



THE  
CATHOLIC BISHOPS'  
FOUNDATION

2015



# What is the Bishop's Foundation and what is its purpose?

The Foundation is a legally-registered body set up by the Catholic Bishops with a board of Trustees appointed to manage the money donated to it. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide financial support to a number of charitable projects that request funding from the Bishops. Our aim is to support organisations and individuals involved in strengthening the Catholic Church in Southern Africa through Catholic Social Action which in turn, strengthens the impact of the Catholic Church in Southern Africa and abroad.

## Why should I make a donation and does it count?

Every parish and every diocese has its own specific needs and projects to be supported. The Foundation's aim is to support projects on a national level rather than a local level. Individuals, groups, organisations, even non-Catholic groups appeal from time to time for assistance and the Foundation's aim is to create a fund so the Bishops can support these requests. The Foundation gives you the opportunity to share the charitable work of the Church nationally.

You **ARE** the Church. It is your support that ensures the Church will be there for you and your family - now and in the future. The Church as an institution needs your support and it is your opportunity to bless others as you have been blessed by the Lord. It is your opportunity to share special way in the work of the Church which basically is to build the Kingdom in the minds and hearts of people.



# Nepal Earthquake Relief



The April 2015 Nepal Earthquake killed over 8000 people and injured more than 21000. The Foundation was able to donate R100 000 to Nepal to help with the earthquake relief.

# Xenophobic Outbreak in Durban

April 2015 saw an unfortunate outbreak of xenophobia in Kwa-Zulu Natal. The Foundation was able to donate R100 000 to the Diocese of Durban to aid with the xenophobic outbreak.



Citizen journalist



# Childline South Africa



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Childline SA is a non-governmental, not-for-profit organisation, which operates nationally in the field of violence against children and young people in South Africa.

The Foundation was able to donate R25 000 to aid Childline in their fight against violence against children.

# SACBC Human Trafficking



CTIP is a joint project of the Leaders of Religious Congregations and the Catholic Bishops Conference of South Africa. Their main area of concern is the protection of potential victims through workshops, networking, co-ordinating trainees, resource material and support for survivors of Human Trafficking.

The Foundation was able to donate R50 000 to aid in their efforts.



# Mercy House - Abused and Trafficked Women

We are committed to shelter, protect and assist traumatized women (forced into homelessness by abuse) and their small children, as they re-discover their self- worth and find their place in society.

The Foundation donated R50 000 to help Mercy house in the efforts.



# Holy Cross - Children's Home



The Holy Cross Sisters in Pretoria established the Phuthunia Learning Centre for children.

The Foundation donated R50 000 to the centre





# The Missionaries of Charity, Pretoria



*"The most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved." - Mother Teresa*

Caring for the less fortunate is the primary concern of the Missionaries of Charity.

The Foundation donated R25 000 to help the sisters care for the needy.

# Other Beneficiaries

Knights of da Gama - R50 000

Dominican School for the Deaf - R50 000

SACBC Youth Ministry - R50 000

SACBC Wellness Centre - R50 000

CWL Pretoria - R50 000

Lesang Bana Children's Creche - R25 000

FAMSA - R25 000

Radio Veritas - R25 000



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## Thank you...

Greetings everyone, I have just completed my first year being responsible for the Bishop's Foundation. My original aim was 1000 Catholics at R100 a month. It sounded like a practical, achievable goal to get the Foundation up and running. It proved to be more difficult than I had imagined. At present we have 400 regular contributors which really is a good start. If everyone could recruit at least one other friend or family member, we would double our membership. Last year we distributed R500 000 among the beneficiaries which you see listed in this book. Looking back over the year, there is no doubt, the Foundation is gaining momentum. I am very conscious of the economic situation, and the demands of Parishes and Diocese, schools and community projects on people's disposal income. Nevertheless, we can't ignore the needs of the less fortunate in the church. I want to thank all those who support the Foundation and assure them that they are included in my prayer time every morning. God Bless you all.

- *Father Barney*

# How to give to the Foundation

## ☐ DIRECT DEPOSIT OR EFT

I have deposited my gift of R \_\_\_\_\_ directly into your account:

Name of account: SACBC Foundation  
Name of Bank: Nedbank  
Address: Cnr Andries and Church Street, Pretoria  
Branch: 160445  
Account Number: 1604879564  
Swift Code: NEDSAJJ

*For EFT deposits, please use your phone number as a reference.*

## ☐ DEBIT ORDER

I wish to sponsor by debit order the amount of R \_\_\_\_\_ from month \_\_\_\_\_  
20 \_\_\_\_ and each month thereafter until cancelled by me.

Type of account: Current ☐ Transmission ☐ Savings ☐

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch Name/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*For debit orders, please contact me via email ([bmcaleer@sacbc.org.za](mailto:bmcaleer@sacbc.org.za)) or by phone 072 4693710*

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