



WORD MADE FLESH

year in review.2010



Photo: Romania, April Ispas
Cover photo: Argentina, Margi Felix-Lund

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Photo: Nepal, Brook Birch



about wmf

Word Made Flesh is a community dedicated to serving Jesus among the most vulnerable of the world's poor. We build communities in poor areas around the world by nurturing friendships with those who are poor. As we build relationship, we create programs and opportunities that respond to our friends' needs.

This annual report should give you an idea of what we've been up to this year. More information is available at wordmadeflesh.org.

year in numbers

19 years as a registered non-profit

105 staff members (does not include certain categories of support staff, interns or volunteers)

69 board members

4 + 75 employees of Suti Sana and Sari Bari, WMF business initiatives

13 organized communities

20,530 people receiving *The Cry*

30 Short-Term Programs participants

Over **2,900** donors in 2010

Moldova

Vision | As a sign of the presence of the Kingdom of God, WMF Moldova seeks to love and serve Jesus in community among the most vulnerable of the poor: children at risk and their families.

Details | WMF Moldova assists children who live in a state-run boarding school by offering help with homework, basic reading and math tutoring and therapeutic and educational activities that include art, music, nature discovery and basic life/social skills. Because many of these children have been orphaned or abandoned, WMF Moldova seeks to be a presence of hope and love among the most vulnerable.



Highlights | In March 2010, after several months of seeking, visiting and prayer, the staff found the particular boarding school where they currently serve. The staff led day-camp activities for the children from the boarding school during spring break, summer vacation and fall break. They also led summer day camps for children in villages near the capital city. The WMF Moldova advocacy team is helping make the voices of the children heard by helping to organize the school's first newspaper!

Financial Needs | In addition to existing expenses (office rent, staff salaries, etc.), WMF Moldova is beginning to dream about having its own space either at the boarding school or in the local neighborhood to use as a community center for developing activities and services for children. As of 2010, there is no set budget for such a project, but a good funding base will be necessary in the near future as plans continue to evolve.

staff



Adriana
Ciobanu



Magdalena
Ciopotel



Annie Keith



John Koon



Rachel
Simons

Adriana Ciobanu, Advocacy Coordinator; Magda Ciopotel, Education Coordinator; Annie Keith, Servant Team Coordinator; John Koon, Field Director; Rachel Simons, Community Care Coordinator.

staff



Anca Archip



Lau and Vali Archip



Doinita Avasalcai



Bogdan Chelariu



David and Lenutsa Chronic



Claudia Cornea



Gianina Gheorghiu



April and Bela Ispas



Ana and Paul Rase



Anica Stefan



Nicoleta Teodorescu



Oana Tonica



Fanel Ursachescu

Anca Archip, Educator; Lau and Vali Archip, Educator, Program Director; Doinita Avasalcai, Cook; Bogdan Chelariu, Administrator; David and Lenutsa Chronic, Regional Coordinator, Educator; Claudia Cornea, Educator; Gianina Gheorghiu, Cleaning Management; April and Bela Ispas, Educator, Administrator; Ana and Paul Rase, Educator, Field Director; Anica Stefan, Cook; Nicoleta Teodorescu, Accountant; Oana Tonica, Social Worker; Fanel Ursachescu, Educator.

Romania

Vision | WMF Romania serves Jesus among the most vulnerable: at-risk children, street youth and poor families.

Education and Counseling Programs | WMF Romania assists destitute children in education — helping with school expenses, advocating for the children at their schools and providing tutoring, meals and medical care at *Casa La "Vale"* (the "Valley" Community Center). With the help of volunteers and staff from the local church, 40 at-risk children were assisted with their education in 2010. Of those, four attended a special school for students who have missed years in school. The programs offered at the center are all therapeutic, and more formal counseling through play therapy is offered. In addition to these programs, we began a mentorship program this year. Several of our high schoolers are now working with younger children in a mentor-type relationship, in hopes that the giftings of the high-schoolers will be developed as well as allowing them an opportunity to give back to the community.

Family and Community Support | Through parent meetings, home visits, trainings and presentations in schools and churches, the WMF community has begun to build relationships; raise awareness of issues involving children, positive discipline and behavioral development; and share the truth of God's love in the local community. The WMF community has also been involved in supporting foster families as they open their homes to children in need of consistent affection and structure.

