

THE SIM EFFECT

Responding with Jesus' love and compassion



SIM AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT

2023



About SIM Australia

Convinced that everyone needs to hear the Gospel, our heart is to make disciples of Jesus in communities where He is least known. We partner with local Australian churches in equipping and sending out cross-cultural gospel workers, with a variety of skills and talents, to serve in a diverse range of ministries. We also seek to demonstrate Jesus' love and compassion to the vulnerable by offering holistic care through SIMaid, our aid and development arm. We are part of a global organisation that has 4,000 workers in over 70 countries. In dependence on God, we engage people in praying and supporting workers and ministry activities around the world.

SIM Ministry Projects

SIM Ministry Projects facilitate Christian evangelism and discipleship ministries that are making Christ known amongst people living and dying without hearing the Good News of the Gospel. Ministry projects seek to make disciples who will trust and obey Jesus and become part of Christ-centred churches.

Many of these projects are run in partnership with local churches, Christian organisations and SIM mission workers. For 130 years, SIM has been committed to making Christ known in communities that have not yet heard the Good News.

SIMaid Projects

SIMaid is the tax-deductible aid and development arm of SIM Australia. Outworking God's heart to care for the vulnerable, SIMaid helps demonstrate God's love and compassion to the least reached by empowering beneficiaries to live with dignity and hope. SIMaid projects provide holistic and benevolent relief to those suffering from poverty, sickness, disability or distress.

SIMaid facilitates tax-deductible donations to qualifying aid and development projects supporting our mission workers and ministry partners.

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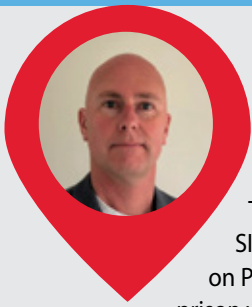
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Thank You



Message from our Board Chair

Thank you for your faithful partnership with SIM Australia in 2023! I was recently reflecting on Philippians 1 and how Paul was writing from prison while facing some huge challenges. Despite his circumstances, Paul praised God and shared his unwavering thanks towards his partners in the Gospel, the church in Philippi. In a similar way, I write this with an overwhelming sense of gratitude to you for your continued support, engagement and partnership in the Gospel through the ministry of SIM.

It was a joy and privilege to visit SIM Australia mission workers in Niger with Mal Watts in February this year. As I walked through Sahel Academy and Galmi Hospital, it was evident that Jesus' love and compassion was being shared in such practical and meaningful ways.

During our time in Niger, we met with many SIM workers from Australia and from around the world. I was amazed at the range of skills being used in cross-cultural mission. We met with pilots, teachers, doctors, nurses, pharmacists, maintenance staff, administrations and Bible teachers (to name a few). They were all convinced of the need to share God's love with others and understood the part they could play with their unique skills and gifts in God's global mission. In every ministry we visited, a real need for more mission workers was highlighted to us.

The second half of our time in Africa was spent in Kenya, attending 'Global Assembly' -- SIM's triennial gathering for SIM leaders from around the world. It was a great experience to meet other Board Chairs and Country Directors from all over the world and to stand together in unity and pray, grow, and share together. The theme for the gathering was 'Gospel Witnesses who are true to His name'. I was

delighted to meet even more Australian mission workers at Global Assembly and was impressed at how many of our Aussie Members have significant leadership responsibilities within SIM in all corners of the world.

This year we are grateful to have welcomed two new board members, Maddie Crethar and Alex Fauchon. They both bring legal expertise and first-hand insights into cross-cultural missions as they are SIM Missionary Kids. We look forward to these two youthful additions bringing a fresh perspective and are excited to have significantly reduced the average age of our Board.

