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# Mission Today

Summer 2024

Impact Report





Throughout 2023 Missio received thousands of prayer intentions from faithful people in England and Wales, and beyond.

Our supporters' intentions were remembered at Mass by Fr Anthony Chantry, Missio's National Director, in the Missio Chapel.

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We would like to acknowledge and thank every supporter of Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Special mention must also be made of our volunteers, Appealers, Diocesan Directors, Trustees, and the small Missio team!

The work of Missio would not be possible without the enthusiasm, commitment, collaboration, and faith of these wonderful people.

### Editorial Board:

Fr Anthony Chantry	Michelle Slater
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**This Impact Report demonstrates how you supported Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries in 2023. Through your prayers and donations, you continue to:**

- **Help missionaries share the love of Jesus**
- **Train tomorrow's Priests and Sisters**
- **Give hope to the world's poorest children**
- **Create a vibrant Catholic Church for the future**

*Cover: (L-R) Catechist, John, with members of a Small Christian Community and Sister Therese in Samburu village, Kenya*

# THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



**In this Impact Report you will soon discover that our income over the past year is down from the previous year's. This was due to a drop in legacy income – something, of course, that we cannot control.**

However, the good news is that overall our Red Box income is broadly stable; thanks to the generosity and faithfulness of you, our supporters. Furthermore, last year, our Mill Hill Missionary Appealers visited more than 300 parishes, in order to remind us all of our responsibilities towards world mission.

Thanks to God's grace, Missio continues to have a powerful impact within the Church across the world; especially in areas of conflict, persecution, oppression, and poverty.

Being faithful to the mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations, Pope Francis encourages

us to 'continue to go to the ends of the earth, to set out over and over again, without ever growing weary or losing heart in the face of difficulties and obstacles' (Message for World Mission Sunday 2024).

This Impact Report offers concrete examples of how, together with Missio, you help the Church fulfil her mission; by listening to local needs and responding with prayer and charity.





Missio is the channel through which you:

- Support the Church's infrastructure in poor and sometimes remote areas, by helping the local communities to build churches, convents, schools, children's homes, clinics, and dispensaries, so that they have the means to witness to the Gospel in their countries.
- Help train Priests and Sisters in young and developing Churches, who will lead, teach, and administer the Sacraments in their communities; reaching out to those most in need of God's love.
- Inspire children from all countries to pray and care for each other, and prepare them to face the challenges of living the Gospel in our world.

Together we pray for our sisters and brothers throughout the world who are victims of wars, hatred, and violence. May the Lord strengthen the hand of all who are striving for peace with justice.

Let us move forward with **Faith**, that with God's help and guidance we cannot fail; **Hope**, that what God promises will be fulfilled; and **Love**, that invites us in the name of Jesus Christ to reach out to those in greatest need.

We are Missio: Today, Tomorrow, **Together**.

With every blessing,



Fr Anthony Chantry  
Missio National Director

## Prayer for vocations

Heavenly Father,  
We lift up to you those who are discerning a call to priesthood and religious life.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them to guide their hearts and minds as they seek to discern your will.

Grant them the wisdom to recognise your voice speaking to them in the depths of their hearts.

Strengthen their faith and trust in you and help them to overcome any fears or doubts that may arise.

Give them the grace to surrender themselves completely to your will, trusting that you will provide for their needs.

May they find support and encouragement in their families and Church communities, as they respond generously to your call.

May they be filled with passion for the mission of proclaiming to all people the immense love you have revealed in the crucified and risen Christ. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Visit [missio.org.uk](https://missio.org.uk) and join us on social media for more stories, reflections, and prayers:



You can also sign up to receive the monthly Missio eNewsletter at: [missio.org.uk/e-news](https://missio.org.uk/e-news)

It is a great way to stay connected and hear about the difference you are making throughout the year.

# MISSIO IN NUMBERS 2023

Missio is proud to be the Pope's charity for world mission and part of the international network of Pontifical Mission Societies. The information provided here relates to Missio England and Wales.



