

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS!

Health and wholeness for children and families in empowered communities.

For 40 years that has been our vision – our hope – our prayer. We are thankful to you for helping us to make a difference in thousands of lives in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

As we reflect at where we've come from – and where we are going – we can say without a doubt that you – **our donors** – are the ones who have touched lives. *You are the ones who have provided healthcare to countless children, you have put smiles on children's faces, you have ensured mothers are able to live to care for their children, and babies survived to grow up to fulfill their potential in life.*

YOU MAY ASK YOURSELVES 'DOES MY DONATION REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE?'

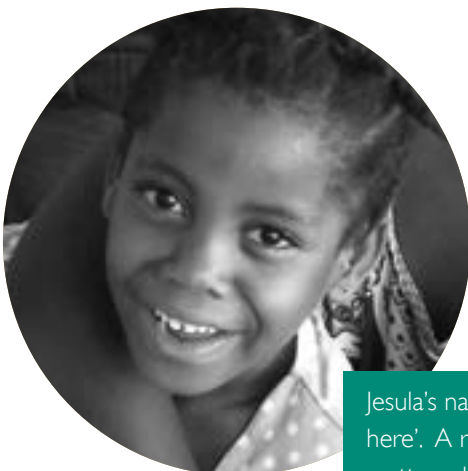
THE ANSWER IS A RESOUNDING **YES!!** IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN LIKE JESULA IN HAITI.

IMAGINE...

Living in a tent, under the scorching sun, with inside temperatures near 40°C, nowhere to keep your few belongings, witnessing a cholera epidemic and a devastating earthquake... This is Jesula's life. She is 6 years old. She has speech problems linked to unspecified psychological causes and she cannot communicate with clear words. The sound of her voice is only understandable to her mother and her 11 year

old sister, Ludmila. "Jesula" in Creole, the language spoken by the Haitian people, means "Jesus is here" – a testimony to the faith and dedication of her parents – a constant reminder to her and her family that despite the challenges and difficulties, God is with them!

The ICC Haiti staff are still assessing what could have caused Jesula's problems, and she is participating in ICC's Community Based Rehabilitation program. This program brings loving and professional care to the children of many families that share similar stories to Jesula's. For each of the therapists and community workers that meet Jesula at least three times a week, Jesula is not part of a project – she is a project herself. The attention provided to her is personal and specific – no all-purpose treatment can replace the kind of attention that ICC staff reserve for the little children in need of support. ICC is touching Jesula's life in a way that can be described as '*miraculous*' – **thank you** for allowing our staff to continue to do what they do best – touch lives with love and care!



Jesula's name means 'Jesus is here'. A reminder that no matter what, God is near.

We would like to introduce the men and women who work to ensure that ICC continues to impact lives and communities...

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FOCUS ON OUR HERITAGE

BY: CECELIA PALUCH CHIRISERI

So much sacrifice has gone into stirring the vision of ICC Canada in people's hearts, and I was recently honoured to sit down with Jack and Ann Wall, pioneers of ICC Canada, to hear about their faith journey and the birth of ICC Canada. Jack Wall was a Russian immigrant and Ann was born just after her parents came to Canada back in 1925. They had little education but **big hearts**. They didn't have 'corporate knowledge' but they had **God's compassion**. After getting married, Jack chose to focus on troubled youth instead of business endeavors, and God blessed that sacrifice. Jack and Ann touched the lives of many young people across Canada as they served with troubled youth, bailed teenagers out of jail and modeled love for 'at-risk girls'. Through all of this, they knew that God was using them to touch lives. One year, as Jack was talking to a business associate from the US, he was convinced to travel to Haiti to observe the work of the Snavely's in Port au Prince. *His love for the land and people began that day and has never waned.* He came back with a big vision, no funds and an uncertain future, **but he knew he had to hold on to the vision that God gave him** and press on. In 1973, along with other local friends and associates, they formed Caribbean Child Care (CCC) to **give Canadians the opportunity to give hope to Haiti**. The situation was so overwhelming, so bleak, that it was like 'emptying the ocean with a teaspoon'. One day, God provided a 'divine encounter' and before Jack knew it, they were in Haiti immunizing over 4,000,000 people under the age of 20 against TB! It is this organization, this group of dedicated people, that eventually became ICC Canada, and have been able to impact millions of lives for the past 40 years. Looking back on it all, they believe they felt the power and presence of God throughout their lives.

