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# Annual Report

2020



**TeachBeyond**  
Transformational Education Services

# CERTAINTY IN UNCERTAIN TIMES

As is the case for all of us, most of our planning for 2020 was “thrown out” when the global pandemic hit in March. The implications for our learning environments were profound, and our leaders spent the year adapting and innovating in response to changing limitations. The impact of the pandemic hit home over Christmas, as we very sadly lost our TeachBeyond South African Board Chair, along with his 33-year-old son, to Covid. This heartbreaking loss was a poignant reminder of other losses, both in our TeachBeyond community as well as in the lives of those who support this ministry.

However, as I reflect on the year as a whole, what stands out is our certainty in God’s faithfulness and His character. God’s transformational work continued and flourished in the midst of the struggles. In times of fear and uncertainty, we were able to share our firm foundation of faith in Jesus Christ through effective new methods. As you read through our annual report, you will find story after story of creative ways our members overcame what seemed like impassable barriers. For example, school closures brought new opportunities to be virtually “invited” into learners’ homes and opened doors to have conversations with entire families. In other cases, educators adapted their curriculum at an extraordinary pace, to continue holistic education in new formats.

Equally astonishingly, in a year where we might have expected cutbacks, God showed His faithfulness as we saw the global ministry grow! God called many new cross-cultural workers, resulting in one of our largest launch groups ever. TeachBeyond members, acting with vision and courage, started several new projects and laid the groundwork for explosive growth in 2021.

For starters, we anticipate at least ten more new schools and projects starting in 2021. The bottom line is that our TeachBeyond members rose to the challenges head-on, and found a way to continue the mission of transformational education in a Covid world.

In the midst of all of these global needs, our Global Committee and leadership team completed the new five-year strategic plan called, Embracing the Vision. These new strategies developed with the engagement of hundreds of members and leaders worldwide, who prayerfully contributed to the plan. At the heart of Embracing the vision, is a desire to serve our Father, love Jesus, and be effective, by the power of His Spirit, in enabling a growing global movement of transformational education. Work has already begun on many new initiatives, and I look forward to publishing the strategic plan in the coming months.

Hudson Taylor’s words from more than a century ago are a good reminder for us: “God’s work done God’s way never lacks God’s supply.” Therefore, we are certain of God’s unchangeable character. We are confident in God’s provision and on God’s calling in serving Him through Christ-centered transformational education. We continue to press onwards with the work that God has given us.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Durance". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a light-colored, textured background.

**David Durance**  
**President**

## HERE ARE 6 HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2020:

- Established 4 National Entities: TeachBeyond Bolivia and three creative access countries **increasing the number of national offices to 26.**
- The TeachBeyond sponsored film “Life Jacket” about refugees on Lesbos was celebrated at a Canadian film festival, **winning “Best Documentary.”**
- Partnerships with others continued to grow with **20 new agreements** expanding TeachBeyond ministries to a total of **67 countries.**
- Growth of learners at TeachBeyond programs grew from 10,000 in 2015 to over **20,000 in 2020.**
- Concluded a year-long strategic planning process which culminated in a **new 5-year strategic plan: Embracing the Vision.**
- Added **three new schools to the TeachBeyond family,** with another ten school projects planned for 2021.

# Meet the TeachBeyond Family



**ACAMP-SERRA**  
[acampamento.org](http://acampamento.org)

Acamp-Serra are camping ministries in Brazil that provide overnight, day camps, and English camps for children, teens, and families.



**ARBOR CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**  
[arborchristianacademy.org](http://arborchristianacademy.org)

Serving local students in the Dominican Republic starting in 2017, the school features pre-K through elementary school.



**BELIZE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**  
[belizechristianacademy.com](http://belizechristianacademy.com)

Belize Christian Academy serves approximately 235 local and missionary students ranging from kindergarten to high school seniors.



**BEYOND BORDERS**  
[teachbeyond.org/beyondborders](http://teachbeyond.org/beyondborders)

Beyond Borders sends Christian educators, administrators, and staff to provide transformational education to the displaced and marginalized.



**BEYOND INGLÊS**  
Beyond Inglês offers a quality English program in a suburb of Brasilia to students of all economic levels, and offers the hope of Christ through transformational education.



**BLACK FOREST ACADEMY**  
[bfacademy.com](http://bfacademy.com)

Black Forest Academy in Germany has operated since 1956, providing a quality education to approximately 300 local and boarding students whose families serve in more than 50 countries.



