

Highlights 2020

Thank you, friends...

It is such a privilege to witness the impact of your partnership through LeaDev-Langham over the last year. The training of Christian leaders who can communicate and live out the gospel in their own context has been an important aspect of responding to Covid lockdowns. The many dedicated teachers and preachers facilitated through your partnership in the gospel has enabled local work to continue.

Many of you have donated toward humanitarian work associated with our programme partners as they seek to bring relief to communities. The explosion in Beirut that challenged Lebanon as a nation; the radical changes in Myanmar, and the Covid responses to help communities in Pakistan and then the move to online teaching and learning of our programme partners. These local crises have been met with love, care, and provision through your partnership.

It has been a year where our volunteers could not travel but willingly continued to encourage and facilitate from a distance. In the case of our ESOL volunteers, they pivoted toward online delivery from New Zealand. Unfortunately, with the circumstances in Myanmar, the planned delivery did not happen. A new future is developing. The work is not wasted. We do appreciate all the ways you have supported the mission of God's people and particularly LeaDev-Langham programme partners.

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 CORINTHIANS 9:11

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." MATTHEW 6:19-21

We really appreciate your generous support over what has been a difficult year for our programme partners. You have resourced and encouraged many.

It is with pleasure that we share some of the highlights from the last year with you. We are so grateful for the part that you are playing.

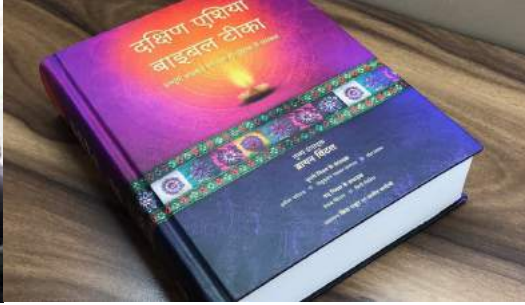


**Denis Browne [Chair]
For the Team**



Russell Thorp [Executive Director]





The New Zealand contribution to Christian leaders in Asia-Pacific

EQUIPPING EMERGING LEADERS

61 young students from impoverished backgrounds were sponsored with training at our Partner Schools through Leadership Development International.

MULTIPLYING THE MINISTRIES OF SENIOR LEADERS

9 senior regional and national leaders were fully sponsored for masters or doctoral study through both Leadership Development International and Langham Scholars.

MOBILISING FOR MISSION IN AOTEAROA-NZ

18 LeaDev-Langham staff took up preaching and speaking engagements and spent **5** days at Christian conferences and events telling the stories of leader developments in Asia-Pacific.

18 events were hosted by LeaDev-Langham to share the work of key leaders in Asia-Pacific.

MAKING IT HAPPEN

922 volunteer days were contributed by skilled Kiwis to facilitate the relationships with and organisational development of our Partner Schools. We are so grateful to these wonderful people!

BRIDGING THE RESOURCE GAP

1 Partner School campus was upgraded, providing a more suitable learning environment for leaders in training.

8 Partner Schools were sent funds to cover staff salaries and IT classroom upgrades as part of our Shoulder to Shoulder Covid-19 relief.

TAKING COMPASSIONATE ACTION

2 leaders and their ministries in Lebanon were supplied with relief aid.

We sent funds to our partner working in the Bekaa Valley with Syrian refugees. They were able to train another **30** graduates through the sewing school, distribute **1,250** food parcels, train **24** teen boys in carpentry, educate **120** special needs children and graduate **30** girls in their salon and beauty school.

We also sent funds to a seminary in Beirut who used these funds to feed and short term house first response staff and families who lost their homes in the port explosion.

The contribution of our networks to Christian leaders

[which includes the New Zealand contribution]

OVERSEAS COUNCIL NETWORK

1,000 Students each year receive annual scholarships at our Partner Schools

70 Nations Overseas Council partners with schools across the globe to equip leaders

100 Partner Schools around the world provide life-changing scholarships for emerging leaders

30 Partner Colleges received funding for immediate IT needs

3 New ICETE Academy Courses commissioned through Overseas Council

Supporting the development of Christian leaders in Asia-Pacific



LANGHAM PARTNERSHIP INTERNATIONAL

In the year ending June 2020

LANGHAM PREACHING

Held **67** preaching training seminars in **19** preaching movements in **16** South Asia, East Asia and Pacific countries in need of solid biblical preaching. This included training to resource and develop local facilitators and preaching club coordinators through seminars and workshops.

Equipped **1,978** pastors and lay leaders to teach God's Word, through training led by **183** local facilitators, who are being equipped and working together in teams to train others, in **12** countries.

Shepherded **205** preaching groups of **7-10** pastors and leaders meeting regularly for ongoing training and mentoring.

Held **1** global or regional consultation or forum, involving **47** leaders and/or coordinators from across the world to review, learn, train and plan.

LANGHAM LITERATURE

Supplied **4,493** Bible-centred books to **202** colleges across **23** countries to help students grow and mature in Christ. **3,195** of these books were supplied to colleges free of charge.

Distributed **3,866** Bible-centred books to pastors, students and ministry partners in need of study materials.

924 of these books were supplied free of charge to participants at, or Coordinators of, Langham Preaching seminars.

4 local writers in **2** countries were supported through Writer Grants.

Supplied **1,296** Langham publications and published **48** books, **12** of which were authored by people from within the region.

Supported **12** indigenous publishers in **7** different countries through Publisher Grants.

LANGHAM SCHOLARS

Supported **33** students from **15** different countries in theological doctoral programs.

Supported **4** current doctoral scholars and **1** post-doctoral scholar, with study residences for concentrated periods of study, or research and writing projects, in centres where there is access to excellent library resources and a research community.

Supported the involvement of **1** post-doctoral scholar in the International Research and Training seminar research residency to assist them to produce papers, research articles and academic monographs.



“God, we live in a troubled world, especially this last year. In Lebanon, we face trauma after trauma and crisis after crisis.

In the middle of all this hardship, we are experiencing your delivering love and provisions. We are grateful for your Church and the way you are working through it to bring hope and meaning to a hopeless world.

We pray for our local churches that they continue to be the salt and light that you called them to be, that they would continue to **proclaim your love and deliverance in word and deed.**”

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