



2020



Friends In Action, Intl.

Annual Report

From FIA's Executive Director, Tim Johnston

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With flights canceled, countries closed, and staff working from home, FIA's impact in 2020 should have been minimal. Instead, God has shown Himself faithful in incredible ways! **More indigenous lives have been impacted in 2020 than ever before!** The gates of hell will not prevail! We serve a God who is not hampered by viruses, government restrictions, politics, excuses, inconveniences, or inadequacies.

Our God is a God who fills bellies, heals the sick, frees prisoners, quenches thirst by His Living Water, provides shelter for the homeless, brings those in darkness to the Light of Christ, breaks the bondage of those deceived by animism, witch doctors, and tribal tradition. He is the God who saves us, redeems us, and readies us for His Kingdom! **God has done GREAT things through you!** We are so grateful to those who continue to pray and stand with us to see the Gospel go forward.”



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FIA partners with missionaries



to accelerate the Gospel through



construction projects & practical service



in remote locations to those who



have not heard the Good News.



OUR MISSION

Friends in Action, Intl. supports mission work in areas of limited infrastructure by using construction projects and practical service to speed the Gospel to those who have never heard.

OUR VISION

To see every tribe, tongue, people and nation declare Jesus as Lord!

FIAintl.org

● Countries of Service

● Offices

More than 80% of our staff are volunteer or privately funded so more donated dollars go directly to the people and projects who need it most!



Who We Are

What We Do

FIA's projects are partnerships between FIA work teams and missionary organizations or indigenous people groups already located on the project site who request our help.

This partnership ensures that at each work site, in addition to the completion of the building project, the Gospel of Jesus Christ is shared and follow up is available to any interested.



Water Projects

West Africa, Nicaragua, & Vanuatu



Infrastructure & Transportation

West Africa, Nicaragua, & Vanuatu



Community Transformation

Rama Cay and Miskito of Nicaragua



Medical Relief

Amazon Jungle, Bolivia



Education & Life-Skills Training

Papua New Guinea and University of Divine Grace, Moldova



Outreach & Discipleship

At each worksite in every nation where we are involved

A man with a joyful expression, wearing a blue and white striped polo shirt, has his arms raised in the air. He is outdoors in a rural setting with trees and a thatched-roof building in the background. The text is overlaid on the image.

How Do We Measure Success?

One changed life at a time.

To maintain accountability and transparency, we've identified a few measurable outcomes to demonstrate effectiveness.



1,245 People Benefited from Construction

- 725 Construction bundles
- 520 Rama playground and home building



47,370 Provisions of Medical, Water, or Food

- 2,250 meals to Bolivian families
- 6,720 meals to NiVan families
- 3,800 PNG prisoners
- 1,200 Bolivians received medical care
- 1,000 Clean water in West Africa
- 32,400 Meals to UDG students



UN PLAN DE ACCIÓN
CÓMO APRENDER DE LA CRÍTICA
- TU PUEDES VIVIR MEJOR
7 - EMOCIONES FUERA DE CONTROL
8 - EL EGOÍSMO Y EL AMOR
9 - UNA MEJOR COMPRENSIÓN PERSONAL
ELEGIR CERRAMENTE
TU VIDA FUTURA

981 People Benefited from Biblical Training

- 550 Students at University of Divine Grace, Moldova
- 300 National-led Nicaragua Bible Training Sessions
- 6 Rama Students in Panama
- 50 Indigenous Training Center Bolivia
- 75 Vanuatu Pastoral Leadership Training

227,065+ People Heard the Gospel!

- 220,000 Radio
- 450 COVID Outreach
- 1,000 West Africa Well-Drilling
- 65 Rama Cay Teaching
- 1,200 El Misionero
- 550 UDG Students
- 3,800 Prison Ministry PNG





Bolivia

In 2020, Friends In Action supported outreach to

200,000+

Bolivian villagers!

Bolivia

Partnering with key Bolivian national believers, we work closely with leaders of the OEN churches in Guayaramerin and Santa Cruz who share our passion of reaching remote indigenous groups.

Select volunteers in-country, as well as from the US, Canada, and Europe provide medical care, discipleship training, and construction labor for outreaches to the Amazon jungle and beyond.





12 Bolivian volunteers repaired and renovated “El Misionero,” the riverboat used for medical missions to remote villages along the Amazon River in January and February 2020.

