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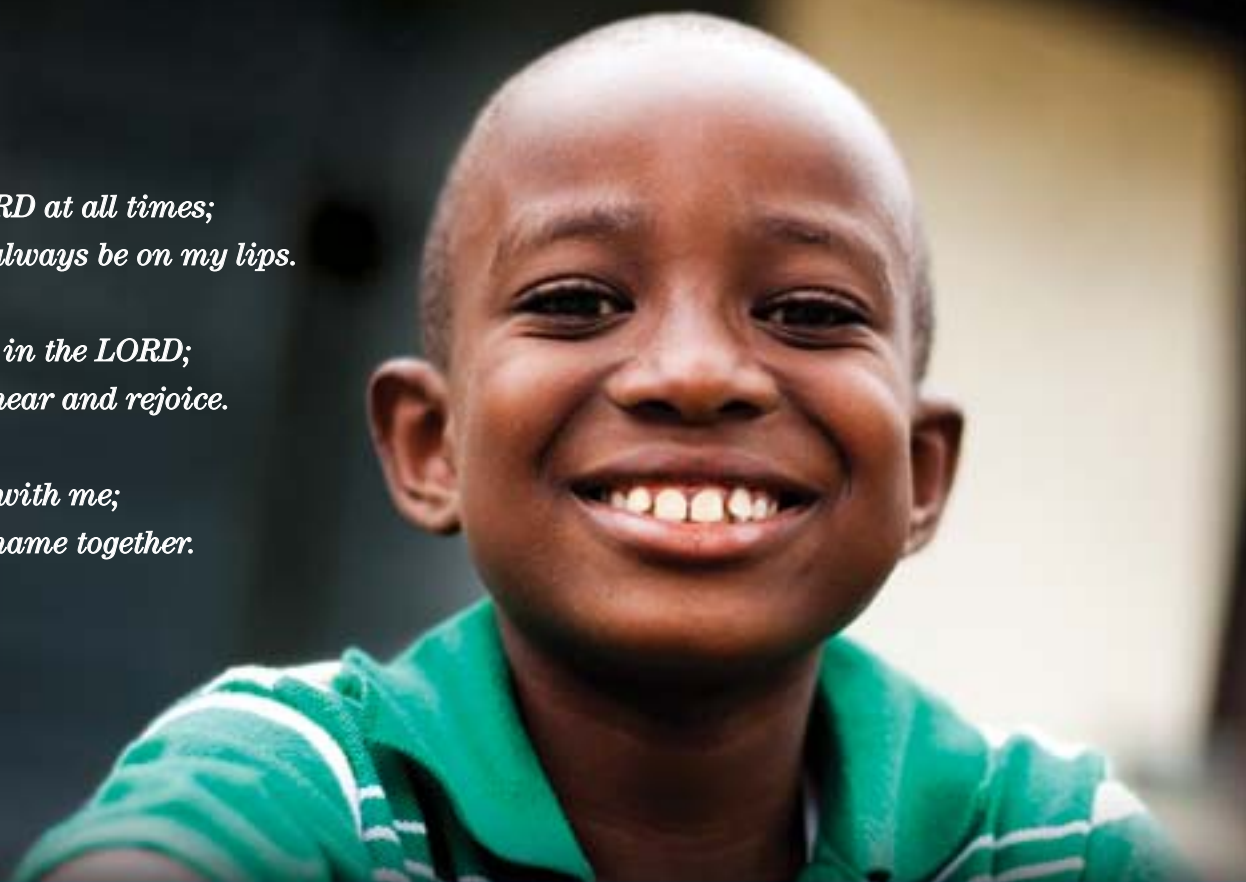

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*I will extol the LORD at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.*

*My soul will boast in the LORD;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.*

*Glorify the LORD with me;
let us exalt his name together.*

Psalm 34:1-3



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Friends,

Looking back over the last year, there is much to be thankful for. More children are being sponsored, more emerging leaders are being supported and more mothers and babies are being given the chance to take their first steps out of poverty.

Our vision is increasing, as, together with the other Compassion funding countries, we look at how we can help more children and families have the chance to live a life of promise and purpose in Jesus Christ.

And then there's Haiti. A year after the earthquake, it is rare to hear much positive news about Haiti. But progress is being made; there is much to celebrate—and we want to share how Compassion, by partnering with the local church, is helping to restore hope to the nation.

As we look back over the highlights of the last year—at all that has been accomplished in Compassion's ministry—let us give thanks for how the Lord is using us to build His Church.

God bless you,

Dr. Barry Slauenwhite

President and CEO
Compassion Canada



A Stronger HAITI TO COME

BY AARON ARMSTRONG | PHOTOGRAPHY BY REYNOLD MAINSE

One year after being caught in the earthquake that devastated Haiti, Dr. Barry Slauenwhite reflects on how Compassion and the church are bringing hope back to the nation's people.

“This will be a trip you’ll never forget.” As he shared these words with a group travelling with him to Haiti on January 12th, 2010, Dr. Barry Slauenwhite had no idea they would prove to be prophetic.

The travelers landed with plenty of time to get to their final destination, the Hotel Montana. Port-au-Prince’s airport presented the trip’s first surprise—a diplomatic greeting from the Haiti country director and staff. It was a delay that would save their lives.

Their bus made the trek through the rough backstreets of Port-au-Prince, tossing the passengers to and fro. Then the earthquake struck.