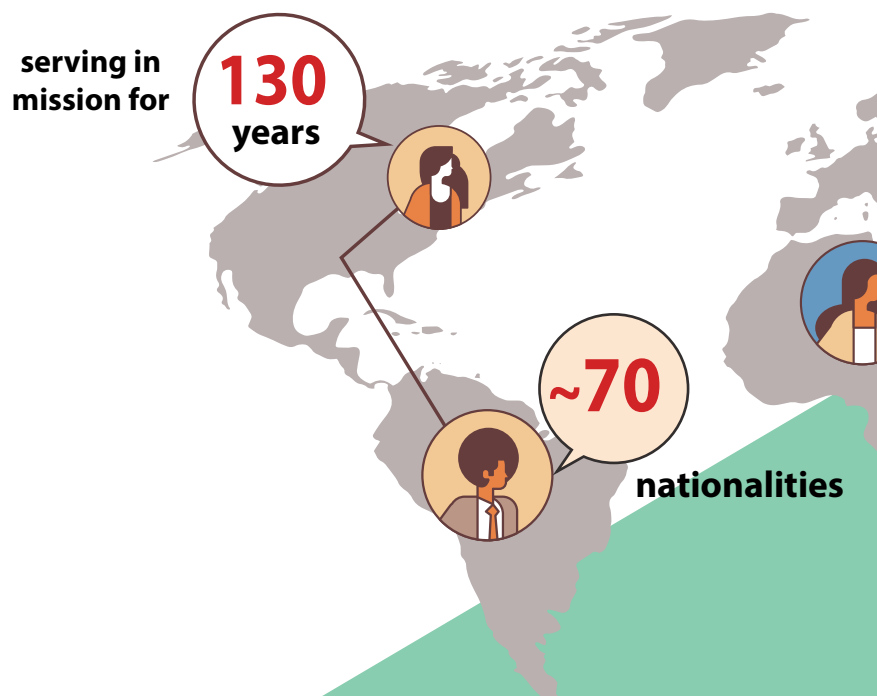
On behalf of the SIM Australia Board, I would also like to thank our departing board members: Amelia Antognelli (9 years of service), Tham Fuan Yee (6 years of service) and Paul Lukins (6 years of service). Thank you for your faithful service and ministry as board members! Please join us in prayer as we seek to find more candidates to serve on the Board, particularly a candidate involved in church ministry.

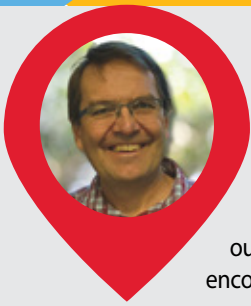
Despite the challenges and conflicts where our mission workers serve, we trust that God's mission will continue until Christ's return. We each have a role to play in demonstrating Jesus' love and compassion to those who do not yet know Him. I echo the encouragement of Paul that *"He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus"* (Phil 1:6).

Serving in mission together,

Adrian Price
SIM Australia Board Chair

SIM Australia is part of an international





Message from our National Director

Welcome to the latest edition of our annual report, *The SIM Effect*. It is always encouraging to take a moment to consider the many ways in which God has blessed and enabled our ministry in this last year! There are so many small elements that come together in seeing the Gospel taken to the nations. We partner with our mission workers who faithfully serve, the churches who send them and the many people who give and pray. It is a team effort and I thank you for being a part of it!

In recent months, I have been reflecting on the best way to describe the ministry of SIM. What is it that makes this organisation a unique part of God's global mission work? The people who serve with SIM are many and varied, but each is wanting to see Jesus made known by the way we live and serve in ministry. If you take a moment to stop and consider Jesus' life and ministry, He is one who exhibited love and compassion to people. He displayed it to those who recognised him as Lord and to those who were yet to discover that reality for themselves.

The Gospel accounts of Jesus testify to this constantly. In reading the first chapter of Mark's Gospel recently, verses 16 to 28 came to life in thinking about Jesus' love and compassion. Both characteristics work in perfect harmony, a picture of the completeness of Jesus. He called the first disciples, simply while walking by the sea with a humble but irresistible invitation. First to Simon and Andrew and then Zebedee's sons, James and John, in the same way. Jesus was then teaching in a synagogue on the reality of God and His love for people. Jesus then healed a demon possessed man with a compassionate response of authority. The people who saw this were amazed, firstly at His teaching in verse 22 and then again in verse 27 after Jesus's practical engagement with the man who was controlled by a demon. The wonderful reality is that *"the news of Jesus spread quickly through the entire region of Galilee"* (verse 28). Friends, we continue to be involved

in spreading this Good News around the world as we reflect Jesus' love and compassion to people.

I have recently introduced our Mission Global Fund. This is a future-focused initiative that speaks to our global intent in making disciples of Jesus and enables those who serve with us. We have people from Australia serving on teams in around 30 countries, utilising their skills and talents practically in serving communities. The Mission Global fund enables us to respond to key needs and opportunities for SIM Australia and the workers that we send. We want to be Gospel mission workers both in what we do and who we are -- an act of loving and serving!

At SIM, we are convinced that the world needs Jesus. We continue to connect with churches and engage with people who desire to play a part in making Him known to the nations. It has been really encouraging to see short-term associates heading out recently and working with Member applicants who are stepping out in faith to serve as global mission workers.