**BRIDGEWAY NORTH AMERICAN SCHOOL**  
[bridgewaymexico.com](http://bridgewaymexico.com)

Local residents asked TeachBeyond to help establish BridgeWay North American School in Mexico City. The school opened for classes in the fall of 2017.



**FATEB KINSHASA ACADEMY**  
[fatebkinshasa.academy](http://fatebkinshasa.academy)

TeachBeyond's first African owned, managed, and staffed school opened as FATEB Kinshasa Academy in 2015 in the capital of the Democratic Republic of Congo.



**FORERUNNER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL**

Forerunner International School has both day and boarding students. It brings quality education to the poorest province in the nation.



### FOUNDERS ACADEMY BANGLADESH

Founders Academy provides English-medium instruction using an American curriculum. The school provides an international education that prepares local students for study at world-class universities.



### JANZ TEAM GRAMADO

[janzteam.com.br](http://janzteam.com.br)

Janz Team Gramado is a campus with meeting and camping facilities. This is where TeachBeyond Brasil holds many of its events.



### NEW HOPE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

New Hope was founded in 2015 with a vision to be the premier bilingual school serving its city and preparing students to positively influence their community.



### HAVEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

With a celebrated opening in 2017, Haven International School serves as the only bilingual school in the community, emphasizing elementary education and positive community impact.



### LÉMAN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

[liacademy.ch](http://liacademy.ch)

Léman International Academy opened in 2010 to offer a French/English bilingual education for ages 3 to 11. It is located near Geneva and follows a Swiss curriculum.



### OPEN SCHOOLS WORLDWIDE

[osww.org](http://osww.org)

Open Schools Worldwide gives marginalized children with no access to schools the opportunity to learn numeracy and literacy to the third grade level.



### INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SERVICES

International Education Services is a school located in one of the largest unreached nations in the 10/40 window. Its purpose is to educate the children of families called to ministry in this country.



### LIVEBEYOND

LiveBeyond, founded in 2008 with the name Atos and renamed in 2016, transforms youth in Brazil through theoretical and practical training in internships and missionary trips.



### SOUTHEAST ASIAN RAINFOREST ACADEMY

Rainforest Academy is located in an Asian country along the equator. Founded in 2009, this private, faith-based school has a student body of about 200.



### SANTA CRUZ CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

[scclc.org](http://scclc.org)

Santa Cruz Christian Learning Center opened in Bolivia in 1977 and provides a quality Christian education in English. Students graduate with both Bolivian and American diplomas.

**WE WELCOMED SANTA CRUZ CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER AND 2 OTHER CREATIVE ACCESS SCHOOLS INTO THE TEACHBEYOND FAMILY IN 2020.**

# Advancing in a Chaotic Season

## Mike Koerber / Canada / USA Regional Director

Though 2020 brought its fair share of challenges, TeachBeyond Canada and US also experienced many encouraging highlights as well, including:

- Launching the *Transformed and Transformational* podcast that was downloaded over 2,500 times between its September launch and the end of the year,
- Converting our New Missionary Orientation and Church Leaders Summit to virtual events, resulting in significantly increased participation for both,
- Completing the transition to a new health insurance provider that lowered costs and increased benefits for our members,
- Growing our Church Relations team to 3 members and launching our Church Resources webpage,
- Placing TeachBeyond members at a school assignment in the US for the first time ever,
- Raising over \$193,000 USD for our Global Impact Fund through Virtual Banquets and other initiatives,
- Processing over \$3,000,000 CAD of donations in Canada and nearly \$13,000,000 USD of donations in the US; a combined increase in giving of 8% from 2019.

When Covid hit, we all wondered if anyone would want to move overseas during a pandemic. With the ongoing need for educators around the world, the mobilization team continued to recruit virtually and were amazed to receive a steady stream of applications.

Two of these applications came from Natalie and Jacob, who were living in Alaska for Natalie's Travel Nurse job. As that season was coming to an end, they heard about TeachBeyond from a friend, and applied to serve in Mauritius, an island nation in the Indian Ocean. In a matter of months, they had left their post in Alaska, sold their home in Missouri, and booked flights for their family of 5 to travel to Africa.