Advocacy | Through two semi-annual printed publications, a Beggars Society and a website, WMF Romania is able to raise awareness in the church and local community about poverty issues and how to develop a biblical response.

Financial Needs | WMF Romania continues to desire funding for the job creation center we have hopes of building in order to better serve families in our local community. In addition, we are hoping to raise more funds for Romanian staff salaries.



Sierra Leone

Vision | We are called to holistically care for children and young adults through discipleship, educational/vocational opportunities and family-like relationships.

Lighthouse Ministry | WMF Sierra Leone closely partners with Lighthouse Ministry, a program started by Sierra Leoneans to support children who live on the streets of Freetown. Fifteen teenagers and young adults are part of the program, each one enrolled in school or a job-training program. The Lighthouse youth meet once a week for corporate worship, fellowship, prayer and Bible study. Throughout the week, they meet in smaller groups for discipleship, Bible study, prayer and accountability. Lighthouse youth hone their leadership skills as they help facilitate the Good News Club.

Kroo Bay Good News Club | On Saturday afternoons, we lead a Bible club for more than 250 children in Kroo Bay, one of the largest and poorest communities of Freetown. The Lighthouse youth lead the children in praise and worship, Bible stories and prayer. At the end of the meetings, eggs and biscuits are shared to help with nutritional needs, and those who are wounded or sick receive first aid. Five children from the club receive school fees and academic tutoring through generous donations given to WMF.

Ale' Ale' House of Hope Drop-in Center | Named by our Kroo Bay kids, our new ministry center is home to many activities throughout the week, including staff meetings and time of worship. Our youth come to the center three times a week for tutoring and a hot meal. A playground was recently constructed on the grounds, and we are dreaming of beginning a program for local children from Kroo Bay as soon as God provides the staff for it.

Financial Needs | In the past year, we have been blessed to rent our first ministry center on the edge of Kroo Bay. We are in need of \$6,000 for rent and utilities of this space. Furthermore, we are praying for \$2,000 to help cover medical costs of emergency cases in Kroo Bay, and \$5,000 to assist with the costs of bringing on new Sierra Leonean interns and staff.



Photo: Erin Harrell

staff



Chris and
Erin Harrell



Dan
Henry



Jan and Karoline
Sassenberg



Cami Sigler



Noah Tullay

Chris and Erin Harrell, Community Care Facilitator, Field Administrator; Dan Henry, Field Staff; Jan and Karoline Sassenberg, Field Staff; Cami Sigler, Field Director; Noah Tullay, Kroo Bay Coordinator.

Canada

Details | WMF Canada is slowly moving to fulfill its potential as an active member of the WMF community. Sarah Lance (WMF Kolkata) was featured as one of the speakers at the Eighth Letter Conference in Toronto Oct. 1-2, 2010, and an offering was received for her work with Sari Bari. Efforts are under way to identify founding staff. We ask for the community's prayers as the Canadian organization seeks to grow organically and based out of committed relationships.

United States

Vision | WMF Omaha supports, guides and serves the global mission.

Staff Gathering | In July, all the North American staff members stationed around the world came together for 10 days of community building, meetings, worship and fun. We explored the idea of stability as we reflected on Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove's book *The Wisdom of Stability: Rooting Faith in a Mobile Culture*. We discussed some ideas about developing our formation process.

Leadership | Phileena Heuertz and Chris Heuertz became Co-International Executive Directors. Phileena's first book, *Pilgrimage of a Soul*, and Chris' second book, *Friendship at the Margins* (co-authored by Christine Pohl), were published. And both were featured, along with David Chronic, in *Living Mission: The Vision and Voices of New Friars*.

staff



Melanie Curless



Marcia Ghali



Cesia Gonzalez



Tara Haley



Chris Heuertz



Phileena Heuertz



Liz Ivkovich



Caldwell Manners



Kathryn McRitchie



Mandy Mowers



Twyla O'Callaghan



Jeff Swart



Silas West



Hilary Wilken

Melanie Curless, Health and Development Advisor; Marcia Ghali, Beggars Society Coordinator/Short Term Programs Director; Cesia Gonzalez, Assistant to the Administration Department; Tara Haley, Medical Advisor; Chris Heuertz, Int'l. Co-Executive Director; Phileena Heuertz, Int'l. Co-Executive Director; Liz Ivkovich, Int'l. Associate Director of Administration; Caldwell Manners, Int'l. Partnership Coordinator; Kathryn McRitchie, U.S. Sari Bari Distributor; Mandy Mowers, Publications Editor; Twyla O'Callaghan, Public Relations Liaison; Silas West, Int'l. Associate Director of Community Care; Hilary Wilken, Community Care Coordinator.