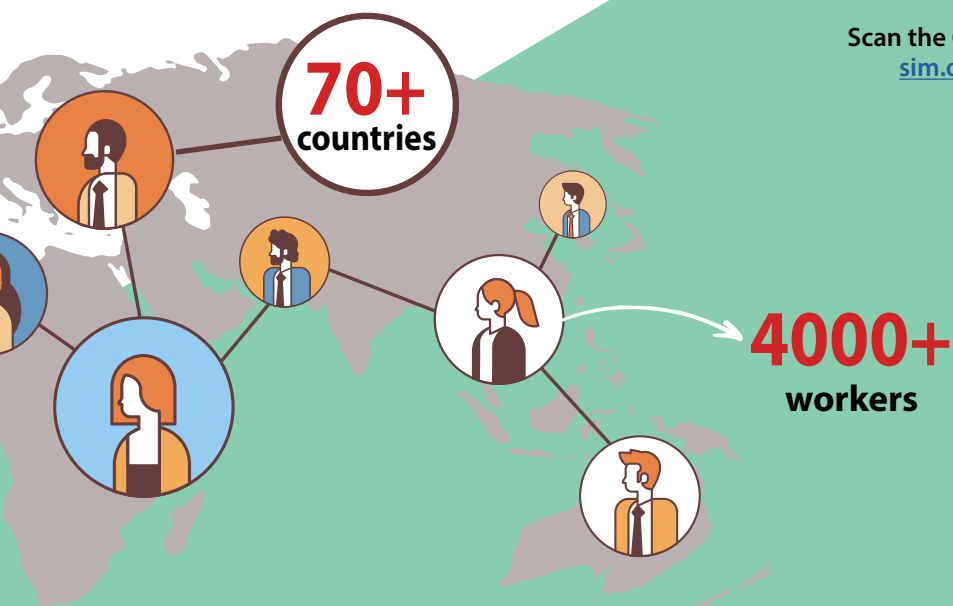
I am now in the fifth year of my first term as National Director, a term that has been both challenging and rewarding. This role gives me the opportunity to see the many and varied ways that God has equipped people and enables them to serve as disciple-makers for His glory. What a privilege to be a witness to that as we live out Jesus' love and compassion to His world! Since the earlier years of SIM, 'By Prayer' has been our motto. Let's continue to move forward *By Prayer* in serving like Jesus!

Together with Him,

Malcolm Watts

SIM Australia National Director

Global mission organisation...



Watch: Discover God's Mission Heart
Our heart is to make disciples of Jesus in communities where He is least known.

Scan the QR code or go to:
sim.org.au/about





Mobilisation & Training

Steve Early leads our national team of Mission Mobilisers and also serves as the Training Director for SIM Australia.

The Gospel writers characterise Jesus as full of love and compassion for the lost and wandering. The Apostle Paul writes about how that same love and compassion motivates him. Christ's love gives him courage to face tremendously difficult challenges and "compels" him. As a source of motivation and courage, Christ's love and compassion compels us as a mission community to reach the least reached. However, it's not only the least reached to whom we are called to respond with Christ's love and compassion.

Over the last year, Diane Marshall (SIM Leadership Mentor) led us as a Mission Mobilising Team through a series of workshops on discipling. This helped us to see the task of mobilising people to missions less in terms of recruitment, and more in terms of discipling. Properly undertaking the task requires love but especially compassion, the ability to think and feel "with" people. None of this, however, takes place in a vacuum. As Eugene Peterson writes:

Whether planned or unplanned, three convictions underpin our approach to Mobilisation discipleship:

1. *God is always doing something, an active grace is shaping this life into a mature salvation;*
2. *Responding to God is not sheer guesswork; the Christian community has acquired wisdom through the centuries that provides guidance;*
3. *Each soul is unique: no wisdom can simply be applied without discerning the particulars of this life, this situation.*

(from Working the Angles)

As a Mobilisation Team, we have seen the number of enquirers, candidates and ultimately our mission workers continue to grow in a modest and steady way despite the impact of COVID and constant turmoil on the world scene. We see this as an indication that the challenge of global missions remains important to God. Our role in meeting that challenge requires a more insightful approach than simply slotting available people into existing job opportunities. Mobilisation requires wisdom and discernment to recognise and respect the particulars of each life, each situation. So, the love and compassion

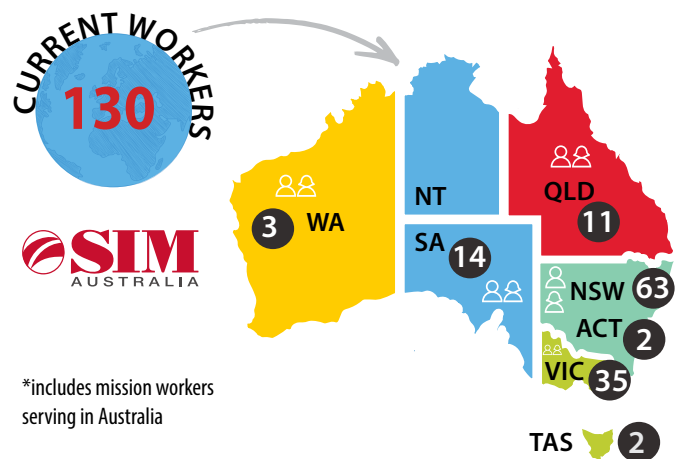
of Christ compels us to reach beyond our limitations as Mobilisers and to seek the grace of God for each person He brings to us.

