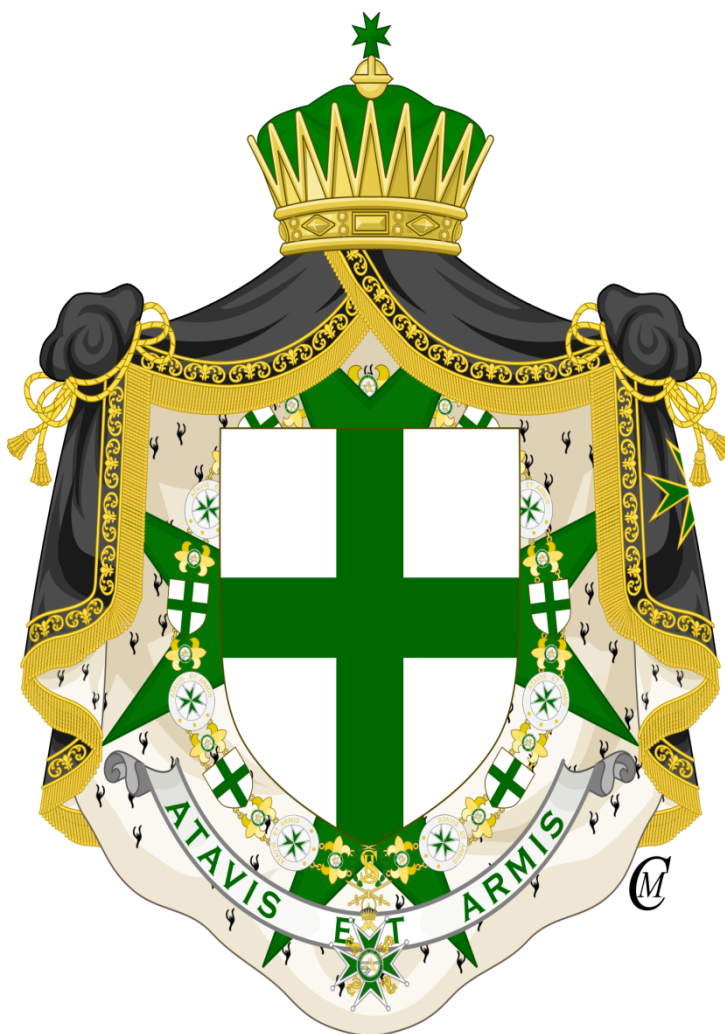


# THE MILITARY AND HOSPITALLER ORDER OF ST LAZARUS OF JERUSALEM



## INTERNATIONAL HOSPITALLER REPORT

2017



**In Memoriam**

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## Preface by the Grand Commander

Dear Consoeurs and Confreres,

In front of you, you will find the Hospitaller report of our Order for the year 2017. I would like to thank our Grand Hospitaller and all other people who were involved in the preparation and production of this 7th consolidated report about the hospitaller and charitable activities of our Order. It is our intention to have a hospitaller report like this every year. It is also our intention to publish hospitaller projects of the jurisdictions of our Order on our website. For our Order, it is important to tell what the goal and purpose of our Order is and to show people how we are trying to achieve this.

**You are kindly invited to contact our chairman of the Public Relations Committee, Chevalier Lars Sahlin, in order to have one of your projects published on our website.**

It is also important for the different jurisdictions in our Order to learn about the activities of other jurisdictions and maybe to find ways of working together. This hospitaller report is still not complete. Data from one of the jurisdictions is missing. I am sure, however, that every year there will be improvements in making our efforts more widely known to the public.

Drs Ronald H.M. Hendriks, GCLJ-J  
Grand Commander of the Order



## Introduction

It is with much pleasure that I present the 2017 International Hospitaller Report. This report provides a summarized and consolidated account of the charitable and hospitaller activities of national jurisdictions of the Military and Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem undertaken during the calendar year 2016. Reports are required from jurisdictional hospitallers prior to 31 March 2017 and it is from these that this report has been compiled. This report follows the format introduced last year with activities divided according to the following core activities: Leprosy, Palliative Care and Medical Support, Care of Children, Support for the Handicapped, International Activities, Emergency Care, Food Campaigns and Support for the Poor and Homeless, Community Service and Miscellaneous. Clearly there is some overlap between several of the activity categories and where this has occurred the decision as to which category the activity belonged was taken arbitrarily. The other option was to include many of the projects under more than one heading; however, it soon became obvious that to do so would result in a report of unwieldy proportions. This should be taken into account when searching for individual projects. In order to simplify the search process an index of each of the contributing jurisdictions is provided and this is cross-referenced to each of the charitable activities reported by the jurisdiction.

It should be noted that the majority of jurisdictions have recorded the cash value of their contributions. When the donation consisted of materials and/or services, an attempt has been made to provide an equivalent value in cash. And for the purposes of providing some tangible understanding of these contributions donated time has been calculated throughout at Euros 10 per hour. In addition to this, the total number of person/hours contributed have been given under each entry.

In general, members, either through direct donation or through fund raising activities, have derived the funding disbursed by the Order. There are two exceptions to this. The first of these involves the Humanitarian Grand Priory Europe and Lazarus Hilfswerk (GPEU/LHW). This group was founded in 1971 and its activities have now been incorporated into the German Healthcare system. Over recent years the GPEU/LHW has been involved in the management of homes for the elderly and those requiring nursing care, as well as an ambulance service for the handicapped. In addition, GPEU/LHW facilitates group activities for children with educational problems. In 2016 the total expenditure for GPEU/LHW was 9.31 million Euros. The second group within the Order that derives funding assistance from a secondary source is the Grand Bailiwick of Germany, who work in close association with the Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte (German Dentist Relief Organization or HDZ). This latter group has an international charitable focus and undertakes projects worldwide. While it cannot be claimed that the work undertaken by GPEU/LHW or by the Grand Bailiwick of Germany in concert with the HDZ has evolved entirely from funding generated by the Order, both of these groups do incorporate the name of St Lazarus in their activities. For these reasons reports on the contributions of both the GPEU/LHW and the HDZ/Grand Bailiwick of Germany are included in separate sections following the Miscellaneous section of the report.



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It would be invidious to specify the total contributions from each of the national Jurisdictions, as there is a wide variation in both member numbers and national economic conditions. The amount contributed either in terms of cash, kind or time is, however, given under each entry, as this provides an indication of the level of contribution received by individual charities. In the body of the text the individual contributions are provided in the local currency rather than in Euros or US dollars, as fluctuations in the exchange rate would have the effect of diminishing the value of the data. Converting all currencies to Euro equivalents, assessing the value of non-cash contributions and crediting hours contributed at 10 Euros/hour provides some indication as to the global contribution of the Order. Utilizing these criteria the total amount contributed by the Order over the period of the report is 1,969,644.10 Euros; excluding the 666,719 Euro contributions of the HDZ and the annual turnover of 9.31 million Euros of the Humanitarian Grand Priory of Europe.

It is appropriate to acknowledge the contributions of many who have assisted in the preparation of this report. The outstanding work of our Deputy Grand Chancellor (Administration), Dame Marny Gilluly, cannot be overstated and I am most grateful for her contribution. I must also acknowledge the support of The Most Honourable, The Late Grand Master, Drs Ron Hendriks our Grand Commander, John Byrnes the Deputy Grand Hospitaller, CW Gilluly our Grand Marshal and Gareth Vaughan our Grand Magistral Council Secretary. Considerable credit must be given to the contributions of each of the National Hospitallers who have provided detailed reports on the work of their respective jurisdictions. In total 36 reports were received from the 37 Jurisdictions of the Order, with individual contributions from the Grand Priory of America, the Grand Bailiwick of Austria, the Grand Priory of Australia, the Priory of Belgium, the Grand Commandery of Boigny, the Grand Priory in Canada, the Grand Commandery of the Castello, the Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic, the Grand Priory of England and Wales, the Humanitarian Grand Priory Europe, the Grand Priory of France, the Grand Priory of Finland, the Grand Bailiwick of Germany, the Grand Priory of Greece, the Grand Priory of Hungary, the Grand Priory of Ireland, the Grand Priory of Italy, the Priory of Liechtenstein, the Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands, the Priory of Macedonia (FYROM), the Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands, the Grand Priory of New Zealand, the Priory of Norway, the Grand Priory of Poland, the Grand Priory of Romania, the Hereditary Commandery of Rurich, the Grand Bailiwick of Scotland, the Hereditary Commandery of Sighartstein, the Grand Priory of Slovakia, the Grand Bailiwick of South Africa, the Grand Priory of Spain, the Grand Priory of Sweden, the Grand Bailiwick of Switzerland, the Hereditary Commandery of Wallendorf and the Priory of Zimbabwe. Most importantly sincere thanks are due to each and every member of the Order as it is your enthusiasm and hard work that has contributed to our continued success.

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Grand Hospitaller

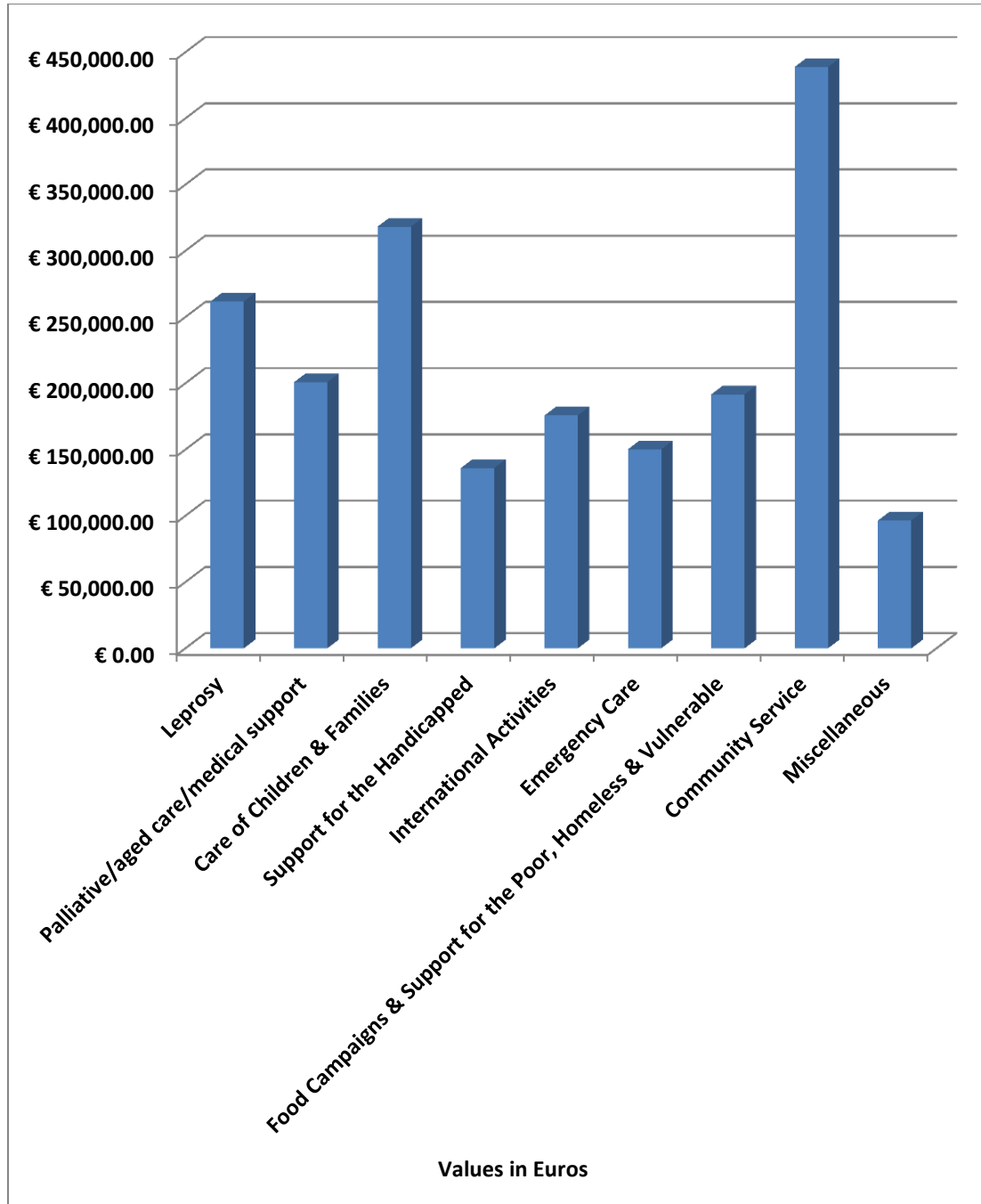


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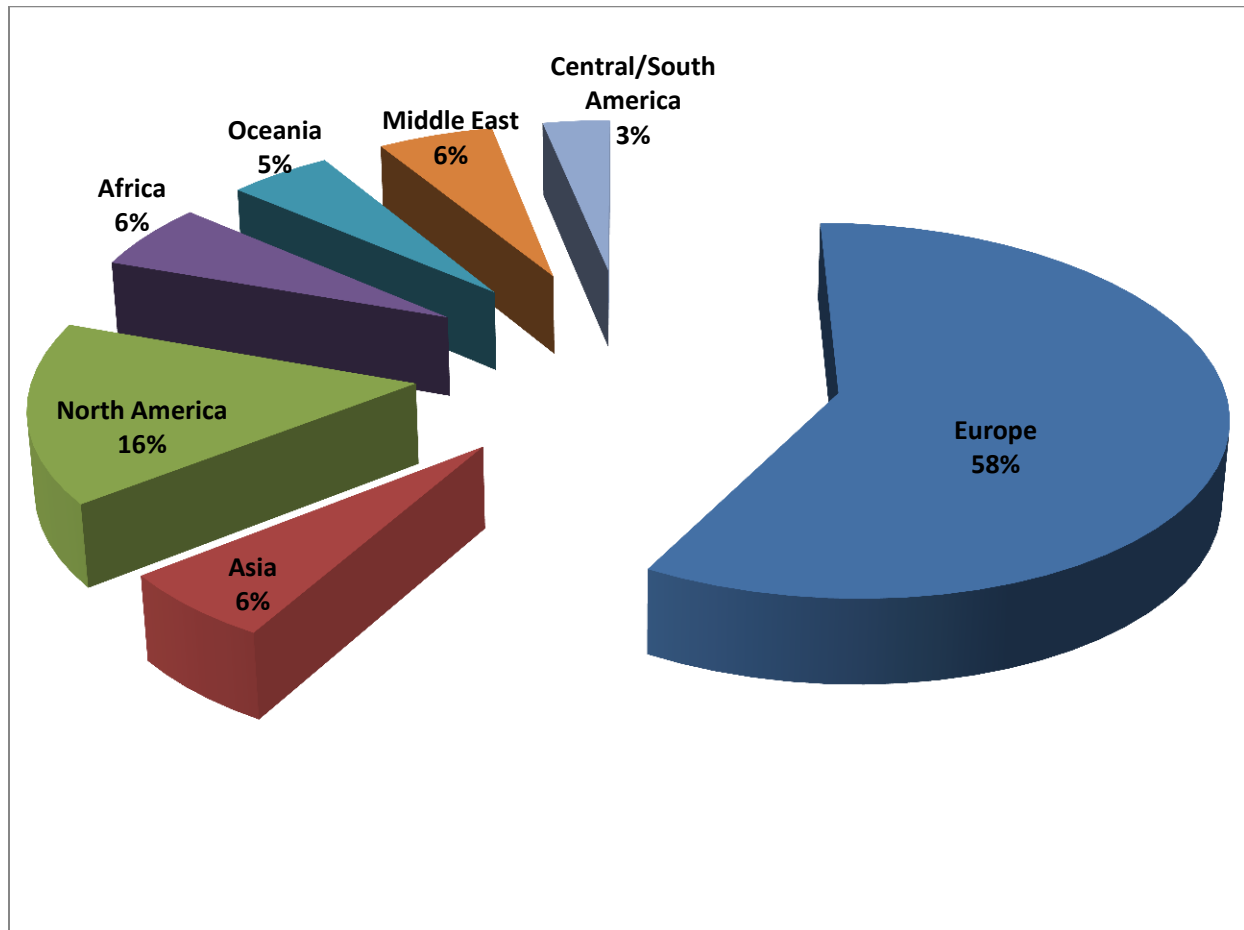
### Value of funding/services donated according to charitable activities

