Towards a vision of hope

Jerusalem-West Bank-Gaza

Annual Review 2006
Our vision for every child life in all its fullness;

Our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so:

Mission Statement

World Vision is an international partnership of Christians whose mission is:

To follow our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
In working with the poor and oppressed
To promote human transformation,
Seek justice, and bear witness
To the good news of the kingdom of God

We pursue this mission through integrated, holistic commitment to:
Transformational Development that is community-based and sustainable, focused especially on the needs of children;
Emergency Relief that assists people afflicted by conflict or natural disaster;
Promotion of Justice that seeks to change unjust structures affecting the poor among whom we work;
Partnerships with Churches to contribute to spiritual and social transformation;
Public Awareness that leads to informed understanding, giving involvement and prayer;
Witness to Jesus Christ by life, deed, word and sign that encourages people to respond to the Gospel.
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### Glossary of Acronyms & Terms

- **ADP** Area Development Programme
- **DCI** Defense for Children International
- **FY** Fiscal Year (starts on October 1)
- **GNI** Gross National Income
- **GNP** Gross National Production
- **NGO** Non-Governmental Organisation
- **oPt** occupied Palestinian territory
- **PCBS** Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics
- **UNICEF** United Nations Children Fund
- **UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund
- **WHO** World Health Organisation

### Country Profile: Israel
- Human Development Index (HDI) Rank: 23 (UNDP, 2005)
- HDI value: 0.915 (UNDP, 2005)
- GNI per capita: US$18,620 (World Bank, 2006)
- Population: 6.7 million (UN, 2005)
- Area: Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics cites 22,072 sq km (8,522 sq miles), including occupied East Jerusalem and Golan Heights
- Major languages: Hebrew, Arabic
- Major religions: Judaism, Islam
- Life expectancy: 77 years (men), 82 years (women) (UN)
- Main exports: Computer software, military equipment, chemicals and agricultural products
- Literacy rate: 97% (UNICEF, 2004)
- Unemployment 8.6% (2006)
- Poverty rate 22.4% (2004)

### Country Profile: Palestine
- Human Development Index (HDI) Rank: 102 (UNDP, 2005)
- HDI value: 0.729 (UNDP, 2005)
- GNI per capita: US$1,120 (World Bank, 2006)
- Population: 3.8 million (UN, 2005)
- Area: Palestinian Ministry of Information cites 5,970 sq km (2,305 sq miles) for West Bank territories and 365 sq km (141 sq miles) for Gaza
- Major language: Arabic
- Religion: Islam (98.5%); Christianity (1.5%)
- Life expectancy: 71 years (men), 74 years (women) (UN)
- Main exports: Citrus and vegetables
- Literacy rate: 91.5% (UNICEF, 2004)
- Unemployment 31.1% (World Bank)
- Poverty rate 70% (UN)
We end this year with a sense of accomplishment despite the upheaval faced by so many in this land. We were able to reach more people than ever with our development initiatives and increased our budget from last year, but on the other hand we also witnessed a serious worsening in the humanitarian needs in the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt).

We opened the year with a new hope for positive change for all the people of Palestine and Israel, but political events and outbreaks of violence clouded the horizon. In the summer of 2006 the situation deteriorated with the start of the Israeli military operation “Summer Rain” in Gaza. Since then more than 400 people have died there including dozens of children, and poverty has reached new depths with 79 percent of all Gazans depending on food aid to survive.

World Vision was one of the first international aid agencies to respond to this humanitarian crisis by distributing food packages to more than 100,000 people. Our work in 2006 was more important and needed than ever.

Our main strategy, however, is not relief aid but long term development. Next year, we plan to extend our reach with the opening of three more Area Development Programmes (ADPs) in northern Gaza, Salfit and the Jenin area.

“By working with the poorest of the poor in the area,” commented one World Vision donor upon visiting our projects this year, “World Vision is helping communities to survive with dignity. It is an honour to be able to share in that.”

We thank God for His guidance and provision, and pray for his continued leading in the year ahead.

We are also grateful to our faithful donors and partners as we continue working towards a “generation transformed”, where all can look forward to a more hopeful future.

Charles Clayton
Focus Areas for Development

- Food Security
- Education
- Micro-Enterprise
- Response to Conflict
- Emergency Relief

World Vision Jerusalem-West Bank-Gaza: Profile

Population served: **325,000**

Staff: **54**

Communities served: **60**

Direct beneficiaries: **211,500** (including 110,000 in Gaza emergency relief)

Indirect beneficiaries: **164,000**

Community Based Organisations and schools helped: **172**

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
Looking forward...