Our team has the joy of meeting Christians at Bible colleges, churches and mission conferences to share about cross-cultural ministry and build connections with those interested in serving in missions. To disciple those we journey alongside, we draw upon the field experience of our Mission Mobilisers and SIM alumni who are keen to invest in the next generation of mission workers. Our monthly online SIMConnect gatherings have been instrumental in showcasing mobilisation opportunities in the regions SIM serves. They have provided a comprehensive view of the diversity of SIM ministries, fostered a sense of community among those interested in serving and provided the opportunity to pray for our mission workers. In 2024, our SIMConnect gatherings will discuss how our mission workers can serve in least reached communities with their unique skills, gifts and passions.

We praise God for His faithfulness in calling people to serve cross-culturally and enabling our team to connect with them. We look forward to seeing the fruit that continues to grow from these ministries.

In Christ,

Steve Early
Mobilisation & Training Director





Personnel & Member Care

Doreen Thomas leads our Personnel & Member Care Team which provides pastoral care, coaching and development for SIM Australia's mission workers around the world. Doreen is passionate about seeing our workers and their families thrive throughout their entire ministry journey.

Looking back over this last year, we can truly praise God for the way in which He has led, sustained and blessed each of us. Even through the difficult, sad and devastating times, we have witnessed God's faithfulness and seen incredible answers to prayers. Our God has shown His love and compassion in amazing ways in 2023 and continues to sit exalted on the throne.

In Philippians 2:1-2, it says: *"Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose."*

One of the most visible character attributes of God, as seen in Scripture, is His compassion. The Bible testifies to the unconditional love that arises from His compassion, even and especially when it is viewed alongside passages that describe God's just anger towards sin. With this in mind, it has been such an encouragement to see how SIM teams and field personnel have rallied around and supported our people through a variety of situations. Some of these include medical emergencies, loneliness, adjustment to a new country, civil war, and the joy of both physical and spiritual births. It is a privilege for our team to maintain connection with our mission workers, so they are supported in all seasons they navigate in their service.

Many of us have tasted personally of God's compassion and mercy. This knowledge naturally creates a humility in us towards others who are suffering both physically and spiritually. It has been a joy for our team to see how we can reach out to others in love and compassion through Zoom calls, phone calls and Member Care field visits. Our Member Care visits this past financial year included trips to Niger, Cote d'Ivoire, Liberia, Guinea, Ecuador, Peru and Hungary. These trips all had the purpose of encouraging, listening and supporting our mission workers in each place.

Praise God our team had the privilege of helping to facilitate 13 long term and 11 short term mission workers, to the field this past year. Our Personnel Team is deeply committed to supporting our mission workers, as they navigate the complexities of crossing barriers so they can

display Jesus' love to the least reached. In the coming year, we will continue to assist our mission workers to find pathways to serve in countries with their skills and gifts. This strategy provides platforms for our workers to share the transformative love of Jesus with communities that have had the least exposure to His message.

Jesus said that He desires compassion, and a tender heart of mercy pleases God. So, we are grateful as a team that we can imitate and model the same compassion we see in Jesus – reflecting on the fact that it was this compassion that sent Him to the cross. May our Lord be glorified in all that we do and say for His Kingdom and in His name.

Thank you for your prayers and your support of His work and His people.

Together in Him,

Doreen Thomas
Personnel & Member Care Director





Media & Technology

Jason Lau provides leadership to our Media & Technology Team. The team engages with our SIM mission partners through media & communications enabled by technology. The team also supports fundraising for our SIM ministry and development projects.

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS CARRIES US AS WE:



Engage with more than **5000 prayer and financial supporters** who are partnering with **130 mission workers and 100 projects.**



Service more than **300 churches** engaged in sending and supporting our workers and projects.



Communicate with more than **400 workers, alumni and staff** engaged in serving with and praying for SIM

During this year, we've been encouraged by how our mission workers show compassion to those in need and are reaching out to the marginalised and giving hope to the oppressed in least reached communities. I praise God we were able to share stories about their ministries and how the Lord opened many doors for new mission workers to engage communities without any significant Christian witness. We continue to give thanks to the Lord for your ongoing prayer and generous financial support for our workers and ministries in Australia and around the world!