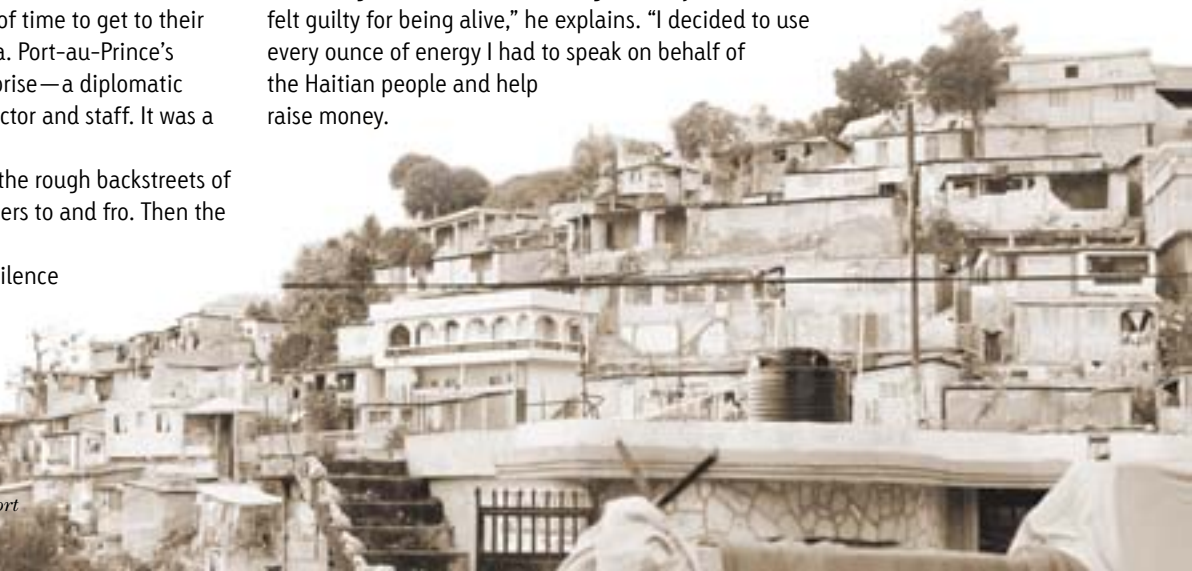
“When the earthquake struck, a silence fell over us,” Slauenwhite recalls. Buildings collapsed, walls

fell, and thousands of people died all around them as they looked on in terror. They began to pray.

The bus began a three-hour journey—one that normally would have taken 10 minutes—to Compassion Haiti’s office hoping to find shelter. Upon arrival, they found it had been damaged and was no longer safe and sought refuge at the Canadian embassy across the street. They spent the night and following day caring for other injured travelers and missionaries.

On the evening of January 13th, Canada sent a Hercules aircraft with medical supplies and a relief team. Slauenwhite and his team were escorted to the airfield and evacuated out to the Dominican Republic during the night.

Leaving Haiti was overwhelming for everyone. “We all felt guilty for being alive,” he explains. “I decided to use every ounce of energy I had to speak on behalf of the Haitian people and help raise money.



And we've done a wonderful job, raising the largest amount of money for a disaster in our corporate history."

Two months later, Slauenwhite returned to find the nation still in chaos; the only noticeable change was some streets now had paths cleared through the debris. His second trip in October revealed a great deal of improvement. Electrical services were working in most parts of Port-au-Prince. Some water was available. Life, for better or worse, was going on.

Slauenwhite found it easy to be discouraged because the one thing he didn't see was hope—except when visiting Compassion projects.

"At every Compassion site—every church—I was overwhelmed with hope. That's where I saw progress being made," he recalls. "Our projects were up and running within days and weeks of the earthquake under makeshift



Photo: Dr. Barry Slauenwhite with a group of Haitian children

to build the necessary infrastructure, Compassion already had it all in place thanks to its partnership with the local church—a partnership not limited by borders. It was through the Dominican Republic office and

“Many of our projects were operating better than before the earthquake!”

conditions. We were serving the children, caring for their needs and their families, as we have for the last 43 years.

“By October, many of our projects were operating better than before the earthquake! We had built transitional shelters, classrooms, churches... I was moved and overwhelmed by the progress I saw.”

While many NGOs were still scrambling

church partners that Compassion was able to act quickly and give aid to the Haitian people.

“They have been the ones to help us put together the food boxes, put all the equipment together and we brought it across the Haiti-Dominican border by land,” Slauenwhite explains. “And we encountered no hassles, no bribes, no delays at customs. Everything we've sent in got through. I was there; I saw it being delivered.”

Leading the recovery efforts on the field is Elissaint Jean Jacques, a former sponsored child who came on staff in 2005 to head up Compassion's Response programs in Haiti. After the earthquake, he was the logical choice to oversee the recovery.

“When I met Elissaint, I thought, ‘this man is sharp, a real trophy for God's kingdom,’” says Slauenwhite. “He grew up the poorest of the poor and is now managing an almost 30 million dollar budget—and doing a stellar job! He's a graduate of the Leadership Development Program; he's got a double masters and feels called by God to serve in Haiti with Compassion. He is a man of great character.”

Not only are Compassion's recovery efforts being led with great care, they are being carefully reviewed by external auditors to ensure that donations are accounted for and being used effectively.

“It's one thing to say all the money went to Haiti, but it's another to say what we are doing and show how meaningful it was. I think our donors would be proud of how the money is being spent—probably better than they ever imagined.”

As the work continues, Slauenwhite is excited as he looks at the prospects for Haiti's future.

“I really believe that God has Compassion uniquely poised with the church to be a significant part of the rebuilding of the new Haiti,” he says. “I am so excited to see what God has allowed us to be a part of there, what he's allowing us to do.” ✨





A
CYCLE
OF
GOOD

STORY & PHOTOGRAPHS
BY SEAN SHERIDAN

A LIFE-LONG SPONSORED CHILD AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT STUDENT USES HIS UNIVERSITY EDUCATION TO COUNSEL CHILDREN TRAUMATIZED BY HAITI'S EARTHQUAKE.

THE CLICK CLACK OF DRESS SHOES striking tile seems out of place. Walking down the cavernous corridor of Haiti's Human Science College, Eustache Salomon looks like he could be on his way to class. But the last time he was in this place was on January 12, 2010, when he decided to take a short break from class.

This was 90 seconds before all hell broke loose.

"As soon as I got out of the building, I felt the ground start to shake," he recounts.

Haiti's infamous earthquake struck just as

Nor is it for him to tell us about it.

"I saw many dead and injured people along the way."