Photo: Argentina, Jennifer Dean

Argentina

Vision | WMF Argentina exists and is called to serve and discover Jesus among the abandoned and vulnerable youth on the streets of Buenos Aires. We also seek to create a welcoming community where hospitality is central, creating a space for healing, rest and reflection for WMF staff serving in South America.

Highlights | We began the process of registering WMF Argentina as a civil association and have recruited seven board representatives. In April, we began renting a small office.

As part of a special activity for the *Encuentros* ministry, we organized a retreat for six young adults and four children. The time together included games, trust- and communication-building activities, Bible reflection and meal preparation.



WMF is in partnership with *Iglesia Evangélica Bautista de Constitución* to provide an after-school tutoring program for the kids in the Barracas neighborhood. This year, an average of 15-20 children attended twice a week. The goal is to provide educational assistance and relational support and accompaniment, a healthy snack and informational meetings for parents. Through this integrated approach, our desire is to deepen relationships and friendships with the children and parents alike.

Financial needs | WMF Argentina needs \$500 to purchase a filing cabinet, storage cabinet and a computer monitor for the after school tutoring program. WMF Argentina needs financial partners who are willing to consistently give as little as \$15-\$20 a month to its ministry account.

staff



David
Bayne



Jennifer and
Jeremiah
Dean



Adriana and Walter
Forcatto

David Bayne, Field Staff; Jennifer and Jeremiah Dean, Servant Team Coordinators; Adriana and Walter Forcatto, Field Directors and South America Regional Coordinators.

Bolivia

Vision | We are called to participate in holistic transformation through Christ Jesus for those who prostitute in Bolivia. It is our mission, in community, to practice and proclaim the Kingdom of God among those affected by prostitution, through relationship and opportunities for transformation.

Highlights | *Casa de Esperanza* began offering weekly workshops along with Bible study. Women attending learned to make candles, make and decorate chocolates, bake cakes and cookies, and design saleable handcrafts.

Suti Sana completed its first training. Of the five women who began the six-month program of therapy, discipleship, classes and training, four women graduated and are now working full time making beautiful wool bags. Suti Sana hopes to receive eight to 10 new recruits in 2011. The bags will be on sale in 2011 at sutisana.com.

WMF Bolivia partnered with a group of Boston-based doctors doing an extensive medical study on the medical needs of women in prostitution in El Alto and their children.

Financial Needs | Suti Sana still needs two specialized sewing machines to perfect the quality of the products to be exported. Each one will cost \$2,000. Until Suti Sana begins to make a profit, we will depend on donations for our start-up machinery.

staff



Sammy Aliaga



Andrea and Andy Baker



Alicia Bunch



Cara Strauss Contreras



Diego Cruz



Nancy Cruz



Feliza Mamani



Veronica Mendoza



Doris Monasterios Quispe



Victoria Quispe de Calle



Viviana Romero



Adam and Becky Thada



Eliana Carrillo Toledo

Sammy Aliaga, Administrator; Andrea and Andy Baker, Field Directors; Alicia Bunch, Field Staff; Cara Strauss Contreras, Field Advocate; Diego Cruz, Suti Sana Floor Manager; Nancy Cruz, Social Worker; Feliza Mamani, Head Cook; Veronica Mendoza, *Casa de Esperanza* Coordinator; Doris Monasterios Quispe, Accountant; Victoria Quispe de Calle, Cook; Viviana Romero, Therapist; Adam and Becky Thada, Field Staff; Eliana Carrillo Toledo, Cleaning and Maintenance.



Photos: Bolivia,
Casa de Esperanza, Suti Sana;
Keri McCrary

Brazil

Vision | We are called by God to offer a prophetic witness to the city of Rio de Janeiro, especially to those who struggle with and suffer from drugs, poverty, broken families and violence.