Thanks to the generosity of SIM partners, \$1.7M was donated over the 2023 period to SIM ministries and projects. These funds have enabled SIM ministries around the world to share the love of Christ to the least reached by ministering to their holistic and spiritual needs. As part of this, we thank you that \$46,000 was donated to SIM Australia's new Mission Global Fund. These funds help us enable individuals to use their skills as opportunities to share the Good News of Jesus to impact least reached communities.

We also give thanks that \$100,000 was donated to Hope for Life in response to our 2023 End of Financial Year (EOFY) appeal. Your support to the HFL Fund is deeply appreciated and will provide holistic care to people in Asia and Africa living with HIV.

With the growing use of digital media both in Australia and our fields around the world, SIM Australia is investing in a new website to better connect you with our workers and their ministries. Digital communications now connect nearly every corner of the planet. They give people looking for answers easy access to websites and social media platforms and we hope you enjoy connecting with us as we continue to share stories about God's faithfulness.

This year, we will continue to connect with you through our social media channels by sharing stories, prayer points, announcements and invitations to in-person and online events. We praise God for the great opportunities digital media has created in reaching least reached people groups. These overseas ministries, led by SIM Australia mission workers, are bearing fruit as they connect with those who are engaging with the content and then follow up face-to-face.

In 2024, we look forward to sharing more with you about how God continues to use the skills, interests and passions of our workers to open doors for SIM to respond in communities around the world. We likewise hope you will be encouraged by how your partnership enables us to respond with Christ's love and compassion all around the world!

In Him,

Jason Lau
Media & Technology Director



Finance & Corporate Services

Graham Ellis leads our Finance, Partner Relations & Corporate Services Team. They use their gifts and skills to serve Christ's mission in accounting, donor management and organisational registration & compliance.

We, at SIM Australia, extend our heartfelt thanks for your unwavering prayerful and financial support throughout 2023. We praise God for each of our partners, whose generosity enables SIM's work in making disciples of Jesus in communities where He is least known.

We praise God that we currently have 130 mission workers serving with us. It is a privilege for the Finance Team to work closely with each one! Our Team serves as an extension of our commitment to support and care for our mission workers in the field. Our key commitment is to enable our workers to focus wholeheartedly on their ministries without being burdened by the intricate and time-consuming task of managing their mission finances. By supporting our workers in this area, we ensure that they can dedicate their energy and passion to those they serve as Gospel witnesses in their communities. Each year, our mission workers are encouraged to re-evaluate their needs by adapting and reviewing their Mission Support Agreements. The Finance Team contacts each of our workers to understand the changing nature of their ministries to ensure their needs are being met with strong financial support for today and into the future.

Over the past twelve months, we have been grateful to God for how He continues to sustain our ministry by providing a total income of \$9.9M during 2023. These funds facilitate meeting the financial needs of our mission workers worldwide, for allowances, housing, travel and medical. Your faithful support also empowers our Home Ministry Team in Australia to provide essential resources for our systems and processes, which is crucial in ensuring good governance.

In 2023, the Finance Team has been diligently working to ensure the longevity and sustainability of SIM Australia by providing opportunities for our partners to consider supporting our ministry through SIM Australia's Mission Global Fund. This fund is focused on responding to urgent & strategic needs within ministries that are working to reach the least reached with the Good News of Jesus, with a current focus on supporting the mobilisation of new mission workers.

We are committed to stewarding your generous contributions effectively so that our mission workers can continue to reach least reached communities and new workers can head to the field. SIM Australia is also responsible for complying with external conduct standards and audit requirements set out by the ACNC charity regulator. Additionally, SIM operates an internal audit system to ensure from a global perspective that all is in order with our finances.

We give thanks to the Lord for the resources He has provided and our ability to meet all our financial commitments and obligations. We look to Him for His ongoing provision for our work of 'Responding with Christ's love and compassion' in 2024.

Thanks for serving prayerfully and financially,

Graham Ellis
Finance & Corporate Services Director

SIM MINISTRY PROJECTS



SIM's ministry projects support a variety of exciting Christian ministries that are sharing the Gospel amongst least reached people groups with little or no other Christian witness.

