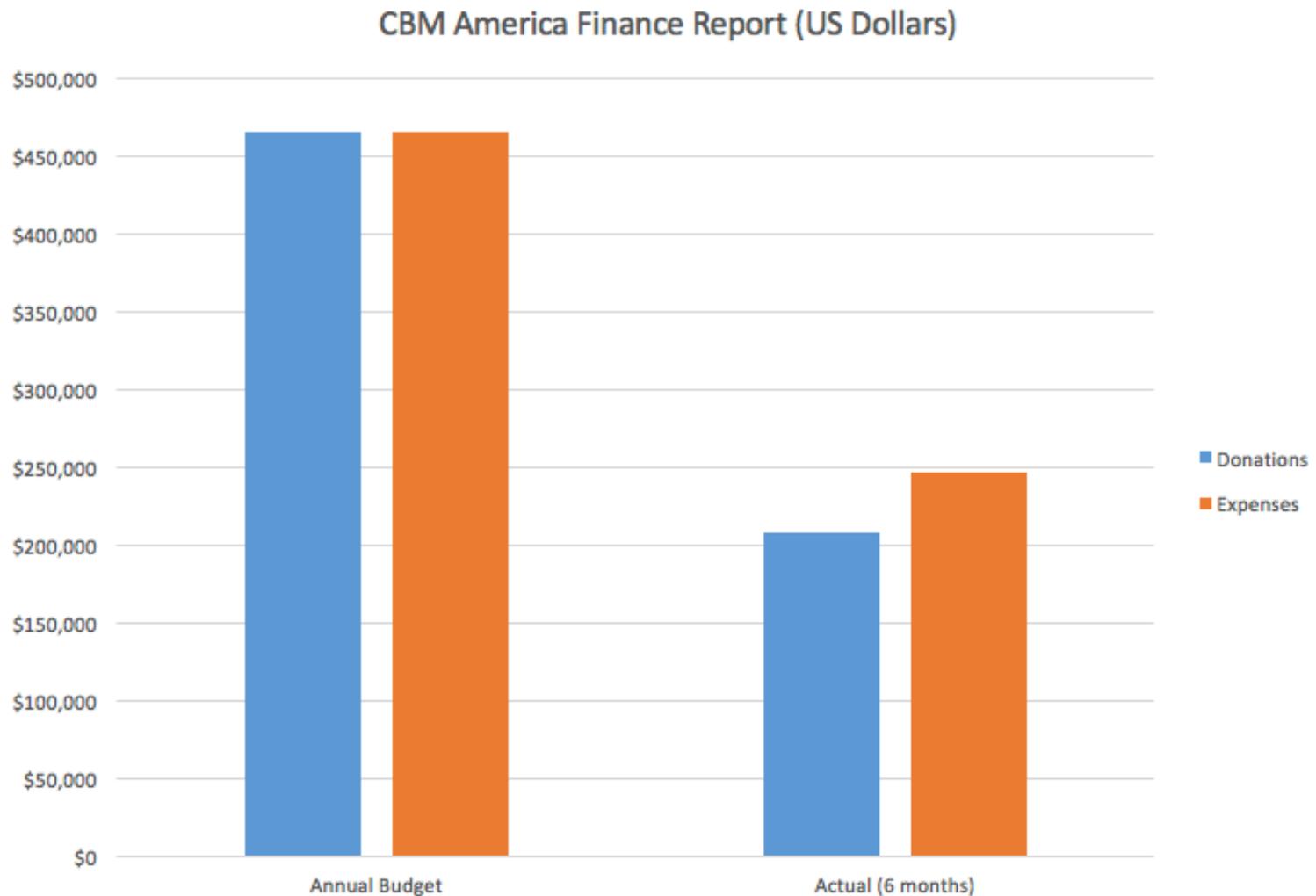
Twice in the past year there were natural disasters that beset Nepal (Earthquake on April 2015) and Vanuatu (Cyclone Pam in March 2015).

All brethren and sisters in Nepal are safe and donations to ACBM have more than covered the AU\$30,000 expenses of food, medicine and reconstruction. The economy is suffering badly and this will make things more difficult for our brethren. Please remember them in your prayers.