Helping where he could, he pressed on and finally made it home. It was a pile of rubble. His family was nowhere to be seen. Panicked, Eustache did the only thing he could think of—he walked to the National Palace, like thousands of other Haitians. When he got there, he was astonished that it, too, lay in ruins.

"I sat down behind a palm tree with my head in my hands," he says slowly, "and

Like so many others, Eustache's family decided to move to the countryside and away from the chaos of Port-au-Prince. Compassion Haiti's Leadership Development Program Specialist Maurice Rosicler took Eustache in so that he could stay in school.

"Without him, I would be living under a tarp or in a tent," Eustache says of Rosicler. "He has really pushed me to be all that I can be."

The lessons have stuck. We follow Eustache to the United Brethren Methodist Church to see him live this out. He has been spending time each week putting his studies in Social Work to use by volunteering at Compassion centres to counsel children dealing with trauma.

Today he stands before over 100 children and teaches them how to deal with the stress of the earthquake. The kids are responding. Later he takes one aside, 12-year-old Joseph Wesley, who had both his legs broken in the catastrophe. The boy is still in pain and has trouble sleeping. The two talk for nearly a half an hour and then pray together.

"Spending time with Eustache," the boy

"GOD MADE A WAY FOR ME WHERE THERE DIDN'T SEEM TO BE ONE... I KNOW GOD HAS A PLAN FOR ME."



Eustache stepped into the courtyard to get a snack. It shook him so hard that his cell phone went flying and was lost in the chaos of scrambling people. His timing, however, was impeccable: He lived. 15 of his classmates—and 300,000 of his countrymen—did not.

Now he's back, showing us the scene of his survival. We step over large chunks of concrete fallen on the steps where he had casually walked out of the school just seconds before the quake. He looks up, wondering if he had left his desk just a minute later if he would have been among the dead.

Eustache's pressed white shirt and crisp slacks suggest he is ready to move past January 12. Still, it's hard for him to let the events of that day go. His first instinct was to find his family, but getting there was not easy.

wondered what I was going to do."

He knew that he could not give up.

"I have been a sponsored child since I was 3 years old. I spent over 17 years at the Dufort Child Development Centre," he says. "And what I learned most was to share and to be determined."

So Eustache rose, befriended the woman next to him, and served her, helping her put up a tarp. He spent a week there with her family, just trying to survive.

But frantic about his family, he decided to trek back to the school to look for his phone and see if they had been trying to contact him. He found it, and they had. The phone still worked, so he called them. His father, his mother, his two brothers, and his five sisters were all safe.

says quietly afterward, "is a good thing."

Helping children like Joseph has helped convince Eustache that he is studying in the right field.

"I like doing therapy, and I want to get more skills in this," he says.

Having been spared in the earthquake, Eustache is motivated to make the most of the opportunities he has been given. He will complete his Social Work degree in 2015. Meanwhile, he will continue to come alongside children like Joseph, just as Rosicler has done for him.

"God made a way for me where there didn't seem to be one," he says. "Compassion gave me the confidence to succeed in life, and as I look to the future, I am smiling because I know God has a plan for me." ✨

HAITI

BY THE NUMBERS

On January 12, 2010, a 7.0 magnitude earthquake shook the island nation of Haiti.

In 90 seconds, thousands died. Millions were left without food. Without water. Without shelter. Without hope.

But through your generosity, over 27 million dollars were raised internationally and Compassion has helped meet the needs of thousands of children and their families.

Here's How →



+ MEDICAL CARE & SUPPORT

14,345 children received medical care through **5** medical clinics

8,272 vaccinations were given

69 projects and **17** hospitals received medicine and medical supplies including elastic bandages, scissors, emergency blankets and ibuprofen.

4,000 hygiene kits were distributed

50 projects received water treatment equipment

+ PHYSICAL SUPPORT

2,612 boxes of baby formula and **37,018** food kits distributed

490 tents distributed

Temporary shelter materials for **4,822** families and project staff

15 shipping containers turned into temporary project offices

64 school desks and **590** benches, **109** school boards, office equipment and supplies and **180** metal chairs, given to nine affected projects

41 pastors, **246** project staff and **586** tutors who lost their homes were given grants to rebuild

+ SPIRITUAL SUPPORT

2 psychologists were hired and started holding workshops at the projects

8,974 children and **576** mothers received psychological care

All LDP students received post-trauma training and counseling

Many LDP students are helping counsel others, as well



GETTING BACK TO LIFE

STORY BY AMBER VAN SCHOONEVELD | PHOTOGRAPH BY SEAN SHERIDAN

LIFE IN HAITI had always been difficult. Unemployment, a lack of infrastructure, and a lack of hope trapped many Haitians in a mindset that things can never change. But for churches that had a partnership with Compassion, that mindset began to change.

According to Pastor François Gerard Boutin, “Life here was a struggle. The people didn’t have much and there is a lot of unemployment. Thank God for the partnership with Compassion. We have more hope now. Our kids can go to school, they have tuition and books and uniforms, and all the things that make it easier for kids and families.”

Then the earthquake took away what little these churches and families did have. To churches in North America, losing a blackboard and a few pews might not seem like a very big deal. But to a church with so few resources to draw from, their losses took them back years.

Pastor Boutin is blind, and though he couldn’t see what was going on January 12th, he could hear it around him.

“The day of the quake was like annihilation. We didn’t even realize what it was. People couldn’t even stand up. I am blind, but I could hear what was going on. Part of the church collapsed,” said Boutin.

Boutin’s church was one of the churches who lost so much of their little infrastructure. But his church, along with many others, have received various supplies since the earthquake to help them get back to life. They received immediate help such as food kits and medical attention. But they have also received help with long-term needs, such as temporary meeting places and school supplies such as benches, black boards, and chairs.

The church is now able to continue meeting the needs of the families around them. They know that Christ is their ultimate hope, and with the help from our generous donors, the church can concentrate on bringing this truth to the community.

