



2018

# ANNUAL REPORT





## HELPING ORTHODOXY THRIVE: THROUGH YOUR PRAYERS AND KINDNESS

*Thank you for your continued dedication and support of the  
Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia!*

I am honored to share with you our 2018 Annual Report. This year you have done amazing work by strengthening our Church through showing deep compassion for your neighbor in need. Your acts of kindness and service have deepened the faith of our youth, supported our dedicated clergy, and aided Orthodoxy in over 10 different countries!

## YOUR KINDNESS MATTERS!

Thank you for answering Christ's call and making our Church's roots grow deeper! Your generosity and courage continue to amaze us and make each year of service more impactful. Please take a look at the Annual Report for 2018 and know that I am beyond grateful for your continued spiritual and physical support!

Your Servant In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Selawry". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent initial "M".

Mark Selawry  
President



## MEMORY ETERNAL, PRESIDENT VLADIMIR GALITZINE

On February 22nd, 2018 Prince Vladimir Kirillovich Galitzine reposed to the Lord, after battling prolonged illness. Prince Vladimir was also known for his sincere dedication to the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad and his love for her hierarchs, pastors, and faithful children. This dedication and love motivated his involvement in the Fund for Assistance, where he focused on serving the Church's needs, as the Fund's President since 2008.

The Board and staff of the Fund for Assistance are grateful to Vladimir Kirillovich for his years of faithful service, wisdom and guidance. We will continue following the example Vladimir Kirillovich set, with his love and dedication to the Church.

Our deepest condolences to Vladimir's widow Tatiana, as well as his family. Memory Eternal!



# YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF ROCOR'S MISSIONS IS HELPING ORTHODOXY THRIVE

## BETHANY

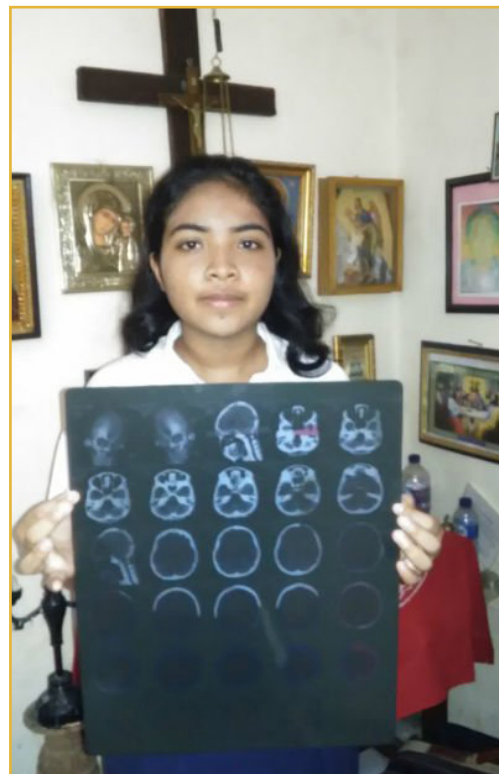
When Mother Mary (previously Sister Martha) and the Bethany orphans were in need, you answered! In 2018, you helped fund a new passenger van for the orphanage, collecting an amazing \$40k. Your generosity made it possible for Mother Mary to buy not only the passenger van but to also have a surplus, which they've used for food, clothing, and medical bills. Most importantly, you've given the orphaned girls of Bethany happiness. In this van they can attend Church services at other monasteries, and even go on outings, to places like the beach, where they have the freedom to just be kids and play. Your donations will continue giving them joy for years to come!



## BALI

This year your donations to Bali were literally life-saving! In April, Fr. Alexander Kosebi's sixteen-year-old daughter was in a moped accident, driving home from school. During this accident Mary Grace injured her face, foot, and hand. To have Mary's injuries treated Fr. Alexander had to take a loan from his friends to get Mary Grace necessary treatment, including stitches and a three-day hospital stay.

Two months later Mary Grace developed a huge bump on her head and frequently suffered from nausea and dizziness. Without the necessary funds, Mary Grace could not receive a CT scan to check for post-traumatic bleeding, which is a life threatening diagnosis. Fr. Alexander reached out to you with a request for \$450, to save his daughter. You answered with \$7,000 which provided Mary Grace with a CT scan and two months of outpatient treatment, to heal her inner left brain injury. Additional funds have been used to support the family and mission church. Thank you for giving Mary Grace access to lifesaving treatment and a healthy future!



## HAITI

The past few years have been truly tragic for the Haiti mission. Over the course of 10 years Haiti has experienced widespread flooding, fierce tropical storms, a magnitude-7 earthquake, and then, finally, the sad death of Fr. Gregoire. In the wake of this tragedy you've given our Orthodox brothers and sisters something exceptionally valuable: hope. This year the FFA partnered with the Orthodox Mission of Haiti to sponsor the "Congress of Work," program which included rudimentary training in computer science, photography, communication, and even liturgics. Through this course, 15 participants were able to gain valuable practical skills that they can use to support themselves financially, while also learning how to testify to the world about their seemingly insurmountable obstacles. You've made it possible for the people of Haiti to empower themselves and lay the foundation for financial stability for generations to come.

