# **ANNUAL REPORT** 2022



Dear brothers and sisters, dear supporters of EBM INTERNATIONAL,

We are grateful to you from the bottom of our hearts for accompanying the mission work in prayer and through your regular donations. Your faithfulness made it possible for our partners in Latin America, Africa, India, and Turkey to bring justice, renewal, and hope in Christ to the people.

The challenging year of 2022 has also left its mark on the commitment from Germany: Fewer churches and fewer individuals supported us compared to the previous year. The fact that the amount of donations from Germany remained stable (3,407,472 euros in 2022 compared to 3,365,086 euros in 2021) is solely thanks to legacies and special donations. This is the only reason why we were able to fund all projects as planned. In this annual report, we give you a brief insight into individual projects and areas of work that exemplify our missionary work.

Our wish for 2023 is: Stay connected to us in your faithful commitment.

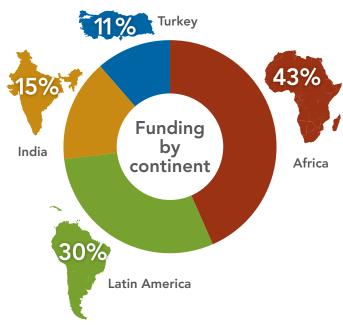
On behalf of all our partners we thank you very much for your prayers, your donations, and your interest in the mission!

Your Dr. Michael Kißkalt



#### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

INCOME	EUR
Project donations from Germany	3.407.472,49 €
Project donations from other countries	518.506,92€
Donations for disaster relief	295.589,08 €
Other income	122.812,10€
Total income	4.344.380,59 €
EXPENDITURES	EUR
Expenses for the departments	3.907.789,42€
Project management	196.304,64 €
Administrative costs	55.209,81 €
Advertising and reporting	70.962,50 €
Sum of all expenses	4.230.266,37 €



Thank you very much for your faithful support!

## Humanitarian work: Providing care in times of economic need and disasters

The proximity of our partners to the people enables us to provide fast and uncomplicated help in disaster situations. In India, when massive floods hit the Kakinada district in the state of Andhra Pradesh in July 2022, our partner CREAM was able to help directly. Entire villages were trapped by the waters. 90 volunteers from the project cooked 3,500 meals. Young adults from the community brought the food to the people on boats. Countless hands passed on God's blessings and came alongside those who were suffering.

CREAM in Tallarevu stands here as an example of holistic mission. The campus houses a children's home, several schools and training classes, and the main church. With over 30 Bible women and evangelists, more than 2,000 families in the region receive spiritual care.

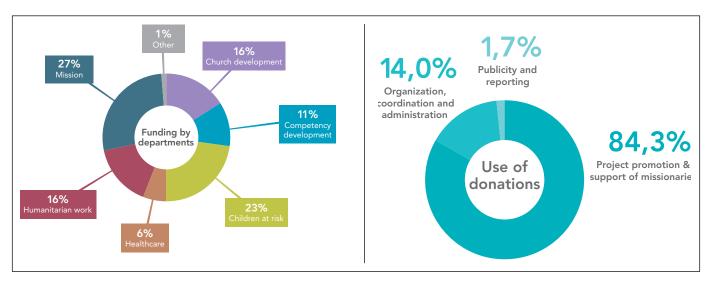


## Promoting skills: knowledge protects against hunger and malnutrition

Since 2018, missionary Karin Schwarz has been imparting agricultural knowledge to people on the Balaka farm in Malawi: Local grain varieties, natural fertilization methods, and knowledge about medicinal plants help to increase earnings and secure basic supplies. Young women and men or groups come for individual courses or stay for several months. They live and learn there in a spiritual

community. In 2022, the service to the people could be expanded to include a kindergarten. A young woman from Germany is also involved there as part of EBM IN-TERNATIONAL's voluntary service.

In India we were able to start a new project for food security. Many people in the forests of Chhattisgarh don't own landless or properties, living in part in slave-like dependence or as day laborers. The consequences: Malnutrition, low education levels, high mortality. Our new initiative wants to help: The goal is to establish self-help groups in 45 villages around the town of Saraipali over the next few years. About 925 families would benefit. They will receive support to create storage facilities for the fruits and products of the forest and to purchase machinery for drying, cooling and further processing. In addition, the women and men will receive training on how to make their cooperative economically viable and how to use and preserve the forest sustainably. Because this prevents excessive deforestation, the climate also benefits.