Youth Outreach Bolivia

- Several teens were saved and baptized!
- Many more teens dedicated their lives to serving the Lord.



90 Bolivian national believers reached out to the neighboring villages for a youth rally.

Youth from **21** villages were transported to the village of Baures for the teaching.



Inspiracion Radio Outreach

Broadcasts 24 hours a day, seven days a week, sending Christian music, teaching, and discipleship to unreached people groups in remote areas of Bolivia and Brazil!

200 Galcon radios were distributed to the Pacaas Novas Indian village.

COVID-19 Relief Outreach – 100s of lives saved!

More than **600** villagers received spiritual and medical intervention.



2,250+ meals provided to the sick and grieving.



50+ people trusted in Christ,

40 were baptized.

2 churches were planted



Moldova

In 2020, Friends In Action provided COVID-19 relief and educational support to

550

Central Asian students studying at The University of Divine Grace.

Student Sponsorship

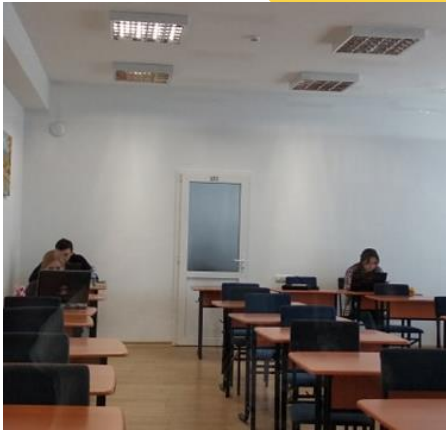
In 2020, FIA was able to provide tuition and room and board for

8

students at The University of Divine Grace who are studying to take the Gospel back to their “closed” homeland countries.



COVID-19 Relief



Due to COVID-19 quarantines and travel restrictions, FIA helped to provide over

32,000

meals for 120 students and staff for over 3 months!



Nicaragua

In 2020, Friends In Action supported outreach to

1,400

Rama Cay villagers in Nicaragua through home construction and biblical training.

Bible Teaching

6 Rama villagers attended extensive Bible training in Panama. Due to COVID-19, their stay was extended for 10 months.

Rama teachers were discipled weekly via phone to equip them to teach Creation to Christ Chronological content to the other villagers.



Community Development



Rama villagers were able to complete **2** homes utilizing construction skills learned from previous work trips and supplies provided by FIA.



Papua New Guinea

In 2020, Friends In Action supported dozens of missionary partners to reach more than

3,200

Wewak villagers and tribes with the Gospel.

Assisting Missionaries

FIA team leaders provided mechanical repair, timber, and construction projects to help dozens of missionaries reach further into unreached areas of PNG.



Life-Skills Training



FIA's team leaders train national workers to run the sawmill providing materials to assist missionaries in more remote areas. They also learn small machinery repair, carpentry, and other construction skills. Over time, the nationals have taken over much of the work themselves, becoming missionaries to their own people-the very hands and feet of Christ. Some of the men who attend the daily devotions held before work share the Gospel with their own families and villagers!

Student Sponsorship

FIA invests in the education of Papua New Guinea's next generation of pastors and teachers by providing a percentage of the bus and school fees for our national workers' children. In 2020, we were excited to see 16 more children receive a quality education!



Jail Outreach

Countless lives changed by Christ!

2,797 Inmates visited

964 Bibles given out on request

264 The Story that Matters

68 Cartons of biscuits

113 Cases of water





Vanuatu

In 2020, Friends In Action provided cyclone relief and progress toward a water project for

3,500

NiVan villagers in remote regions of Vanuatu.

Cyclone Relief – Recovery Bundles



Thanks to generous FIA donors many villagers were able to begin rebuilding after Cyclone Harold leveled their communities in April 2020. Hundreds of villagers used the nails, hammers, handsaws, shovels, bush knives, file mills, tape measures, and ropes to build new homes. The tools were then passed to other villages to continue efforts in Suranda Village, Vunikarakara Village, Luganville Bible Church, Karia Community, and Mataloi Village.

Water Project

A supply truck was purchased and retrofitting has begun to prepare for shipment in 2021.

Pastor Gaby continues to cultivate relationships with the 30 chiefs who agree to open their villages to the Gospel upon completion of the project.