“The earthquake was grave. We thought that life was over for us. But Compassion gave us food, water, and shelter. It gave us hope even in the presence of disaster. With Christ, anything is possible. There is still hope—God is in control.” ✝

➤ COMPASSION HAS BEEN AT WORK IN HAITI FOR THE PAST 43 YEARS, AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL HELP IS NO LONGER NEEDED.

BECAUSE OF YOU, THOUSANDS OF HAITIANS CONTINUE TO RECEIVE HELP AND HOPE.

Haiti, Heal Thyself

STORY & PHOTOGRAPHS BY SEAN SHERIDAN

With the world's attention drawn elsewhere, Compassion staff dare to believe the struggling nation can rebound stronger than before.



A SHRILL WHISTLE JARS ME AWAKE. In a fog from two days of travel that put me into Haiti in the dark and rain the night before, I throw open the curtains of my austere Port-au-Prince hotel room only to be confronted by the sight of a jam-packed tent city directly across the street, a scant 20 yards from me.

In plain view, an elderly woman stoops over a bucket of murky water, washes the night's grime from her body, and pats herself with a grungy hand cloth. She is standing in the mud. I shake my head in disbelief. We are so close. But we are so far, far apart.

"It doesn't sound like much has changed down there," friends and colleagues had told me in the weeks leading up to my return to Haiti. My last assignment here was a few weeks after the January 12, 2010 earthquake that killed over 300,000 people, driving the poorest country in the western hemisphere even deeper into an already seemingly intractable pit of poverty. And judging by the million people living on the streets, the sheer volume of rubble and collapsed buildings that still clutter the city (people estimate that less than 2 percent of it has been cleaned up), and the hundreds of millions of dollars of aid money stuck in red tape, they may be right. Slinging my camera over my shoulder, I hit the streets of Port-au-Prince to find out.

"Nine months after the earthquake, we are still in a desperate situation," Compassion Haiti Country Director Gilbaud Saint-Cyr tells me from the top of the retrofitted Compassion headquarters building.



“The Haitian people are very brave and strong, and they want to do their best to have a better life,” he says. “But in general, it is really a nightmare.” Many of the best have already left the country, leading to what Saint-Cyr calls a “brain drain.” Clearly, Haiti still has a long way to go.

Yet there are signs of progress: Gone are the U.S. Air Force C17s carrying emergency supplies and soldiers, replaced by American Airlines 757s carrying returning citizens and church folk eager to help on mission trips. The bodies and smell of death are gone. And so is much of the fear that surrounded the country in the weeks after the earthquake.

Enter Compassion. In three days visiting Compassion projects around the area, every sponsored child and parent I spoke with tells me they have survived because of the one-on-one care they received from Compassion—the food kits, the shelter, the access to medical care, the psychological counseling, the ability to go back to school, the clean water, and on and on and on. Stepping into each Compassion project is like stepping into an oasis.

None of this is by accident: an ongoing 22-point strategic plan to help Compassion-assisted children and families (and in turn, Haiti) is being directed by Elissaint Jean Jacques and carried out by staff who want to bring change to the country. Issues are grouped into four categories: food security, shelter, health care, and financial assistance.

“The most important strategy, in my mind, is to help parents generate income,” Elissaint tells me as we sit on a mound of rubble in Leogane (the epicenter of the earthquake)

outside Leogane Child Development Centre, where funds from Compassion global partners have been used to set up a temporary school. “We also are helping church partners rebuild,” he says, nodding at the interim classrooms filled with benches, desks and blackboards that Compassion has provided until repairs of the damaged school are completed.

“Before, we saw children sitting on concrete blocks, and now they have a place to learn, even if it is temporary.”

All this is happening through partnerships with people and groups, many from America, who are willing to help, I’m told. There is no shortage of enthusiasm. He tells me that by providing a little help and encouragement, the people can change their world. As I witness him and other Compassion staff in action, it is clear that the strategic plan is working, that little by little, hope is taking root.

Both Elissaint and Saint-Cyr say that Haiti can come back even better than it was before the earthquake. Looking at the woman washing herself in the tent camp across from my room, that’s still hard to imagine. But looking inside Compassion projects and the hearts of those affected by what happened on January 12, that’s an entirely different story. ✨

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HAITI

Will Not Die

BY AMBER VAN SCHOONEVELD

*Photo: Elissaint,
Compassion Haiti's Disaster Response Coordinator
Photo Credit: Sean Sheridan*

According to Compassion Haiti's Disaster Response Coordinator, his country will not perish but will rise up. It will rise up when the poverty-stricken youth of his country are taught that they can defeat poverty. He should know—he used to be one of them.



The plains of Saintard are a patchwork of plantations, sitting on the edge of the Caribbean. Elissaint Jean Jacques grew up under the palm trees of his rural Haitian town, but he also grew up knowing poverty.

Those who have jobs in this area earn about \$80 a month working the plantations. Most have no jobs at all. Elissaint grew up knowing he was one of the lucky ones. Other little children in his community got malaria or diarrhea and died young. Other little children dropped out of school young to work with their parents.

But Elissaint's life was different. He was registered at a Compassion-assisted centre at the local church in Saintard. He got treatment when he was sick. He got to stay in school all the way through graduation. Most of all, he learned that though he was born in poverty, poverty could stop with him.

Elissaint was a star student, and after he graduated, he became one of Haiti's first students in Compassion's Leadership Development Program, which provides university education and leadership training to formerly

After gaining some work experience, he was hired at Compassion Haiti in 2005 to manage their Response initiatives, which includes initiatives such as water, malaria response, and community development.

When the earthquake rocked Haiti on January 12th, Compassion Haiti turned to Elissaint, now 37, to step in as the Disaster Response Coordinator. It's a big job. Compassion Haiti has been implementing over 20 strategies to respond to the crisis. This includes things such as distributing food kits immediately after the earthquake, providing shelter materials to the homeless, organizing medical and vaccination clinics, rebuilding church and school buildings, and providing micro-loans so parents can restart their businesses.