<u>Charitable Activity</u>	<u>Value in Euros</u>
* Leprosy	261,735.07
* Palliative/aged care and medical support	200,738.65
* Care of children and families	318,187.46
* Support for the handicapped	136,099.59
* International activities	175,695.81
* Emergency care	150,175.52
* Food campaign and support for the poor, homeless and vulnerable	191,627.88
* Community service	438,864.23
* Miscellaneous	<u>96,519.89</u>
* Total	1,969,644.10

**Value of Funding/Services donated according to Charitable Activities -  
Euro 1,969,644.10 Total**



**Value of Funding/Services donated according to Geographical Areas**



**Geographical Distribution**

**Value in Euros**

* Europe	1,147,878.50
* North America	313,404.56
* Asia	120,749.29
* Africa	115,920.87
* Middle East	110,002.27
* Oceania	97,991.39
* Central and South America	<u>63,697.22</u>
* Total	1,969,644.10

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### Leprosy

#### Grand Priory of America

Emory University Hansen's Disease Clinic is one of the thirteen Hansen's disease clinics in the United States, supported in part by the US Public Health Service. The Grand Priory supports patient travel, supplies and other materials needed for the care of leprosy afflicted patients and this year donated USD 5,000.

The Rising Star Outreach is a non-governmental agency, founded in Atlanta and based in Chennai, India, dedicated to the treatment of leprosy afflicted patients in southern India. The multi-year funding of the organization by the Grand Priory has included micro-lending programs for leprosy-afflicted beggars, as well as funding of mobile medical vans and medical supplies. This year USD 40,000 was contributed.

The Grand Priory, along with the Delegation of Mexico, has supported two leprosy clinics in Mexico for many years. Combined, these clinics have served thousands of leprosy afflicted patients and their families in rural Mexico and this year USD 50,000 was contributed.

During a pilgrimage to Cuba USD 2,000 and 30 hours service was donated to the Leprosy Hospital next to the Shrine of St Lazarus in El Rincon. In addition members donated oral hygiene products to the Hospital.



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The Delegation of Mexico continued its work at its Morelia and Irapuato leprosy clinics. The clinics work to improve the life quality of approximately 2,000 people, including the close to 300 registered Hansen disease patients and their families. In addition, many poor people in and around Morelia and Irapuato benefit from the low cost but high quality consultations provided by a total of six medical practitioners including St Lazarus member, Dr Juan José Salazar. A summary of the work undertaken at the two clinics is shown in Table 1. In support of this work the Order donated USD 16,000 and 4,000 hours service.

**Table 1 Summary of work done in the clinics of Morelia and Irapuato during 2016**

	Morelia	Irapuato
Visits to patients at their homes:	656	1171
Low cost medical consultations at the clinic: (78% / 50% dermatology-related)	670	265
Rehabilitation treatments at the clinic	195	1283
Packages of food supplies delivered	453	880
Distance covered by van to visit patients' homes (km): (Trips are made by driver, M.D. and two nuns)	25,383	23,682
Health and pastoral talks given: (nutrition, hygiene, good habits covered)	59	80
Personalized aid (medicines, healing material)	34	280
Registered Hansen patients (under treatment or requiring therapy)	89	210



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A donation of USD 2,600 was made to the Order of Franciscan Sisters for the benefit of patients at the Leper Colony, Kalaupapa, Hawaii. Additionally, USD 5,000 was donated towards the establishment of the Kalaupapa Memorial at the Colony.



### **Grand Bailiwick of Austria**

The Grand Bailiwick continues with its financial support of the China Leprosy Service in the People's Republic of China, where the Order of Jesuits is responsible for 18 leprosy stations. The donation of the Grand Bailiwick was again 1,000 Euro to support new staff of a boarding school for more than 300 healthy children of lepers living in a closed village near the village Shih Zhong in South-China, Province of Yunnan.



300 children having an early morning workout

### **Grand Priory in Canada**

The Grand Priory donated C\$ 3,000 to aid the Women's Ward and a further C\$ 4,000 to support the Care & Cure (MDT) Program and other activities at The Leprosy Mission Hospital in Naini, India, through Effect Hope – Leprosy Mission of Canada. An additional donation of C\$ 4,500 was made towards the work of the Leprosy Mission.

A donation of C\$ 1,000 was made to the Little Flower Leprosy Mission, India to support the Leprosy Hospital and Education Centre.

### **Grand Commandery of the Castello**

The Grand Commandery continued its international activities through their support for the Women in Need project in India which supports women with leprosy, as well as HIV and



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other medical problems. Members donated Euro 2,610 towards the maintenance and upkeep of the ambulance and Euro 3,888 for refurbishment of the office in Nagpur.



WIN (Women in Need India) Hospice at Dattapur funded by the Grand Commandery



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WIN (Women in Need India) ambulance in Nagpur funded by the Grand Commandery

In Uganda the Grand Commandery facilitated the construction of a house through a donation of Euro 1,600 to Kagando Hospital, for a leprosy sufferer whose mud hut was washed away.



House funded by the Grand Commandery near Kagando, Uganda

### **The Grand Priory of England and Wales**

The Grand Priory donated £12,200 to the Leprosy Mission for the purchase of a phacoemulsifier for Premananda Hospital, Kolkata. Premananda Hospital gives free, expert treatment and rehabilitation for people affected by leprosy. It is recognised by the Indian Government as a referral hospital for leprosy related complications. A phacoemulsifier is a modern piece of equipment that makes cataract surgery safer and more efficient. It will play a critical role in the Hospital's application to become a government approved specialist centre for eye care. This endorsement from the Indian Government will significantly increase the number of paying patients who are referred to Premananda Hospital, and the income generated will subsidise costs for patients who can't afford treatment. As a result, more leprosy-affected people and poor patients will receive free eye care, and the hospital will become more self-sustaining.



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A sum of £4,300 was made available to LEPRA in aid of a contact-tracing project in India. This project supports mobile teams of community health workers and medical officers who visit remote areas with limited services and conduct surveys with the families of people newly diagnosed with leprosy. This is undertaken in an attempt to identify all high risk contacts with whom a known leprosy-affected person has had significant contact, thus interrupting transmission of the disease and preventing disability through early diagnosis and treatment. In addition, donations of £150 and £500 were made to LEPRA respectively by the Mersey Commandery and the Avalon Commandery.

Canon Pat Atkinson's work with leprosy sufferers in a government home and clinic, in one of the most deprived areas of India. has been supported through the donation of £3,000 to the Vidiyal Trust.

A donation of £4,250 was made to Promise Nepal to assist refurbishment of the clinic premises of the Bombay Leprosy Project (BLP), the largest leprosy referral centre in Maharashtra state, India. Part of that refurbishment involves a new laboratory essential for reading slit skin smears, enabling the clinicians to make a definitive diagnosis of leprosy. The connection with Promise Nepal is that BLP has recently been diagnosing a significant number of new leprosy cases among Nepali migrant workers.

The Rufiji Leprosy Trust supports people affected by leprosy in the village of Kindwitwi in the Rufiji District of Tanzania. It helps those who need full time care through maintaining a housing complex in the village of Kindwitwi and also less disabled villagers to live independently in their homes with their families. A grant of £8,300 has been made to defray half the annual cost of feeding the villagers and pay the salary, travel and materials of a shoemaker to make specialised footwear for those crippled by the disease.

The Welsh Commandery has piloted a telemedicine project with the Samburu Trust in Kenya which allows digital images of skin and eye problems to be recorded and e-mailed anywhere in the world for specialist opinion. The project has been so successful that a second stage of the pilot is about to be rolled out in collaboration with Orbis, the international charity which funds and operates the "Flying Eye Hospitals" (FEH). The FEH fly into third world countries and transform into ophthalmic operating theatres and teaching centres. Orbis are committed to the use of telemedicine in their FEH and the Commandery of Wales has provided a grant to Orbis to help fund this telemedicine work on the FEH. The technology will be of help to various leprosy charities and will allow the technique to be applied to the diagnostic and therapeutic areas in the leprosaria.

The Friends of Ramakrishna Vivekananda Mission which is involved in a Leprosy Village in Purulia, India received a grant of £1,000 from the John of Gaunt Commandery.

The King Offa Commandery donated £1,500 to the Nepal Leprosy Trust.



### **Grand Priory of Finland**

During 2016 the Grand Priory contributed Euro 2,000 to a leprosy hospital in India and a nursery in Cape Town, South Africa.

### **The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands**

Prof. H. Vella, a member of the Grand Priory, and his wife undertook a period of missionary work in Ethiopia, specifically in the leprosy communities. Euro 4,250 and Euro 350 in medical disposables were donated to purchase goods that were distributed to the clinics caring for these leprosy sufferers, while a total of 650 hours services were also donated.

A donation of Euro 7,000 was made to the Conventual Franciscan Community, a Religious Order with missionary centres all over the world. This donation was directed towards Missionary work for leprosy communities.

Lepra U.K. Artificial Hands Project is a UK registered international charity that works with individuals and communities affected by leprosy in India, Bangladesh and Mozambique. The aim is to treat, educate and rehabilitate, and through this give a voice to people living on the margins of society. A donation of Euro 11,027.43, made by the Grand Priory, was directed towards their project of providing artificial arms to people who lost their limbs owing to leprosy.

A donation of Euro 5,000 was made to the Capuchin Fathers to fund leprosy-based projects undertaken by the Fathers.

Euro 4,994.73 was donated to CIOMAL. This is a Swiss charitable organisation that coordinates projects to fight against leprosy and assist its victims. The charity reinforces the self-sufficiency and consistency of field programmes, with the aim of reducing the psychological distance between patient and medical staff.

The international activities of the Associazione Italiana Amici Raoul Follereau of Italy focuses on two main areas - (1) Community health programmes on leprosy and (2) Community-based rehabilitation (CBR) and Community-based Inclusive Development (CBID) programmes open to all groups of persons with disabilities, including those due to leprosy and mental illness. Euro 5,010 was donated to this charity by the Grand Priory.

The Grand Priory donated Euro 5,010 to the Damien Dutton Foundation, Belgium. The funds will be used to continue programs for medical care in leprosy colonies, to purchase drugs, prostheses for lost limbs, reconstructive surgery, research labs and education. This not only assists patients to obtain employment and return to society, but also educates the public about the disease and the present state of leprosy in the world.



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The Grand Priory donated Euro 5,010 to the Association Française Raoul Follereau, a French based charity that deals with leprosy through medical care of patients and their reintegration into society.

A donation of Euro 1,000 from the Grand Priory was made to two Maltese leprosy sufferers to assist with their medical and social expenses. One of the members of the Grand Priory cares for them on a daily basis, contributing services totalling 750 hours.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Scotland**

A contribution of £200 was made to the general funds of the Leprosy Mission. The Mission continues to support those unfortunate people whose lives are still devastated by the disease around which our Order was founded. These funds were made available through social functions organized by the Dalriada Commandery.

### **Priory of Zimbabwe**

In 2016 a decision was made that the Order in Zimbabwe would adjust its focus, principally to support those with leprosy. Members of the Order visited the Mutemwa Leprosy Mission a number of times during 2016 in order to provide support for the patients. The overall contribution to this project was 40 hours visitation and 48 hours for procurement of medicines. In addition donations totalling USD 3,670 were made.



Pictured above are (l to r) Dave Clarke, Father Selicio, (the previous administrator at Mutemwa Mission) Father Paul Edwards and Prior Brian Heathcote



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The Harare team took advantage of the public holiday to make a visit to Mutemwa Mission on Wednesday, May 25. Pictured here are the visitors from Harare with some of the residents of the Mission.

The Priory continued the monthly book sale stall at Arundel shopping precinct which used to bring in approximately \$200 per month. The money is used now to supply medication to Mutemwa Mission for victims of Leprosy. Sadly with the change of the Zimbabwe economy from the US dollar, cash is at a premium and we consider ourselves lucky if we sell \$ 90 in a month. The sales involve about 280 hours activity a year.



The Order of St Lazarus Book Stall



## **Palliative/ Aged Care and Medical Support**

### **Grand Priory of America**

The Grand Priory remains committed to promoting organ donation and this year contributed USD 20,000 to Organize, a charitable organization dedicated to organ donation, education and awareness. The donation this year was specifically targeted towards the promotion of donor registration.

The Houston Aphasia Recovery Center is a charitable organization in Houston that will be expanding its Life Participation programs. A grant of USD 5,000 was made to support individuals with aphasia to achieve their immediate and long term life goals. The program focuses on re-engagement in life, beginning with initial assessment and intervention and continuing after hospital discharge, until the person affected no longer requires communication support.

For the second year, USD 2,500 was provided to sponsor the annual fundraising event of the Georgia Transplant Foundation. The event raises funds to support organ transplant patients.

### **Grand Priory of Australia**

Catholic Psychiatric Care was supported by the Queensland Commandery through a donation of AUD 3,000.