Cyclone Relief Food

Food bundles of rice, tin fish, crackers, and noodles provided more than

6,700

meals in the villages of Suranda, Karia, and Mataloi.





West Africa

In 2020, Friends In Action
relocated The Water of Life
ministry to a new region of West
Africa and impacted

1,000+
refugees with clean water.

Well Drilling

Local FIA representation was approached by government authorities to drill

2

wells to assist refugees fleeing atrocities in the northern regions of the country providing drinking water for close to 1,000 people.



Relocation to a New Region



Although COVID-19 prevented team travel, significant progress was made toward NGO registration, transfer and registration of necessary equipment from Burkina Faso, and governmental authorization granted to begin well drilling and associated services.

New Field Leaders – Jeremy & Jessie



The Lord provided new leadership to the field who arrived and settled into their new home in October of 2020.



Headquarters

In 2020, Friends In Action expanded our shipping department and added mechanical support to our Middletown, PA headquarters.



Missouri Shipping Department

Our shipping department finds the best in trucking, ocean freight, purchasing options, and volunteer groups to pass incredible savings on to those in the field.

In 2020, FIA sent 25 trucked shipments, 3 small in-state shipments, and containers to Papua New Guinea, Kenya, Chad, and Mozambique.

Shipping Expansion

For close to 20 years, FIA's Shipping Department in Missouri has assisted more than

140 Ministries and
900 missionaries
around the globe!

We are thrilled to expand our impact through additional shipping services at our Middletown, PA headquarters!



Mechanical Services



We are pleased to now host a full-time mechanic onsite at FIA. Being able to maintain and repair equipment both in the field and at the HQ means critical savings - both in money and invaluable ministry time. Working equipment means less missed opportunities to transform lives and share the Gospel!

Hospitality Services

More than

55

different mission organizations have contacted the Hospitality Network for a host in their travels. Dozens of families across North America opened their homes to provide overnight lodging and meals for missionaries on furlough.



Media Presence

More than 16,330 views and 6,185 visitors to our faintl.org website.

Almost 200 new donors.

430 email subscribers.

800 Facebook followers.

Appearances on FM 90.3 WJTL's morning show in June and September.

Featured in The Merchandiser/Town Lively in January, April, May, July, and September issues.



Board of Directors

The all-volunteer Board of Directors is the governing body of Friends In Action, Intl.—USA. The Board provides strategic direction, sets policy, and provides governance oversight for FIA.



FIA USA Board Members



Randy Schnieders

Chairman of the Board -
Sabbatical



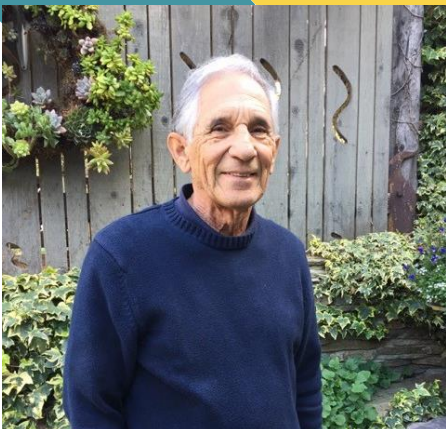
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Interim Chairman of the
Board