Although the amount of work to be done and the devastation around him is still daunting, Elissaint believes it is possible to overcome.

"It is possible to defeat poverty—poverty is in the mind. When you encourage children that they can overcome poverty, that they have potential, and give them a little help to take off, I think we can defeat poverty," he said.

For Elissaint, those aren't just empty, hopeful words. He has experienced it.

"If you motivate and inspire the youth that they can change their world, we can overcome poverty. Because I was born in it, and I am not poor. It was possible for me to come from peasant parents and complete university studies—if you have this mindset, you can make it," Elissaint said.

The work is still large. It won't happen overnight or even in a year. It will take years for Haiti to come back from this quake. But Elissaint isn't leaving. Compassion Haiti isn't leaving. And the local churches who implement Compassion's programs aren't leaving. They are raising a generation of children to believe that their life doesn't have to end with poverty. They are raising a generation who believe that God wants to save and redeem his Haitian children to change their country for his glory.

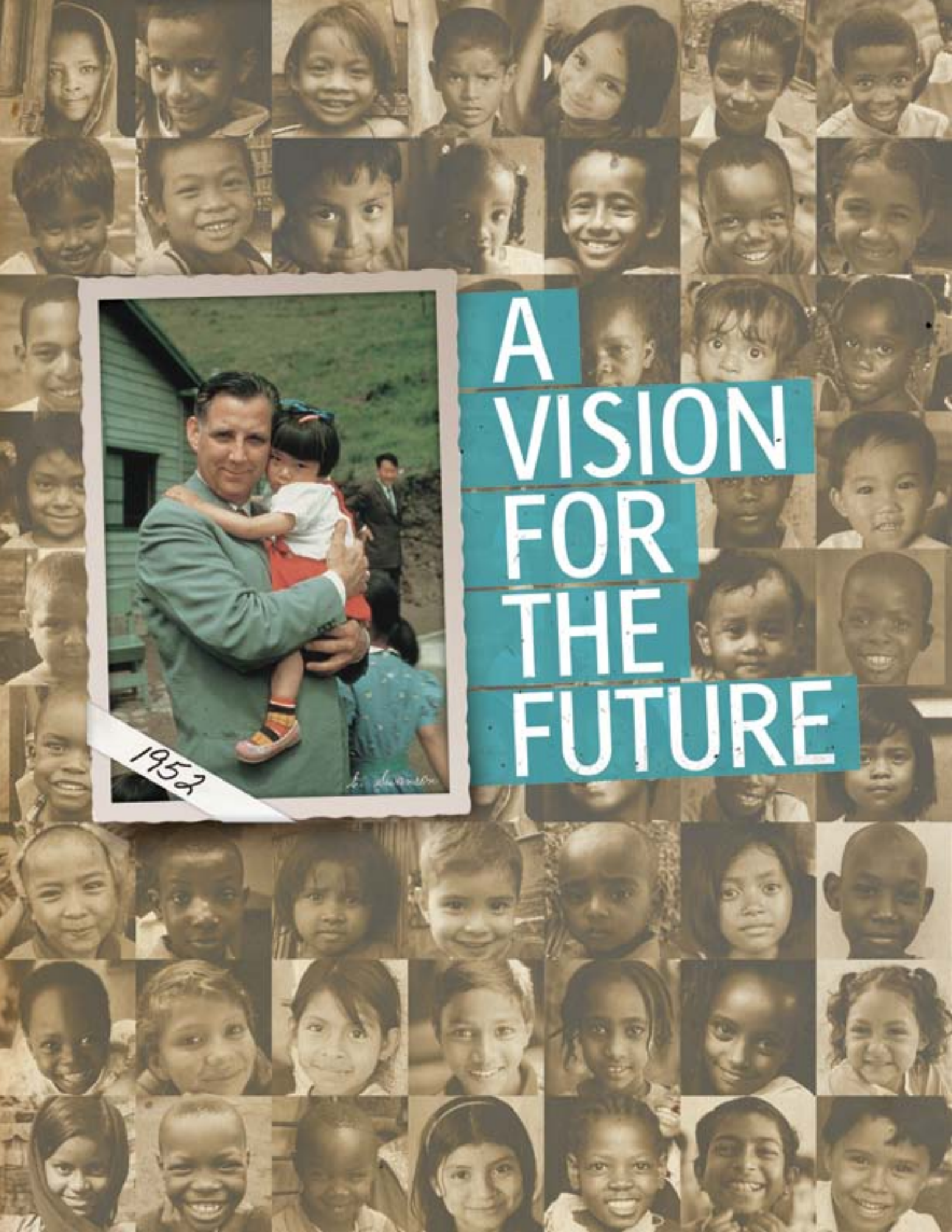
"For this country to come back to where it was is going to take a lot of years. But when people decide that Haiti will not die, I believe it is possible to come back even better." ✨

"If you motivate and inspire the youth that they can change their world, we can overcome poverty."

sponsored children. Elissaint was a star student in the Leadership Development Program as well, and when he graduated with his degree, he was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study at the University of California, Davis. In two years, he completed two Masters degrees in Community Development and Agriculture and Resource Economics.

Rather than join the diaspora of Haitians in North America, Elissaint knew he wanted to return to his troubled home to help spread what he knew—that it is possible to defeat poverty.

"Many people have left the country, but those who love Haiti have stayed. That's why I came back. I decided to put my skills to the benefit of my country. The Bible tells us that those who are given much are asked to give back. I feel this is the will of God for me," he said.



1952

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

LOOKING BACK OVER THE LAST 58 YEARS, IT'S AMAZING TO SEE HOW FAR GOD HAS TAKEN COMPASSION.

IN 1952 our work was focused solely in South Korea, helping children impacted by the Korean War. Today, Compassion Korea is one of our largest funding countries, with Korean Christians sponsoring tens of thousands of children all over the world.

TODAY more than **ONE MILLION** children are sponsored through Compassion. More than **21,000** mothers and babies are cared for through Child Survival program. Almost **2,100** young leaders are being supported and trained through the Leadership Development program.