In the midst of a chaotic season, the Lord miraculously provided full financial support. Natalie writes, "When your circumstances feel insurmountable or you are getting discouraged, know that if you are hearing God's call, He will provide. Lean into the difficult, keep going, and look for how He is refining you in the process."

We praise God for His provision for the 89 new missionaries from the US and Canada who joined the TeachBeyond team in 2020!

# REGIONAL IMPACT

## 82

International and National TeachBeyond members and associates serving in Canada and the US.

## 3

Projects and programs served by TeachBeyond in Canada and the US.

Beyond Borders student.



# Mbote, Bonjour, Hello, Jambo!

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## Tamera Peters / Africa Regional Director

What a year this has been for the work of TeachBeyond in Africa. Despite the unexpected challenges, we have been stretched to think creatively and we have seen God's hand at work in powerful ways.

At our virtual new member orientation in June, we welcomed 20+ new missionaries. They left feeling welcomed and excited about heading out to their new "home." Most are working in partnering Christian schools with some others joining in Educational Services (focused on Africa).

In the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) our national entity, under Heritier Fima's leadership, is growing in numbers and opportunities. Fateb Kinshasa Academy, our school which began with 2 classrooms and 11 students in 2015, now has over 100 students from pre-school to the 5th class.

The children display their joy of learning as their enthusiasm and laughter come bubbling out of the open windows. This school has become an "exemplary" one, as many educators from the DRC come to observe what can happen, when teachers are trained and supported in transformational education.

Another project in the DRC, started in 2020, is that a team of Congolese national "Teacher Trainers" have begun helping and training other schools in the transformational educational model. One such school, this one for marginalized children, opened its doors in Gemena, DRC, this past Fall.

In Ethiopia, we are beginning to establish a new national entity for TeachBeyond. We have an active office with an Ethiopian national coordinator. We have already been serving in Ethiopia through our Beyond Borders ministry.

God has allowed us to expand our educational program to an additional 21 children living in the Koshe Community in Addis, with a new local partner, Glimmer for Street Kids. Because we feed the children in our programs 2 meals a day, the government allowed us to keep our programs open through Covid.

We have also seen transformation in organizations. Yemamu Ahmed, Director of Brook Hills Development Organization (BHDO), was integral in helping Abera (Director of Glimmer) get the second program up and running. Beautiful to see this teamwork and serving spirit.

Prior to lockdown, Open Schools Worldwide was involved in 64 projects, had 234 trained volunteers and tutors, and had 3,500 marginalized children attending Literacy, Numeracy and Life Skills programs in southern and eastern Africa. Covid restrictions severely impacted the delivery of these programs, as online tutoring opportunities were not possible for these children.

We praise God that despite the interruptions, new tutors were trained in South Africa, and new Ethiopian tutors were trained online for the first time. The team has also been developing resources for the tutors and are excited that the Literacy and Numeracy curriculum are being translated into Portuguese.

This hard year has allowed us to have more time to think and pray through our strategies for growth, and how to meet more educational needs. We have newly formed intercultural teams that are developing new tools and teaching modules in multiple languages, to better equip us for our future work in Africa. The Lord is good, and we are so very excited and full of hope!



## 2020 Highlights:

- **23 new TeachBeyond members** serving here.
- Fateb Kinshasa Academy has **grown to 100 Students** despite Covid.
- TeachBeyond DRC is **sending out** Teacher Trainers to remote areas.
- **New TeachBeyond entity** starting in Ethiopia.
- New teacher training **modules are being created** especially for Africa national schools.
- Beyond Borders has started **2 new educational projects**, including a feeding program on the Korah dump in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- Open Schools is serving **64 projects**, with **234 trained volunteers and tutors**, and has **3500 children** attending Literacy, Numeracy and Life Skills programs in Southern and Eastern Africa.



Beyond Borders student hard at work.

# Africa

# IMPACT

79

International and National TeachBeyond members and associates serving in Africa

16

Countries served in Africa

35

Projects and programs served by TeachBeyond in Africa (creative access locations are not shown on the map below)



#### MAP KEY

- TeachBeyond Family
- TeachBeyond Partners
- Open School Partnership Programs



**Top:** School children in Zambia. **Bottom:** Open Schools tutor with student in Lusaka, Zambia.

# Growth and Opportunities

## VF / Asia Regional Director

Even during a pandemic, we continue to see God go before members and projects here in Asia. Whether it be schools remaining open who support the many ministry families in the area, like Grace International School in Chiang Mai, or a Language Center in East Asia continuing to develop relationships with families in their community, or a student at a school where most do not know Jesus, come to know Him in a personal way, is all evidence that God is on the move. Granted there have been difficult times at all of our projects. School leaders and teachers have had to navigate online learning, closed borders, and governmental restrictions, yet every project is open and ministering to learners and communities. God has also allowed these difficulties to open doors for greater community engagement, and our leaders have creatively found ways to engage learners in spite of the restrictions.