## OUR CLERGY NEEDED YOUR ASSISTANCE TO CONTINUE SERVING OUR CHURCH

### HOLY TRINITY SEMINARY: MASTERS IN DIVINITY

This fall, Holy Trinity Seminary unveiled a new Master's program of Divinity to insure that our priests are prepared to face the challenges of the 21st century. We asked you to help support this worthy cause by contributing \$20,000 dollars towards instituting the Prince Vladimir Galitzine Scholarship, in honor of our organization's long-term president who passed away in March.

You responded by pledging enough funds to make it possible for Fr. Foti Edman to attend graduate school and become a better prepared priest. Fr. Foti hadn't even thought about attending graduate school but when he heard that there was one more scholarship available he applied and with Metropolitan Hilarion's blessing began attending graduate school in Fall 2018. You've given Fr. Foti a gift that he will continue giving back to our Church.



# YOU SUPPORTED THE CHURCH'S FUTURE BY SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH

## JORDANVILLE SUMMER BOYS: FROM SUMMER BOYS TO WINTER MEN

Last summer, 20 young men participated in Holy Trinity Monastery's Summer Youth Program. Over the course of three weeks, the 20 Summer Boys experienced the richness of both Monastery and Seminary life through worship, learning, work and prayer. They participated in beautiful Monastery services, high-level discussion led by Seminary faculty and guest speakers, skilled and unskilled monastery obediences, and recreational activities. This year's participants were so enthusiastic and helpful that the brotherhood anticipated their return to the monastery with joy.

Over the years, the Summer Youth Program has continued to make a lasting impact on the lives of our youth. When leaving the program participants go home with a deeper relationship with God and friendships forged in faith. Most recently, in the fall of 2018, three former participants entered the Holy Trinity Seminary. You've made it possible for our youth to continue to stay strong in their faith and become closer to the Church.



## ST. HERMAN'S YOUTH CONFERENCE-WEST

The Parish of St. Elias hosted the 2018 St. Herman's West Youth Conference, in Placerville, CA. This spiritual retreat was attended by 49 youths, including 11 youth counselors and 8 clergy members.

Fr. Moses Berry gave a wonderful lecture on "Where your treasure is, your heart will be also," a theme that connected the spiritual life to the mining history of the area. In addition to listening to other lectures, the youths participated in workshops that developed church reading and singing skills. Afterwards, our youth performed a good deed, visiting the elderly and raising their spirits by singing joyous carols.

This year's conference was unique because we added an extra day to the schedule, which allowed the youth to also pilgrimage to liturgy at the Serbian Church in Jackson. There the youths were able to venerate the relics of St. Sebastian. After attending liturgy the youth went panning for gold and explored local caves. All of this and more was made possible by your support! You made it possible to keep the registration fee low enough so our youth could afford to enrich their souls in the light of Christ.



# 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

At the Fund for Assistance we respect and value you. Without you we couldn't do any of the amazing work that was done this year. As such we strive to provide complete transparency and accountability to you, our donors, by including detailed financial report of our 2018 revenue, benevolent disbursements, expenses, and financial status. You can see the details of this report on this, and the next page.

## REVENUE

<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$727,581.40</b>
Unrestricted Donations Calendar 2018 & 2019; Various Appeals; Newsletters; Annual Report; Pascha Donations; Giving Tuesday; General Donations	189,570.14
Wills & Estates	335,277.47
Holy Land - Bethany Van & School Appeals	64,707.19
Haiti - HOFR Program	34,000.00
Haiti Mission & Haiti School	17,766.20
Mexican Monastery & Earthquake Appeals	17,409.64
Clergy Welfare Fund	13,208.20
Education & Seminaries Donations	11,803.68
Kosovo Appeal	11,462.09
Pakistan Mission & Prayer Book Appeals	10,461.76
Indonesia Appeal	10,084.59
Other Donations Chile; Uganda; Novo-Diveevo; REM; Ukranian Refugees; Phillipines Mission; Puerto Rico; Gethsemany; Hermitage of Holy Cross; Mahopac; Youth Ministry; Svayatogorsk Monastery; Holy Trinity Monastery; St. Elizabeth Skete; St. Panteleimon Church	9,788.83
Foreign Check Exchange	2,018.27
ADP - IRS Tax Credit	23.34

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## BENEVOLENT DISBURSEMENTS & EXPENSES

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$395,217.33</b>
Benevolent Disbursements	281,251.31
Holy Land - Betheny Van	57,389.91
Mexican Monastery	54,730.00
Haiti - HOFR Program	44,950.00
Clergy	27,666.34
Haiti Mission	\$19,626.96
Youth Ministry	18,000.00
Education & Seminaries	11,490.00
Kosovo	11,316.10
Pakistan Mission	9,190.00
Other Donations Chile; Mussic Commission; Indonesia; Holy Trinity Monastery; Metropolitan Laurus Film; Novo-Diveevo	26,892.00
Fundraising Appeals & Calendar Expenses	37,277.21
Office Expenses (includes petty cash)	39,127.04
Wages (includes payroll taxes)	35,782.87
Foreign Check Exchange	102.10
Returned Checks	200.00
Bank Fees & Adjustments	1,476.80
<b>2018 INCOME</b>	<b>\$332,364.07</b>