The Tasmanian Commandery distributed AUD 23,000 to a number of health care activities. Specifically, funding was committed to the support of a Cancer Care Coordinator and refurbishment of the Mary Potter Room at St John's Hospital, support for replacement of renal dialysis units in the Department of Critical Care at Royal Hobart Hospital, funding of research work at the Menzies Research Institute for renal palliative care, support for a partnership between the Menzies Research Institute and the Wicking Centre for Dementia Education and Research, the work of The St Lazarus Foundation, as well as a training program for Hospice Volunteers.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Austria**

Members of the Order assist and accompany elderly single residents of a Viennese home for the aged known as the *Maimonides Centre*.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

The Grand Commandery contributed Euro 7,500 to a programme coordinated by the Gregoire de Foucauld Disabled Children Foundation to provide assistance to teach children with hydrocephalus to walk.



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Euro 3,800 was donated to permit the rental of specialized equipment for patients with terminal illnesses undergoing palliative care.

The Grand Commandery organized free medical care with groups of specialist doctors. The free service which included X-rays, MRI scans, PET scans, laboratory investigations and surgical procedures was made available to 15 patients and constituted a total donation of Euro 11,000.

The Grand Commandery donated Euro 900 to enable the purchase of monitoring devices for the elderly. The devices enable the monitoring 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

### Grand Priory in Canada

A donation of C\$ 1,500 was made to The Greater Moncton Hospice Society through support for the Society's Hospice Shoppe. The Society established a Hospice Shoppe five years ago, as a means to raise funds to support the building of a 10 Bed Hospice. Land has been provided by the Lions Club. This initial donation now demonstrates that the Shoppe will be a reliable source of funding for future operations.



The Alberta Hospice and Palliative Care Association is an umbrella group for palliative care in the province of Alberta. Each year they organize a workshop known as The Roadshow that deals with some aspect of palliative care and is presented at four rural locations within



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the province. These workshops have proven to be very helpful to professionals and volunteers alike and have spread the word of the Order throughout the province. This year a donation of C\$ 10,000 was made in support of the program

The High River District Health Care Foundation provides counselling and family support for patients in a “long term” palliative situation. A donation of C\$ 5,000 increased the availability of professional help.

The Olds and District Hospice Society established two palliative care rooms within a long-term care facility in Olds, Alberta. Each room was specially equipped for palliative patients. A donation of C\$ 11,300 was made to provide special beds for these rooms.

The Calgary Commandery established a program to supply small cuddly toy bears to palliative care patients in southern Alberta. These bears are a comfort for patients and often provide a “link” between patient and younger family members. The most recent deliveries of bears have been made to Dulcina Hospice, Calgary; Olds Palliative Care Society, Olds; Foothills Country Hospice, Okotoks and Rosedale Hospice, Calgary. And the total amount donated in support of this project was C\$ 2,000



Palliative Manitoba provides palliative education throughout the province and promotes and advocates on palliative care issues. A donation of C\$ 1,000 was made to assist the volunteers of the organization.

Caregivers' Guides were supplied to Drumheller Hospital palliative care unit – (30 books) and Mt St Francis (15 books) for volunteer training or use in home situations. An additional



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8 books were donated to individuals as the need was recognized. The total value of the donation was C\$ 132.50. Further copies of the Caregiver's Guide were donated to Daffodil Place, a cancer support organization in St John's and the Cancer Society. A total of 250 books were distributed to a total value of C\$ 625

Donations were made by the Grand Priory to: the Royal Victoria Hospital Foundation, C\$ 30,000; Carefor, Health & Community Services, C\$ 15,650 and the St Francis Valley Health Care Foundation, C\$ 12,473.

Donations were made by the Grand Priory to: The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation (Hospice and Palliative Care), C\$5,000 for Inpatient Room Revitalization Project; Societe Canadienne du cancer, C\$ 500; Hospice Fredricton, C\$ 2,500; Hospice & Palliative Care Manitoba, C\$ 1,000; The Healing Cycle Foundation, C\$ 1,000; Le Phare/Lighthouse, C\$ 5,000; Victoria Hospice, C\$ 1,000; Algonquin College (Hospice and Palliative Care), C\$2,000 to support OSLJ Hospice and Palliative Care Bursary; Roger Neilson's House (Hospice and Palliative Care), C\$6,600 for installation of a ceiling chair lift system; Cornwall Care for Hospice (Hospice and Palliative Care), C\$4,000 for 4 commode and shower chairs; Diane Morrison Hospice at Ottawa Mission (Hospice and Palliative Care) gifted C\$4,400 for 2 therapeutic mattresses; The Hospice at May Court (Hospice and Palliative Care) gifted C\$3,000 for 37 days of respite care; Ruddy-Shenkman Hospice (Hospice and Palliative Care) gifted C\$3,000 for 37 days of respite care; La Maison de L'Est (Hospice and Palliative Care) gifted C\$1,000 for 12 days of respite care; Grey Bruce Palliative Care Hospice, hundreds of copies of A Caregiver's Guide; Residential Hospice of Grey Bruce, 2016 a donation of C\$ 2,000 toward the establishment of a free standing building; May Court Hospice, C\$ 2,000; Ruddy-Shenkman Hospice, C\$ 1,000; Hospice Care Ottawa, C\$ 9,380; Hospice Renfrew C\$ 2,000; Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association, C\$ 2,500.00; St. Peter's Hospital to support the purchase of patient care chairs for their Palliative Care Unit (PCU) at Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation, with the largest PCU in Canada, C\$ 2,500.00; St. Joseph's Hospice in London-Middlesex, Ontario, C\$ 2,500.00; Beth Donovan Hospice, C\$ 3,205; Roger's House, C\$ 11,286;

Over the past two years, The Grand Priory has been working on developing a web-based version of the Home Caregiver Support Program in both official languages of English and French. The overall goal of the Home Caregiver Support Program (HCSP) is to provide information and assistance to non-professional caregivers who are providing care for family members or friends suffering from chronic or terminal illnesses within the confines of their own home. Caregivers can include other family members, partners, parents, children, and close friends. The program is funded in part by The Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem. Content development and presentation is the responsibility of St John Ambulance (SJA). There are two options for caregivers to take the course, either attend in person or take the online course with an optional follow-up session. The web based program, is now complete and will be available in May, 2017 and to date 58 hours have been contributed to the project.

A donation of C\$ 400 and 6 hours service made it possible for two palliative care nurses from Thunder Bay to travel to a national professional conference.



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Funds were raised through a “Stay at Home” Gala and individual donations by members of the Toronto Commandery. Funds totalling C\$ 15,000 were donated to support the ongoing work of the Centre of Excellence project which is designed to unify all training and creating provincial guidelines for volunteer workers in hospices throughout Ontario.

A donation of C\$ 2,000 for operational activities was made to Emily’s House – Philip Aziz Centre, a Toronto hospice for young children

A donation of C\$ 2,000 was made to assist in the production and printing of cycling shirts worn by participants in the 5km, 10km & 50km ride through Muskoka. Known as Andy’s Rise, funds raised were to support the Andy Potts Memorial Foundation which is establishing a community hospice in Muskoka.



## HPCO June Callwood Awards

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The Toronto Commandery sponsors the June Callwood Awards through a donation of C\$ 2,000 annually. These awards support palliative care volunteers throughout Ontario and recipients are selected by Hospice Palliative Care Ontario. The awards are presented annually by a member of the Toronto Commandery Council at the HPCO annual conference in April.





## Polo for Palliative Care



The Toronto Commandery Hospice Foundation organized The Black & White Polo for Palliative Care in Kettleby, Ontario, a fundraising event for the Foundation's ongoing project to create a St Lazarus Hospice in Toronto. This event raised a total of C\$ 50,000 for the work of the Foundation.

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A donation of £15,000 was made to EMMS International for the provision and support of medical electives.

DebRa, the Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Research Association, received a donation of £1,000 from the Aragon Commandery.

The Aragon Commandery donated £200 to the Royal Hospital Chelsea, a home for retired British soldiers.

A donation of £886 was made by the Edward the Confessor Commandery to Combat Stress, a veterans' mental health charity.

The Cumbria Commandery donated £1,600 to the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital.

A donation of £300 was made by the Cumbria Commandery to St John's Hospice, Lancaster.

A donation of £1,000 was made to St Ann's Hospice, Manchester by the John of Gaunt Commandery.

The Manchester Spine Clinic received a donation of £1,000 from the John of Gaunt Commandery.



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The Mersey Commandery donated £500 to the Marie Curie Hospice, Liverpool which provides palliative care for the terminally ill.

A donation of £150 was made by the Mersey Commandery to Home Start Knowsley for the support of parents with young children at home.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society received a donation of £150 from the Mersey Commandery.

A donation of £150 was made to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Society by the Mersey Commandery for the provision of music therapy in psychiatric units.

The Welsh Commandery donated £500 to the Sisters of Nazareth Centre, Cardiff, for the care of the elderly.

The Sussex Commandery made a total donation of £2,000 to St Wilfrid's Hospice, Chichester, St Catherine's Hospice, Crawley, St Barnabas House (Hospice), Worthing, St Michael's Hospice, Eastbourne, Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice, Arundel, Martlets Hospice, Hove, St Peter & St James Hospice, Lewes and Earl Mountbatten Hospice, Isle of Wight.

### **Grand Priory of Finland**

The Grand Priory provides support for the elderly living at home and for war veterans in conjunction with the Church of Finland. In 2016 a total of Euro 5,000 was committed to this project.

### **Grand Priory of France**

The Grand Priory donated substantial amounts of medical equipment in support of the work of the Ad-Lucem Foundation in the Camerouns.



### **Grand Bailiwick of Germany**

In 2016, the Commandery of Bavaria transported donations of medical equipment by lorry to Romania. These donations, which totalled 10 tons of cargo, included hospital beds and other hospital equipment. The transport was sponsored and organised by Eiberweise GmbH & Co. KG., the Mercedes-Benz branch office in Deggendorf. A total of 100 hours service was donated to this project.

### **Grand Priory of Hungary**

The Commandery of Győr organized their annual charity show in the Psychiatric Institute at Győr-Moson-Sopron with Euro 70 being donated to cover the cost.

### **Grand Priory of Italy**

Volunteer activities totalling 2,340 hours service were provided by 52 members for medical aid to hospital doctors. An additional 360 hours of volunteer service were made by ten members of the Grand Priory for hospice/palliative care.

### **The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands**

The Mental Health Unit at Gozo General Hospital houses a number of residents that, for various reasons, cannot be discharged into the community. Easter and Christmas gifts valued at Euro 150 were donated by the Grand Priory.

### **Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands**

Members of the Grand Bailiwick donated Euro 2,287 and contributed 80 hours services for Foundation Ambulance Wishes to provide last wishes for terminally ill patients in the Netherlands.

Residents at the Klein Gulpen care centre were entertained by choral singers and provided with a buffet by members of the Grand Priory. This was supported through the donation of 40 hours services and Euro 1,175.

### **Grand Priory of New Zealand**

The Canterbury Commandery has donated NZD 5,000 to the NZ Brain Research Institute for medical research for a third year in a row. This sum re-qualifies the Order as a major sponsor of the Institute.

The Order continues its sponsorship of University of Otago Order of St Lazarus Dermatology Prize, valued at NZD 300. This is awarded annually by the Medical School at the University of Otago.



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The Order maintains a Corporate Sponsorship of the Wellington Medical Research Foundation valued at NZD 300 per year.

NZD 2,000 was donated by the Grand Priory to assist the work of the National Chaplaincy Service in hospitals.

Hospital sponge bags were prepared by members and donated on behalf of the Order to those admitted to hospital with an estimated value of NZD 2,500.

### **Grand Priory of Poland**

Twenty-five members of the Grand Priory spent 50 hours on fundraising activities in support of the Fields of Hope charity in aid of the Kracow Hospice. The equivalent value of this activity was estimated at 10,000 Polish Zlotys. Some members who volunteered are members of the Kracow Hospice Council.

### **Grand Priory of Romania**

Romania has the highest incidence of tuberculosis amongst all the European Union countries. The Grand Priory of Romania has identified tuberculosis as an important national problem and is focused upon a specific program to diagnose and treat tuberculosis in homeless people. To date applications for programme funding have been unsuccessful. The search for funding continues and the Grand Priory is in discussion with religious groups and health providers, as well as sister jurisdictions of the Order. Recently a medical team was financed by the EU Commission to screen for tuberculosis amongst convicts and gypsy communities.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Scotland**

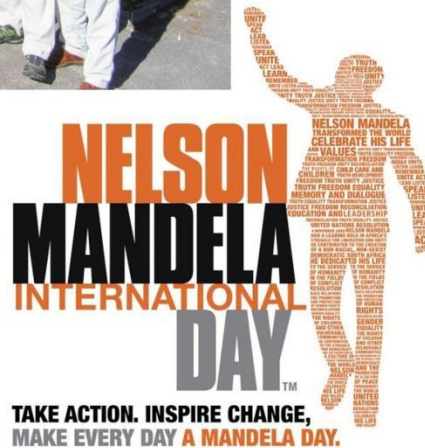
The Murambinda Hospital in Zimbabwe has recently lost much of its state funding but is the primary source of health care for a poor rural area of the country. In support of this, the order gifted £1,140 to assist with operating expenses. Half of the donation was raised by the Hospitaller in support of his first (and what he describes as probably his only!) Great North Run – this is the largest half-marathon in the world and is run annually from Newcastle to South Shields in the north-east of England. The Hospitaller was one of over 50,000 runners, and creditably managed to beat 8,000 participants. The balance of the funds was raised from Bailiwick reserves.

£300 was raised from a very successful coffee morning held in Edinburgh and was contributed to the general funds of the Inverclyde Carers Centre which provides a dedicated support service for Carers.



## Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

Mandela Day is a day where many South Africans traditionally undertake charitable work to commemorate the life of former State President and Nobel Laureate, Nelson Mandela. In 2016, members of the Western Cape Commandery brought equipment from home and spent much of the day scrubbing, cleaning and polishing the hospital's Robinson Ward and the general laundry's floors, windows and walls. The team also provided a meal for hospital staff. This resulted in a donation of 40 hours work and R 1,750 in materials.



To support the St Michael and All Angels Community Outreach Programme, members of the Western Cape Commandery conducted a WhatsApp-based crowd funding exercise, raising more than double the original goal and provided the makings of a surprise and very welcome Christmas meal. Food donated to the Old Age Persons Shelter Christmas Meal was valued at R 2,900 and members contributed 2 hours of work.



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### Grand Priory of Spain

Dr. Juan Ruiz de Burgos Moreno, the Grand Hospitaller, has continued to work with terminally ill cancer patients on behalf of our Order, providing both assistance and hospice care.

A grant of Euro 450 was made to the Don Miguel Castillejo Foundation in Córdoba for women with Alzheimer's disease.