We continue to see growth as we are partnering with projects in 15 countries and we are exploring other potential partnerships in 3 other countries. As we look back on how God has gone before us, we have hope and trust that God will continue to grow His kingdom in Asia in the years to come.

The following pictures, taken from 3 different projects, show how the presence of TeachBeyond members in various places, has opened up opportunities to assist in attending to great needs that have arisen in the region, during this pandemic in 2020. It has been through these open doors God has provided, that we have been able to build relationships, make connections, and reflect the love of Christ to those in need. In moments like these, we can see how we are “created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Eph. 2:10).

We are thankful for these opportunities and pray that we can continue to persevere, be aware and be ready to respond to the call that God has given us.



## 2020 Highlights:

- We saw a **new school** started and a **new swim school** started in 1 creative access country.
- Another school in a creative access country **started the zoning process** in preparation for a new building.
- We sent our first members to **4 new projects** this year.
- We saw a **preschool get started** in a creative access country.
- We now have **over 40 projects and programs** across the Asia Region.

Food distribution in various countries in South Asia.

# Asia

# IMPACT

335

International and national TeachBeyond members and associates serving in Asia

16

Countries served in Asia

49

Projects and programs served by TeachBeyond in Asia (creative access locations are not shown on the map below)



#### MAP KEY

- TeachBeyond Family
- TeachBeyond Partners



## EUROPE

# God's Work Continuing in Europe

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## Jessica Weaver / Europe Regional Director

To say that the last year was unprecedented is an understatement. We faced many challenges and unknowns, travel bans and movement restrictions. But I can confidently say that our members have shown a resilience and resourcefulness beyond compare.

During lockdown, when one school first went online, it was quickly discovered that the parents needed to have something interesting, but not too learning intensive, for their children to do around 6 pm. The TeachBeyond art teacher of that school decided to host Facebook live sessions. She did art projects with things that could be found around the house. Other TeachBeyond members joined in, as did people from all over the globe, to create art.

I know as they have leaned on the Lord during this dark time in the world's history, He has been faithful. This has been proven time and time again.

We have seen an increase in the number of workers in Europe, the number of countries served, partnerships, and the number of learners. Camps moved to a very successful online format, where many attended who would not have come otherwise. Members were able to be in the homes of learners via online platforms and be an encouragement there.

A school board member shares, "A parent (who is not a believer) tells us that their child is coming home, sharing Bible stories with the family and talking about Jesus. What is also interesting and encouraging, is that this very young child is using words/ideas that the parent did not think that they would know or understand. On asking how the child knew these words or concepts, they were informed, "It was Jesus who told me!" The parents are delighted that their child is learning about a faith system, despite not practising any faith themselves. We can certainly pray that the whole family learn more about Jesus from this student!

We also had our first cohort of regional leaders go through the first 2 modules of Transformational Leadership Training.

These are just a few highlights of how God is working in Europe. We have seen a growing interest in those who want to join us in Transformational Education. I, for one, cannot wait to see what He has in store for us!



## 2020 Highlights:

- **Successful camps meeting** in an on-line setting.
- **Growing partnerships with schools**, some that will hopefully transition into the TeachBeyond family of schools.
- Began the process of registering TeachBeyond in **3 new countries**.
- **Trained the first cohort of teachers** through the Transformational Leadership Training.



A snapshot of a school assembly in a creative access location.

# Europe

# IMPACT

312

International and National TeachBeyond members and associates serving in Europe

18

Countries served in Europe

29

Projects served by TeachBeyond in Europe (creative access locations are not shown on the map below)



## MAP KEY

- TeachBeyond Family
- TeachBeyond Partners



Graduation day at Black Forest Academy, Germany.