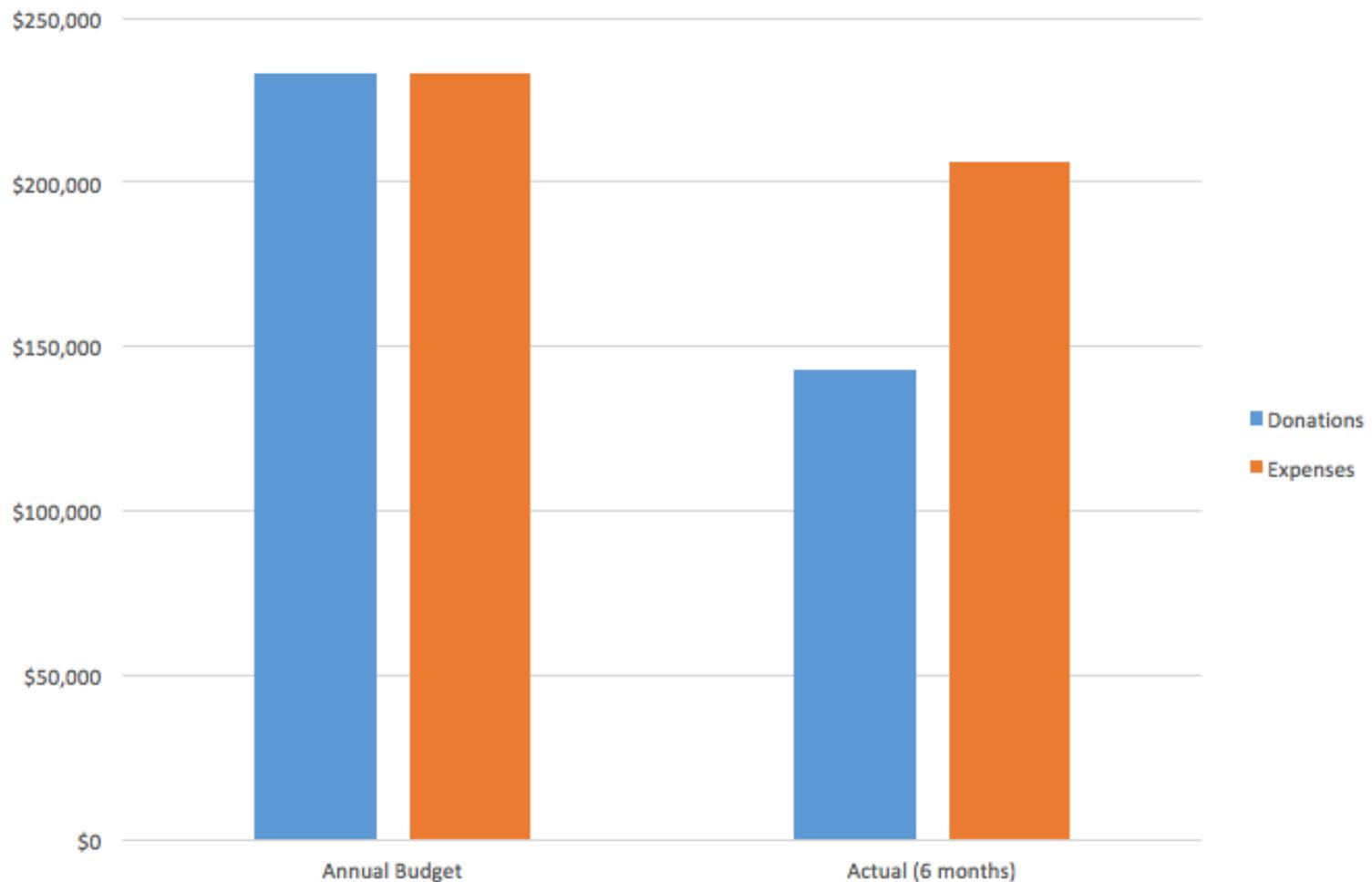
In Vanuatu there were very few deaths and injury and all brethren are safe. With the support of brethren from across the world the ACBM supplied emergency food, medical supplies and building materials to rebuild their homes and also provided seeds and seedlings to replant their crops. Thank you to all those who contributed to the appeal, they now have more than they need for support of our brethren.

CBMA provided financial support to ACBM for the Vanuatu cyclone cost. As noted in the ACBM report, contributions exceeded needs and ACBM returned CBMA funds. What an example of cooperation and the generous and open hand of brethren worldwide! We will continue to use any relief funds contributed to help where needed in the future.

2015 SIX MONTH FINANCIAL REPORTS



CBM Canada Finance Report (CDN Dollars)



Mid-Year Financial Appeal

Thank you ecclesias and individuals for your gifts so far this year. Your donations are the financial life-line for pastoral, preaching and welfare programs of CBMA and CBMC. With your help we will continue our current programs and pay for them with your donations. Please consider increasing your donation: enable the missions to achieve their goals for 2015.

GOALS: ecclesias and individuals, July through December 2015:

CBMA: \$180,000

CBMC: \$100,000



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