Our vision is to see a generation transformed.

Objectives for FY2007

- Increase number of sponsored children
- Improve quality of programmes
- Modernise Sponsorship Programme using latest technologies
- Increase awareness of Sponsorship Programme in ADP communities
- Plan for organizational expansion and build capacity of staff
- Continue to advocate internationally to find a just peace between Palestinians and Israelis
- Support the local church
As a child-focused organisation, World Vision works to improve life for children in difficult political, economic and social circumstances.

The Child Sponsorship Programme was first introduced in the Holy Land in the mid-1980s. Since then, hundreds of thousands of children have been involved in it.

Every donor pledges money once a month and is linked with a Palestinian child whose personal development they can track through letters. The children are chosen based on need without any discrimination on the basis of religion or race.

The sponsor’s contribution goes towards the development of the child’s home community. This might include building and upgrading school facilities, establishing kindergartens and providing health services in remote villages – facilities not just benefiting sponsored children, but the whole community.

The children also receive annual medical checkups to ensure good health, which in a number of cases have proved lifesaving.

In 2006, the programme had more than 15,500 sponsored children assisted by donors from Australia, Canada, and the USA and generated a total of US$2.9 million.

This number is expected to grow even further with the establishment of additional ADPs.
Sponsored children enjoy collective birthday party

More than 300 sponsored children from the village of Jifna in the West Ramallah ADP enjoyed a collective birthday party this year.

The children eagerly anticipate this annual event as many of them come from families that cannot afford to buy them presents and celebrate their birthdays.

They were so happy to leave behind the hardships of daily life to watch a comic puppet show, for most a first.

Each child was given matching sets of colourful woolen hats, scarves and gloves, a surprise special gift donated by his or her American sponsor.

“...I don’t have a hat, scarf and glove like these. The ones I have are not this nice and colourful. I want to go home and show them to my mum,” said a thrilled eight-year-old Tasneem (left). She and her six-year-old sister Batul were so happy to receive their hats, scarves and gloves.

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Violence against Children

- 824 Palestinian children killed since 2000 (DCI)
- 45% witnessed their school besieged by Israeli troops*
- 18% witnessed troops kill a schoolmate
- 13% witnessed the killing of a teacher in school*
- 45% witnessed violence in school on a daily basis over the past year*
- 37% exposed to physical violence*
- 55% of domestic violence victims said they’d keep it a secret*

Source: Bir’ Zeit University Study, Summer 2004

Hope for a Better Future

- 1.2 million children are of school age
- 3,000 schools in oPt
- Gross enrollment rate (Basic Stage) : 97%
- School dropout: 0.7%-3.7%
- 34.7% students per class
- 91% say they are optimistic about their future
- 59% say their first concern is education
- 13.3% use the computer and 5.8% the Internet

Source: PCBS/UNICEF/UNFPA Youth Survey 2003
Community Partnerships

Area Development Programmes aim for sustainable development throughout the Palestinian territories and give people a say in how their own communities are developed.

Each ADP targets a cluster of communities living in marginalised villages, refugee camps, towns and city neighbourhoods and works toward sustainability over a 10 to 15 year period.

Five ADPs are now running in West Bethlehem, West Ramallah, East Hebron, Southern Gaza and the Old City of Jerusalem. Three more in North Gaza, Jenin and Salfit will be founded in FY2007.

These unique programmes have positioned World Vision as a pivotal organization in the Holy Land.
Hope for Nahhalin Project

The Hope for Nahhalin project was created to enhance food security of the 6,500-strong community, by farming the land and also decreasing the risk of further expropriation by Israeli authorities.

For decades, the Israeli army has been using an ancient Ottoman law stating that land left uncultivated could be subject to confiscation by the authorities.

In five years, the production level of the 110 reclaimed dunums (27.5 acres) will increase by 50 percent.

Nearly one thousand people in the Palestinian village of Nahhalin have benefited from turning reclaimed land into rich agricultural soil through this project funded by Sowers of Hope – a Montreal-based grassroots organisation.

Situated just eight kilometres from Bethlehem, and close to the Israeli border, over 60 percent of Nahhalin’s land had been confiscated over the years by the Israeli army to construct settlements in this strategic area.