## LATIN AMERICA

# Changes, Challenges, and God's Provision

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## Chantelle Sawatzky / Latin America Regional Director

2020 is a year that will not soon be forgotten. It has, at turns, felt inconvenient and painful. In Latin America, budgets have been pushed to their limits. Economic restructuring meant that several members were not able to continue to their work in ministry. Members have fallen ill. And yet, it has also been a year where we have been able to celebrate God's goodness, His sustaining grace, and His abundant blessing.

People have continued to answer the call to serve in transformational education. 2020 saw a surge of national members deciding to join TeachBeyond, with 15 new Latin American members serving in their own countries. One such couple, Paolo and Juliana Santos, are excited to begin running an English Language Institute in Brazil. They are thrilled to be a part of TeachBeyond's mission and see a deep alignment with their own vision for transforming individuals and communities for Christ. We also commissioned 11 new members from North America to serve in a variety of educational contexts across the region.

The creativity and dedication of our members opened doors to new ways of reaching people. LinGo Online has connected teachers living in North America with projects across the region;

we have LinGo Online programs now operating in the Dominican Republic, Mexico and Ecuador, with one on the cusp of opening in Colombia. In Brazil, English camps went online, with great impact. The development of the TeachBeyond Experience, in partnership with several TeachBeyond departments, had created opportunities for Latin Americans to participate in short-term ministries in Africa.

In spite of travel and budget constraints, not one of our programs ceased operations. In fact, we have adopted Santa Cruz Christian Learning Centre in Bolivia to TeachBeyond, are in the processing of founding a new school in Cuenca, Ecuador, and are onboarding 2 already established schools: Puebla Christian School in Mexico and Asunción Christian Academy in Paraguay. In Uruguay, we are starting up a centre for substance rehabilitation, and have begun renovations on a new training centre that will welcome seminary students and host English language classes. The opportunities for growth are great; we continue to pray for God's provision and guidance in His work in our region.

## 2020 Highlights:

- Launched operations in **2 new countries: Uruguay and Bolivia.**
- Added **15 new National Members** in Brazil and Uruguay.
- TeachBeyond Uruguay **found a spacious new home** in 2020 and began renovations. Classes will begin 2021.
- **Formed 2 Project Support teams** to assist Heads of Schools at TeachBeyond projects.



Snapshot of a student's smile from BridgeWay North American School, Mexico.

# Latin America

# IMPACT

153

International and National TeachBeyond members and associates serving in Latin America

15

Countries served in Latin America

51

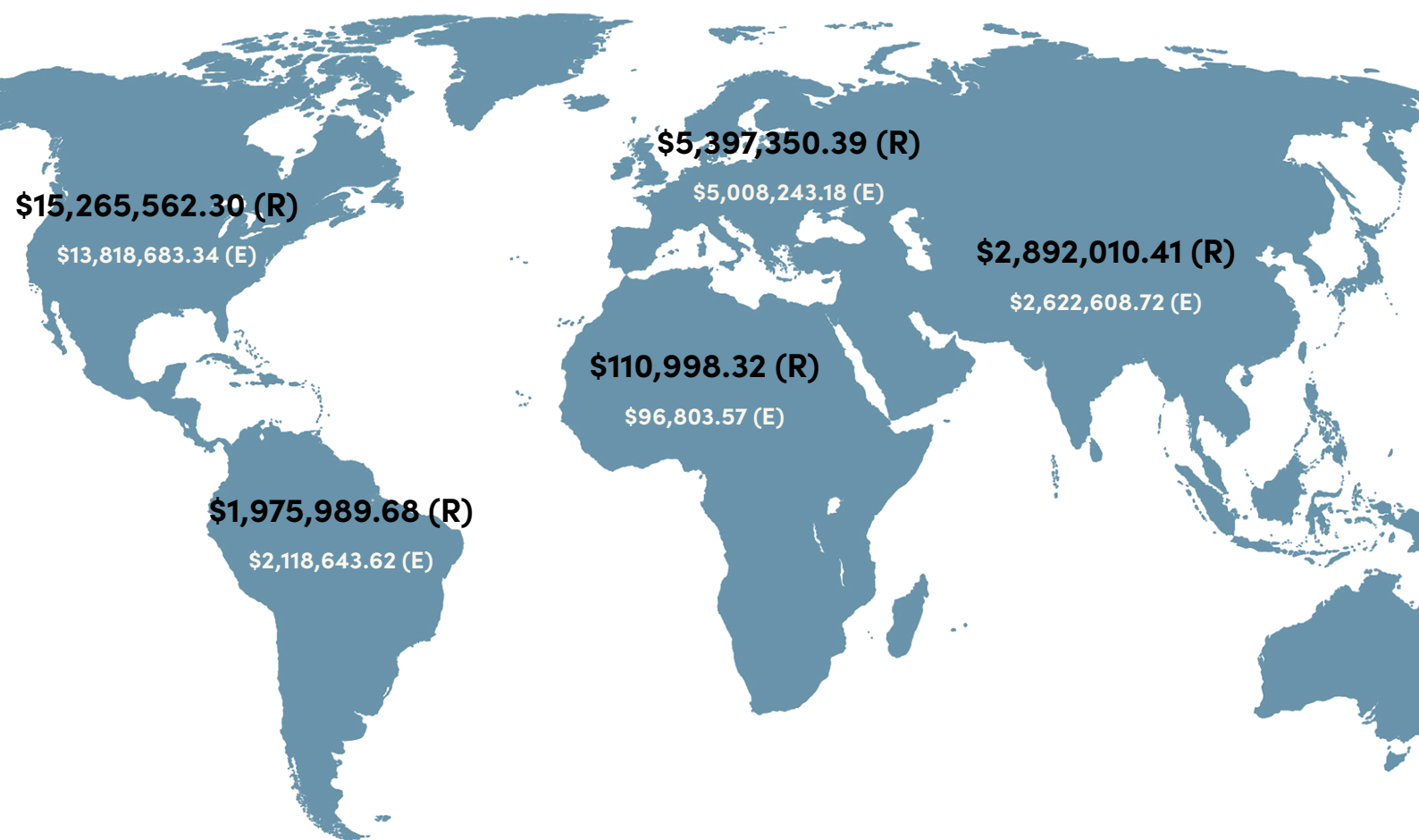
Projects and programs served by TeachBeyond in Latin America, including English Camps