**£4.1 million**

raised by Missio  
England and Wales



**£595,648**

raised on World  
Mission Sunday

**£404,771**

distributed to  
children's projects



**£2.2 million**

raised by Missio and the  
Mill Hill Missionaries  
through the Red Box



Distributions to missionary dioceses and projects reflect income raised in 2022

**32**

convents, churches, and chapels  
built or reconstructed



**28,400**

of the world's poorest  
children supported



**1,687**

seminarians trained  
for the priesthood



## Missio worldwide

Missio England and Wales is part of the global network of Pontifical Mission Societies. This network of 120 offices supports Catholic communities in countries where there is poverty, persecution, and political turmoil.

In addition to the support of more than 1,000 mission dioceses, over 15.5 million US dollars were distributed specifically to fund 2,400 projects for the education and protection of children.

The global network also funded the formation of 23,000 major seminarians, and the construction of 270 new churches on five continents.



Part of the global network of  
Pontifical Mission Societies

# HELPING LOCAL MISSIONARIES OVERSEAS





## Pakistan

**In 2023 supporters in England and Wales provided vital support to missionaries living and working alongside struggling Kutchi Kohli families in the southeastern province of Sindh, Pakistan. The Kutchi Kohli people belong to one of Pakistan’s Indigenous ethnic minorities of Hindu background. The government calls them ‘Scheduled Castes’ – which really means ‘outcasts’ or ‘untouchables’.**

The Kutchi Kohli are very poor economically, with the majority being landless farmers who work for feudal landowners. Workers earn extremely low wages, and landowners manipulate them and take advantage of their lack of education. This forces many of the Kutchi Kohli people into debilitating cycles of debt.

Through Red Box donations, Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries have been working in this region for decades – promoting peace and justice, interfaith dialogue, and the integral development of the Kutchi Kohli people. We do this through formal and informal

education, medical outreach, empowering women, community building, and livelihood projects.

Pivotal to this outreach is the construction of boarding hostels for Kutchi Kohli children, whose parents have chosen for them to receive an education. With funding from supporters in England and Wales, and local contributions from parents and friends, a new boarding hostel for boys was built in 2023.

Mill Hill Missionary Fr Zachaeus (pictured left) shared: ‘The overall aim of the project was to provide the children with a place where they can receive good education and formation. The long-term impact of the project is to provide a holistic formation of children academically, spiritually, and socially. It will enable the children to progress in their future life and be stable in their families.

**‘Not only will they be receiving an education and formation, but they will also be saved from the back-breaking work in the fields – being subjected to child labour. They will also be saved from malnutrition, as they receive a balanced diet in the hostel. And they will be saved from early marriages.’**

The local education that is available in villages is of a very poor standard, so many parents prefer their children to work. This often results in early marriages, and the cycle of exploitation and poverty continues for the Kutchi Kohli people.

Fr Zachaeus continued, 'The new hostel opened in August 2023. The construction gives real hope for the future of the Kutchi Kohli and builds up the children's awareness of their dignity and worth.'

**'One of the best ways to empower the people is through education. And this is why, with the parish team, we are doing all that we can to help families who are struggling to educate their children. This project is much more than a hostel - it is a place of freedom: freedom from exploitation and fear, and freedom to believe in God the Father who offers them unconditional love, mercy, and forgiveness.'**

'On behalf of all the community, and especially the children and their families, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries...



**'Thank you very much for your prayers and the great support that you have extended to the mission here. Always be assured of our prayers.'**

# MHM IN NUMBERS

## To love and to serve

The Mill Hill Missionaries are an international fellowship of Catholic missionaries, founded in Britain, dedicated to announcing the Good News of Jesus Christ to people throughout the world. Since 1936, the Mill Hill Missionaries have been working in partnership with Missio, through the Red Box programme, in parishes throughout England and Wales.

There are currently 157 young men studying to become Mill Hill Missionaries throughout the world. Last year, 14 Members were ordained Mill Hill Missionaries – eight from Cameroon, two from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, one from India, one from Malaysia, one from the Philippines, and one from Uganda. We congratulate them and wish them every blessing in their ministry!

For more information, please visit:  
[millhillmissionaries.com](http://millhillmissionaries.com)



Through the Red Box, you are supporting the training of future Mill Hill Missionaries. Mill Hill Missionaries continue to love and serve in the following areas of the world:

**23 parishes in Africa:** Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, South Africa, South Sudan, and Uganda

**26 parishes in Asia:** Cambodia, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, and the Philippines



# RED BOX INCOME FROM DIOCESES 2023

Diocese	Red Box Income 2022	Red Box Income 2023	% Change	Total Missio Income 2023*
Arundel & Brighton	£136,470	£134,986	-1.09%	£250,028
Birmingham	£198,561	£205,154	3.32%	£302,811
Brentwood	£75,195	£74,655	-0.72%	£113,627
Cardiff	£70,694	£60,016	-15.10%	£84,946
Clifton	£89,786	£91,160	1.53%	£133,554
East Anglia	£51,612	£51,297	-0.61%	£81,887
Hallam	£34,118	£37,388	9.58%	£49,109
Hexham & Newcastle	£179,427	£170,084	-5.21%	£239,654
Lancaster	£64,895	£63,922	-1.50%	£91,747
Leeds	£62,793	£62,601	-0.31%	£96,014
Liverpool	£215,034	£190,792	-11.27%	£226,735
Menevia	£25,947	£29,157	12.37%	£39,070
Middlesbrough	£52,804	£48,541	-8.07%	£70,468
Northampton	£70,272	£63,004	-10.34%	£106,691
Nottingham	£87,020	£80,820	-7.12%	£156,514
Plymouth	£66,386	£63,921	-3.71%	£106,541
Portsmouth	£145,598	£124,967	-14.17%	£201,945
Salford	£162,087	£163,545	0.90%	£207,392
Shrewsbury	£131,199	£127,801	-2.59%	£191,249
Southwark	£156,779	£155,010	-1.13%	£323,539
Westminster	£160,805	£173,601	7.96%	£396,808
Wrexham	£20,001	£22,039	10.19%	£32,635
Anonymous/Other	£42,227	£30,633	-27.46%	£101,877
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£2,299,710</b>	<b>£2,225,094</b>	<b>-3.24%</b>	<b>£3,604,841</b>

We appreciate that the demographic and geographical size of every parish and diocese is different.

\*Total Income 2023 includes all Red Box contributions, in addition to all donations made to Missio.



# YOUR RED BOX – FULL OF HOPE & PRAYER

We all know that the Red Box you keep at home on a shelf or by the phone is more than a receptacle to hold cash: it is a sign of hope, and a reminder to pray for the missionaries and the communities they support through your generosity.

Next year, our Church will celebrate a Jubilee Year to which Pope Francis has given the theme ‘Pilgrims of Hope’. It is a phrase which could describe all missionaries – including you! As the phrase on every Red Box reminds us, ‘to be a Christian is to be a missionary’.

In preparation for the Jubilee Year, 2024 has been designated as a Year of Prayer. The Pope has asked that we pray, both individually and as communities, to create a ‘great symphony of prayer’. It is another way in which we can all be missionaries, and walk in solidarity with those

members of our global Catholic family whom we are unlikely ever to meet.

**Whether you continue to put cash into your Red Box, or if you just keep it as a reminder of our sisters and brothers around the world, the next time you see it, please remember those communities the box supports, and remember that they, too, are praying with us, preparing for next year’s Jubilee.**



## From tea caddy to cashless giving

When Fr Thomas Jackson MHM had the idea in the early 1900s of collecting coins in a tea caddy, he could never have imagined the almost cashless society in which we now live.

Although the Red Box and cash collections are not going anywhere anytime soon, many of you have asked about other ways to contribute towards supporting missionaries around the world.

Whether you choose to give regularly through Direct Debits or Standing Orders, giving online, or by calling our office and making a donation via Credit or Debit Card, you are part of the Red Box family, and we are truly thankful!

You can find alternative ways to give on the donation form on pages 25 and 26, or by visiting [missio.org.uk/redbox](https://missio.org.uk/redbox) or scanning the QR code above.



# TRAINING FUTURE PRIESTS AND SISTERS

## Malawi

**The challenges facing communities in Malawi in 2023 were numerous.**

**Natural disasters and economic crises meant that the Malawian people struggled to sustain themselves on a daily basis.**

Fr Daniel, the Rector of St Peter's Major Seminary in Zomba, wrote to us: 'The impact of our currency being devalued is being felt, especially during our lean season.

To address this, the seminarians are helping in a concrete way to provide necessities for the seminary with their own hands. They are engaged in animal and vegetable farming.'

Brother Innocent, one of the students training for the priesthood and currently being sponsored through Missio, wanted to share this

message with you: 'It always feels good when you start a journey and you have people on your side supporting you. This adds value, gives courage, and strengthens the zeal to go far. It is equally the same with the financial and spiritual care that is rendered to me through supporters of Missio in England and Wales.

**'This support generates in me enthusiasm to embrace the call of God to become a Priest. Despite moments of crisis and uncertainty, I am joyful and comforted because of this support. The spiritual energy drawn from realising that there are people praying for me remains essential, as it makes me feel invigorated on my priestly formation path.'**

**Every year, the global Missio network supports the training of over 23,000 future Priests and 8,000 Religious Sisters by providing young Churches in developing countries with funding to train their own future Church leaders.**

Today, local Priests and Sisters are building our vibrant Catholic Church of tomorrow; ensuring that the gift of faith is passed on to future generations worldwide.

Through your prayers and donations, you are answering God's call to mission, and ensuring the training of tomorrow's leaders of our Church. Missio continues the work of the Society of St Peter the Apostle (SPA) founded in 1889.





## GIVING HOPE TO THE WORLD'S POOREST CHILDREN

### India

In 2023 we remained committed to supporting disadvantaged and vulnerable children throughout the world. With your help through Missio, Sister Nirmala and her community of missionary sisters continued to offer hope to families living in dire poverty, through education outreach.

Sr Nirmala, a trained social worker and the Marialaya project coordinator, shared: 'I work with the "street kids" in Chennai, where the children literally live on the streets. We have street schools for them where the children can study.

'Our teachers sit on the street to teach them; we come to them. From there, when the child is ready and we've prepared them to go to school, we can work to bring them slowly into mainstream schools.

'Whenever I feel fear, I remember the words of the Good Shepherd: "I know my own and my own know me." I know the people here; I know the struggles they face... they're my people and they know me.'

Your prayers and donations helped missionaries, like Sr Nirmala, to enable more of God's children know they are valued and loved.



## England & Wales

Mission Together is the children's branch of Missio. Its aim in England and Wales is two-fold: to support children's projects in places of poverty and turmoil overseas, and to support the mission of Catholic education through the creation of free catechetical, liturgical, and prayer resources for local schools.

Nurturing faith and building God's kingdom is an essential element of Mission Together's work. All our school resources aim to help children recognise themselves as members of God's global family; working in solidarity for the benefit of all, but with a special concern for those living in poverty.

In addition to our free resources, Mission Together volunteers visit schools to promote understanding of God's global family, and to encourage pupils to be 'children helping children' through sharing and prayer. Thanks to our school supporters and volunteers, thousands of pounds are raised each year to help fund Missio's overseas children's projects – such as our work with children in India.

If you would like to find out more, or access free school resources, please visit [missiontogether.org.uk](http://missiontogether.org.uk) and [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk)



# NURTURING A WORLDWIDE MISSIONARY SPIRIT

**Key to nurturing a worldwide missionary spirit across England and Wales are the more than 7,000 volunteers who help to share the joy of the Gospel. They do this by giving out copies of *Mission Today*, raising awareness of what missionaries are doing around the world, and collecting, counting, and paying in the donations people make. If you know who your local volunteers are, please do say ‘thank you’ to them when you see them next!**

One such volunteer, Dennis, retired in 2023 after 25 years’ service as the Red Box coordinator

in St John’s parish, Purley. In that time, the parish has grown to have one of the highest numbers of Red Box holders in England and Wales, as well as having a large team of volunteers who help with the administration of the Red Boxes.

Presenting an award and certificate to thank Dennis, Fr Noah Monday MHM said:

‘Volunteering as Local Secretary for Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries takes dedication and a willingness to share the Gospel message. Above all this, it takes passion; a passion for Jesus Christ – to share his love through our actions. Dennis, during



his ministry as Local Secretary, has directly contributed to sharing that Gospel message, not just with this parish, but with our brothers and sisters around the world.’

We are always looking for volunteers in parishes, as well as volunteers to go into schools, to nurture a missionary spirit. To find out more, please visit [missio.org.uk/volunteer](https://www.missio.org.uk/volunteer)

# WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

## ‘Hearts on fire, feet on the move’

Every year, Missio is tasked by the Holy Father to coordinate the celebration of World Mission Sunday on the penultimate Sunday in October. Every single donation from these worldwide Masses supports churches, hospitals, clinics, schools, orphanages, and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young, or poor.

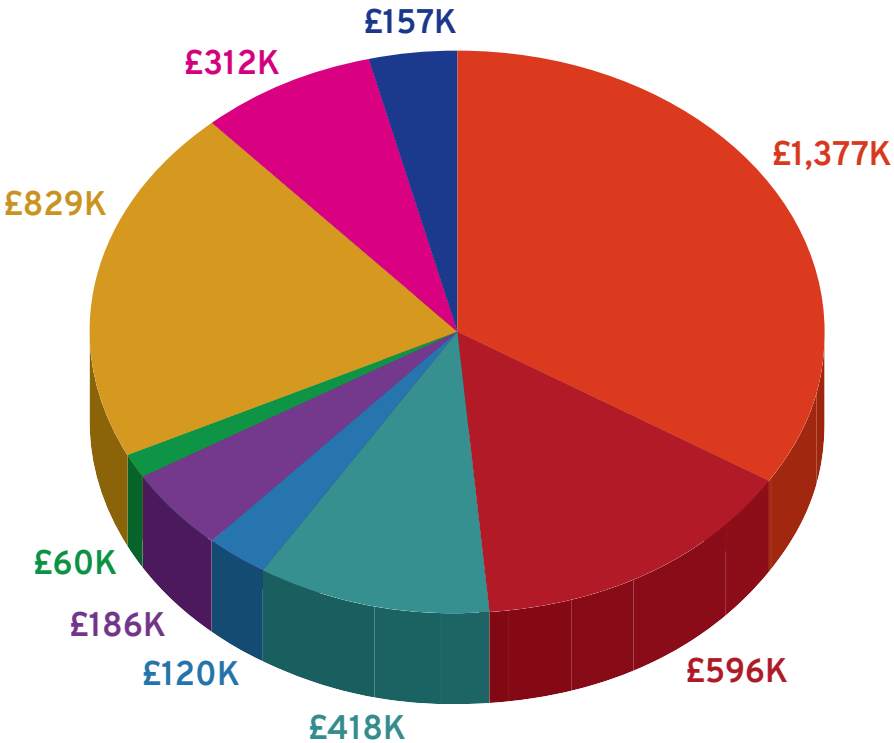
World Mission Sunday is vital to the growth of the Church and the spread of the Gospel in predominately impoverished areas overseas. It is a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are most in need.

Last year, Pope Francis chose the theme ‘Hearts on fire, feet on the move’, and we invited parishioners to support the work of missionaries in Kenya as they work alongside children and communities that are vulnerable.

Missionary Sister Mary who works in Kibera, the largest ‘slum’ in Africa, explained: ‘In Kibera, you will find prostitution, and children initiated in things you would never imagine. And there is great poverty. It’s important to be a bridge. I live here with them. I don’t have material things to offer, but I can listen, I can pray for them, because our work is also prayer. If I am tired or down-hearted I find strength in the heart of Jesus.’



# MISSIO INCOME 2023

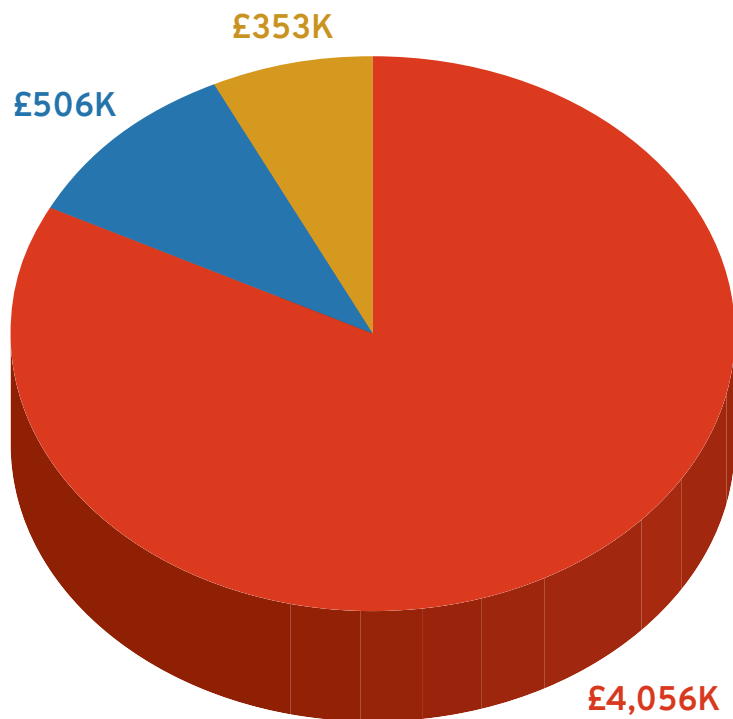


- Red Box (to help local missionaries and the Church overseas – Missio share only)\*
- World Mission Sunday
- Training future Priests and Sisters (Society of St Peter the Apostle)
- Mission Together
- Restricted donations, including Mission Emergency Response
- Mass Stipends
- Legacies
- Gift Aid
- Interest and misc. income

*\*This represents Missio's portion of the Red Box income which is shared with the Mill Hill Missionaries.*



# MISSIO EXPENDITURE 2023



- Support for missionary dioceses
- Mission animation and education
- Costs of raising funds

**Total income: £4,055K**  
**Total expenditure: £4,915K**  
 The support of missionary dioceses distributed in 2023 reflects income raised in 2022.

These figures are taken from the Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet which are audited by Buzzacott Chartered Accountants.  
 A complete account of financial activities is included in the 2023 Annual Report and Accounts which are available on the Charity Commission website.  
 Registered Charity Number 1056651

# WHERE DONATIONS WERE SPENT IN 2023

## MISSIO

Distributed to build churches, train Church leaders, and support communities of faith:

**£2,153,819**

Distributed to train future Priests, Religious Brothers, and Sisters in mission dioceses:

**£424,340**

Distributed to support the spiritual and physical wellbeing of children in mission dioceses:

**£404,771**

## Total Allocations

**£2,982,930**

Missio also sent **£187,401 of restricted funding** to support mission projects in Cameroon, Ethiopia, the Holy Land, India, Kenya, Lebanon, Malawi, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, and South Africa for construction and repair of churches, seminaries, and multipurpose halls; the education of children; and the Mission Emergency Response to the earthquakes in Turkey and western Syria.

Missio also sent **£85,968** in Mass Stipends to missionaries overseas.

The income from the Red Box is shared 60/40 between Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Missio's share supports missionary dioceses and the spread of the Gospel overseas. The Mill Hill Missionaries' share supports the formation and training of its future missionaries.

## THE MILL HILL MISSIONARIES

Distributed for the formation of young men studying to become Mill Hill Missionaries:

**£290,659**

Distributed for the Mission Experience Programme (a two-year pastoral immersion programme for Mill Hill Missionary students in formation):

**£112,476**

Distributed to support mission parishes where Mill Hill Missionaries are present:

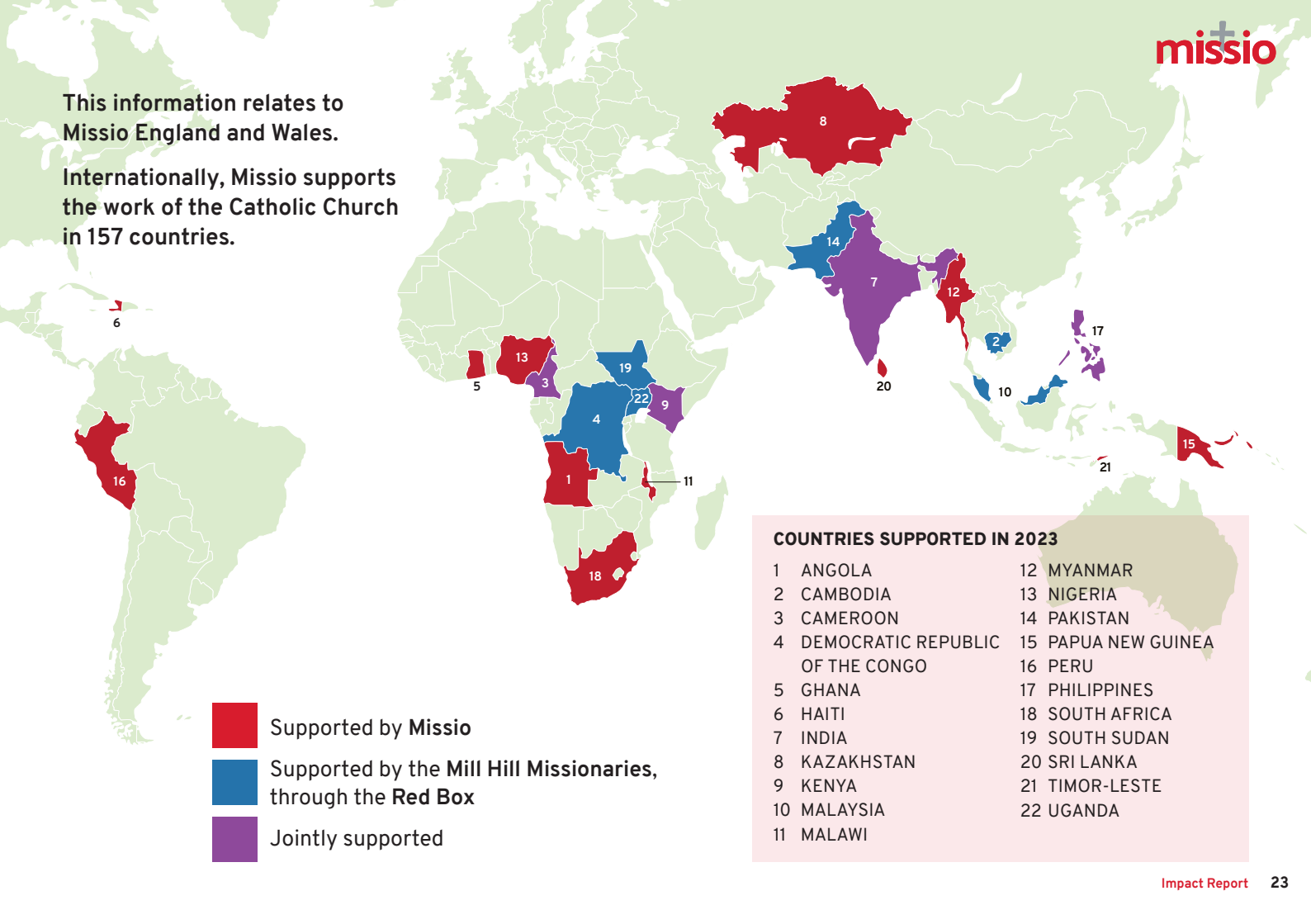
**£105,226**

## Total Allocations

**£508,361**

This information relates to Missio England and Wales.

Internationally, Missio supports the work of the Catholic Church in 157 countries.



- Supported by Missio
- Supported by the Mill Hill Missionaries, through the Red Box
- Jointly supported

**COUNTRIES SUPPORTED IN 2023**

1 ANGOLA	12 MYANMAR
2 CAMBODIA	13 NIGERIA
3 CAMEROON	14 PAKISTAN
4 DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	15 PAPUA NEW GUINEA
5 GHANA	16 PERU
6 HAITI	17 PHILIPPINES
7 INDIA	18 SOUTH AFRICA
8 KAZAKHSTAN	19 SOUTH SUDAN
9 KENYA	20 SRI LANKA
10 MALAYSIA	21 TIMOR-LESTE
11 MALAWI	22 UGANDA

# GIFTS OF FAITH

## Building a vibrant Catholic Church for the future

The Franciscan Missionaries of St Joseph (FMSJ) – also known as the Mill Hill Sisters – work in Kenya and Uganda, ministering to those most in need. The Sisters run five health projects, six schools, and two care centres, which serve an estimated 50,000 people every year.

In July 2022 the Sisters asked for Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries' help to buy a van. They were relying on public transport which, in eastern Africa, can be extremely insecure, unreliable and, at times, very dangerous for young women.

Maximillah, a second year Novice, shares: 'It is worse during rainy

season when we have to arrive in the house very late, and when you hear on the news about young ladies who have been drugged in public vehicles and kidnapped.'

Thanks to legacies from our generous supporters, in December 2022, the Sisters purchased an eleven-seater van.

Maximillah says: 'Thank you so much for the selfless giving of your supporters.'

Missionaries rely on your support to bring the love and compassion of Jesus to those who are in desperate need. If you can, please consider leaving a legacy to Missio and/or the Mill Hill Missionaries in your Will.



To receive simple information on how to remember Missio and/or the Mill Hill Missionaries in your Will, or to speak to someone in confidence and with no obligation, please call Angelica on 020 7821 9755 or email: [legacy@missio.org.uk](mailto:legacy@missio.org.uk)

You can also visit [missio.org.uk/legacies](https://missio.org.uk/legacies) or complete the form on page 25 and tick the box in the yellow section.



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Please send me the monthly **Missio eNewsletter** (provide email above)

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## GIFT AID

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Please tick  and date and we will receive 25p for every £1 you donate at no extra cost to you.

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I want Missio to treat all donations I have made for this tax year and all donations I make in the future as Gift Aid donations until I notify Missio otherwise. I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in the tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I will notify Missio if I want to cancel this declaration, change my name or home address, or no longer pay sufficient tax on my Income and/or Capital Gains.

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## SUPPORT

I enclose a donation of £ \_\_\_\_\_ (please make cheques/postal orders payable to Missio-Mill Hill). You can set up a Direct Debit or give by Card overleaf, go online at [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) or call us on 020 7821 9755 (office hours).

I would like to make an **annual gift**, offering £30 or more a year

Please tick if you **do not** require a receipt

Please send me information on how to leave a **gift in my Will**

I would like to become a member of **Our Lady's Guild of the Sick**

## MASSES

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ (please state number) **Mass/es** offered for the following intentions (please use a separate sheet if necessary):

**Intentions:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_ (the recommended offering is £10 or more per Mass; please make cheques payable to Missio Mass a/c or see overleaf to pay by card)

Please tick if you **do not** require a receipt

If you would like to receive a Mass Card, please contact us on **020 7821 9755**

Please ensure you have filled in the reverse of this form first!

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**7.8bn**

people in the world

**1.38bn**

people are  
baptised Catholics

**410,449**

lay missionaries

**68,158,684**

children and young  
people being educated  
in Catholic schools  
and colleges



**2,877,652**

catechists working with  
children, young people,  
and adults to explore  
their faith

**608,958**

Religious Sisters

**407,872**

Priests



**15,276**

homes for people who  
are elderly, chronically  
ill or disabled

**5,405**

hospitals

**14,205**

dispensaries  
and clinics

**9,703**

care homes  
for children



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