Funds Received: \$638,000

Your support contributes to:



Discipleship and mentoring



Training and cross-cultural mission



Mobilising Australian churches and Christians to serve in missions



Member Care

SIM MISSION GLOBAL FUND (03000)

(Formerly known as SIM Priority Ministry Needs Fund)

SIM's Mission Global Fund supports the Gospel ministry of SIM Australia, raising up and equipping skills-based workers to have a global impact in least reached communities. As partners in future-focused mission, together we are able to respond with Jesus' love and compassion to those who have yet to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

God's global mission is at the heart of SIM, and our strategy includes enabling every person to be used by Him, using skills as opportunities to have a global impact on least reached communities. We work with churches to train and prepare Gospel workers to go with SIM and share Christ in over 70 countries. The fund enables our team to be proactive in sending people into cross-cultural mission, establishing multi-skilled teams across a diverse range of ministries with a Gospel focus.

Thanks to our supporters who gave generously \$46,000 to SIM's Mission Global Fund in 2023, we are able to cross barriers and provide access to hard to reach places and closed access communities around the world. Part of the process for our mission workers is providing support systems and essential resources to use their skills to serve God in places where many have yet to hear the Gospel.



Meet Brendan

Brendan Short serves SIM Australia as a Mission Mobiliser on the Victoria/Tasmania team, with a focus on supporting and recruiting workers who come out of Regional Victoria. Brendan also specialises in recruitment and training of mission workers for the deserts of North and West Africa, Central Asia, and is the Personnel Coordinator for our team in Chad.

In 2023, Brendan has been able to encourage mission workers Steve and Rebecca to serve with SIM Australia in God's global mission. Steve is trained in psychology, and Rebecca's skill is in language. Partnering with SIM has allowed them to use their skills and knowledge to minister to a least reached community, sharing Christ's love and compassion.

Steve shared, "When Brendan approached us about going to help workers adjust to life in the Sahel and learn the local languages, we sensed it was a real answer to our prayers."

Brendan's active engagement and support allowed Steve and Rebecca to consider where God was leading them to have an impact in mission overseas. SIM's Mission Global Fund enables this partnership between our Mobilisation Team and our field workers to use skills-based ministries to make Christ known among the least reached.





Alan Millhouse
Across Ministries Lead



ACROSS MINISTRIES (in Australia 90301)

As Australia becomes more culturally diverse, SIM continues to raise up Gospel workers for mission in our own backyard through Across Ministries.

There are many migrants, refugees and university students with different religious backgrounds who have formed communities around Australia and are yet to hear the Good News.

Across is a SIM Australia ministry that focuses on equipping and sending cross-cultural mission workers in Australia. Our diverse team of workers come from different ethnic and religious backgrounds and are united by their love for Jesus and purpose of making Him known here among ethnic communities.

Meet Robyn

Robyn began serving as a mission worker with SIM in 2010 in Southeast Asia. After returning to Australia, she engaged with her local church to partner with her and discovered the need for an English as a second language (ESL) class. Robyn began to serve migrants and refugees around Southeast Queensland through Across Ministries.

The ministry has grown in partnership with the local church, reaching multi-ethnic communities that are yet to hear the Good News of Jesus. Praise God that from the very first day of class, Robyn has witnessed many people finding community through learning English, and many have come to know the Lord!

Robyn shared that one lady who was lonely and nervous about joining ESL class, attended, and felt warmly welcomed. She is now part of a Bible Study and goes to church every week, excited to learn more about who Jesus is.

As God continues to bless her ministry with Across, Robyn

Thanks to our supporters who generously gave \$85,000 to Across in 2023, the team was able to use their skills to have a Gospel impact in local mission, sharing Jesus with the least reached to build up God's Kingdom.

Through our Across Ministries, SIM partners with local churches around Australia to foster relationships with people from all backgrounds. Across has a diverse range of ministries to share Christ's love and compassion with the least reached.

Thank you for supporting Across Ministries, as we work together to build up Christ's Church and engage the least reached with the Gospel in Australia in 2024!



has been able to incorporate Bible stories into teaching English. She hopes to use the time together to build relationships and share the Gospel with all students.

In 2024, Robyn sees opportunities for ministry growth, prayerfully seeking God's provision for volunteers to enable child-minding services and garden therapy. Robyn's prayer is that *"hearts are softened to God's Word"*, so that as students learn they will become disciple-makers in their own ethnic communities and share Christ's love and compassion.



Your support contributes to:



Church planting



Discipleship



Christian counselling



Evangelism and outreach



Bible translation and distribution



Theological training of church leaders



FAITHFUL WITNESS (Various Locations 99746)

SIM is convinced that everyone needs to hear the Gospel. Faithful Witness is a strategic initiative of SIM with the central purpose of sending teams to witness to communities with no access to the Gospel and no church. Thank you to our generous supporters who gave \$38,000 to Faithful Witness during 2023! Your prayers and financial partnership enable our mission workers to start and build these multi-cultural and multi-skilled teams.