Women's Center | *Projeto Ester* (The Esther Project) is a day center that exists to serve women on the streets of Rio. In this place where the women can care for themselves and their children, women come to the center to participate in Bible study, games, art, education and field trips; and they can also receive help with documentation issues. God has been present and working faithfully in the lives of the women who attend. In this first year, we made contact with approximately 40 women.

Downtown Street Ministry | WMF staff and volunteers are in relationship with about 60 children, adolescents and young families who live on or frequent the streets of downtown Rio de Janeiro.

Projeto Vidinha | *Projeto Vidinha* is a Christian care home for adopted and at-risk children. WMF staff minister at the home as mentors and volunteers. The WMF sponsorship program pairs children from the home with U.S.-based

families who provide financial assistance. In 2010, funding was provided for four children to attend school. In addition, WMF helped provide school books, uniforms and supplies as well as nutritious food for the other 12 children at the home.

Timonis | *Timonis* is an after-school program located in a *favela* in the north zone of Rio de Janeiro. Ministering to children from the poorest and most dangerous part of the community, WMF staff work in partnership with *Timonis* as street educators and teachers.

Advocacy | WMF Brazil staff welcome and delight in opportunities to advocate for our friends by speaking at churches throughout the city.

Financial Needs | WMF Brazil is continually in search of churches and individuals who are called to partner with us. Brazilian staff members have dedicated themselves to working among the poor and often sacrifice to do so. Approximately \$1,000 per month is needed for their salaries, in addition to \$700 per month to cover operating expenses at *Projeto Ester*. We also have opportunities to sponsor individual children at *Projeto Vidinha* for \$30 per month.

staff



Jacqueline
Bolonha



Esdrienne
Cohen



Rebecca and
Rich Nichols



Diego Rocha

Jacqueline Bolonha, Street Educator;
Esdrienne Cohen, Women's Program
Coordinator; Rebecca and Rich
Nichols, Field Directors; Diego Rocha,
Street Educator.



Photo: Brazil, Ben Miller



Photos: Peru, Patrick Cardenas (top), Rachel Langley (bottom)





Vision | Our calling is to practice and proclaim the Kingdom of God to children, adolescents and young adults who have lived on, are currently living on or are at immediate risk for the streets.

Street Outreach | In addition to regular street visits, we organized a weekly program offering workshops, Bible study, recreation and breakfast to 60 at-risk young people. Our vision for 2011 is to encourage the musical gifts of our youth who play on street corners and buses, and to provide vocational development.

Bible Studies | In the women's study, 15 women and their children have been exploring the characteristics of God and maturing in the face of failure. The men's study reinitiated with six young men who have left the streets.

Family Network Care | We welcomed 28 young adults and their 34 children to the center monthly to study the Bible, share a meal and enjoy friendship that was deepened with over 45 home visits made to 20 different families throughout the year. We added a children's program, reinforcing material studied by the parents.

Social Development | This program offers holistic support for every participant in the programs of WMF Peru, from the newborn babies to the young adults. This year, we offered extensive workshops to all our programs, focusing on themes like body image, conflict resolution, resilience to trauma and personal life plan.

Current needs and future plans | WMF Peru is wholly sustained by your continued gifts and support. Our monthly operating costs, which include program expenses, Peruvian staff salaries and ministry center maintenance, are \$5,000. We also have several exciting new vocational and development initiatives that will require additional start-up funding.

staff



Erick Ortiz
Gayosos



Monica Ghali



Esperanza
Gual



Eduardo
Hidalgo



Geoff and
Raechel Ingram



Amy Lahey



Brian and
Rachel Langley



Anna
Monteviller



Jose Luis
Palacios



Mike Pastor



David Smith



Lily Marie
Ramirez

Erick Ortiz Gayosos, Street Outreach Coordinator; Monica Ghali, Field Advocate; Esperanza Gual, Women's Bible Study Coordinator; Eduardo Hidalgo, Building Supervisor; Geoff and Raechel Ingram, Field Staff; Amy Lahey, Field Staff; Brian and Rachel Langley, Field Directors; Anna Monteviller, Programs Director; Jose Luis Palacios, Social Development Coordinator; Mike Pastor, Part-Time Field Staff; Lily Marie Ramirez, Administrative Assistant; David Smith, Family Network Care Coordinator.

India (Chennai)

Vision | Our calling is to serve Jesus among the most vulnerable of the poor in the community, especially children orphaned by AIDS and children with HIV.

