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Annual Report 2022/23

Celebrating the past year



Our partner supported Yuttana with new organic farming techniques. He now grows crops all year round. Chiang Mai, Thailand
Freedom Film Productions/Tearfund

26,953

local churches
mobilised
globally

1.4m

people reached
with community
development

2.3m

people reached
with crisis to
resilience

262

partners
worked with
globally

85.4m

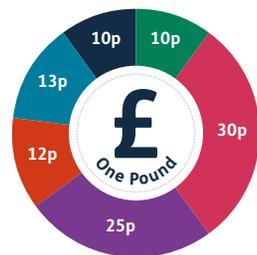
raised to
transform lives
around the world

2022/23 was a record year for Tearfund, with a total income of £85.4m. We never cease to be amazed at the faithfulness and generosity of our supporters. The increase was driven mostly by emergency appeals income, which rose by 45 per cent from £9.1m to £13.2m. Most of this relates to the crises in Afghanistan, Ukraine, Pakistan (floods) and Syria (earthquake), where in all cases our supporters responded with great compassion. It is worth noting that these are restricted funds and we think it probable that the success of these appeals has led to a related drop in unrestricted donations. The net effect has been to reduce our resources for supporting our global work.

The current environment of global high inflation puts pressure both on our supporters' ability to give and on Tearfund's cost base, but we work hard to make the best use of the resources you have entrusted to us. We monitor our impact closely and review our costs regularly because we're committed to being accountable, transparent and good stewards.

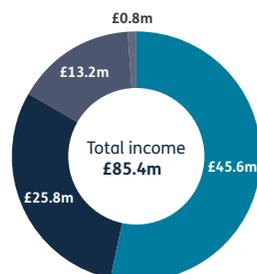
This is just a snapshot of the progress we've made this year. To download the full *Annual Report and Financial Statements*, visit tearfund.org/annualreport or you can request a printed copy from info@tearfund.org or call 020 3906 3906.

Where your money goes



- Churches mobilised
- Emergency needs met
- Communities transformed
- Societies changed
- Fundraising
- Support and running costs

Income



General donations	£45.6m
Government grants	£25.8m
Emergency appeals	£13.2m
Other income	£0.8m
Total income	£85.4m

Making an impact



Church and Community Transformation



As storms caused flooding and widespread damage in Brazil in May 2022, the heavily polluted Tejiptó River broke its banks. Although Coqueiral Baptist Church was also affected, its response was immediate, sending rescue boats to look for people stranded in flooded homes. Kedyma's family were trapped for hours on their first floor. 'Then we saw the

[church's] boat... the answer we were praying for, the answer God sent us,' says Kedyma. The church saved 420 people, as well as providing food and essentials for thousands. Tearfund has partnered with the church, providing training in disaster response and supporting their campaign with both the authorities and the local community to raise awareness of the link between waste pollution and flooding.

 **The congregation at Coqueiral Baptist Church, Recife, Brazil**
Photo: Mochah Films/Tearfund



Environmental and Economic Sustainability



Prolonged drought, made worse by climate change, has turned the land barren in parts of Burkina Faso. Families depend on agriculture for their survival and so many are going hungry, their situation made even more precarious by the ongoing conflict. Our partner, Office de Développement des Eglises Evangéliques, has trained women in

poultry farming, providing families with both chickens and the skills to develop other types of income. Revenue from chicken sales generated about £2,700 during the calendar year 2022. Bagre explained the benefits of this enterprise: 'I am very proud of myself to be able to contribute financially to the needs of my household... I am motivated to move forward... I pray that God gives me this strength.'

 **Bagre Raleolgoam from Koussago with her poultry business**
Photo: Arsene Konate/Tearfund



Reconciled Peace-Filled Societies



Divisions along religious lines often lead to violence. Therefore, Tearfund has joined the Joint Initiative for Strategic Religious Action (JISRA) as part of our interfaith peacebuilding and advocacy for freedom of religion or belief (FoRB). In Iraq, Ethiopia, Mali and Nigeria, people from different faiths are brought together, building healing relationships

across cultural divides and developing skills in advocacy for religious freedom. In Iraq, a project participant described their journey to a JISRA training venue: 'Today, at the checkpoint, the officer asked a lot of questions about who we were... [and] was shocked to hear of so many ethnicities and religious groups travelling together. [This project] enables us to be together.'

 **A Yezidi temple, mosque and church in close proximity in Iraq**
Photo: Tearfund partner



Crisis to Resilience



Changing weather patterns, extreme heat and unrelenting monsoons have left farmers in Pakistan reeling from the climate crisis. In 2022 Pakistan suffered the worst floods in its history. The army had to evacuate by boat farmers like Qasim who were forced to leave all their possessions behind. For two months Qasim's village was inaccessible and

his family lived by a roadside. Upon returning, they found their home and belongings destroyed. 'Floods took away my home and my livestock, and left me with horrible memories,' says Qasim. 'May God bless the people who saved my family.' Qasim is one of many farmers who received seeds via our partner Rural Education and Economic Development Society. He is hopeful he can feed his family again.

 **Qasim, one of many farmers who received seeds after Pakistan's floods**
Photo: REEDS

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