ICC Canada thanks the Walls for their commitment and dedication to the ministry of reaching out and touching the lives of children. ICC Canada also thanks fellow pioneers Victor Heinrichs, Hubert Schulz, Albert Grove, John Fast, Henry Koop, Ray Rempel, Bob Barkman, Bernard Barron, David Dick, Reuben Friesen, Ruby Janzen, Stan Skarsten, Brian Stiller, Jake Hildebrand, and Leno Mori, just to name a few of the dedicated people who worked and sacrificed to help ensure the future impact of ICC. May God bless you for your faithful and obedient service!

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1973 Canadian donor involvement in the work in Haiti was so great that an organization called Caribbean Child Care (CCC) was formed and served as a link between the generosity of Canadians and the people of Haiti.

In 1978, Caribbean Child Care (CCC) here in Canada and Child Care Foundation in the USA merged to form International Child Care (ICC).

International Child Care's story began in 1961 when an American couple, Jim and Virginia Snavley, visited Haiti. Overwhelmed by what they saw, particularly the plight of children with active tuberculosis, a vision was born.

Through the years, because of our donors, ICC's impact continued to grow by providing basic healthcare for those who would otherwise not have access to it. ICC literally kept people alive through national tuberculosis control programs, mass immunization campaigns, diversification of services to adult programs and nutrition clinics leading to its current focus on community-based primary healthcare.

Our programs include a voluntary counseling and testing program for HIV/AIDS at Grace Children's Hospital and an anti-retroviral medical treatment for children and adults with HIV/AIDS. These programs allow people to live *healthier and more productive* lives.

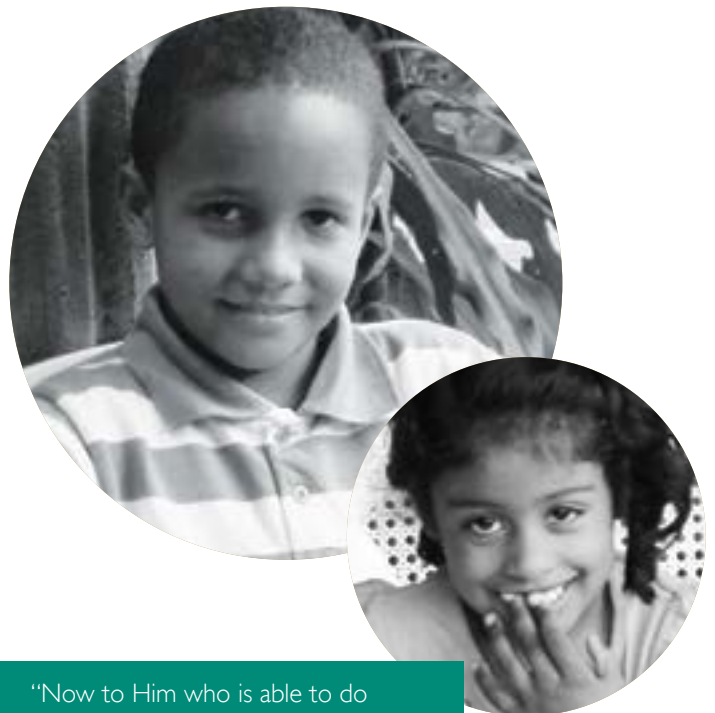
In 1988, your giving allowed us to launch a program in the Dominican Republic and adopt a strategy to work through in-country Christian organizations in the area of health education and disabilities. The community based rehabilitation program helps families to cope with the needs of children with disabilities.

In keeping with International Child Care's philosophy of sustainable development and local empowerment, both ICC Haiti and Dominican Republic offices are devoted entirely to national

leadership. All of the personnel, from the highest administrative and professional levels to the support staff, are Haitian and Dominican respectively.