As a result of the Grand Priory of Spain's Christmas raffle, Euro 5,918 was raised for the purchase of geriatric beds and armchairs for Spanish nursing homes.



## Care of Children and Families

### Grand Priory of America

The Trinity Christian Community, Trinity after School Kids (TASK) project is a Christian Community Center project set in the Hollygrove neighborhood of New Orleans, which has many working-class families, who need a safe and caring environment for their children after school while parents are at work. This is a wonderful, safe, cheerful and open space near several Hollygrove elementary and middle schools. A donation of USD 1,000 enabled the TASK program to hire a karate instructor for the 40 children who come to the center every day.



St. Mary's Home, Mobile, Alabama is a faith-based residential treatment facility for abused, abandoned and neglected children focusing on critical areas of growth – physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual. It is sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Mobile and the Archbishop, the Most Reverend Thomas Rodi, is also a St Lazarus and GCS member. Our donation of USD 2,000 enabled the home to replace laptops for their Trailblazer Academy, which is a program to assist high-school age residents in achieving success at school.



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A donation of USD 3,600 was made to the Zion Children's Home in the Bahamas. The Zion Children's Home is an important 16-bed residential facility on the island.



### **Grand Priory of Australia**

CAPS, an organization involved in the prevention of youth suicide, was supported by a donation of AUD 2,000 from the Commandery of Queensland.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

Euro 4,000 was donated by the Grand Commandery to provide scholarships to orphans through the Association pour le Development des Oeuvres d'Entraie.

A donation of Euro 1,000 was made to assist a single mother of two children who had lost her employment. The donation was utilized for the purchase of household items.

A book exchange was held by the Grand Commandery that provided Euro 400 support for an 11 year old child whose father had been out of work for 2 years.



### **Grand Priory in Canada**

Created in 1999, The Lighthouse, Children and Families is a charitable organization that contributes to the wellbeing of children whose lives are threatened by illnesses that require complex treatment, and provides respite and support to their families. This year C\$3,000 was donated by the Grand Priory.

### **The Grand Priory of England and Wales**

The Avalon Commandery made a grant to Ugandan student, Nansasi Jovia Kanyika, of £2,000 for university fees and living expenses.

The Avalon Commandery donated £200 to Shelter Box for the provision of emergency shelter and tools for families deprived of their homes by disaster.

A donation of £300 was made by the Avalon Commandery to Chernobyl Children's Lifeline to assist children suffering from the after-effects of the Chernobyl disaster and the economic situation in Belarus.

The Mission of Rural Egypt received £1,000 from the London and Westminster Commandery to aid needy Coptic Christian families

### **Grand Priory of Finland**

The Order in Finland has as its principal activity the provision of Christmas gifts to small children from less fortunate families. The Grand Priory coordinates a "Christmas Coin" program which is conducted through all branches of the Order in the country. With generous support from local companies and shops, a total of Euro 35,000 in goods and cash was collected and donated as Christmas gifts to the needy.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Germany**

The MiniMax project was launched 6 years ago to present packets containing sweets, fruit, books, toys and hygiene items to children in women's shelters or children's hospices, primarily at Easter and Christmas time. In 2016, event-related gift bags were received by 180 children. Euro 700 was collected in support of this project. This project was expanded this year to provide psychotherapy services to these children.

The Commandery of Berlin raised Euro 4,000 through a booth at the Rixdorf Christmas market. The funds were used to support a school project in Riyak.

A venison meal organised during the advent season raised Euro 1,000 and this was donated to a local kindergarten in Moravia.





The Commandery of Hesse-Nassau, collaborated with the Hospitaller of the Czech jurisdiction of St Lazarus, to distribute used computers to schools for handicapped children. Donations of clothing and other goods were made to the Protestant church in Nejdek and the Catholic church in Ostrov nad Ohří (Schlackenwerth). These activities were supported by 75 hours of volunteer work and donations of Euro 4,300.



### Grand Priory of Greece

The Children's Hospital of PIKPA cares for children who require 24-hour support. The Grand Priory contributed food supplies valued at Euro 200 to the hospital during 2016.

### Grand Priory of Hungary

Thanks to the work of the head of the Youth Section of the Order in Hungary, Confrere Ottó Mészáros CLJ, numerous books were donated to the Order. The books were distributed amongst less resourced schools within the region.



The Vác's Commandery of the Order donated Christmas presents to more than 40 needy children at the Juhasz Gyula elementary school in Vác on December 21st. The total value of the donation was Euro 320.



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The Order gifted computers and other electronic goods valued at Euro 760 to disabled children at Éltés Mátyás Primary School of Miskolc.

The Order donated a large quantity of office furniture suitable for furnishing several classrooms. This was delivered to the Juhász Gyula Primary School of Vác in March. The donation amounted to the value of Euro 780.

Members of the Commandery Saint Nicolas of Vác participated in the prize giving ceremony at the Karolina Catholic Primary School, providing prizes valued at Euro 1,130 to 10 successful students.



In December, a charity concert was held at the church of Győr for Advent. At this event Euro 320 was raised for the mother of four children whose husband was involved in a fatal road accident.

### **Grand Priory of Ireland**

Operation Smile Ireland is a unique and successful medical mission model that is the foundation for providing safe surgeries for children around the world and for the building of a long-term sustainable solution. The Grand Priory mobilises medical professionals across Ireland to join international teams who treat children with cleft lips, cleft palates, and other facial deformities, and leave a legacy of trained medical staff, surgical equipment and professional partnerships to help carry on the work after the mission team has left. This year Euro 8,205.11 was donated to the project.

### **Grand Priory of Italy**

Various donations totalling Euro 2,150 were made to the Association of the Sons of Suffering Jesus to assist children in need.

### **Priory of Liechtenstein**

During 2016, the Priory continued its participation in a Helpline for children and young people in conjunction with Lazarus Gemeinschaft. The Helpline acts as a focal point for facilitating questions and problem-solving for children and young people in Liechtenstein.



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Telephones are manned 24 hours a day and 7 days a week and the call is toll free. All calls are treated in a confidential manner and both the caller, as well as the Helpline member, remain anonymous. The Helpline is a means of assessing problems with issues such as addiction, friendships, school, sexuality and violence. In many cases the Helpline member can easily handle the problem in an ad hoc manner. If this is not the case, then the caller is referred to the specially appointed qualified personnel in Liechtenstein.

The Priory of the Order in Liechtenstein contributes to this project through the services of three members of the Priory on the Board of Management and through direct oversight of activities. There were eleven problem solvers who handled 119 Helpline calls in 2016. A total of 175 volunteer hours have been donated to this project.

### **The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands**

Dar Frate Jakoba is a religious charity bringing together religious and lay people working together to offer a home for youngsters coming from difficult social backgrounds. The community is based on environmental sustainability - growing their own food, restoring the ecosystem and generating energy. The community promotes self-help and co-operation in a peaceful setting and teaches the youngsters life skills and other skills to enable them to return to an independent life. Euro 640 as well as two television sets and two DVD players valued at Euro 600 were donated by the Grand Priory.

Euro 913 and baby items valued at Euro 200 were donated by the Grand Priory to Dar Giuzeppa Debono. This is a religious organisation which caters for and provides help for single mothers and fathers, promoting the value of life from conception and the importance of healthy relationships in our lives. The organisation provides residence, support and professional help to single parents and their respective families and helps them liaise with other agencies that can provide social support.

The Grand Priory donated clothes and a playpen valued at Euro 300 to the Ursuline Sisters of St Angela Merici. The Sisters operate crèches that look after children who cannot live with their families for various reasons.

A family known to be in need were given Euro 200 by the Grand Priory to help tide them over a difficult period.

### **Priory of Macedonia (FYROM)**

The Priory organized a fundraising event to benefit 11 Oktomvri, the emergency children's village and home for orphaned children. Donations were received from Kiro Dandaro, Toz Penkala and Eurofarm, producers of pencils, notebooks and drawing materials, as well as a distributor of medicines and other children-related products. The total donation amounted to Euro 2,200 and involved 72 hours of organizational activities.





### **Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands**

Through the Live Your Dream Foundation, the Grand Bailiwick donated Euro 2,600 for a sports event for sick children in Norway.

### **Grand Priory of New Zealand**

The Manager at the Women's Prison in Christchurch was approached in 2015 and asked if the inmates would be willing to knit for the premature babies at the Neo-natal Unit. This has continued in 2016 with the estimated value of the donation being NZD 2,000.

### **Priory of Norway**

Members of the Priory of St Olav, Norway delivered 2,660 children's books to 36 kindergartens in the Northeast area of Oslo. The project aims to provide 2,695 children with a better understanding of Norwegian children's culture and language.

A team of up to 10 members was occupied throughout the year evaluating, sorting, storing and distributing books. The value of the donated books was Euro 33,250 while the storage and transport expenses, as well as contributed time, constituted a further equivalent donation of Euro 4,234.



### **Grand Bailiwick of Scotland**

A donation of £800 was made to All Ears Cambodia. This contribution was directed towards the establishment of primary care services for deaf children in Cambodia.

£585 was contributed to The Fishermen's Mission Aberdeen. These funds were raised by the Order in Aberdeen and were contributed to the general running of the Mission. The Mission provides emergency support alongside practical, financial, spiritual and emotional care to help all fishermen, active or retired, and their families in and around Aberdeen.

The Order has made a grant of £500 to each of the local groups of SANDS (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death charity) around Scotland to assist activities which support families who have suffered losses. This year's donation completes this process.

A grant of £200 was made to assist in the major renovation of Carronvale House in Larbert, a listed property which is the Boys' Brigade Scottish Headquarters. The object of the Boys' Brigade resonates with that of our Order being "the advancement of Christ's kingdom among boys and the promotion of habits of obedience, reverence, discipline, self-respect and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness." These funds were made available through social functions organized by the Dalriada Commandery.

### **Grand Priory of Slovakia**

The Grand Priory provides patronage and support for the St Lazarus House at Kosice. This is a half-way house for children treated at the local hospital. During 2016, 15,000 Euros were donated to this project.



February 2016 saw the consecration of St Lazarus House by H.E. Bishop Milan Chatur



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Twice each year, during both summer and winter, camps are organized for the children from the Children's House "NADEJ" (HOPE) from Bernolakovo. This year a total of Euro 10,000 was donated by Chevalier Jozef Mico, KLJ, in the name of the Order.



In April 2016, a youth concert was organised by Dame Angelika de Rossi, DCLJ, in City Hall at Bratislava and Euro 600 was donated by the Grand Priory.





### **Grand Bailiwick of South Africa**

The Western Cape Commandery has continued to support two children's homes. One is the Christine Revell Children's Home, a facility which cares for around 50 children of all races, up to five years old. Many of the children are severely challenged by fetal-alcohol syndrome and others deal with an inner knowledge of abandonment and abuse. Members of the Commandery traditionally visit, as well as sponsor boxes of food, nappies and various administrative and other essential healthcare items in an ongoing programme.



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The second home the Commandery sponsors is the Sarah Fox Children's Hospital, which provides palliative care for terminally ill children under the age of five years. In partnership with a national retail pharmaceutical company, the Commandery divided R 30,000 between the Sarah Fox Children's Hospital and the Christine Revell Children's Home. Additionally, the Commandery negotiated considerable discounts and arranged substitution of identical generics for previously used far more costly branded medication, thus gaining a 64% increased benefit in value. Soft toys donated by friends of the Order were also donated to the two homes. The total donation of the Commandery amounted to R 49,200 in addition to R 10,900 for the toys and a total of 26 hours voluntary work.



The Sarah Fox Children's Hospital is situated in an area plagued by lawlessness, unemployment and vagrancy. A member holding a senior post in the Cape Town City Council instigated initiatives that resulted in: refurbishment and replacement of all street lighting between the hospital and the nearest railway station, permitting safer passage for staff to and from work after dark, re-assessment of billing on electricity supply that now saves the institution over R 18,000 per month against previous costs, and the clearing of a neighbouring property of derelict buildings inhabited by vagrants.





The Western Cape Commandery conducted a 'second time round' clothing stall and a hamburger stall. All items were donated by members of the Commandery, friends, neighbours and family. The project expended 27 hours of labour and R 5,900 was raised for the Christine Revell Children's Home



The Grand Bailiff herself suggested to her son's friends' parents to donate clothes, toys and books instead of buying him presents for his birthday in June. More than R 5,000 worth of gifts were given to all the children at the Christine Revell Children's Home.



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In addition to donations and services supporting the day to day activities of the Christine Revell Children's Home, the Western Commandery funded the replacement of a vagrant-damaged perimeter wall as an emergency measure through a donation of R 2,500 to pay for materials and 2 hours labour. To further facilitate security for the staff and residents of the Home, the Commandery contributed 3 hours labour in overseeing the construction of a substantial, electrified fence across the front of the property. This was matched by R 43,100 given by the Grand Priory of Finland. The fence has almost completely nullified the possibility of the previous break-ins and loss of hard fought-for administration and child care equipment and possible damage to the premises and staff vehicles, and has significantly deterred any outside threat to the safety of the children.



The Western Cape Commandery has an ongoing arrangement with a knitting group (Nutty Knitters) who provided seven large bin bags of various knitted and crocheted items, including baby comforters, beanies, mittens, and winter scarves. These were distributed to child beneficiaries and adults in need at the Montague Cottage Hospital. Eight hours were spent on this project and the value of the items was assessed at R 9,000.



The Western Cape Commandery also has a specific knitting project where they provide wool to a church women's group who produced a large quantity of baby clothing, comforters, blankets and winter scarves. These were donated to a facility caring for very



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young indigenous first-time mothers from seriously deprived communities. The knitted items were valued at R 35,000 and the Commandery donated an additional 11 hours to the project.

Two members of the Western Cape Commandery worked with parents at Ecole Francaise du Cap Primary School to stage a Benefit Evening. A movie was shown and a large quantity of clothing was donated by the children and their families which was taken to Christine Revell Children's Home. The value of the clothing gifted to the Home was R 42,500 and the members donated 26 hours of their time.

Two members of the Western Cape Commandery travelled to the UK. They joined the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage and conducted a successful Internet-based social networking exercise to raise awareness of the innocents interminably caught up in the endless cycle of gang violence in the notorious squalor of the Cape Flats. They donated branded message tea bags valued at R 400 during the pilgrimage.



The Mother's Room at the Sarah Fox Children's Hospital is used for short stays by mothers of the infants in critical care and was in desperate need of painting, as well as storage facilities, curtains, linen and air conditioning. The Western Cape Commandery undertook the refurbishment, donating R 58,720 and 12 hours of work, resulting in a comfortable and user-friendly facility.