The Faithful Witness teams live in community, learning the language and building relationships with their neighbours and friends. By expressing the Gospel in the context of personal authentic relationships, many have been drawn by the love of Christ into relationship with Him. As the teams are multi-skilled, they are able to use their skills and professions to outreach to others.

A Team of Faithful Witnesses in Asia

Praise God, across the world today there are 7 Faithful Witness teams with over 60 workers.

Asia is home to 60.8% of the world's population (4.8 billion people)*. Around the continent of Asia, there are 2.8 billion people who are unreached with the Gospel. One of SIM's Faithful Witness teams is located in Thailand. Ayutthaya, the location of the Thailand team, has been identified by SIM as one of the least reached places in the country.

As well as building relationships in their day-to-day activities, the Faithful Witness Thailand team is reaching the community by teaching English at schools for free, running university outreach groups, organising a sports ministry, leading an outreach program at the local youth detention centre, hosting an art club and building relationships through hospitality evangelism. Aussie mission worker, Ruth, has been working with local believers in Ayutthaya to form connections and build trust with those they are reaching out to in their ministries. Ruth shared the story of one young girl who was greatly impacted by the care and compassion of the team.

Ruth shared, "I teach English to a small group of teenagers who have left school to sell souvenirs to tourists and provide for their families. One girl, now 11, has been chasing tourists since she was 5. Her guardian sits under a nearby tree, watching her to make sure she pursues every potential customer."

"A few weeks ago, when she was sitting and playing an English game with me, we heard her guardian's shrill voice shouting across the temple grounds at us, 'Stop wasting your time learning that stuff, get over here and do your job.' And that was that. No more study."

"But the other day, just as we were leaving the temple, she ran over to put a piece of paper in my colleague's hand. 'Don't read it until you've driven away,' she said. Amongst her drawings, the paper read, 'Why don't some people's parents love them?' 'Why are some people even born?' and then, 'Thank you for caring about me.' She doesn't yet understand the love of Jesus, but she knows we are Christians. And she knows that God's people care for her when those who should, do not."

*Joshua Project, 2023



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SIMaid PROJECTS



Projects in SIMaid demonstrate God's love and compassion to the least reached by ministering to their physical, intellectual, social and emotional needs. These projects achieve this through aid and development initiatives around the world.

Total funds received to SIMaid projects in 2023: \$864,000

BUILDING FREEDOM FUND (09340)

Our SIM workers are currently serving in over 70 countries around the world. Many of our workers are in communities where locals are vulnerable to trafficking and exploitation. Our Building Freedom Fund supports aid and development projects that are working with SIM's *For Freedom* ministry to protect those they serve from this outcome through vocational training, education and holistic care.

Your support to Building Freedom will help:



Equip SIM teams, workers and ministry partners to effectively reach those at risk of exploitation



Address trafficking risks within key ministry areas supporting vulnerable people



Actively partner with other organisations responding to trafficking to multiply our efforts



Provide vocational training, education and medical care



Provide counselling & support networks

Prevention Work in Peru

One project in the Building Freedom Fund is the Equipping for Trafficking Prevention (ETP) project. This project enables SIM workers globally to establish trafficking prevention programs in their existing ministries. The focus of this project is to provide funds for these ministries to develop layers of protection around vulnerable people and communities.

Jhonatan and Eveline are a couple serving with SIM in a jungle area of Peru. They serve in a ministry that journeys with teenage mums and their families. Some of the young girls in the ministry leave their community to find work elsewhere. Being isolated and away from their families leaves the girls vulnerable to trafficking and exploitation. After the couple completed their first *For Freedom* online training, the *For Freedom* team met with them online to think about how they could implement prevention strategies in their ministry.

As the *For Freedom* team talked with the couple, they helped them think about how they can have helpful conversations with the families they serve, particularly before their daughters may go away for work. Karine (*For Freedom* co-lead) said, "There can be a disconnect with families not always knowing where their daughters went, not being able to answer: What sort of work are they in? Are they safe or not safe?"

"We discussed what prevention work with the families and the local communities could include. We plan to develop safety tips that can be shared with the girls, before they leave home and travel for work. This will include information about their worker rights and who they might be able to contact in an emergency."

The *For Freedom* team will continue to journey with this ministry in Peru to provide resources, strategies and support them in their prevention efforts. The ETP project will enable the *For Freedom* team to continue to journey alongside SIM ministries that are working with vulnerable people and implement strategies in their unique context to prevent trafficking and exploitation.



SIM AUSTRALIA FINANCE OVERVIEW

SIM relies on generous Australians like you who support our mission workers and projects. We work hard to make sure the resources entrusted to us are invested in God's kingdom and used efficiently and effectively for cross-cultural mission.