From the seeds of love which were nurtured by the Snavley's whole-hearted faith in God, and your care and giving, International Child Care has grown to be living proof that God is able to do much, much more than we can ever imagine. Through God's grace, the dedicated and caring staff members of ICC continue to welcome and treat children in need, offering hope to countless families and providing every possible chance for a bright and blessed future for these precious little ones.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF WHAT GOD IS DOING!



"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us..." ~Ephesians 3:20

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF 40 YEARS?

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Haiti is a country shattered by natural disasters, difficult agricultural soils, and people who face many challenges, especially in the area of health and wellbeing. The life expectancy is 62.1 years and the under 5 mortality rate is 87 per 1,000 live births making quality, primary healthcare in Haiti a top priority. As of the UNDP's most recent report, based on a statistic from 2009, **only 26 percent** of mothers in Haiti have the privilege of doctor attended births, resulting in a maternal mortality rate of 300 per 100,000 live births. In Canada, the rate is 7.8 per 100,000 live births...

Our experience has taught us that local solutions are the **KEY** to attaining long-term success. In our **Maternal Health Program**, Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) are trained to detect early warning signs and risk factors in deliveries. **By providing TBAs with advanced, life-saving skills, we invest in the long-term development of knowledge within communities.** Last year alone, over 250 TBAs were trained in Haiti!

Another major component of the program is the creation of mobile clinics. These clinics, both pre and post natal, **increase the accessibility of healthcare for pregnant mothers who would otherwise have difficulty reaching adequate care.** To date, 453 mobile prenatal health clinics have been established, offering *thousands of mothers* easy access for consultations and checkups.

Preventative services, such as vitamin distribution, vaccinations and HIV testing for pregnant women and their partners are an important part of what we do.

Listen to the words of some of the women whose lives have been impacted and transformed...

"It was through training I received in the Mother's Club, that I learned of the importance of breastfeeding... Before attending the health education sessions, I didn't know there are different food groups I need to be sure to feed my children. I learned it is possible to do this even if I don't have a lot of money. The health agents taught me how to make a nutritious, balanced meal for very little money. I do not feed my children cookies and cola any more to save money on food. I now know there are inexpensive, healthier ways to feed a child."

This is living testimony of the **impact** the project gives our beneficiaries – a newfound trust in their own abilities to prevent sickness and maintain good health and the overall renewed sense of possibility! **Thank you for making that happen.**

Empowerment, genuine interest and tangible skills developed by community residents and leaders hold enormous potential for continued health development/improvement in the coming years. Beneficiaries will be able to train their children on the benefits of good health and nutrition, creating a new generation of Haitians **empowered and equipped** to live healthier, longer, more productive lives. ▶



AN IMPACT LASTS A LIFETIME

“The health program helps us plan for our families... the program gave us access to free medication, they put in place mobile health clinics to be sure we can access health services in our communities... we used to have to pay for transport to and from the hospital to access these services, but thanks to the program, vaccination posts are offered right in the community. We receive vitamin A supplementation, among many other services, which is hugely beneficial for our children. **Overall, the program has helped us better plan for the health of our children. It has a large value to us.** We commend all who have made the program possible.”

WHAT IS TB ANYWAY?

THE FACTS

A contagious air borne disease that attacks the lungs, lymph nodes, kidneys, urinary tract and sometimes bones. TB, after HIV/AIDS, is Haiti's leading cause of infectious disease-related death

1,387,000

people die each year worldwide from TB, even though it is curable with proper treatment

306/100,000

the TB Case Rate in Haiti. It is the highest in the Americas – Global average is 139/100,000

20%

of tested TB patients are discovered as HIV positive

90 – 95%

of TB-infected people don't show symptoms of the disease and spread contagions unknowingly

10-15

the average number of other people a person with TB infects each year

THE RESPONSE

484

Number of TB active patients ICC treated last year

593

Number of patients ICC tested for HIV last year

ICC has been increasing access to screening and outpatient services

Conducted TB tracking, monitoring and co-infection seminars with ICC Haiti Staff

THE IMPACT

Saving Lives

Improved tuberculosis survival rate; *families are not broken apart*

Equipping Haitians

Improved ability of healthcare providers to recognize and intervene with TB infections; *faster identification, less transmission to others*

Access to Care

More TB patients have access to quality healthcare and treatment options

Education

Direct observation techniques, monitor and help control disease transmission



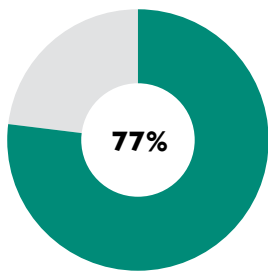
In spite of these sobering statistics, thanks to our **donor's investments** in ICC's work in Haiti, **there is hope!** Since its founding, ICC has been focused on combating the disease and through investment in local capacity building and advanced healthcare techniques, ICC is looking forward to a future where poverty does not restrict access to TB treatment.