Faye Brown

Member



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Vice Chairman, Emeritus

FIA USA Board Members



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Secretary of the Board



Andy Hunt

Board Treasurer



Paul Jarot

Member



Tim Johnston

Executive Director

Business Partners

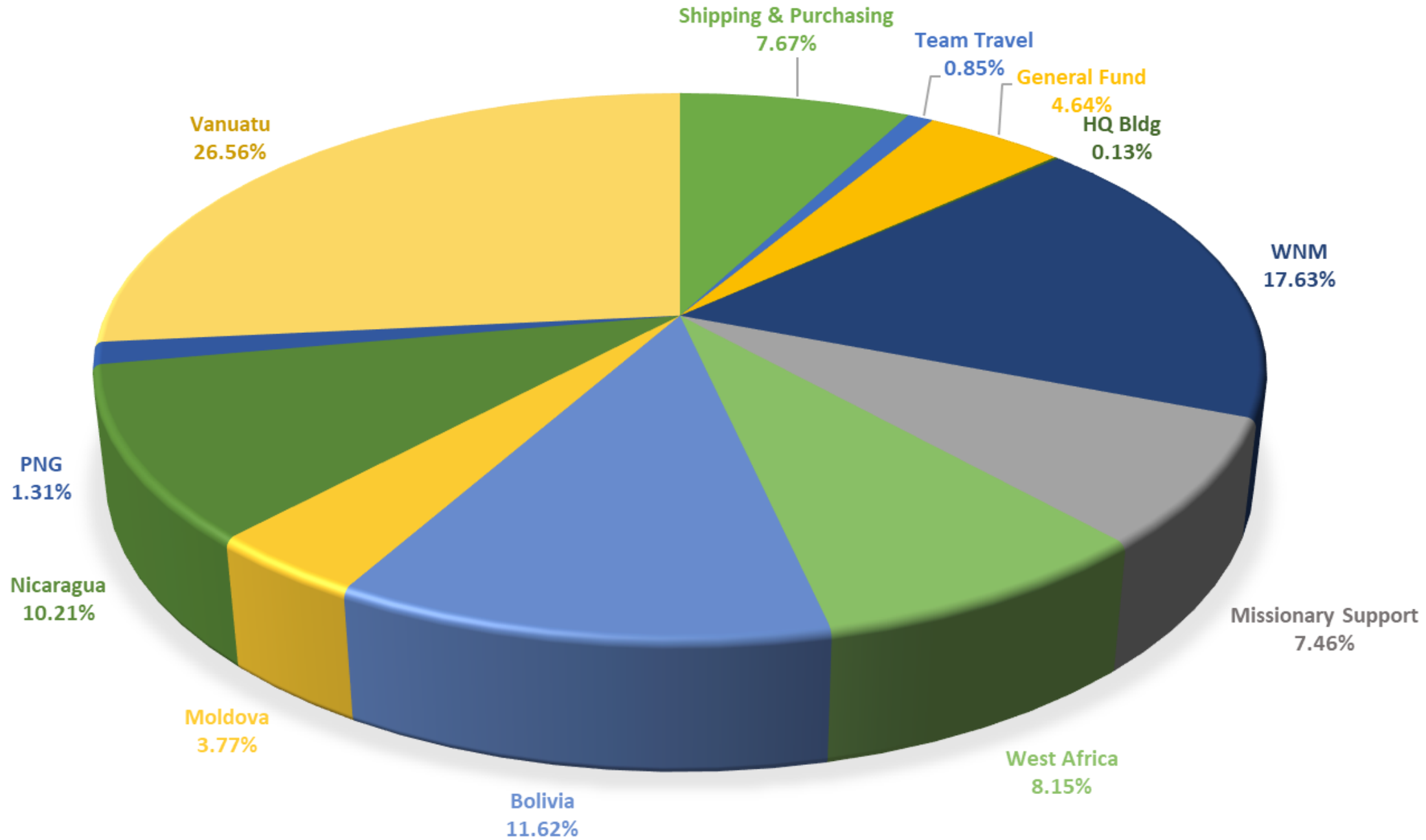
FIA partners with some incredibly generous and visionary local organizations, who support us through awareness, donating materials, or generously funding projects across the globe.

Avenue Yucca Car Care
Buckman's Inc.
Burma Road Associates, LLC
Business Builders
Crowe Transportation
Davidson Autobody, Inc.
DC Welding
Duncan & Grace Drilling, LLC
Emery Landscape Co
ETHNOS 360
ETHNOS 360 Missionary Tech
Fillman Insurance
G.E. King, LLC.
GL Flick, Inc.
Hess Auctioneers, LLC

I-TEC
Jagtrux, Inc.
JB Hostetter Sons Inc.
Koser Bros. Contracting Inc
Leo Kob Company, Inc
Longenecker's Hatchery Inc.
New Hope Farms
PB Odom III Construction
Providence Egg Producers
R & L Farms
Reamdata Inc.
Scenic Ridge Construction
Ulmer Farms
Wall To Wall Floor Covering
Wittenburger Farms, LLC



2020 INCOME TOTALS



Accountability



Platinum Rating

Guide Star – highest ranking offered to non-profits.



4-Star Transparency

Charity Navigator



Top-Rated Non-Profit

GreatNonProfits.org – people's choice award



Good-Standing Member

Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability