



The Anglican Response in Gaza & West Bank



This impact report covers **Phase 1** of the Anglican response to the conflict in the Holy Land, including the Al Ahli Hospital appeal and its outcomes.



Impact Report

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In times of crisis, the global Anglican community rallies together to provide aid and support to those in need. The current humanitarian crisis in Gaza and the West Bank highlights the profound impact that collaborative efforts can have in alleviating suffering and restoring hope.

Following the attacks on Israel in October, the situation across the region has evolved rapidly and become increasingly complex. Al-Ahli Arab Anglican Hospital in Gaza found itself on the front lines of an overwhelming humanitarian crisis. As the only functioning hospital for Palestinians trapped in northern Gaza, its staff worked around the clock to save lives amidst relentless bombardment. To date over 36,500 lives have been lost, and nearly 2 million people have been displaced. Tensions have also spilled over into the West Bank, leading to widespread hostility and destruction.

In response to humanitarian crisis, Anglican Missions immediately launched an emergency appeal to support the Al Ahli hospital. At the request of Archbishop Hosam Naoum in Jerusalem, we used raised funds to join an international consortium of humanitarian partners led by the Anglican Alliance to cover six months of the response (Phase 1). These partners were the first to respond to the Diocese's request for help and a coordinated approach has maximised the benefit for the most vulnerable people, including those who have lost their income and can no longer meet basic needs.

The West Bank has also been impacted by the war. Restriction on movement and regular attacks on Palestinians have resulted in greater need to support health care for emergency cases and patients with chronic conditions.

Al Ahli Hospital

The Diocese of Jerusalem



The provision of essential healthcare services at Al-Ahli Hospital, one of only four functioning hospitals in Gaza, stands as a testament to the resilience and dedication of its staff.

Despite the risks, they have worked tirelessly to provide care to the wounded and traumatised. Their established presence and preparedness measures meant that medicines have continued to be available.

This ensured that In the first three months of the joint project, **1,377 people received medical assistance** funded by the appeal.

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Impact snapshot

February – Jul 2024

The success of these initiatives would not have been possible without the partnership and generous contributions from individuals and organisations worldwide, including those from New Zealand who have **collectively raised nearly \$200,000** to support the first phase of the response. The New Zealanders who have partnered with Anglican Missions have played a vital role in supporting these life-saving efforts.



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Outpatients supported across Gaza and West Bank addressing urgent health needs

146

Inpatients supported across Gaza and West Bank ensuring continuous care

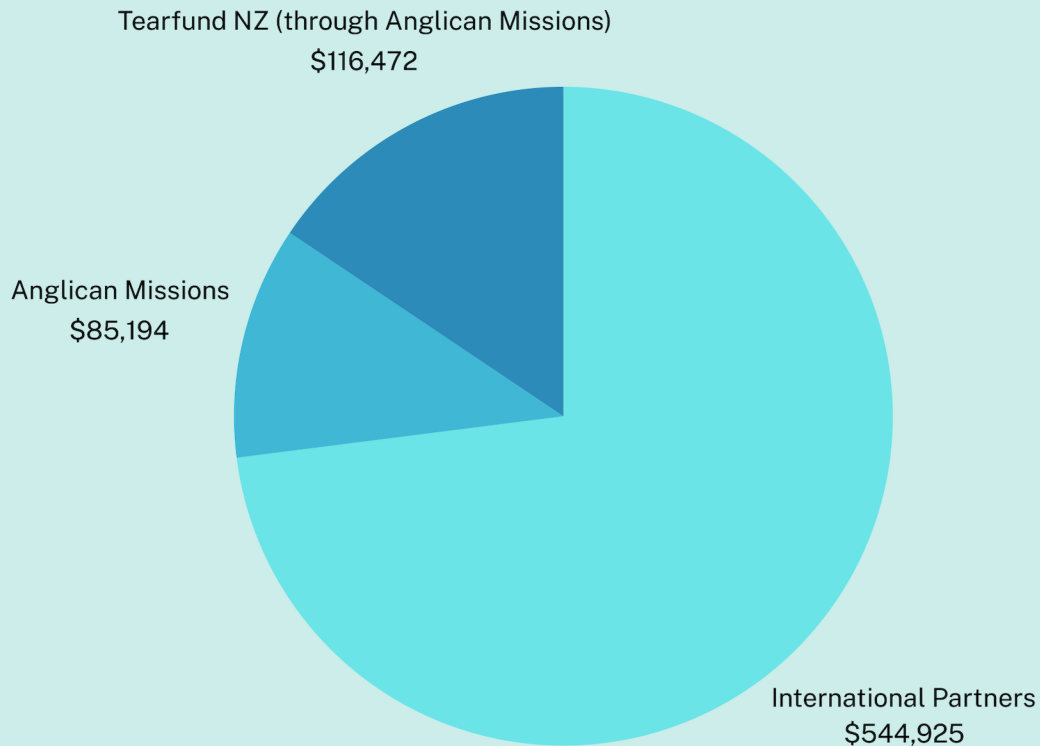
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Students supported with an education subsidy ensuring continued education.

Partner Commitment

The combined total of our partners financial contributions around the world.

All figures in NZD.



Total income: \$746,591 NZD

International Partners:

Tearfund (UK/NZ)
Anglican Board of Missions (AUS)
Anglicans in Development (AUS)
Anglican Overseas Aid (AUS)
Primate World Relief and Development Fund (CAN)
Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)
United Society Partners in the Gospel (UK)

Total expenditure: ~\$483,153 NZD

Representing the amount spent through Phase 1 for short term response and recovery activities.

Looking Forward

Ongoing challenges and needs

As the conflict looks likely to persist, humanitarian needs are only going to increase. Phase 2 will likely continue to provide health and education support across the Palestinian territories. Sustained funding will help maintain essential services and expand support to more vulnerable populations.

01 — Access Issues

Difficulty in reaching health facilities due to ongoing aggression and movement restrictions.

02 — Increasing Demand

Rising unemployment and economic instability have led to a surge in demand for free or subsidised services.

03 — Operational Costs

High costs of surgical and inpatient services surpass the allocated budget, necessitating further funding.

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Your partnership with us has played a vital role in supporting these life-saving efforts. But there is still so much more work to do. As Phase 2 of the response begins, we're moving into medium to longer term outcomes for those affected by this conflict.

To every person who donated, prayed for and supported this appeal - thank you.



There's so much more left to do. We're relying on your continued support, both financially and in prayer and advocacy to put the love of God into action. Choose Hope for the Holy Land - scan now to donate to our ongoing appeal,



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