Students on a lunch break at Belize Christian Academy, Belize.

# 2020 Global Financial Highlights



## REVENUE BY REGION (R)\*

AFRICA REGION	\$110,998.32
ASIA REGION	\$2,892,010.41
EUROPE REGION	\$5,397,350.39
LATIN AMERICA REGION	\$1,975,989.68
US / CANADA REGION	\$15,265,562.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,641,911.10</b>

## EXPENSES BY REGION (E)\*

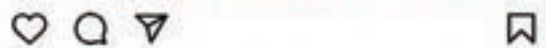
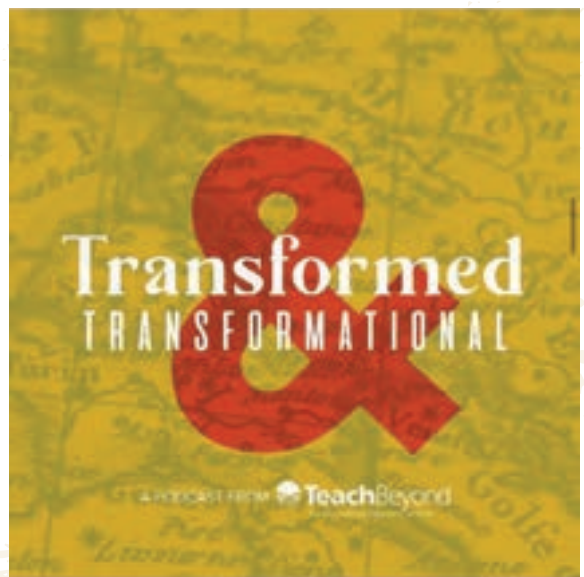
AFRICA REGION	\$96,803.57
ASIA REGION	\$2,622,608.72
EUROPE REGION	\$5,008,243.18
LATIN AMERICA REGION	\$2,118,643.62
US / CANADA REGION	\$13,818,683.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,664,982.42</b>

\*All numbers are based on local reports converted to USD





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@TEACHBEYOND  
696 posts 2,000 followers



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## TEACHBEYOND IS ALSO OFFICIALLY REGISTERED IN:

- Eight creative access countries (since 2003, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2020)

**For street addresses and numbers, please visit:** [teachbeyond.org/learn/contact-us](https://teachbeyond.org/learn/contact-us)

TeachBeyond's vision for transformation is God's plan to transform lives through education, and it is our role and privilege to call people to partner in this work. Find out how to serve or give at the websites above.