Sixty-year-old Mahmud Fannun was one of the farmers benefiting from the land reclamation project. Mahmud helps support a big family of 10 children and 18 grandchildren. Four of his sons are unemployed. He says (with the neighbouring Israeli settlement of Bitar Ellite behind him); “Now, I will not only help feed my family but will also sleep knowing that my land is better protected. I have lost a piece of land in the past when the settlement was built, and I don’t want to lose this one too.”

West Bethlehem ADP

| Population: 20,000 |
| Staff: 8 |
| Communities served: 6 |
| Sponsored children: 3,500 |
| Direct beneficiaries: 20,381* |
| Indirect beneficiaries: 6,660* |
| Community Based Organisations and schools helped: 23 |
| Major project emphasis: education, food security, micro-enterprise, infrastructure and health |
| Unemployment rate: 22% |

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
This year one thousand Palestinian farmers in the East Hebron Area Development Programme received 21,000 olive tree seedlings through donations to the World Vision Canada Gift Catalogue helping families generate a subsidiary income and enhance food security in the ADP.

Olives and olive oil are basic ingredients of the Palestinian diet making this a perfect focus for this project.

In three years, each tree will start producing about seven kilograms (16 pounds) of olives annually that will increase to 15 kilos (33 pounds) the second year.

Although it will take three years for the seedlings to grow and start producing olives, Ibrahim- a physically challenged father of four children-is happy that he will then be able to increase his income.

He says that each kilo of olives sells for about US$1.5 and if pickled would bring double the price. This means that he will be able to increase his annual income by about US$400, a considerable amount of money in Bani Naim.

**Distribution of Olive Seedlings in East Hebron**

**East Hebron ADP**
- Population: 25,000
- Staff: 7
- Communities served: 11
- Sponsored children: 3,100
- Direct beneficiaries: 13,740*
- Indirect beneficiaries: 11,000*
- Community Based Organisations and schools helped: 18
- Major project emphasis: education, micro-enterprise, food security
- Unemployment rate: 40%

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
Beekeeping in Bani Naim

Beekeeping is usually a profession for men in the Palestinian territories, but the ADP is interested in improving the status of women in the local community. Therefore, it is helping women enter this profession to support their families.

Eighty enthusiastic women joined the project in order to start their own business. Each one paid US$150, amounting to about US$12,000, to which the ADP added US$50,000. The money was used to purchase 240 beehives and protective suits and hire an agronomist with extensive experience in establishing beehives.

The women were taken through a 30-hour theoretical training course, followed by practical experience in beehive maintenance.

This year each woman earned a net income of US$200 that should increase to US$300 next year when the bees double their numbers.

Thirty five year-old Basmah (right) is one of the beneficiaries. She says: “My husband is unemployed and only works for short periods of time as a day labourer. Two of my six children are physically challenged and need medical attention that I cannot afford. It is very hard for me as a mother not to be able to even feed them properly. I hope that now that I have my own business, I will be able to better support them.”

### Palestinian Women

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<td>Participation in labour market</td>
<td>12.8% (PCBS)</td>
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<td>18.7 years (Health Ministry)</td>
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<td>Mothers who completed school</td>
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<td>Mothers with university degree</td>
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More Palestinian children drop out of school in East Jerusalem than in any other place in the Palestinian territories.

To address this problem, the ADP in the Old City of Jerusalem embarked on a project to support academically weak students and improve their school performance.

Eight university students volunteered to give free tutorial lessons to dozens of schoolchildren.

The project was a great success and an increasing number of children asked to enroll in the program.

Next year, the ADP plans to offer courses to parents to help them better support their children’s education at home.

Eighteen-year-old Kifa is one of the volunteers helping children excel at school. Rayan (11) is one of her students. Rayan says, “I dream of becoming a doctor to help other people, but I need to improve my English and Mathematics to pick up my grades. English in particular is difficult for me. I want to be good at it not just for school but also to read children’s books.”

Old City of Jerusalem ADP
Population: 35,000
Staff: 6
Communities served: 3
Sponsored children: 750
Direct beneficiaries: 20,600*
Indirect beneficiaries: 3,500*
Community Based Organisations and schools helped: 77
Major project emphasis: Education and capacity building
Unemployment rate: 16.2% (PCBS)

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
Water for Life

Palestinians in the West Bank receive only between 33 to 40 percent of the average water requirement stated by the World Health Organisation (WHO), and less than 8 percent of the agricultural lands in it are irrigated.

One of the main reasons for the water scarcity is the rerouting of water resources to Israeli settlements.