WHAT IF WE COULD DO MORE?

WHAT IF...

~~2,100~~ **21,000** students were being trained to be the Christian leaders their nations so desperately need?

~~1 million~~ **3.6 million** children were sponsored and getting the opportunity to hear the gospel?

~~21,000~~ **368,000** mothers and children were taking their first steps into a life of promise and purpose in Jesus Christ?

What if God does more than we could ever possibly imagine?

Imagine what could happen—how the world could be transformed.

THAT'S OUR HOPE.

THAT'S OUR VISION.

THIS IS WHAT GOD HAS BEEN DOING...

MINISTRY+ HIGHLIGHTS

TOP 10 HIGHLIGHTS OF
COMPASSION'S MINISTRY



01

149,841

Children gave their
lives to Christ.



02

1,081,058

Children Sponsored
6.6% Global Growth

05
Total Program Expenses
\$390,008,461
supporting a total of
1,229,309
beneficiaries



03

21,318

Child Survival Program
Beneficiaries
38.2% Global Growth



04

2,099

Leadership Development
Program Students
11% Global Growth

Sponsorship **06** Milestones

Four Compassion partners celebrated milestones in sponsorships.

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| KOREA..... | 80,000 |
| UNITED KINGDOM..... | 70,000 |
| CANADA..... | 75,000 |
| AUSTRALIA..... | 90,000 |

The Difference Is Jesus

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Compassion Canada Launched “The Difference Is Jesus” Campaign.



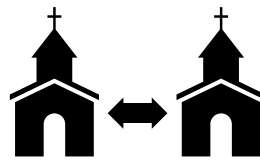
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1,000th LDP Grad

Compassion’s 1,000th Leadership Development Program graduate, **Joanita Nannyunja** from **Uganda**, sponsored through Compassion Korea.



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Church-to-Church Partnership

Compassion International launched the church-to-church pilot in partnership with the Willow Creek Association, linking 45 churches in the United States, United Kingdom, South Korea and Australia with churches in East India, Ethiopia, and El Salvador.

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Rev. Ian Lawson

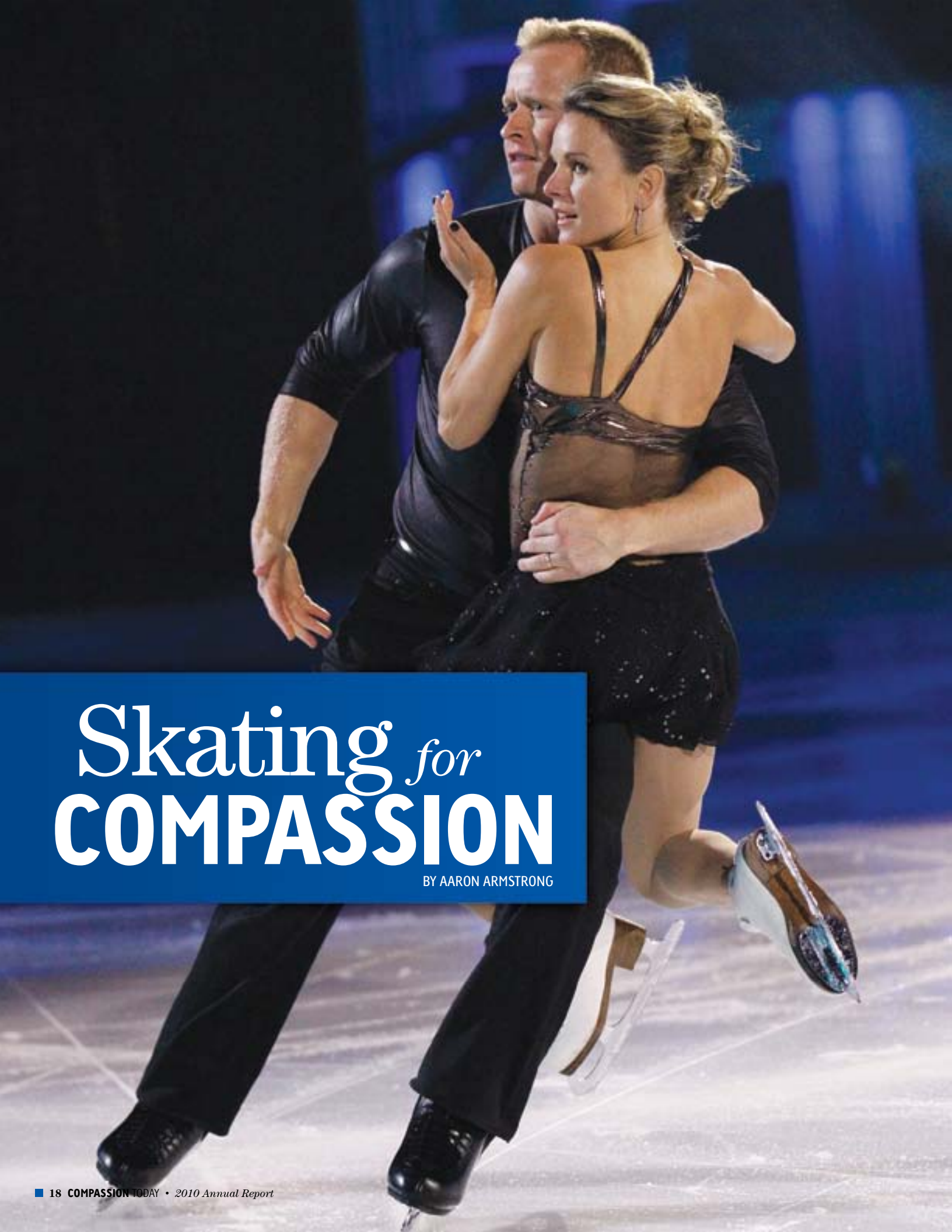
Named Compassion Canada’s Board Chair

In late 2010, Rev. Ian Lawson, Lead Pastor of the Evangelical Free Church of Lethbridge, Alberta, was named Compassion Canada’s Board Chair.