#### Children at risk: hope, education, and a home

The children's homes and social centers take care of hundreds of girls and boys. There they are lovingly cared for, experience God's love, receive good food, play and sports activities, learning assistance, and social help for the whole family.

The social center in Diadema/Brazil enjoys great recognition in society. It has been recognized by municipal social welfare agencies as a relevant organization that has expertise in developing interventions in the social sector and stands out for its activities and results, as well as for the commitment of the team.

At the social center in Macia, Mozambique, families experience God's love, children with disabilities experience acceptance, and people's living conditions improve in a sustainable way. Former Secretary General Christoph Haus was once again on site in December 2022: "It was deeply moving and joyful that during my last visit I was able to see young people who, despite their disability, stand confidently in life. What I would never have



imagined when I met them ten years ago as weak and disabled children locked away from the public eye." This is where real transformation and holistic mission happens: children and their families experience practical help, gain new perspectives, and find hope in Christ.

#### Church development: the global church is growing

In Cuba, the economic situation has deteriorated extremely. Those who can are leaving the country. Even pastors and church leaders are forced to provide for the survival of their families abroad. New laws restrict the possibility of public worship services. Despite all these



adverse circumstances, churches are growing. Many Cubans are looking for help and answers, especially in times of crisis. They receive both in the churches and are open to the Gospel. Children and young people are connecting with the church and finding faith in the numerous Bible clubs and sports programs. The church in La Perla reached about 100 young people during a week of recreation in the summer of 2022, three-quarters of whom had no church background.

Together with a dedicated leadership team and his wife Petrina, Pastor Sükrü leads the church in Adana, Turkey. It has only existed for eight years, but has already founded a daughter church. About 70 believers belong to it. They care for children and their families, refugees and business people alike. All should hear of God's love in word and deed. The congregations in Adana still meet in private homes or rented business premises. For the past four years, they have been praying for a community center. Thanks to numerous donations from Germany, we will be able to support them as soon as a suitable property is found. This will be further delayed by the destruction caused by the February 2023 earthquake.

#### Health care: medical care for the most vulnerable

Since the Corona pandemic has receded, our medical facilities have also been able to continue their faithful service to the people under better conditions. Our missionary Sarah Bosniakowski is contributing to the Hospital

of Hope in Northern Cameroon in the area of pharmacy and in the care of pregnant women and young mothers. She also accompanies two volunteers of the volunteer program who are deployed in Garoua.

#### Voluntary service: traces that remain

We are grateful that we were able to send three young women to Cameroon and Malawi after the pandemic receded. Along with many other volunteer service organizations, we sense that while there is an interest in world missions among young people, it is difficult for them to make a concrete decision to serve abroad. Our desire is to work with churches in Germany to rekindle the enthusiasm for volunteer service. To this end, we have partnered with Baptist Youth Department (FSJ), Elstal Theological College (nxtChapter) and Ministries in Israel to promote a year of volunteerism and personal orientation through the "Standpoint" format. As EBM INTERNA-TIONAL, we hope for more volunteers who would like to serve in Malawi, Cameroon, India, Argentina or Sierra Leone, for example. By the way, the offer is not only for young people – anyone who is interested in mission even later in life can contact us.



#### Staff News: Changes in the mission office and abroad

We are grateful that in August 2022 we were able to send Christina Döhring (photo) together with her husband Ralf and their son Nathanael to the Theological Seminary in Jui/Sierra Leone. There she is a teacher at the Evangelical College for Theology and supports various training programs. Micha Soppa and his family are in preparation to be sent to Malawi.

At the turn of the year, Dr. Michael Kißkalt replaced Christoph Haus as General Secretary, who is now retired. We are thrilled to have gained an expert in the field of missions in Michael Kißkalt, who himself worked with EBM INTERNATIONAL as a theological teacher in Cameroon between 1995 and 2000, also at the Theological Seminary in Ndiki.



In the area of public relations and fundraising, Michael Fischbeck succeeded Matze Dichristin as team leader at the turn of the year, who moved to the Baptist Youth Department (GJW). Since October 2022, Julia-Kathrin Raddek and Lars Müller have been supporting the team, especially in the area of church contacts. All personnel changes in the mission center were implemented in such a way that the total number of job shares remained constant at 8.5 positions.

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