15 years | It's been 15 years since WMF was started in Chennai. This special anniversary was celebrated with the friends and partners of WMF along with Rev. Chris and Phileena Heuertz, and South Asia Regional Coordinator Sarah Lance. The children performed choreography and sang special numbers, followed by "The making of Word Made Flesh Chennai" presentation by Patrick and Victoria Samuel. The Home of Happiness houses 34 children, 21 girls and 13 boys.



Financial Needs | Computer Facility: It has been the long-term plan of the children's home to have a well-equipped computer facility (with at least four personal computers) for the enhancement of the educational performance of the children. Each PC would cost between 45,000 and 50,000 rupees (about \$1,000). Therefore, the cost for four PCs would be Rs. 200,000 (about \$4,200).

Expansion of Children's Home: In 2007, the Lord blessed Chennai Children's Home with our very own building of around 3,000 square feet. To meet the growing needs of the children, we are on the lookout for a large piece of land that would accommodate a care facility for HIV-positive infants, cottages for children, a modest chapel, an administrative block, a playground and a unit for a small business initiative. The cost of such a project will be Rs. 1,500,000 (\$32,000).

staff



Mr. Y. Paulraj
Devadoss



Mrs. M.
Prabha



Angelene
Samuel



Rev. Patrick
Samuel



Mrs. Victoria
Samuel

Mr. Y. Paulraj Devadoss, Supervisor; Mrs. M. Prabha, Tutor; Angelene Samuel, Project Coordinator; Rev. Patrick Samuel, Director; Mrs. Victoria Samuel, Administrator.

India (Kolkata)

Vision | Jesus has called WMF Kolkata to the freedom and restoration of Kolkata's red-light areas through dignifying relationships with persons affected by the sex trade.

Sari Bari | Sari Bari is a business initiative that seeks the freedom and restoration of Kolkata's red-light areas through dignifying employment opportunities. In our fourth year of celebrating freedom, we welcomed 32 new women for training in three units. Three Sari Bari women were promoted to leadership/management positions, and two stepped into brothel outreach work and medical advocacy.

Highlights | We opened the Canning Prevention Unit and raised more than \$10,000, enabling us to create more space for girls. The prevention unit will help us equip young girls with skills that will help them find employment.

Sari Bari Trust was registered, creating another avenue for non-profit funds to be used for outreach and social-work projects.

Financial Needs | This year, we have quite a few projects that require funding. We hope to raise \$100,000.

- First stage of buying Sari Bari property in the red-light district: \$75,000. (Ultimately, we will have to raise about \$250,000 to purchase 7,000 square feet of property.)
- Sewing machines: \$1,000
- 2 desktop computers, 3 small Canon cameras, printer: \$3,000
- New property construction costs: \$20,000
- Trust office: \$100 a month
- Mental-health curriculum development: \$1,500

staff



Radhika Devi & Upendra Saha



Shela Bhuiya



Melissa Hayward



Sarah Lance



Gita Mondal



Kyle Scott



Brooke Taylor



Beth Waterman



Sheila Yoder

Radhika Devi and Upendra Saha, Sari Bari Production Manager, Sari Bari Operations Manager; Shela Bhuiya, Sari Bari Trainer/Quality Control/Medical Advocate; Melissa Hayward, Field Staff; Sarah Lance, South Asia Regional Coordinator/Sari Bari Founder & Director; Gita Mondal, Sari Bari New Projects Manager; Kyle Scott, Field Administrator; Brooke Taylor, Field Staff; Beth Waterman, Field Director/Brothel Outreach Coordinator/Field Advocate; Sheila Yoder, Field Staff. Not pictured: Sari Bari staff.

Nepal

Vision | Our calling is expressed through transformational ministries of compassion among women, children and youth, and unifying relationships with the poor and the local church.

Karuna Ghar – Home for Girls | Gautam and Rekha Rai are the parents of this family of girls. *Karuna Ghar* (Home of Compassion) provides a hope-filled future for girls from backgrounds of abuse and neglect. The Rais have 12 children.

Elderly Care | At *Prem Ghar* (Home of Love), Jyoti Bhattarai and her family care for six elderly women who have been widowed or abandoned by their families. The *ammās* (mothers) have found love and life at the home, where they raise vegetables and are grandmothers to the Bhattarais' four children. This year we were able to renovate *Prem Ghar* in order to make space to take in up to 12 *ammās* in the next year.