The Milk Room is the heart of the Hospital's feeding programme and where the majority of the infant feed mixing is done in the mornings. The Room failed a department of health inspection early in the year and was condemned. Members of the Western Cape Commandery worked with partners and completely overhauled the then non-functional freezers and completely gutted the room to brick and concrete. The room was re-painted, tiled, re-plumbed, and custom-made cabinets, cupboards, work surfaces, a security door, new light fittings, air conditioner and blinds were installed. The contract was completed in early 2017, but by the end December 2016 R 73,540 and 84 hours work had been donated.



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The Commandery has 'taken ownership' of the room through decoration in Order of St Lazarus colours.



**Handover of the Mothers Room to very happy caregivers.**



**Before.....**



**During.....**



**The Milk Room before and after**



### **Grand Priory of Sweden**

Fountain House is an organisation supporting people with mental illness who are being rehabilitated into society. 110,000 SEK and 40 hours service was donated by the Grand Priory. The funds were given to support a children's summer camp in the archipelago and a winter camp for approximately 50 children and their parents.

In a joint project between the Grand Priory and the Scandic Hotel chain, Christmas gifts were collected from the public and given to children, who otherwise would receive no gifts at Christmas. A total of 6,800 gifts were collected this year, having a total value of 1,020,000 SEK. Additional donations towards the project were 15,000 SEK transport costs and 650 hours of voluntary service.

The Grand Priory raised 4,500 SEK from sponsoring companies to finance the purchase of teddy bears to be given to children in pre-hospital care (predominantly involving the ambulance service). An estimated 20 hours service was expended on this project.

The Grand Priory raised 4,500 SEK selling high quality candles with the St Lazarus green cross logo to raise funds for child welfare projects. This involved a donation of 40 hours labour.

80,000 SEK and 20 hours voluntary activity was donated to the single mothers' project to support divorced and single mothers with children whose lives are in precarious circumstances.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Switzerland**

Representatives from the Grand Bailiwick were sponsored participants of the 10<sup>th</sup> Swiss City Marathon in Lucerne. This was held in Lucerne on 30 October, 2016 and is the biggest sports event in Switzerland.



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This year there were over 10,000 participants and more than 60,000 spectators.

For the 2016 race, the Order was represented by the Grand Bailiff of the Swiss Jurisdiction, Chevalier Don Luca Anteo Ramella and his son Alessio, in support of the jurisdictional charity, the Children's Fund "Theodora Foundation".



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The Theodora Foundation provides support for hospitalized children and during the year 113 doctors visited over 235,000 children in 106 hospitals in Switzerland, England, Spain, France, Italy, White Russia, Turkey and China. A total of Euro 1,000 was donated by the Grand Bailiwick to the charity.



### **Hereditary Commandery of Wallendorf**

The Hereditary Commandery has made a 500 Euro donation to benefit the youth activities of the Choir MGV 1862 Mommenheim. The Choir has consistently supported the Commandery since its establishment in 2008.

### **Priory of Zimbabwe**

The Order continues to work through private senior schools, where students are required to contribute 100 hours of community service to a community before they can graduate from the school. Sadly, they have not been able to get the students into any of the Orphanages to do actual hands-on activity, but they do assist with the collection of books for the book sales and collection of second hand clothing for the Old Age Homes and Orphanages.

In 2016 the Order has played a role in assisting the Dzikwa Trust Orphanage. Over 40 “A” level literature students were able to attend the Shakespeare play in their curriculum, as the Order organized a special performance to be held for them. Four hundred children also attended The Reps Christmas Pantomime through the sponsorship of the Order. Each child was given a fruit juice drink and packet of sweets. Additionally, one of the members played the lead role in the pantomime and therefore was able to organize the attendance of the children at a dress rehearsal. USD 624 and 24 hours of work were contributed to these activities.



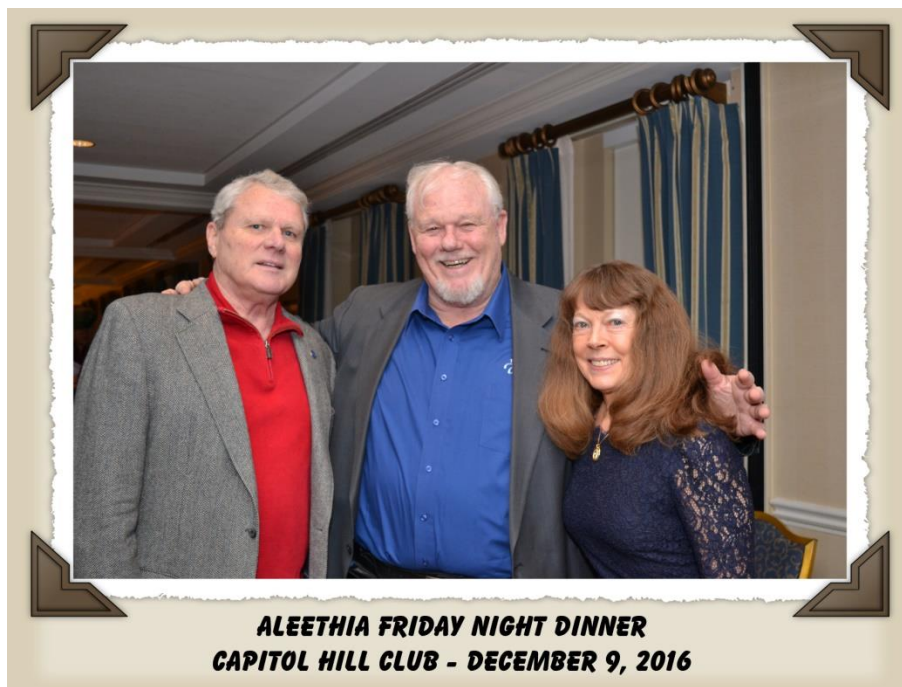
## Support for the Handicapped

### Grand Priory of America

A grant of USD 2,000 was made to the PTSD Foundation of America. This grant supports Camp Hope, which provides interim housing to our wounded warriors, veterans and their families suffering from combat related PTSD. The facility opened in 2012 and is in a quiet and safe setting in Houston, Texas whereby veterans and their immediate family members can find healing, help and hope while benefiting from an intensive peer support and mentoring programs for post-traumatic stress.

The Southeast New Mexico Veterans Transportation Network provides free transportation for veterans in Southeast New Mexico and West Texas for doctors' appointments, medical treatment and other affairs utilizing all volunteers. In the first 6 months of 2015, they transported 594 veterans nearly 85,000 miles to help them get to their medical appointments. In 2016 the Grand Priory donated USD 2,000 to support these activities.

The Atlantic Commandery has, since 2007, supported the work of the Aleethia Foundation. The Foundation was established in 2003 by an Army Vietnam veteran to assist veterans and specifically to provide short-term therapeutic recreation, small financial grants, family emergency aid, assistive technology items and home improvements to help with an injured service member's mobility and other basic needs. Doctors have determined that it is beneficial for wounded/injured/ill service members to leave the hospital environment occasionally, and a further focus of the Foundation is to help them get out for meals, movies, sightseeing and visits to interesting sites in the area. In 2016 a donation of USD 4,000 was made to assist the work of the Foundation.



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The Grand Priory provided a donation of USD 3,000 to the Krewe of the Peg Leg Pirates. The Pirates is an organization in Tampa Florida which supports the needs of amputees and veterans by raising funds annually. Activities of the Pirates include the provision of hand cycles and tricycles that are custom made, home renovation and scholarships.

### **Grand Priory of Australia**

For 25 years the Australian Capital Territories Commandery has supported L'Arche homes for the intellectually disabled in a variety of ways – attending monthly 'desert' morning prayer groups and monthly evening prayer groups, organising yearly BBQ and cricket matches. Throughout this period an annual fundraising dinner has been held. Following the 2016 dinner, AUD 24,325 was donated towards buying air conditioning equipment, blinds and white goods for L'Arche's newest residential home. Recently it was discovered by chance that a local club was willing to direct 10% of any member's food and drink expenditure to a charity nominated by the club member. L'Arche will receive additional funds from this initiative.

### **Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic**

A further large project undertaken by the Grand Bailiwick is the reconstruction of the Prointepo Center in Hradec Králové valued at 3,000,000 Czk. This organisation provides complete care to handicapped persons aged from 2 to 26 years.

The Commandery at Plzeň donated funds to the St Lazarus Hospice in Plzeň. They also organised the collection of textiles, glasses, books, magazines, board games and non-perishable food for the Diecézní charity Plzeň. The total value of the donated goods amounted to 242,000 Czk.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Scotland**

A contribution of £500 was made to the general funds of Arthritis Research UK. This organization promotes further understanding of arthritis and its management by investing in breakthrough treatments. It also provides cutting edge information and support for those affected by this group of conditions. The donation, rounded up by Council, was raised by the specific efforts of Dame Ros Newton and the Dalriada Commandery.

### **Priory of Zimbabwe**

Zimbabwe Aged Concern (Zane) is an international trust set up in England to help elderly people in distress in Zimbabwe. Any clothing that is not suitable for works of the Order is donated to this charity shop and sold to raise funds for them. The Order has donated a substantial amount of saleable items to Zane during the year to the value of USD 2,865, with a further contribution of 17 hours services.



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Members of the Priory of Zimbabwe continue to support the mentally handicapped and visit the elderly. Approximately 140 hours a year is given over to these activities.



## **International Activities**

### **Grand Priory of America**

The Jerusalem Infant Welfare Center has been a long term beneficiary of the Grand Priory. Established in 1950, and subject to a major renovation in 2009, the Center is located in the heart of the Christian Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem. Its mission is to support babies, children, women, needy people and severe social cases in the Old City. The Center has a nursery and examination rooms, kitchen, laboratory, dental clinic and office space. Their goal is to create opportunities for women to work and/or continue their studies, which will result in a greatly improved economic situation for the families. In support of this the Grand Priory donated USD 2,000.

The AMAR International Charitable Foundation provides humanitarian assistance to women and children of all faiths displaced by the crisis in Iraqi/ Kurdistan. A donation of USD 15,000 was made by the Grand Priory in 2016.

The Grand Priory provided a grant of USD 15,000 to the Iraqi Christian Relief Fund. The Fund provides medical and humanitarian assistance to displaced Christians in Iraq, Lebanon and Jordan.

The Grand Priory has been a long-time supporter of the Infant Welfare Center in Jerusalem, which serves the needs of Christian and non-Christian children in the Holy Land. This year the Grand Priory contributed USD 45,000 and to date has contributed over USD 700,000 to this project.

### **Grand Priory of Australia**

The Queensland Commandery provided AUD 3,000 towards PNG drought relief in Papua, New Guinea.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Austria**

Members of the Grand Bailiwick made a donation of Euro 10 for each member for the work of the Saint Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.

The Grand Bailiwick has continued its Patronage of the Médecins Sans Frontières organization, and has co-operated with the organisation Christian Solidarity International – Austria to oppose the persecution of Christians, especially in the Middle East.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

The Grand Commandery made a donation of Euro 1,000 towards the activities and upkeep of a safe-house in Brazzaville, the Congo.



## Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic

The Order donated three electric generators valued at 3,000,000 Czk to the Hospital Al Saher in the city of Chabab in Darája Province, Syria. The generators were installed, constructed and carried on by the Melkite Greek Catholic Archdiocese of Damascus. This was a joint project between the Order and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Czech Republic with the 300,000 Czk raised by the Order augmented by the Ministry to bring the total sum donated to 3,000,000 Czk.



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Members of the Commandery of St Anežka carried out several charitable projects during the year. In particular they contributed logistic support for the Syrian project, as well as undertaking promotional activities for the Order. Their total contribution was 36,459 Czk and 300 hours of services.

### The Grand Priory of England and Wales

The John of Gaunt Commandery donated £1,000 to the St Louis French Hospital, Jerusalem.

The Kyaninga Child Development Centre, Uganda which provides specialised and affordable treatment, education and support for children with disabilities received a donation of £500 from the John of Gaunt Commandery. This grant will allow the Centre to explore the support of individuals with skin conditions.

### Grand Priory of Hungary

During November, medical mission volunteers of the African-Hungarian Union (AHU) of the Order visited an orphanage's school in Malawi. During their tour of duty, doctors examined 150 people in a single day. Most of the adults were found to suffer from musculo-skeletal disorders, although occasional cases of malaria were seen. Two people diagnosed at the clinic required hospitalization.



### Grand Priory of Ireland

Food for Life Vrindavan is a humanitarian aid organization officially recognized by the Indian government. For the last fifteen years, the Grand Priory has worked in the poorest villages in the Vrindavan area (120 km south of New Delhi). As part of this project the Grand Priory supports education through the Sandipani Muni Schools, providing education for 1,500 needy children from kindergarten to the end of inter-school. The school children are girls only, with boys allowed in kindergarten. Girls were selected because in the local culture, at home boys are favoured and girls get less food, less medical care, less schooling possibilities and fewer opportunities in general.

The program also supports training courses for adult women, distribution of food, serving 66,000 meals a month, care of sick, injured and abandoned cows, basic medical assistance



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to about 1,000 people per month, as well as assistance to the elderly and the disabled. As part of the project, tree planting is undertaken to support the local environment. The Grand Priory's contribution to the project was Euro 8,205.11.

Nyumbani Village Kenya serves 4,000 HIV/AIDS survivors every year and is recognized as a world leader in providing HIV/AIDS services to children and affected families in Kenya. Currently there are over a million children orphaned and older adults unable to support themselves in an unforgiving landscape of disease and poverty. The village delivers comprehensive medical and home-based HIV/AIDS services in crucial areas of need, specifically diagnostic services and critical medical care, holistic family and community building, education and preventive care, environmental sustainability and self-reliance. The goals of Nyumbani are to reduce HIV/AIDS transmission rates and improve the quality of life for thousands of affected children and communities, and in support of this the Grand Priory donated Euro 8,205.11 in 2016.

### **Priory of Liechtenstein**

Donations of x-ray equipment, hospital beds and small medical devices (crutches, wheelchairs, etc.) from hospitals in the regions of Werdenberg, Altstätten and Walenstadt in eastern Switzerland were made to the Lazarus Charity Organization in Liechtenstein, who then arranged to have these transported from Liechtenstein to Albania, Bosnia, Hungary, Kosovo and Serbia.

The hospital beds and small medical devices were furnished by hospitals located in the principalities of Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Austria. An exact value cannot be calculated; however, the medical equipment is estimated to be worth several tens of thousands of Swiss francs.

The Lazarus Charity Organization in Liechtenstein is active in establishing a vocational Training Center, known as the Lazarus College of Craft (LCOC) in Trivandrum, in the Indian state of Kerala, South India on the Malabar coast.

