



Our Benefactors *Our Greatest Strength*

Our Missionaries *Our Greatest Motivation*



Our Mission Statement

The Mission Center furthers the missionary work of the Church and the Society of the Divine Word through its

- assistance to missionaries around the world
 - fundraising
 - mission education and animation
 - spiritual support to our benefactors

We offer our service and support with enthusiasm, compassion, integrity, responsibility, and a spirit of cooperation.

Mission Center, 2011

Our benefactors—our co-missionaries—make our missionary work possible. We are stewards of their gifts and use the gifts we receive as wisely as possible. Divine Word Missionaries subscribes to the Code of Ethics of the National Catholic Development Conference. We acknowledge every gift we receive and maintain accurate records of all funds.

Divine Word Missionaries Code of Ethics

All solicitations, advertising, and publications will be accurate and reflect the values and beliefs of Divine Word Missionaries. We will accurately record and acknowledge every gift received. We will strictly adhere to the intentions of the donors. All information about a donor will only be shared with those who have a right to know it. If a donor asks us to remove his/her name, we shall do it promptly. We aim to minimize overhead costs in order to use the maximum amount to further the missionary work of Divine Word Missionaries. We will follow prescribed accounting standards. We will adhere to a Catholic set of values in our financial investing. We will honor and respect all cultures in our advertising and publications. We will make a clear and accurate report to our Board of Directors. If a donor requests information about our fundraising, we will provide him/her with an accurate and appropriate response.

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An Account Of Our Stewardship

Divine Word Missionaries, Inc.
Mission Center, Techny, Illinois





Together you and Divine Word Missionaries can meet staggering challenges worldwide...



Divine Word Missionaries work in some of the poorest areas of the world. Thousands of Divine Word priests, Brothers, and seminarians serve in 719 parishes, 41 seminaries, 22 colleges, 4 universities and hundreds of elementary schools. Missionaries proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the sacraments. Your support also enables missionaries to build chapels, operate training schools, HIV clinics, leprosariums, and homes for street kids and orphans. We respond to the urgent and real needs of the poor and we rely on the support, generosity and prayers of our many friends. Please join us in meeting our challenges.

The mission areas listed below are supported by the Mission Center.

THE PHILIPPINES

Members	450
Seminaries	7
Colleges	10
Universities	1
Parishes	71

INDONESIA

Members	1227
Seminaries	6
Universities	1
Parishes	159

INDIA

Members	599
Seminaries	8
Parishes	91

AFRICA

(Ghana, Togo, Benin, Kenya, Angola, Botswana, Madagascar, Mozambique, Zambia, Zaire, Chad, South Africa, Liberia, Tanzania, Congo and Zimbabwe)

Members	502
Parishes	79

JAPAN & S. KOREA

Members	138
Seminaries	2
Universities	1
Colleges	1
Parishes	22

SOUTH AMERICA

(Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Uruguay, and Colombia)

Members	795
Seminaries	15
Colleges	9
Parishes	192

CENTRAL AMERICA

(Mexico, Nicaragua, Cuba, West Indies and Panama)

Members	124
Seminaries	1
Parishes	29

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Members	152
Seminaries	1
Parishes	47
Colleges	2
Universities	1

CHINA

(Taiwan, China, and Hong Kong)

Members	70
Universities	1
Parishes	21

RUSSIA

Members	34
Parishes	4

January - December 2010

MISSION INCOME

Holy Masses (stipends)	\$ 200,333
Chapels and Liturgical Items	462,707
Mission Contributions	342,202
Bequests	1,875,758
Parish Mission Appeals	130,165
Mission Mass Leagues	43,488
2003 Additions to Endowment	547,215
Scholarship Fund Interest	660,965
Other Endowment Interest	500,249
Other Investment Income	426,500
*Restricted Gifts	1,843,472

MISSION DISTRIBUTION

Holy Masses (stipends)	\$ 200,333
Mission Chapels	347,736
Liturgical Items	114,971
Missionary Medical Expenses	124,000
Special Projects	129,329
*Restricted Gifts	1,843,472
Funds Distributed by Rome	1,200,000

** Restricted Gifts: one hundred percent of the money goes directly to the person or place for which the funds are designated.*

MISSION MAGAZINE

Divine Word Missionaries Magazine is published four times a year. Through photos and stories, the magazine brings to life the ministries, struggles, and joys of Divine Word Missionaries around the world.

Mission Awareness	\$ 239,616
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MISSION FUND RAISING

Mail Appeals	\$ 517,455
Donor Development	415,326
Administration	486,654

Daily the Mission Center receive letters, e-mails, and phone calls from friends who need to share a special prayer request or explain a personal cross or burden. We take these requests very seriously. A great deal of thought and prayer go into individually answering each of them, often resulting in a personal call or letter from the Mission Director. Less confidential prayer requests may be posted in our office and chapel so that we can remember those in need in our prayers.

Mission Fund Raising Expenses: 28% of the total mission income.



OUR INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER...

Divine Word Missionaries supports the overseas ministries of the Society of the Divine Word. Our priests and Brothers work in 70 countries, number over 6,000 and are from many nations. The Superior General resides in Rome and is assisted by six members of his General Council in distributing all non-restricted funds as well as seminary scholarship funds which have been collected by the Mission Center at Techny, Illinois.

In addition to the areas supported by the Mission Center, Divine Word Missionaries are present in the United States, the 23 European nations and Australia.