Thank you for helping us do that!

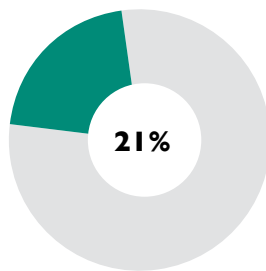
A LOOK BACK AT OUR FINANCES

We know that giving stems from a thankful and generous heart. It is our privilege to be a channel through which people can give and make an impact in so many lives in Hispaniola! We take great measures to ensure the funds are spent wisely and efficiently, ensuring that families will be impacted the most. **Thank you!**

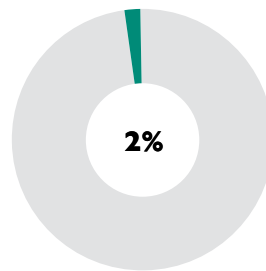
ICC CANADA REVENUE – FISCAL YEAR 2011/12



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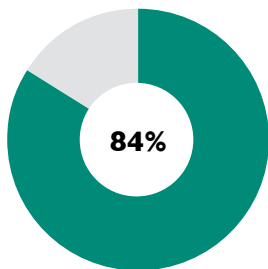
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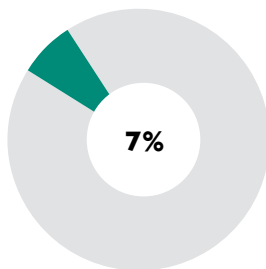
Other Revenue

Grants: \$1,240,231
 Public Donations: \$341,849
 Other Revenue: \$32,905
Total: \$1,614,985

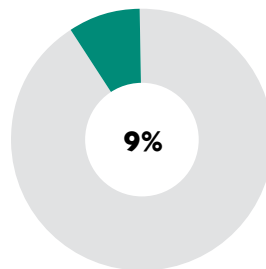
ICC CANADA EXPENDITURE – FISCAL YEAR 2011/12



Programs



Fund Development



Administration

Programs: \$1,355,994
 Fund Development: \$111,872
 Administration: \$138,900
Total: \$1,606,766

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CONGRATULATIONS ON 40 YEARS OF SERVICE!

“International Child Care Canada (ICC–C) this year celebrates its forty years of service to our population. On this occasion, International Child Care Haiti (ICC–H) together with the entire population of Haiti, especially children, wants to wish ICC Canada a long and prosperous future.

In Haiti, we always remember the ‘60s, when ICC–C, through Caribbean Child Care, launched the Crusade Against Tuberculosis (CAT), which resulted in ICC Haiti becoming ICC/CAT. This crusade, thanks to its beneficial actions, helped established a network of 220 cooperative clinics throughout Haiti, to provide prevention, screening/treatment of tuberculosis. Through this program, over 80% of the infantile population could have access to the BCG vaccination, while decreasing, if not eliminating altogether, the serious complications of tuberculosis in infants, including meningitis and the disseminated tuberculosis.

In the following years ICC–C has continued to produce its utmost efforts to support the initiatives of ICC–H. The recent Canadian response to the earthquake of 12 January 2010 is a tangible proof of their involvement.

The Board of Governors, the National Director and the technical and administrative staff of ICC–H wants to join the Haitian people, especially the millions of beneficiaries from ICC programs, to express their gratitude to ICC–Canada.

Together we present our congratulations to International Child Care Canada and we wish them: Happy Anniversary!”