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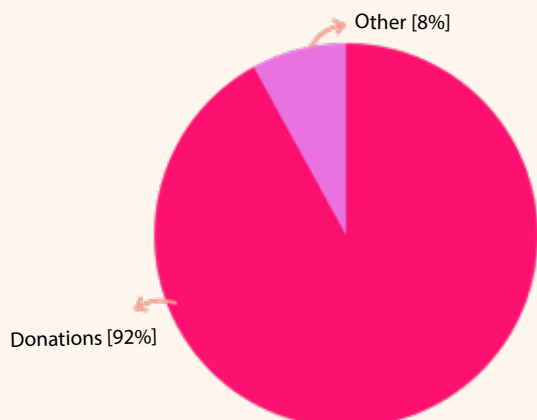
SIM Australia Income Statement 1 Oct 2022 - 30 Sep 2023

	Consolidated	
	2023	2022
	\$(000's)	\$(000's)
INCOME		
Donations	9,167	8,458
Other Income	828	320
TOTAL INCOME	9,995	8,778
EXPENSES		
Missionary Support	6,124	5,424
Project	1,156	1,003
Personnel	944	831
Admin and Fundraising	325	291
Donations received for other offices	639	762
Unrealised Capital Losses	-	709
Other Expenses	148	144
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,336	9,164
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	659	(386)

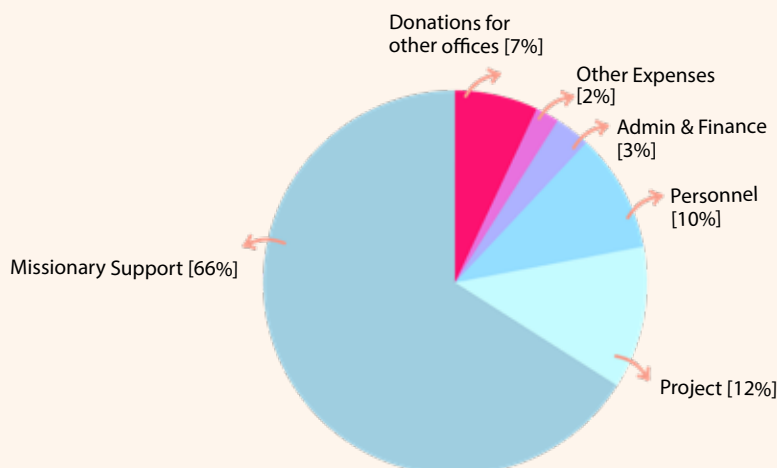
SIM Australia Balance Sheet As at 30 Sep 2023

	Consolidated	
	2023	2022
	\$(000's)	\$(000's)
ASSETS		
Cash	936	758
Receivables	101	64
Financial Assets	9,161	8,501
Property, Plant & Equipment	1,266	1,267
TOTAL ASSETS	11,463	10,589
LIABILITIES		
Provisions	465	357
Payables	310	203
Loans	208	208
TOTAL LIABILITIES	982	767
EQUITY FUNDS AND RESERVES		
Missionary & Projects	6,036	5,569
Designated Funds		
SIM Australia Operations	509	1,346
Legacy Fund	2,011	2,011
Fixed Assets	1,267	1,281
EQUITY FUNDS AND RESERVES	10,481	9,822

INCOME



EXPENSES



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Project	Code	Amount
SIM AUSTRALIA - MINISTRY		
SIM Mission Global Fund	03000	\$
SIM Australia Home Ministry Fund	67100	\$
Reaching the Least Reached Fund	09310	\$
Across Ministries (Ministry to refugees, migrants & overseas students in Australia)	90301	\$
Faithful Witness (Sharing Jesus across the world where there is no Christian witness)	99746	\$
Other:		\$
SIMAID[^] - AID & DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS		
SIMaid Where Most Needed Fund	68011	\$
Building Freedom Fund (formerly known as Girls off the Streets Fund)	09340	\$
Hope for Life Fund	09330	\$
Community Transformation Fund	09320	\$
Other:		\$
TOTAL		\$

[^]SIMaid is the aid and development arm of SIM Australia. Donations over \$2 to SIMaid projects and funds are tax-deductible. All donations will receive a receipt. Code AR24

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*Title Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / Dr / Rev /Other

*First name _____ *Surname _____

*Address _____

*Suburb _____ *State _____ *Postcode _____

Email _____ *Phone _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Debit my Bank Account - BSB _____ Account # _____ Account name _____

Direct Deposit - please provide your email above (SIM will contact you)

Credit Card: Visa Mastercard Amex

Name on card _____

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WHO WE ARE

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