Drawn to Compassion’s desire to fulfill the biblical mandate to care for the poor, Rev. Lawson brings a unique perspective to the Board as a leader in a growing and dynamic church with previous experience in theological education.

“Ian’s rich governance experience coupled with his passion for ministry makes him an ideal leader for the next phase of Compassion’s Board,” says Dr. Barry Slauenwhite, President of Compassion Canada.





Skating *for* **COMPASSION**

BY AARON ARMSTRONG

Former NHL right wing, Valeri Bure, skates for Compassion in the “Battle of the Blades”

HOCKEY FANS AROUND THE WORLD best know Valeri Bure for his ten-season career in the NHL. Five years after retiring from professional hockey, the former right wing for the Montreal Canadiens and Calgary Flames took to the ice once again—this time as a competitor on the CBC reality show, *The Battle of the Blades*.

The goal: to win a fifty thousand dollar donation to Compassion Canada.

Bure and his wife, Candace Cameron-Bure, are longtime supporters of Compassion, sponsoring three kids from Bangladesh. With three children at home, it’s an ideal way for their own kids to discover life outside of North America.

“The kids we’re sponsoring are the exact same age as our kids; to see them grow, to see them communicating back and forth and connecting with each other, it’s a pretty cool thing,” says Bure. “Our kids need to understand how good they have it; they need to appreciate what they’ve got.”

Bure understands this well. Growing up in Moscow, Russia, life was difficult. After his father, Russian swimming legend Vladimir Bure and his mother, Tatiana Gvovana, separated, she worked three jobs to care for their sons, Valeri and older brother Pavel.

“There was a period of time when it was pretty tough just to get by,” recalls Bure.

The two boys spent a great deal of time playing hockey. Their hard work paid off when opportunities came to leave Russia for North America in 1991 when Pavel was signed to the Vancouver Canucks in 1991. Valeri was drafted to the Montreal Canadiens the following year. But even with the success he’s experienced, Bure still feels the impact of those years.

“When I make something for my kids, and they don’t like it or they don’t want to eat it, it’s a big shock for me,” he explains. “I grew up with no food, so whatever my mom would give me, that’s what I would eat. But again, they didn’t grow up the way I did.”

Photo: Valeri Bure & Family

When he was asked to skate on *The Battle of the Blades*, Bure knew it was an opportunity to help others understand the reality of life outside North America by bringing awareness to Compassion’s work.

“The little bit that we do with our kids goes so far,” says Bure. “I’m competing for children

around the world who are getting fed, getting clothed and getting spiritually fed as well. It’s an unbelievable opportunity and one that I want to get bigger and bigger.”

The competition proved to be an uphill battle. While Bure and skating partner Ekaterina “Katia” Gordeeva consistently received top scores from the show’s judges, Canadian voters were far less kind.

Three times the pair was forced to compete in the Monday night elimination round. And each time, the judges saved them.

“The only thing Katia and I can control is how we skate, the rest is pretty much out of

our hands,” said Bure during the competition. “By us staying in the competition, we’re hoping to draw people to [this charity] that’s teaching kids about the Bible and about Jesus through it, so it’s fantastic.”

In the end, Bure and Gordeeva won over the fans, who declared them the champions of the competition, claiming the \$100,000 grand prize that they split between Compassion and Canadian charity Cardiac Kids.

Bure’s donation is fully funding the Bethel Child Survival project in the Dominican Republic for the next two years. This project will rescue moms and babies in the community of Mocha [located about 20 km east of Santiago] from danger and gives them the opportunity to take their first steps into a life of promise and purpose in Jesus Christ.

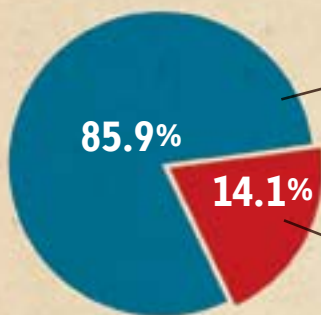
“It’s about teaching kids the Bible and about Jesus Christ.”

And it’s because of this focus on Jesus Christ that Bure supports Compassion’s ministry. He’s seen that faith in Christ is what ultimately makes the difference in the lives of people.

“You’re teaching the kids about Jesus Christ, which is really important to me. That’s a huge advantage for these kids, compared to how I grew up,” he says. “That’s what I want people to understand—it’s about teaching kids the Bible and about Jesus Christ. They get fed spiritually, they get food, clothing... it’s a fantastic opportunity to give that to little kids all around the world.” ✨



★ ★ FINANCIAL INTEGRITY ★ ★



PROGRAM

Compassion commits that **no less than 80 percent** of funds raised will be used for program activities that benefit, directly or indirectly, every child we serve.

FUNDRAISING & ADMIN

No more than 20 percent will be used for fundraising and administrative expenses.

As certified members of the Canadian Council of Christian Charities, the Better Business Bureau of Canada and Imagine Canada, Compassion is committed to handling the finances entrusted to us with the utmost integrity.

This commitment goes beyond Canada. For nine consecutive years, Charity Navigator has awarded Compassion International, its highest rating—four-stars—for responsible financial management.

Financial integrity matters. That's our commitment to you.