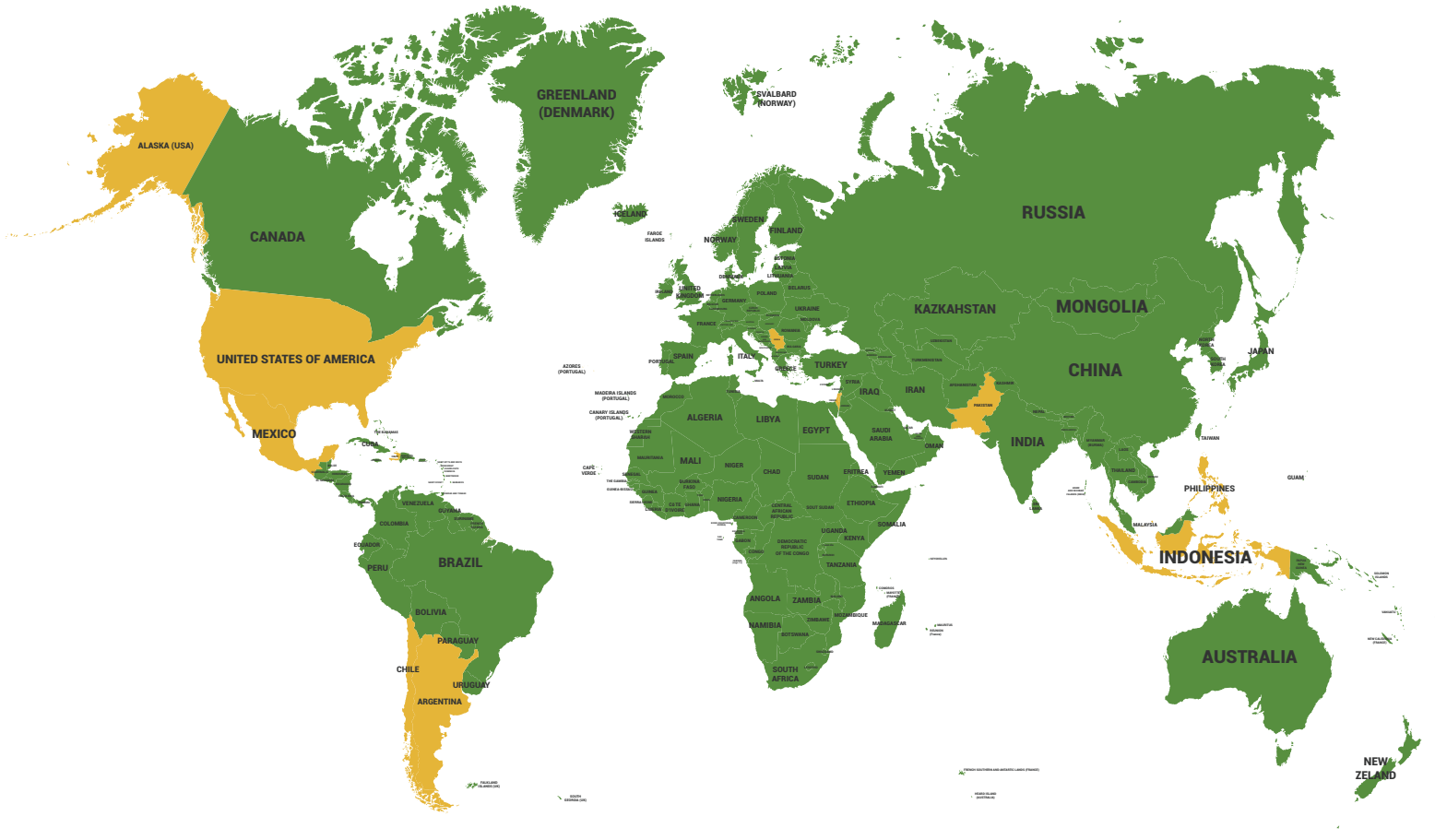
## FINANCIAL STATUS

Income	332,364.07
Balance from 2017	568,149.51
Stopped Checks	1,327.67
Interest	424.08
<b>AMOUNT FORWARD TO 1/1/2019</b>	<b>902,265.33</b>
In Checking Account	122,348.17
In Savings Account	785,933.21
Outstanding Checks	(6,016.05)
<b>ON DEPOSIT AS OF 12/31/2018</b>	<b>902,265.33</b>

NOTE: All specifically designated donations are given to the designated causes, sometimes in the next fiscal year.



# WHERE YOU HELPED OUR CHURCH IN 2018



## FUND FOR ASSISTANCE BALANCE 2017 VS. 2018