Jyoti and her husband, Shiva, also operate an outreach to the elderly, assisting women in need who are unable to live at *Prem Ghar*. The Bhattarais care for 12 elderly women around the Kathmandu Valley, helping them with housing needs, medical care, food and clothing.

Street Ministry | WMF Nepal staff spend time on the streets pursuing relationships with children, young men and women who are living in addiction to alcohol and hard drugs. Through relationships that have been established, WMF staff members are able to provide counseling, first aid and exposure to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Financial Needs | This year we would like to purchase a new vehicle for the *Karuna Ghar* family. As their children are growing up, they have outgrown the current vehicle which is used for transporting the children to school and to help transport the *ammās* from *Prem Ghar* whenever needed. We estimate the cost of the vehicle to be about \$5,000.



staff



Jyoti Bhattarai



Brook Birch



Gautam and
Rekha Rai



Jamuna Rai



Sumittra Rai

Jyoti Bhattarai, *Prem Ghar* Director;
Brook Birch, Field Director; Gautam
and Rekha Rai, *Karuna Ghar* Directors;
Jamuna Rai, *Karuna Ghar* Staff; Sumittra
Rai, *Karuna Ghar* Educator.

Thailand

Vision | WMF Thailand seeks to walk with Jesus among the at-risk children and exploited families of Bangkok. Through relationships and community, we hope to love the broken and empower the voices of our friends.

Highlights | In the past two years, we have built relationships with children and parents who beg on the streets and assisted an organization with housing women in need. Our understanding of needs and the relationships in both of these ministries have grown.

We now offer education to the kids a few times a week and have begun to build trust, allowing us to make home visits, too.

The experience of sharing our life and home with women leaving situations of exploitation has opened our hearts. We continue to offer our home as a place for women to stay temporarily or long term. One special lady has truly become family in the past eight months and will likely stay with us for the indefinite future. We are hopeful as she grows, heals and develops in her faith that she will become instrumental as we welcome more women.

We have been excited to have three guys (Earth, Gum Ton & Deang) begin volunteering with us on a weekly basis; and Naam Fon has now been volunteering with us for over a year.

Financial Needs | We are in the steps of registering WMF as a recognized non-government organization in Thailand. We are also having specific meetings as we dream of a community farm in the next few years. We envision a self-sustainable community

that would offer relationship, employment to the parents and a way for kids to leave the streets. When people ask how close are we to this dream, we answer: "Registration and buying land would allow us to do it tomorrow."

We also perceive the potential to employ Thai staff, either through our volunteers or through relationships with partner churches and organizations.

Currently the Thailand field budget needs \$24,085 (2011 budget plus our deficit) to run our activities and begin some new ones in 2011. Thailand field staff need to increase their monthly pledges by \$1,000 to meet their support needs.

staff



Amy and
Tim Hupe

Amy and Tim Hupe,
Field Directors.



Photo: Volunteers Ton, Naam Fon, Earth; by Jon Hakim

Boards of Directors

Word Made Flesh International is a family of networked sister communities that share vision, staff, policy and funding.

Word Made Flesh, Inc. (WMF USA)

WMF USA is a USA-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Omaha, Neb. WMF USA serves as the administrative hub for the WMF International family of partnership members. WMF USA was registered November 15, 1991.

Board members are:

Sarah Baldwin, Chairperson
Kyle Schroeder, Vice-Chairperson
Robert Mabrey, Treasurer
Lisa Kelly, Secretary
Tara Haley, Member
Fr. Emmanuel Katongole, Member
Dionne Osman, Member
Fr. Bert Thelen, S.J., Member
Monique Williams, Member
Liz Ivkovich, *Ex Officio*
Chris Heuertz, *Ex Officio*
Phileena Heuertz, *Ex Officio*
Silas West, *Ex Officio*

Word Made Flesh (WMF Chennai, India)

Word Made Flesh in Chennai, India, is a registered society under the Tamil Nadu

Societies Registration Act. WMF India was registered in 1994. WMF India operates *Machzhilchi Illam* (the Home of Happiness) for destitute and orphaned children from AIDS- and leprosy-affected families.