After a lead time of two years (2014-2015), significant progress was made in 2016 on the planned training center. In 2013, Archbishop Maria Callist Soosa Pakiam of Trivandrum, India personally approached a member of the Order in Liechtenstein, Dr Don Guido Hangartner, asking him to help improve vocational training. In India, vocational training lags far behind the international standard. Since 2014, Dr Hangartner has been constantly on site to coordinate the vocational training center project.

On April 13, 2016, a 'Lease Deed' was completed for the building site on the campus of the Marian College of Engineering in Trivandrum. On September 26, 2016, the building permit was officially submitted, and it is anticipated the permit will be obtained during 2017. Finally, on March 13, 2017 the 'legal opinion' of a building attorney in Kerala confirmed the correctness of all necessary documents.



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After the building permit is obtained, construction will begin on the Lazarus College of Craft. Initially, there will be a focus on vocational training for the following occupations: bricklayers, carpenters, plumbing installers, electricians and metalworkers.

### **The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands**

A donation of six carpets valued at Euro 300 was made by the Grand Priory to the Hal Far Refugee Camp. This is a temporary residence for asylum seekers that cross over to Malta from North Africa

A donation of Euro 100 was made to the Ohloq Tbissima TV marathon Mission Appeal which raised money for a number of Missionary Societies such as the St Joseph Home for Children and MSSP Missionary Work.

An international appeal for humanitarian aid for a crisis in The Gambia in 2016 led to the Grand Priory collecting a number of goods which were forwarded to those in need. The Grand Priory contributed clothes valued at Euro 300 during 2016.

In April 2016 Pope Francis launched an appeal to help the vulnerable in Ukraine following the period of conflict that had arisen in the region. The Grand Priory donated Euro 3,000 to the Pontifical Charity Office – Cor Unum.

Salesians of Don Bosco Community is a religious Order that works with youths across the world. A donation of Euro 2,000 by the Grand Priory was made to assist the work of the fund.

Euro 2,000 was donated to the Order of St. Joseph of the Apparition, a religious order involved in missionary work. The money went towards the drilling of a water borehole at their mission in Gublak, Ethiopia.

The Arnaud Guesry Foundation provides a residential centre for abandoned children. A donation of Euro 2,000 was made to support La Maison d'Arnaud in the Diana region of Northern Madagascar.

The Grand Priory donated Euro 2,000 and medical equipment valued at Euro 872.98 to the Medical Missionaries of Mary. This is an international congregation of religious women trained in a variety of health-related professions that provide health services to people of different cultures where human needs are great. The donation went to support their missionary work in Tanzania.

Fr Giovanni Cefai is one of the lead missionaries who undertakes religious missionary work in Peru. The missionary work consists of evangelisation, a public kitchen for poor families to ensure adequate nutrition, a day centre for children who are left alone while their parents go out to work, a health centre that provides free care in a country where health care is billed and help in the construction of appropriate lodgings. Euro 2,000 was donated by the Grand Priory to Fr Cefai's work



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Euro 5,000 was donated to Sr Anna Catania who is a member of the Sisters of St Dorothy who have a Mission in the Philippines.

Euro 5,000 was donated to Sr Maria Consaga, a nun working in a mission in Nigeria.

### **Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands**

The Grand Bailiwick donated Euro 2,000 to the Hospital San Juan de Dios in the Philippines.

The Grand Bailiwick supported the activities of Foundation ETAG in Rwanda and specifically assisted in the training of youths to become mechanics through the donation of Euro 3,120.

The activities of a homeless children's centre were supported through a donation of Euro 3,400 and 100 hours services to Elkana Childcare in South Africa.

### **Hereditary Commandery of Rurich**

The Commandery has provided support for the extension of St Anne's School in Rayak, on the Lebanon-Syrian border. Currently, about 300 students receive lessons at the school which is under the responsibility of our Patriarch, His Beatitude Gregorios III and the Melkite Greek Catholic Church. Currently the buildings are dilapidated and the entire site requires substantial development. For this project, the school building and annexes will be repaired and in the short term this will accommodate 300 students.



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The total cost of the project is estimated at USD 125,000. In 2016, USD 16,000 was provided by the members and supporters of the Hereditary Commandery and a total of USD 45,000 was made available to the school. In addition, supervision on the building site was provided, valued at USD 5,300. On the adjacent lot, an education and training centre is to be built which will support people from the region who have become homeless as a result of war.

### **Hereditary Commandery of Sighartstein**

A total of Euro 9,801.32 was donated by the Commandery to various projects in Africa. In particular, a new community center in Godenu was financed. This was necessary as the previous structure had collapsed some years ago in a storm. In addition to this, the building of suitable sanitary facilities for the school and the community were initiated. A further Euro 1,500 was spent in providing books and school equipment.



### **Grand Priory of Sweden**

The Grand Priory provided support to Taras Schevchenko University in Kiev to establish a library of books relating to Nordic languages for students. A total of 40 hours teaching time was provided and 25,000 SEK with 7,000 SEK transport costs were donated.



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The Grand Priory provided funds to initiate the start-up and provide continuous support for the founding of a branch of the Order in the Ukraine. Materials were also provided and translation of documents was undertaken. An information evening was organized on 16 November 2016 to facilitate networking with potential candidates. In all, 120 hours of voluntary activity, 35,000 SEK and 12,000 SEK transport costs were donated.

The Grand Priory arranged for 400 mini teddy bears and other toys to be delivered to a number of orphanages in the eastern Ukraine via the State Emergency Services of the Ukraine Mobile Rescue Centre. A total of 40 hours labour was expended on this project while goods to the value of 40,000 SEK and transport costs amounting to 6,000 SEK were contributed.

During the year the healthcare provider for the Region Västra Götaland in Sweden directed, through Sahlgrenska International, support for the Human Bridge Organization, which in turn supported various organisations in Ukraine. The Grand Priory provided surplus health care material for mobile clinics conducted by the Christian Medical Association (CMA). A total of 40 hours labour was expended on this project.

Funds amounting to 6,500 SEK were donated to Helping Hands. This is an organisation that has as its focus the support of people in need in Eastern Europe.



## **Emergency Care**

### **Grand Priory in Canada**

A donation of C\$ 22,000 to the St. John Ambulance was made for the development of the Home Care Giver Support Program.

### **Grand Priory of Finland**

The Order in Finland contributed Euro 8,000 to enable the St Lazarus Ambulance to continue its work in helping those who are affected by illegal drug usage in the city of Turku.

### **Grand Priory of Italy**

Seven members of the Grand Priory assisted with Red Cross transport utilizing an ambulance with dialysis equipment. In total 1,520 hours service were contributed.

A total of 1,935 hours of voluntary service were contributed by ten members of the Grand Priory to the Friends and Volunteers Rescue Service. This is involved in national civil protection and emergency relief efforts.

Volunteer service of 551 hours were contributed to the helicopter rescue service of the Lombardy region.

### **Grand Priory of Poland**

The St Lazaire first aid medical service provided educational events to students in schools. 100 volunteers contributed 15 hours each with an estimated value of 5,000 Polish Zlotys.

The Lazarus Fire Brigade provides fire-fighting services to the residents of Krakow. Ten volunteers provided 100 hours service in this role with an estimated value of 20,000 Polish Zlotys.

### **Grand Priory of Sweden**

The Grand Priory provided support to the Mobile Rescue Centre at the State Emergency Services of Ukraine. This had the effect of increasing the capacity and capability of the service, as well as creating a mobile satellite hub that can operate in the vicinity of the main field hospital for civilians. Medical equipment (oxygen treatment, surgical and orthopaedic equipment, portable advanced first aid backpacks, etc.) and two inflatable mobile tents (20 beds) with portable electricity generator to a total value of 324,000 SEK were donated. In addition, transport costs of 25,000 SEK were covered, and 80 hours of voluntary service were contributed by the members.



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The Grand Priory donated two sets of the simulation and joint-exercise systems for mass casualty situations to the State Emergency Services of Ukraine (Kiev and Kharkiv). This donation was made to support an EU DG ECHO project aimed at improving co-ordination and co-operation between state agencies during a disaster situation. The value of the donation was 435,096 SEK, plus an additional 50,000 SEK transport costs and 80 hours of service.



## Food Campaigns and Support for the Poor, Homeless and Vulnerable

### Grand Priory of America

Open Arms is an independent, community-based charitable organization whose mission is to better understand and serve the health and wellness needs of the uninsured, low income and underserved residents of Walworth County, WI, with compassion and understanding. A grant of USD 4,500 was made for the purchase of a dental cavitron to increase dental care access to this underserved population.

St Joseph's Abbey is a seminary and abbey in New Orleans that provides several outreach programs for the poor, including the "Pennies for Bread" food program. Recent storms destroyed the Abbey's kitchens and USD 4,750 was donated to replace equipment essential to the maintenance of the Abbey's food outreach programs.

The Grand Priory made a grant of USD 6,000 to the St Patrick Center. This is a St Louis based organization that supports homeless and marginalized veterans following flooding in the area.

Freedom Place, sponsored by Arrow Child & Family Ministries is a Christ-centered care and recovery center for underage female victims of domestic child sex trafficking. It is the first long-term, comprehensive care facility in Texas for underage victims of domestic child sex trafficking and is one of only five such facilities in the United States. The girls spend approximately 1 year in a comprehensive recovery program and a donation of USD 2,000 was made by the Grand Priory.

The Edgar County Homeless Shelter is a large homeless shelter outside of Chicago to which the Grand Priory has provided funds for several years. This year USD 3,800 was donated for the construction of a new back porch and patio.



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A grant of USD 2,000 was made to the Logan County Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund. This scholarship program enables single parents who have a high school diploma or GED, to enrol in college courses in order to gain marketable skills and work towards a better standard of living for the family. The USD 2,000 grant was matched by a foundation in Arkansas and this provided funds for a young woman to attend college.

A donation of USD 1,000 was made to Our Daily Bread of Tangipahoa food bank. This food bank distributes to needy persons in Tangipahoa Parish, a rural county northwest of New Orleans. In total they support 26 local food pantries throughout the Parish and distribute hot meals to residents twice per week.

The Buckhead Christian Ministry works in the local community to prevent homelessness and assist struggling families. A grant of USD 5,000, as well as clothing items were donated to the Buckhead Christian Ministry Thrift Store.

The Ascencia Homeless Shelter is a shelter for families who have lost their home or apartment, although members of the household still retain employment. The families can reside in the shelter for months and are supported, housed and fed until they are able to make a down payment for new accommodation. The shelter houses 40 people, many of whom are children who would otherwise be living on the street. A donation of USD 500 was made in support of the work of the shelter.

A donation of USD 1,000 to the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana enabled them to provide a tetanus vaccine for relief workers at Baton Rouge/Denham Springs. These workers assisted in all types of relief efforts, focusing initially on removing debris and “gutting” flooded houses so the rebuilding process could begin.

A donation of USD 1,000 was made to the Oasis Battered Women’s Shelter, Lake Charles, Louisiana (LA) for the purchase of personal toiletries.

Members of the Grand Priory donated USD 1,000 and made periodic visits to residents of the Veteran’s Home in Jennings, LA.



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For the third year USD 1,500 was donated to Cornerstone Builders to sponsor a “Christmas Bus” to take families to visit loved ones who were incarcerated in Louisiana correctional facilities.

A grant of USD 1,000 was donated by the Grand Priory to the Bread or Stones Campaign. This is a new Ecumenical Church-based campaign to promote maternal and child health, school readiness and dropout prevention, by coordinating with churches throughout Louisiana to discern local needs. These funds help fund “Listening Posts” throughout the state to determine those needs and to assist parishes in identifying and undertaking programs as appropriate.

In November 2015, north east monsoon rain had caused floods in the Rising Star Campus and flooded almost every part of the land. Rising Star reached out to the Order for help and a donation of USD 1,000 was made in support of their work.

The Veteran’s Treatment Court of the Calcasieu Parish, LA organized a candlelight service honoring organ donors, their families and organ recipients. The venue was the Chapel at the hospital in Lake Charles, LA and USD 1,000 and 25 hours service was donated in support of this project.





### **Grand Priory of Australia**

Trinity Pantry, the Anglican fund for the needy received a donation of AUD 3,000 from the Commandery of Queensland.

For a second year the South Australian Commandery donated AUD 10,000 to the Adelaide Day Centre which supports homeless persons in the city through housing assistance.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

Euro 200 was donated by the Grand Commandery to provide Christmas lunch for the homeless.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Germany**

During 2016 the Commandery of Bavaria received 21 bags of surplus clothing for men and women from the Multiple Sclerosis Bazaar. This clothing was passed on to the Caritas Clothing Service and “Benedikt Labre” charity for homeless persons.

The Commandery of the Rhineland continued its support for underprivileged men in the monastery of Langwarden by donating 20 hours of volunteer work.



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In 2016, the Commandery of Württemberg transported 91 boxes of bedclothes, towels, jackets and trousers, shoes, blankets and curtains to various recipients in Alsace, and the collection point for Lithuania and Moldavia Aid in the Angelbachtal/Rhine-Neckar district. The value of this donation amounted to Euro 4,000, and the time invested by volunteers was 45 working hours.

A large donation of linen was received from a hotel in the Black Forest that had closed. The linen was valued at Euro 3,500 and was donated to the Salvation Army in Stuttgart.

### **Grand Priory of Greece**

Food supplies valued at Euro 100 were donated for Father Ioannis, Vicar of the Orthodox Church of St George at the Acropolis Museum, to distribute to families in need.

### **Grand Priory of Hungary**

In January, the members of the Commandery of Győr undertook fundraising activities in Fertőszéplak. The program of the Don and the Holy Mass was celebrated in the name of the Order. The funds collected in the community and at the holy mass conducted by Father Miklós Kecol were donated to the Department of Psychiatry of the Hospital of Kapuvár, where homeless people are treated. The total donated was Euro 1,000 while costs of Euro 80 were absorbed by the Order.

The Carnival of the Poor, organised by the Order, was undertaken in February in support of the residents of the Care Centre for Homeless People of the Hungarian Red Cross and needy members of the community of Miskolc. In all 250 meals were served to those present with the total contribution of the Order amounting to Euro 1,260.



The Grand Priory also co-ordinated transport, at the same time, of donated materials, including dresses, suits for men and women, warm blankets and shoes, children's dresses, toys, kitchen utensils and school equipment. The donated goods were distributed to families in need, as well as the elderly and the homeless people in Nyíregyháza. In total 135 bags and boxes were distributed with a value (including transport costs) of Euro 3,370.





At Székelyudvarhely, a town in Harghita county, Romania, known as the Student City owing to its high population of students, clothes, tables, chairs, cribs, beddings, televisions and kitchen equipment were donated to those in need by the Order. Additionally, firewood was donated at the request of the families in need. The total value of donated goods was Euro 4,320.