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40^{ème} Anniversaire de l'International Child Care Canada,

L'INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE HAITI REND HOMAGE À L'INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE CANADA

L'International Child Care Canada « ICC-C » fête cette année ses quarante (40) ans au service de sa population. En la circonstance, l'International Child Care Haiti « ICC-H » s'associe à la population haïtienne, en particulier les enfants pour souhaiter une longue et fructueuse vie à la ICC-C.

En Haïti, nous avons toujours à la mémoire les années 60, quand l'ICC-C à travers la Caribbean Child Care a lancé la Croisade Anti Tuberculose « CAT » faisant ainsi de la « ICC-H » la « ICC/CAT ». Cette croisade grâce à ses actions bienfaitrices avait permis d'établir à travers Haïti un réseau de 220 cliniques coopératives qui assuraient la prévention, le dépistage/traitement de la tuberculose, ce qui avait porté la couverture de vaccin au BCG à plus de 80% dans la population infantile et diminué pour ne pas dire éliminé les complications graves de la tuberculose chez les enfants, dont : la Méningite et la Miliaire tuberculeuses.

Par la suite l'ICC Canada n'a jamais marchandé ses efforts pour soutenir les initiatives d'ICC-H. Les dernières interventions canadiennes suite au séisme du 12 janvier 2010 sont une preuve tangible.

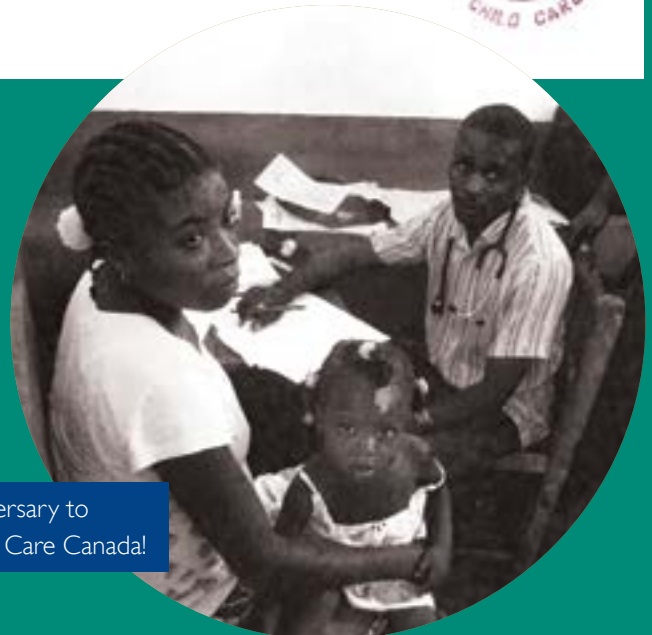
Aussi le Conseil de Gouvernance, la Direction Nationale, le personnel technique et administratif d'ICC-H se joignent au peuple haïtien, en particulier les millions de bénéficiaires des actions d'ICC pour exprimer leur gratitude à l'endroit d'ICC-C.

Ensemble nous présentons nos félicitations à l'International Child Care Canada et nous lui disons :

Joyeux Anniversaire!

Ing. William BRANDT
Président du C. G.

Dr. Joseph BLOU
Directeur National



Happy 40th Anniversary to
International Child Care Canada!

"Dear ICC—Canada Partners,

What an honor and privilege to serve alongside you in our mission of providing health and wholeness for children and families of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Our strategic alliance has been firmly cemented in the goal of ridding the Island of Hispaniola of Tuberculosis and assisting new and expectant mothers to provide the very best of care for themselves and their children. This is indeed a special anniversary and we are grateful for the opportunity to celebrate your 40th birthday with you!

Since our alliance was forged 40 years ago we have sustained a very special relationship with you and your wonderful donor base. We, in the US, are grateful for your undying support for the people of Haiti and the Dominican Republic and it is our hope and prayer that this lasting friendship will endure for decades to come.

On behalf of the ICC—US Board of Directors, the ICC—US staff and donors, we congratulate you on reaching this wonderful milestone anniversary! Wishing you God's grace and peace!"

KEITH MUMMA
ICC—US National Director



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We are honoured to thank and recognize our anonymous donors and the following individuals, corporations, foundations and community groups that have generously supported International Child Care Canada. These gifts have gone towards supporting children and their families to live lives of dignity and hope in Hispaniola.

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