Board members are:

Rev. Stephen Thangappa, President
Dr. and Mrs. Sabitha, Vice President
Rev. Vasihar, Secretary
Mr. G. J. Manohar, Treasurer
Mr. Gladsten, Board Member
Rev. Patrick Samuel, Executive Director
Dr. Thiruthuvadoss, Member
Mr. Manogaran, Member
Rev. Rex Leonard, Member

Fundatia Cuvantal Intrupat (WMF Romania)

Fundatia Cuvantal Intrupat, in Galati, Romania, is a registered Romanian Foundation. WMF Romania was registered April 12, 2001. WMF Romania operates *Casa la "Vale,"* a community center for street children and their families.

Board members are:

Adrian Buhai, Chairperson
Valeriu Mihai, Vice-Chairperson
Charlotte Barbu, Secretary

Bela Ispas, Director of Administration
Valerica Archip, Programs Director
Laurensiu Archip, Member
Bogdana Bulugu, Member
Anna Burtea, Member
David Chronic, Member
Lenutsa Chronic, Member

Nepal Community Empowerment Group (WMF Nepal)

Nepal *Samaj Utthan Samuha* (Nepal Community Empowerment Group), in Kathmandu, Nepal, is a Nepali non-government organization. WMF Nepal was registered in December 2000. WMF Nepal operates two care homes: *Prem Ghar* (Home of Love) is for elderly widows, and *Karuna Ghar* (Home of Compassion) is for abandoned and abused girls.

Board members are:

Ps. Stephen Shiva Hair Bhattarai,
Chairperson
Rup Naaraayan Chaulagain,
Vice-Chairperson
Sabitri Dulal, Member
Pawan Magar, Member
Ankit Shrestha, Member
Gita Sapkhota, Member
Aksha K.C., Member

La Palabra Hecha Hombre (WMF Peru)

La Palabra Hecha Hombre, in Lima, Peru, is a registered Peruvian association. WMF Peru was registered July 5, 2001. WMF Peru ministers to children, young adults and families from street contexts.

Board members are:

Anna Monteviller Pino, President
David Bruggers, Vice-President
Rachel Langley, Treasurer
Fabiola Marengo, Secretary
Ps. Cesar Ferryra, Member
Maria Figliolo, Member
Adrian Quijandria, Member

La Palabra Hecha Vida (WMF Bolivia)

La Palabra Hecha Vida, in El Alto, Bolivia, is a Bolivian foundation. WMF Bolivia was registered Sept. 6, 2006. WMF Bolivia operates La Casa de Esperanza (The House of Hope) community center for women in the commercial sex industry and their families.

Board members are:

Fineke Janssen Pietersen, President
Cara Strauss Contreras, Acting Vice President
Ximena Rodriguez Avila, Treasurer
Betty Pinto Zoto, Secretary
Claudio Navarro, Member

Palavra Encarnada (WMF Brazil)

Palavra Encarnada, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, is a registered Brazilian association. WMF

Brazil was officially registered on March 7, 2009. *Palavra Encarnada* operates *Projeto Ester* (The Esther Project) community center for women and their children on the downtown streets of Rio de Janeiro.

Board members are:

Esdriane Cohen de Araujo, President
Olyene Quaresma, Vice President
Rebecca Nichols, Treasurer
Richard Nichols, Executive Secretary

Sari Bari Trust

The Sari Bari Trust was registered June 16, 2010, in Kolkata, India, as non-profit avenue for outreach and social-work projects. The Sari Bari Trust is committed to the freedom and restoration of Kolkata's red-light areas through the support, promotion, education, and initiation of projects and activities with persons affected by the sex trade.

Sari Bari Pvt. Ltd Board of Directors:

Sarah Lance
Uendra Prasad Saha
Gita Mondal

Sari Bari Trust Board:

Kaushik Das, Chairperson
Uendra Prasad Saha, Member
Gita Mondal, Member
Baroti Nandi, Member

Word Made Flesh Canada

Word Made Flesh Canada is a registered

Canadian charity based in Cambridge, Ontario. WMF Canada acquired charitable status May 27, 2009, and the official registration number is 80545 0624 RR0001. WMF Canada exists to enable Canadians to participate as full members of the WMF community.

Board members are:

Mark Petersen, President
Martha Arias, Secretary-Treasurer
Christopher Heuertz, Member

Word Made Flesh Sierra Leone

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