In November, goods to the value of Euro 670 and consisting of children's and adult clothes, cots and high chairs, a TV stand and an adult bed, towels and bed linen, were donated to assist needy families living in Subcarpathia II, Székelyudvarhely.

### **Grand Priory of Italy**

Food donations to the value of Euro 4,950 were made to various institutions. Additionally, clothing donations totalling Euro 2,610 were also made. Donations totalling Euro 530 were made to an Italian volunteer medical group.

Volunteer activities totalling 615 hours were undertaken by five members of the Grand Priory at the Casa Home for the Homeless in Lodi.

### **Grand Priory of New Zealand**

The Order of St Lazarus Charitable Trust continues to have as its national focus Victim Support New Zealand. This organization is partly funded by the New Zealand Police and the



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Department of Justice; however, they rely on charitable donations to meet the shortfall. Work is undertaken by volunteers and there are few paid staff. The Order has agreed to fund the costs of a Training Coordinator for the Christchurch Region. Since the earthquake in 2011 there has been an increase in crime in the Region and this, coupled with the loss of volunteers owing to a major population shift, has meant that victim support has been under-resourced. The Training Coordinator will be responsible for recruitment of volunteers and their subsequent training and oversight. The sponsorship is for three years initially and is NZD 10,000 per year. This has been well received and last year's presentation to Victim Support was featured on television.



We have received a compliance report from Victim Support and they have noted that funding contributed to staff training and volunteer expenses. The Order paid a third instalment to the Order last month and the details of this will be included in next year's report. Such is the success of the venture, the St Lazarus Charitable Trust has agreed to extend the project for a fourth year.

### Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

A project undertaken by the Western Cape Commandery supports employment for women from an underprivileged background via a non-profit, church-based community development project and funding for our various Hospitaller initiatives. Tartan Teddies are sold by members and Friends of the Order, providing a steady small income stream. Materials were donated by a member of the Commandery and another coordinated the project. This project grew substantially in momentum in 2016. A local high school



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celebrated 175 years by allowing offcuts of its commemorative tartan to be used, and this permitted production of nearly 100 teddies. The total value of the project was R 67,920 and 28 hours of labour were donated.



### Grand Priory of Spain

As part of the Grand Priory of Spain's Christmas campaign, a donation of children's clothing and food (Euro 1,568) was made to El Hogar de los Desamparados religious centre in Madrid. The centre provides schooling and shelter for 42 children from Monday to Friday. Most of the children are Sub-Saharan Africans aged between 2 and 14.

A donation of baby clothes, milk and toys (Euro 4,848) was made to the Red Madre Foundation for pregnant women and mothers with young children.

The Grand Priory of Spain also donated clothing for men and women (Euro 91,540) to Cáritas Spain for distribution. This is a confederation of social and charitable action organizations of the Roman Catholic Church in Spain.

Donations of food, puzzles for cognitive therapy and other items were made to Cottolengo del Padre Alegre in Algete (Euro 2,850) and Opearios del Reino de Cristo (Seminaristas Olías del Rey), Toledo (Euro 356).



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Contributions of food and other items totalling Euro 347 were made to the Hermanas De la Cruz religious organization in Spain.

Additional donations made by the Grand Priory of Spain included Euro 5,000 to Cáritas Marbella, Euro 1,000 to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Ronda and Euro 500 to the Carmelites of Ayala in Madrid.



## **Community Service**

### **Grand Priory of Australia**

A sum of AUD 3,000 was donated to each of Country Hope, the Company of the Good Shepherd, the Sisters of Charity (Mother Teresa Nuns), and the Bush Children's Education Foundation by the Commandery of New South Wales.

The Mission to Seafarers received a donation of USD 2,000 from the Queensland Commandery.

The Victoria Commandery donated AUD 45,000, plus in-kind contributions to a number of community based charities. In particular, support was provided to the Lazarus Centre (St Peter's Eastern Hill & St Marks), the Spafford Centre (Jerusalem), the Wellington Community Centre (Collingwood) and to Street Swags initiative.

### **Priory of Belgium**

The Reverend Marc Schippers provides practical and spiritual support for seafarers through a donation of 480 hours of his time per year.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

Following flooding in Côte Azur on 3 October 2015, the Grand Commandery donated Euro 1,000 for flood relief.

### **Grand Priory in Canada**

Following the wildfires that devastated so much of Fort MacMurray in the summer of 2016, an appeal was made for funds for the Wood Buffalo Food Bank. A total of C\$ 1,000 was donated.

A donation of C\$ 500 was made in support of the crucial work that the St John the Compassionate Mission does to feed and shelter the homeless in Toronto.

### **Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic**

The Commandery at Praha organised a benefit concert of Renaissance music in the Evangelical Church V Jirchářích. The funds collected, together with three personal computers, were donated to Strasbourg Hospice. In addition, books collected by the Order were given to the Special Care Home in Terezín, while unused spectacles were collected for Diocese Charita dio Praha. Goods and funds donated amounted to 160,250 Czk, while 95 hours of voluntary work was undertaken.



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The Commandery České Budějovice organised three concerts for the community necessitating 50 hours of voluntary work and the expenditure of 43,000 Czk.

The Commandery at Prostějov contributed 216,550 Czk and 2,750 hours to the repair of the local St Lazarus Chapel.

Members of the St Zdislava Commandery undertook repairs of Žamberk Church, as well as the repair of church organs in Borohrádek and Šatov, the equipment of the Prointepo Center in Hradec Králové and the Chapel in Zebín. Funds were donated to assist the elderly in homes in Radhošť and Žíreč, and bandages were prepared for the Leprosy Centre. Funds donated or obtained by sponsorship amounted to Czk 6,805,000 and voluntary work amounted to 420 hours.

The Commandery at Brno undertook 160 hours of activity to organize the Austerlitz Day of Reconciliation that honours victims of the Battle of Austerlitz. Donations of 14,500 were collected and given to the Red Cross for work in Syria.

In addition to other activities, members of the Order contributed to the repair of the roof of St Zikmund Church in Stráž pod Ralskem, the donation of funds to Kabunga Hospital in Rwanda, as well as transport services to members of LORM – the deaf and blind organization – for visits to various events in Praha and Lidice. These activities were supported by donations of 295,540 Czk and 340 hours service.

### **The Grand Priory of England and Wales**

The Edward the Confessor Commandery donated £100 to St Andrew's Church, Biggleswade.

The Cumbria Commandery donated £200 to Beetham Parish Church.

A donation of £50 was made by the Welsh Commandery to Brecon Cathedral.

### **Grand Priory of Finland**

The Grand Priory of Finland has continued its activities to provide Euro 3,000 support for *Dani*, the narcotic detecting dog at Helsinki Airport. To date *Dani* has thwarted more than 1,000 attempts to traffic narcotics by passengers.





In 2016 *Dani* has taken charge of educating his follower *Pepi*, a black Labrador pup. *Pepi* is being trained by the senior *Dani* for *Pepi*'s future work as the customs narcotics dog at Helsinki Airport. *Pepi* is enjoying his last free summer before taking office in spring 2017.

### **Grand Priory of Greece**

A donation of Euro 300 was made by the Grand Priory of Greece towards the work of Father Alberto, Vicar of the Church of St John the Baptist in Athens.

### **Grand Priory of Hungary**

The Grand Priory donated goods to the community of Karancslapujtő. Consisting of furniture, refrigerators, cookers, books and dresses; the goods had a total value of Euro 2,420.

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The Order donated furniture, shower enclosures, TV sets and towelling valued at Euro 1,550 to the Charity Service Centre of the Xth District of the Town of Budapest on the 17th May of 2016. The Charity Service manages a wood-processing plant and trees are shredded and given to families in need of heating. A further donation valued at Euro 1,770 was made later in the year.



The Commandery of Győr organized a Spring Feast and concert, designated the Linden Tree Festival, for the residents of the House of Help of Győr. This was valued at Euro 320.





### **The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands**

The Carmelite Community is a religious Order that carries out community work for the local communities. A donation of Euro 364 was given by the Grand Priory to aid local pastoral work

Qormi Scouts Group is a regional Scouts organisation that gathers youths from all walks of life. The organisation not only teaches them traditional scouting but also gives informal education in life skills in a fun way. Euro 492 and library books valued at Euro 100 were donated by the Grand Priory.

### **Grand Priory of New Zealand**

Members provided memorial crosses for returned services day commemorations this year valued at NZD 700.

### **Grand Priory of Slovakia**

Support totalling Euro 2,515 was given by the Grand Priory to the Christian High School, Greek Catholic Church and Roman Catholic Church in Slovakia through the generosity of member Confrère Michal Lejko, OLJ.

### **Grand Priory of Spain**

The Grand Priory collaborated with the Cáritas Diocesana of Valencia to acquire 35 mattresses for various Valencian apartments (Euro 2,627). They also completed the renovation and refurbishment of electrical equipment for the Benejacan housing in Valencia (Euro 1,284).



## **Miscellaneous**

### **Grand Priory of America**

The Grand Priory provides a grant of USD 5,000 annually for the care and preservation of the St Lazarus Shrine at the Old Ursuline Convent in New Orleans.

The Grand Priory sponsors the Keynote speaker each year at the National Workshop for Christian Unity ecumenical gathering in the United States through a donation of USD 5,000.

The Grand Priory donated USD 5,000 to the Grand Prior's Discretionary Fund. This Fund allows the Grand Prior, at his discretion, to expediently allocate financial resources that may be needed for emergent humanitarian relief.

In celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of long-time member Corinne "Lindy" Boggs, USD 700 was donated for the purchase of a "prie-dieu" (Prayer Bench) for St Mary's Church, New Roads, Louisiana.

A grant in aid of USD 1,000 was made in support for the Louisiana Interchurch Conference, which was held September 26-27<sup>th</sup>, 2016. This is the primary ecumenical Christian organization in Louisiana, and is open to all Christian Churches in the state.

### **Grand Priory of Australia**

Uniting Communities East Adelaide received USD 5,000 from the Commandery of South Australia to fund a part time coordinator for its English as a Second Language program for migrants.

The Western Australian Commandery has continued to support, by way of a small donation, the work of the Benedictine Community of New Norcia.

### **Grand Commandery of Boigny**

The Grand Commandery contributed construction costs of Euro 1,000 to the Foundation of the Little Monastery of the Lamb in Lyon, France. The Grand Commandery also contributed Euro 2,000 to church construction work in Argentina.

A donation of Euro 1,000 was made to Oeuvres Orient.

The Grand Commandery donated Euro 3,000 to the Patriarch Gregorios III. In addition, Euro 3,000 were donated to the work of Bishop Xavier Rambaud, Episcopal Vicar and Head of the Interdiocesan Service for Priests and Foreign Students in the Congo, while a further Euro 1,300 was donated towards the upkeep of the sanctuary of Notre Dame in the Laghet Valley of Syria.



### **Grand Priory in Canada**

The Grand Priory donated to the following charitable causes: For the work of Cardinal Leger (C\$ 12,000); Effect Hope C\$ 18,900; McGill/Faculty of Religious Studies C\$ 2,500; Algonquin College C\$ 4,000; Prairie Centre for Ecumenism C\$ 7,000; Renison College C\$3,000; Sentier de Foi C\$500; Fondations du CEGEP de la Pocatiere C\$ 7,000; St John the Compassionate Mission C\$ 500; Fondation l'Aube Nouvelle, C\$ 2,000; Societe Canadienne du cancer, C\$ 500; Myriam Providence INC, C\$ 1,500; EGEP Ste. Foy, C\$ 1,000; Paroisse St Redempteur, C\$ 1,000; Tous pour un Kill, C\$ 1,500; Truro Colchester East Hants, C\$ 500; Atlantic School of Theology, C\$ 500; Ottawa Mission, C\$ 21,435

The Thunder Bay Council of Clergy promotes ecumenism and serves to enhance communications between clergy of various Christian denominations. The donation of C\$ 560 and 44 hours service contribution was used to deliver information about palliative care, so that clergy may better serve the sick in their faith communities.

### **Grand Commandery of the Castello**

The Grand Commandery donated Euro 250 to the Anglican Cathedral in Malta and Euro 100 to the Anglican Chaplaincy in Malta.

### **Grand Bailiwick of Germany**

A collection at a religious service in Bavaria raised Euro 110 which was transferred to the Al Saher Hospital project of our spiritual protector, His Beatitude Patriarch Gregorius III Laham.

### **Grand Priory of Greece**

The Grand Priory donated Euro 265 towards general hospitaller activities.

### **Grand Priory of Hungary**

On the International Day of the Sick, Prof. Dr Péter Schmidt OLJ, president of the Circle of the Friends of Győr Island, conducted an appropriate lecture funded by the Commandery at a cost of Euro 150.

### **Grand Priory of Italy**

A donation of Euro 350 was made to the Convent of the Capuchin Friars of Cremona.



### **Priory of Liechtenstein**

During 2016, the Lazarus Charity Organization in Liechtenstein spent 256 hours of volunteer time given by 14 volunteers. These hours were devoted to the following projects: blood donations (15 hours spent giving blood), supply of books and periodicals to prisons and mentally disabled people (10 hours), website maintenance (1 hour), collection of clothes and toys for distribution to the Miradita Region of Northern Albania (13 hours), Project Nikolaus - the provision of assistance to traumatized children during the holiday season (45 hours), collection and despatch of medical supplies, clothes, toys and household supplies to Romania (60 hours), administrative activities seeking aid for the Balkan project Humanitas and coordination from private NGOs, the UN military, the Red Cross and clinics in the Balkan region (112 hours).

### **Grand Priory of Poland**

Voluntary service was undertaken by St Lazaire medical practitioners associated with the St Lazaire Ambulance at the Walking Pilgrimage to Czestochowa. Five doctors spent 50 hours undertaking this work with an estimated value of 10,000 Polish Zlotys.

### **Hereditary Commandery of Sighartstein**

The Commandery donated Euro 500 to the Greek Metropolis of Vienna to assist with projects for the needy.

### **Grand Priory of Sweden**

Members of the Grand Priory contributed 40 hours work organizing social events with a Swedish food theme, such as a crayfish party in August, in order to raise 5,000 SEK for charitable activities.

### **Priory of Zimbabwe**

The Order was invited to be involved in a Swimming T30 to raise funds for its activities. This is a joint training session where swimmers combine to train and on payment of a fee of \$ 5 each may obtain access to their times against other swimmers. This is a developing popular pastime in Zimbabwe. This activity raised \$ 110 with a further contribution of 30 hours.



