







Dear Kingdom Partner,

Alongside you, 2017 was the year our churchplanting movement reached the milestone of over 100 churches. Praise the Lord for His grace and power!

Communitas International is starting churches who think, care, and act like Jesus in the world. Our churches and church-planting projects are actively reaching the lost across Europe, North America, and Latin America,

proclaiming salvation and demonstrating grace to those who desperately need it. You are helping launch new fellowships that are faithful to Jesus, fulfilling the Great Commission.

Communitas starts churches "who follow Jesus in transforming their world" (our mission statement). We raise up and train missional pioneers within their home contexts, and we send missionaries cross-culturally. Over 200 front-line team members serve God within Communitas as we press forward into the disciple-making mission God has given us with you.

Communitas is in a spiritually vibrant season. This year, we celebrate 50 years since the founding of Christian Associates International, now Communitas. After the departure of our president, Dudley Callison, last December, our senior leadership team is providing interim leadership for the organization as we discern the best leadership model for the mission going forward. Our international board of directors continues to provide oversight and guidance. Please pray for us during this exciting season of discernment!

We believe the church is the very presence of Christ in culture. And we believe in the unique calling God has placed on Communitas to start--with you--life-giving expressions of Christ's church. With every prayer, gift, and story you share, you participate in the Great Commission with us. Words simply cannot convey the extent of our gratitude for you.

With joy and thankfulness,

Kim, Kevin, and Eric

Kim, Kevin, and Eric The Senior Leadership Team Communitas International

## Communitas International Board

- Rita Warren (Board Chair)
- Brian Newman (Board Vice Chair)
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Communitas starts churches who think, care, and act like Jesus did when He was on earth. We reach out to those who are hurting, the downtrodden and outcast. And because of that, we see real change in people's lives. Undeniable change due to the working of the Holy Spirit!

Geoffrey\* has been in and out of prison in Edinburgh, Scotland. He often came into Men's Group either depressed or angry. But today, he seemed changed. And then he spoke up: "I'm about to turn 40. With all I've done, that's surprising. I shouldn't have made it this far, but I made it to 40. I can't be doing it all anymore. All the drinking, the drugs, stealing stuff, breaking into flats and taking things. It's rubbish and I can't be doing it. So now I'm clean. I've got a support worker. I get up every morning at 6:30 and pray for an hour. I'm no Christian, but I talk to the man upstairs," nodding his head upward. "And then I go about my day, avoiding all my old pals who would get me into trouble. So I think change is a good thing. I've made some really good changes and we all can. Now I want to do all I can to help others change their lives, too."

Others sat there, a mix of being dumbfounded, excited, and thankful for all we heard. Geoffrey is a believer-on-the-way. Will you pray for Geoffrey and thousands like him... people who, alongside you, we get to disciple toward the Savior, step by step, patiently, just as God is patient with us? Thank you!

\*(name changed for privacy)

Making disciples takes time and won't be rushed if we are going to start churches that truly reach their neighborhoods with the Good News of Jesus. In Caxias do Sul, Brazil, our team leaders started a meal and study group with five couples. Only one of them had had any significant experience with church. Several were "spiritists"--a common form of New Age-type spirituality in Brazil--and most post-Christian contexts.

This neighborhood group continues to share their lives, caring for each other, praying for one another, and exploring Biblical truth in a meaningful way. Fast forward two years of relationship and studying the Word together, and two of the couples who had been living together have decided they should get married. Most encouragingly, over the past months four members of the group have made first-time declarations of faith in Christ!

This is the kind of story we love in Communitas. Starting churches that will impact their neighborhoods means understanding and responding to the neighborhood... and joining in God's redemptive work already underway!





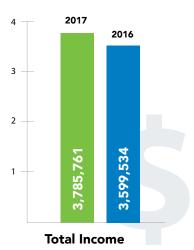
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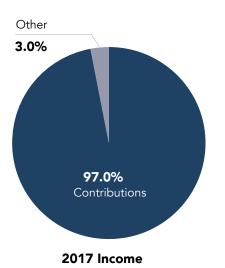


Statement Of Activities: U.S. Operations Christian Associates International, Inc. DBA Communitas International Please note that CA Europe and CA United Kingdom are not included in this report

|                                       | <b>2017</b><br>(Audited) | 2016<br>(Audited) |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| INCOME                                |                          |                   |
| Contributions                         | \$3,673,199              | \$3,588,546       |
| Training Fees                         | \$17,217                 | \$16,582          |
| Interest and other income             | \$95,345                 | (\$5,594)         |
| Total Income                          | \$3,785,761              | \$3,599,534       |
| EXPENSE                               |                          |                   |
| Program Expenses                      | \$3,259,595              | \$3,534,775       |
| Supporting Activities                 |                          |                   |
| General and Administrative            | \$284,206                | \$333,458         |
| Fundraising                           | \$198,689                | \$163,643         |
| Total Expense                         | \$3,742,490              | \$4,031,876       |
| Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets | \$43,271                 | (\$432,342)       |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year         | \$437,282                | \$869,624         |
| Net Assets, End of Year               | \$480,553                | \$437,282         |

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