



ALWS—Reaching out in Love for Justice

Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) is:

- ◆ the overseas aid and resettlement agency of the Lutheran Church of Australia
- ◆ guided and motivated in its work by the example and commands of Jesus Christ that are expressed in the Gospel message
- ◆ committed to utilising the generous donations given by Lutheran communities in Australia and New Zealand to help the very poor and disadvantaged in overseas countries, to support refugees in Australia, and to raise awareness about global human poverty and injustice
- ◆ a partner organisation to the Lutheran World Federation's Department for World Service, which implements emergency relief, refugee and development programs in thirty-six countries around the world
- ◆ 62 years old in 2012 – that's worth celebrating!!



- ◆ react to the specific needs and human rights of vulnerable groups (e.g. women, girl children, all children, disabled, landless, unemployed etc.)
- ◆ assist in leadership building to enhance the capacity of communities to better manage their essential services
- ◆ provide for refugees and internally displaced peoples
- ◆ respond to the urgent needs of people affected by disasters, either human-made or natural.

Among others, ALWS aims to:

- ◆ address the root causes of human poverty and injustice
- ◆ provide an integrated approach to development assistance so that the holistic needs of people are addressed

ALWS employs a small number of staff in four states of Australia so that overheads are kept to a minimum. ALWS operates from Albury in NSW.

ALWS is funded by generous donations from Australian and New Zealand Lutherans (and others) and also receives funding from the Australian Government's AusAid program.

ALWS works through a network of Lutheran Churches, church agencies, and in cooperation with other churches—last year helping over 200, 000 people.

A large component of ALWS work is long-term, sustainable

community development programs, which often start from an emergency response (like in Indonesia) or refugee situation (like in Sudan and Burundi).

All programs are systematically planned, regularly monitored and thoroughly evaluated.

ALWS supports development programs in:

- ◆ Papua New Guinea
- ◆ Mozambique
- ◆ Indonesia
- ◆ Sudan
- ◆ Cambodia
- ◆ Indonesia
- ◆ Nepal
- ◆ Burundi

AND conducts refugee support in:

- ◆ Kenya
- ◆ Somalia and
- ◆ Nepal.