## **Humanitarian Grand Priory Europe and Lazarus Hilfswerk**

The Humanitarian Grand Priory Europe and Lazarus Hilfswerk (GPEU/LHW) was founded in 1971 and its activities have now been incorporated into the German Healthcare system. Over recent years the GPEU/LHW has been involved in the management of homes for the elderly and those requiring nursing care, as well as an ambulance service for the handicapped. In addition, GPEU/LHW facilitates group activities for children with educational problems.

Throughout 2016 considerable development and growth was experienced by the Lazarus Hilfswerk and its subsidiary companies in Germany with the operating budget standing at Euro 9,318,941.12.

During the year there have been major information technology developments within the organization. A new Internet site for the Lazarus Group was created in 2016, and it is maintained by our own staff.

During the year a new software program was introduced which permitted many of the work steps involved in the care of the elderly to be automated with the amalgamation of many time-consuming work-steps. Through the program customer data are recorded and this facilitates the automatic generation of a care-maintenance contract. In parallel, the master data forms the basis of computer-supported maintenance documentation which acts as a record of performance, and from this an invoice can be generated at the end of each month. This new software program promotes optimal planning for the outpatient care services and further promotes efficiency amongst the nursing staff.

All Lazarus employees have been trained in the use of the new software program within their specific sphere of work and it is pleasing to note that, after initial skepticism, there is now widespread enthusiasm for this important development. The introduction and implementation of the new software was accompanied by an increased workload for the staff, as existing data had to be loaded onto the system, but the end result has been a much more efficient operation. In particular, the new program has resulted in the nursing staff having more time to dedicate to patient care. Importantly, this increased efficiency has not led to a reduction in staff numbers but rather an increase in services that are now available, and it is anticipated that this will ultimately lead to further profitability. While the new software program is initially being implemented within the inpatient and outpatient care sector, it is also intended in the long term that it be utilized by the Lazarus youth facilities.

Activities in the field of outpatient care have developed well over the year. In November 2015, a facility to cater for eight patients with dementia was opened in Hürth, initially with four residents. Now the facility is fully occupied and is running smoothly. Other outpatient nursing facilities under the control of Lazarus Hilfswerk have progressed well and are now able to attract new customers.



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It is pleasing to note that the Lazarus house in Kempen St Hubert is finally up and running. The establishment of the house was delayed for some time owing to the objections of community interest groups. The construction of the house was finally completed in June 2016; however, the project was delayed through loss of funding for nursing support. The house, which has 36 inpatient care beds and a 14-place day care facility, accepted its first residents in December. Further projects for the elderly are planned for the St Hubert district, and it is noteworthy that in St Hubert the Lazarus-Haus Kempen has already received dedicated support from local authorities and several local associations.



View of the inner courtyard and the community terrace of two house communities in the LAZARUS house Am Beyertzhof in Kempen, St Hubert.

Lazarus Hilfswerk remains active in the field of youth welfare. An additional youth group has been established in Kerpen following the renovation of a building in Kerpen-Blatzheim. In this group, 10 children aged between one and three years are cared for, while up to 60 children can be catered for in the nursery school.

Lazarus Hilfswerk has also been involved in the development of a nursery school in the City of Pulheim. The City Council chose Lazarus as the nursery school provider; however, the restoration and conversion of an old elementary school to serve as a daycare center was delayed. The nursery school is now on track to commence regular operations in February 2017. In the long term, six groups of 120 children will be cared for in Lazarus nursery schools, which will cater to a total of 300 children.



## **Report of the work of Lazarus GPEU Association of Warmia and Masuria Poland for the year 2016**

### *St Lazarus Association Elbig*

The Association received a grant of Zloty 846,239.45 from the City of Elbig to provide nursing services and in 2016, 361 children and 228 elderly people were taken into care. The 85 nurses employed by the Association worked a total of 70,134 hours, averaging 5,844.5 hours per month.

Since 2000 the Association has provided equipment for rental. This includes orthopaedic beds, wheelchairs, walking aids and anti-bedsore mattresses. In 2016, the Association entered into 171 leasing contracts, including 62 contracts for orthopaedic beds with funding totalling Zloty 42,391.

The Association has also established a vocational education centre to combat unemployment, especially amongst women. On 27 August 2003, the Association received its certificate of registration as an education provider and on 17 February 2006 was enrolled on the Register of Training Institutions of the State Labour Office. In 2016 two courses were completed. The first of these was *Care for the Elderly*. This course catered to 22 students and was undertaken in-house. At the completion of the course 13 graduates found employment with the Association. The second course was for the training of *Assistants to work with Prisoners* and was completed by 10 students.

In December 2002, a contract was signed with the National Health Fund to provide in-home care for the elderly. During 2016, 10 patients were cared for by two nurses and the contract has been extended until July 2017.

The Association also provides transportation services and operates four vehicles. Transport is made available to patients in care or for those with disabilities. In addition to this, the Association has worked with Olimpia Sportverein to provide medical transport at football matches.

From January 2014, the Association has been involved in a project to promote independence for people with disabilities. As part of the project, free support is provided by a psychologist, social worker and/or speech therapist to people with disabilities from Warmia, Masuria and Pomerania. The project *Back to Independence II* is co-funded by PFRON and during the year 178 people were assisted, with 155 coming from Warmia and Masuria and 23 from Pomerania. Psychological support was provided for 56 individuals, with psychologists undertaking 211.25 hours of work. Social workers provided assistance planning to 178 individuals working a total of 403.75 hours, while speech therapy was also provided for 178 individuals.

In 2008 a self-help centre was established to cater for up to 60 people with mental illness. Group courses involved an art studio, tailor shop, hair salon, computer room, culinary space, economic-technical space, adventure studio, ceramic room and rehabilitation room.



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According to the identified needs, therapy is provided in small groups or individually. Beyond professional assistance, each participant and their family are supported by a social worker. In 2014, the expansion of the house was successfully completed with the installation of an elevator.

### *St Lazarus Bischofsburg*

This Association is active in the field of outpatient hospice services and palliative care and, in 2016, assistance was provided for 51 patients receiving outpatient palliative care and for 101 hospice inpatients. 716 days of childcare were provided for those who were receiving palliation, while 9,395 days of childcare were provided for those who had hospice outpatient appointments. For inpatients the average duration of care was 41 days. In total, the number of contracted care days was 9,455 for hospice services and 750 for palliative care services. The cost of each care day beyond the services contracted by the National Health Fund was Zloty 40.

### *St Lazarus Association Gross Kleeberg*

The activities of the Association encompass Pudra, Barczewo, Stawigura and the city of Allenstein, as well as Bischofsburg and its surroundings. The Association provides rehabilitation equipment and this year assisted 140 people. Of these, 76 were also provided with clothes, bed linen and shoes. At the headquarters of the Association, free legal counselling was available each week. A further service provided by the Association was a children's nursery which catered to pupils of grades 1 to 3 of the Gross Kleeberg Primary School.

The Association operates a senior citizens club which currently has 18 members. As part of their activities they sell Christmas decorations, Christmas wreaths, palm branches, grave wreaths, pastries and other culinary products. The proceeds are used as a contribution to the construction of a pavement in the cemetery at Grosse Kleeberg. In addition to these activities, members welcome guest speakers and undertake regular excursions.

### *St Lazarus Rastenburg*

This group works to assist the elderly, sick and lonely, by providing ambulatory care and rehabilitation equipment. In 2016, Lazarus in Rastenburg supervised the outpatient care of 9 individuals through contracts provided by the National Health Fund, with the work being undertaken by two nurses. Additional services undertaken during the year by the nurses were health screening and counselling for up to 200 members of the public.

In 2016, adult and children's clothing was received from Ordensburg (Szczytno) and was distributed in Rastenburg and the surrounding area.

### *St Lazarus Ortelsburg (Szczytno)*



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The Association cares for elderly, sick and disabled people with the support of the National Health Fund and generous donors. Activities undertaken during 2016 were: 3,296 visits to the hospital, treatment provided to the community by 6 nurses, provision of rental rehabilitation equipment to 155 patients and community counselling.

Donations received from Germany were also distributed to towns and villages in the district of Rastenburg (Szczytno) and to institutions dealing with the sick, the elderly and the handicapped.

In October 2016, 17 nurses who had been serving in the Lazarus stations for more than 17 years were recognized with the award of the St Lazarus Medal of Merit from the Grand Master.



## **The Grand Bailiwick of Germany in partnership with the German Dental Relief Organization (Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte)**

The Stiftung Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte (HDZ), which has close ties to the Grand Bailiwick of Germany, remitted Euro 10,000 to the Indian Leprosy Clinic of Dr Rousselot in Bhubaneswar. At a daily rate of Euro 5 per patient, it has been possible for approximately 150 surgical procedures to be undertaken, including costs associated with hospital inpatient services. A delegation of the Grand Bailiwick participated in the opening ceremonies of the refurbished St Louis Hospital in Jerusalem. The remodelled kitchen, donated by the Order of Saint Lazarus, is now up to date and meets the requirements for the preparation of meals for Jewish, Christian and Muslim patients. During this visit, a small plaque was mounted in the house to commemorate the location of the first leprosarium of our Order.



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Another project involving close cooperation between the HDZ and the Order of Saint Lazarus is support for refugee children in Rayak, Lebanon. This joint project involves the HDZ, the Hereditary Commandery of Rurich, the Grand Bailiwick of Germany and the Lazarus Foundation, as well as the Melkite Greek Catholic Church in the person of our Spiritual Protector, His Beatitude Gregorios III. During 2016 Euro 50,000 was sent from Germany with the projected total at the end of the project being Euro 115,000.

The staff and volunteers of Stiftung Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte (HDZ) remain active in raising funds through donations of cash and dental gold from affiliated dental offices and in 2016, Euro 666,719 was committed to 56 national and international projects. The overall time commitment associated with these projects amounted to 4,000 paid and about 2,500 unsalaried hours. Much of the voluntary work was undertaken by the President of the Foundation and Almoner of the Order, Dr Klaus Winter.

The following projects were undertaken in 2016:

	Euros
1. Leprosy Clinic Dr Rousselot, Bhubaneswar, India	10,000
2. X-ray device for dental station Minimolars e.V., Pnomh Penh, Cambodia	2,400
3. Dental station Ladakh, Leh	1,000
4. School project Battery bank, Haiti	5,200
5. School project Water backpack PAUL, Haiti	4,000
6. School project Photovoltaic system, Haiti	18,200
7. Social work in diocese Satu Mare, Romania	3,000
8. Training for kindergarten teachers, Mambegu, Tanzania	1,800
9. Repair measures on the HDZ Social Centre, Beltiug, Romania	8,000



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10. Examination fees for students of Mogra Star Academy, Nairobi, Kenya	3,000
11. Medical Health Centre, Bugko, Philippines	2,000
12. Essential medical care station and medical care in Idomeni, Greece	50,000
13. Dental station Burkina Faso (transport costs, etc. to the destination country)	1,530
14. Hospitality college, examination fees, Saigon, Vietnam	20,000
15. Hygiene kits and medicinal products for Syrian refugees	30,060
16. Social work, Cebu, Philippines	1,047
17. Education Assistance to Rural, Philippines	3,673
18. Leprosy aid, China	1,000
19. A Community-Based Livelihood Program, Cebu, Philippines	40,816
20. Facility for initial examination of refugee children in an emergency shelter, Münster	5,066
21. 70,000 toothbrushes for Eritrea-Hilfe e.V.	5,034
22. Kindergarten Don Bosco Caritas, Iași, Romania	6,000
23. Organic Agricultural Training Centre, Buda, Davao City, Philippines	21,000
24. Dental station refugee camp, Fallingbostal-Oerbke	20,206
25. Youth work Don Bosco, Munich	5,000
26. Prevention and rehab for lepers, China	20,857
27. Instruments for dental station, Burkina Faso	155
28. Tooth Mobile, Hanover	5,123
29. Construction of a meeting point at the Tuberculosis Centre, Fort Dauphin, Madagascar	3,300
30. Instruments + materials for dental station of health centre 16, Buenos Aires, Argentina	970
31. Dental instruments for Ass. Enfance Sourire, Casablanca, Morocco	1,301
32. New construction Domestic Economy School, Nsukka, Nigeria	20,698
33. X-ray device for Foundation Cristo Vive, Health Centre, Santiago, Chile	9,800
34. Training support for students of the hospitality college, Saigon, Vietnam	2,700
35. Rehab Centre Labangon Cebu City, Philippines	2,630
36. Medical equipment for the hospital ambulance Thika, Kenya	593
37. Renovation work at the Domus Klaus Winter, Carei, Romania	1,800
38. Dental station, equipment, transport costs, Burkina Faso	2,504
39. Medical devices for St Mulumba Hospital, Thika, Kenya	20,045
40. X-ray and electrolyte unit for health centre Bugko, Philippines	27,300
41. Training fees for students in Manila, Philippines	5,000
42. Help for cleft children in Bolivia 2016–17	15,000
43. BLP, leprosy project, Mumbai, India	18,000
44. Hospitality College – expansion in 2016, first piece	50,000
45. Orphanage complex “Dr Horst Sebastian”, Lamay, Peru	15,000
46. School for refugee children in Riyak, Lebanon, first piece	30,000
47. Emergency aid Haiti after Hurricane Matthew	20,000
48. Expansion of the infrastructure of the girls’ hostel in Kadambur / India	22,438
49. Emergency aid Haiti after Hurricane Matthew	20,000
50. Hospitality College – expansion in 2016, second piece	20,000
51. Oral Health Care Program II, Cebu, Philippines	10,000
52. Pedagogic support for prevention of marginalisation and radicalisation	5,000
53. 4 dental treatment units, health centre Santiago de Chile	21,900
54. Argentina – dental prophylaxis, HDZ Oral Healthcare Program	10,000
55. Ausbildung statt Abschiebung e.V. (AsA), Bonn, Germany	15,000
56. Dental instruments, Boudha Stupa Hospital, Kathmandu, Nepal	573

Full details of each of the activities are available at [www.stiftung-hdz.de](http://www.stiftung-hdz.de).





Item 1 Prosthetics manufacture



Item 13 Dental station Burkina Faso

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Item 19 Philippines



Item 20 Refugee children



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Item 50 Hospitality College

In addition to the above, a dental prophylaxis program for refugees in border transit camps in Friedland and Göttingen was continued in 2016. These programs are undertaken on a voluntary basis and involve approximately 35 hours work per week.

At the Abraham Festival, which is an interfaith event in Göttingen, Euro 500 was raised and a further Euro 1,000 was added thanks to a charity performance by the jazz combo Swinging Amateurs. The funds were used to assist the Grand Bailiwick in its support for the people of Syria. In total, 30 hours of volunteer work was undertaken to organize the event.



Göttingen Swinging Amateurs