COMPASSION CANADA: BY THE NUMBERS

| | 2010 | 2009 | 2008 |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Child Sponsorships | 33,889,907 | 30,540,516 | 26,126,896 |
| Complementary Interventions | 5,322,409 | 2,395,069 | 2,188,637 |
| Leadership Development Program | 424,755 | 446,107 | 275,673 |
| Child Survival Program | 372,142 | 266,672 | 130,342 |
| Planned Gifts | 176,784 | 93,768 | 294,977 |
| General Programs | 158,354 | 153,697 | 177,565 |
| Investment Income | 388,321 | 381,301 | 315,027 |
| Total Revenue | \$ 40,732,672 | \$ 34,277,130 | \$ 29,509,117 |

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES (PROGRAM)

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Child Support | 28,775,431 | 26,077,020 | 21,936,677 |
| Complementary Interventions | 4,787,389 | 2,030,564 | 2,152,464 |
| Leadership Development Program | 339,807 | 356,886 | 220,535 |
| Child Survival Program | 297,715 | 213,925 | 108,273 |
| General Programs | 27,295 | 49,212 | 15,958 |
| Total Ministry Activities | \$ 34,227,637 | \$ 28,727,607 | \$ 24,433,907 |

SUPPORT SERVICES

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Fundraising | 3,365,357 | 3,297,666 | 2,916,908 |
| General and Administration | 2,257,986 | 2,108,728 | 1,624,443 |
| Total Support Services | \$ 5,623,343 | \$ 5,406,394 | \$ 4,541,351 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 39,850,980 | \$ 34,134,001 | \$ 28,975,258 |

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| Funds for Future Ministries | \$ 881,692 | \$ 143,129 | \$ 533,859 |
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|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Program Costs | 85.9% | 84.2% | 84.3% |
| Fundraising | 8.4% | 9.7% | 10.1% |
| General and Administration | 5.7% | 6.2% | 5.6% |

HOW DOES COMPASSION CANADA USE FUNDRAISING DOLLARS?



FOR EVERY DOLLAR RAISED*, A LITTLE OVER 8 CENTS IS SPENT ON FUNDRAISING.

8.4 CENTS OF ONE DOLLAR PAYS FOR ALL OF OUR...

-  Fundraising staff
-  Print & radio advertising
-  Printing & distribution costs for our mailings
-  Fundraising events
-  Online activities

➤ All that for a little more than eight pennies.

WHO SAYS A PENNY IS WORTHLESS?

*excluding any gift where 100% of the funds are designated to program used (such as child, family and project gifts
Additionally, Compassion Canada does not pay any finder's fees, commissions or percentage compensation based on
contributions (as outlined in Imagine Canada's Ethical Code – for more information, visit www.imaginecanada.ca).

UNDERSTANDING THE GLOBAL IMPACT

What difference does supporting Compassion really make?
Your support, along with that of men, women and children
in 12 partner countries, is helping...

1,229,329 PEOPLE in **26** COUNTRIES around the world.

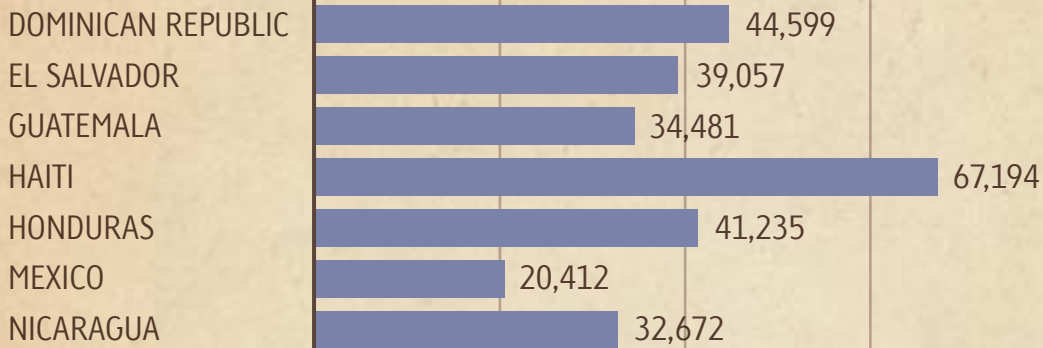


➤ **1,229,329** lives are being transformed right now
because of the generosity of people just like you.

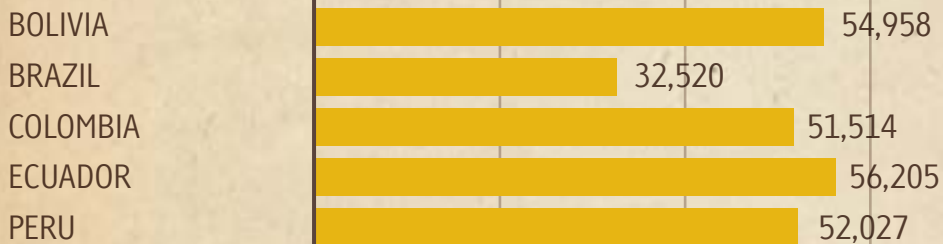
THAT IS A TREMENDOUS IMPACT.

THE NUMBERS

CENTRAL AMERICA



SOUTH AMERICA



AFRICA



ASIA



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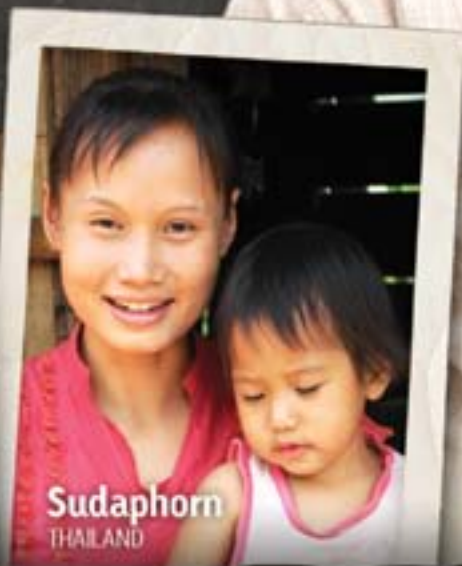


THE CHURCH:

- > GAVE *Queen* A FAMILY THAT LOVES HER
- > TAUGHT *Sudaphorn* HOW TO CARE FOR HER BABY
- > GAVE *Elissaint* HOPE FOR THE FUTURE OF HAITI



Queen
GHANA



Sudaphorn
THAILAND

Elissaint
HAITI

THE CHURCH MATTERS

For the Church, there is nothing more important than making disciples of Jesus Christ—to see the good news of Christ's life, death and resurrection transform the hearts and minds of men, women and children everywhere. **That is the mission of the Church.**

At Compassion, it's our mission, too.

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