To meet the water needs for the Ramallah ADP, the Water for Life project was created to improve rainwater collection and storage by building 48 cisterns with an 80 cubic metre capacity.

Forty nine families are now able to grow vegetables in their home gardens which drastically improves their food security.

The ADP also provided the farmers with seedlings to plant their fields and modern drip irrigation systems to minimize water wastage.

Water for Life

Mouhammad, his wife Muzayyan, and their four children are living hand to mouth because he is a day labourer who works only a few days a month.

Because of “Water for Life” they are able to grow lettuce, cauliflower, spinach, beans and parsley.

Before the water cistern, Muzayyan and her family were able to bathe once every week or two in the summertime. “Now at last there is water to wash more often and plant the garden,” she says.

West Ramallah ADP

Population: 17,800
Staff: 9
Communities served: 6
Sponsored children: 2,450
Direct beneficiaries: 9,300*
Indirect beneficiaries: 1,550*
Community Based Organisations and schools helped: 9
Major project emphasis: education, food security and micro-enterprise
Unemployment rate: 27.6%

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
Chance for Childhood in Rafah

Rafah is the most dangerous place for children in the oPt. Dozens of children were killed there over the past six years, many of them while playing on the street. Thus the ADP launched a three-year project to take 150 children off the street and provide them with secure spaces where they can play and practice their hobbies.

The Chance for Childhood project was created to address the psychosocial well-being of physically challenged and able-bodied boys and girls in Rafah by offering the children safe spaces to play and express themselves.

The ADP works in cooperation with three local institutions to give children aged 6 to 12 to a chance to read children’s books and participate in activities such as drama, singing, dancing and painting.

Twelve-year-old Othman is one of the children who frequent the newly-established centre. He says, “In the past, I had nothing to do but play on the street, but now I can act, draw and play here in the centre. I am very happy that I am part of this wonderful place.”

His mother is very happy and satisfied. She says, “Othman’s behavior has changed positively since he started going to the centre. I wish that more children could join the project.”

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Southern Gaza ADP

- Population: 184,000
- Staff: 5
- Communities served: 7
- Sponsored children: 2,740
- Direct beneficiaries: 8,830*
- Indirect beneficiaries: 100,000*
- Community Based Organisations and schools helped: 12
- Major project emphasis: education, food security, micro-enterprise and emergency relief
- Unemployment rate: 70%

* Some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once.
Improving Farming in Gaza

The Australian Middle East NGO Cooperation Agreement project (AMENCA) was the biggest grant World Vision received from an international government donor in FY06.

More than 18,000 people have benefited from this project that aims to improve agricultural services by building local individual and organizational capacities in the agricultural sector in the Gaza Strip. For example, farmers were helped to identify their needs and problems to solve them in modern ways that were previously unknown to them.

In addition, this project helped establish a modern communications system of coordination between agricultural organizations and the Ministry of Agriculture.

With help from World Vision Australia, the US$1.2 million grant from AusAid supports 26 marginalised agricultural communities throughout the Gaza Strip.

### Palestinian Agriculture

- **9%** of GNP (Ministry of Agriculture)
- **17%** increase in production between 1993 to 2003 (Ministry of Agriculture)
- **15%** of labour force (Ministry of Agriculture)
- **63%** of agricultural land is cultivated with fruit trees (PCBS)
- **28%** of agricultural land cultivated with vegetables (PCBS)
- **69%** of land in Gaza Strip rely on irrigation compared with 7.4% in West Bank (PCBS)

Farmers in northern Gaza who have benefited from the AMENCA project are fertilising their land to increase its production. The project is improving agriculture in some of the most marginalised areas in Gaza.
The concept of development rests on enabling people to help themselves. To achieve this, World Vision supports 22 local organisations in Israel and the oPt in carrying out projects that directly serve about 10,000 people living in 11 cities and villages.

World Vision advocates the development of every aspect of a child’s environment in their community.

So programmes are designed to empower groups to meet the current developmental needs of their children through education, healthcare and a variety of social services.

Funds for these projects are raised across the globe from World Vision offices and from individual private donors.
Sponsorship program helps Arab-Israeli school excel

Wadi al-Nisnas is one of the poorest neighbourhoods in northern Israel’s port city of Haifa, yet assistance from World Vision’s sponsorship program has helped the community’s St. John’s Evangelical School achieve distinguished success in national educational contests.

School headmaster, Aziz Da’im, says, “Although our school is under-funded by the Israeli Ministry of Education, last year we were graded as one of the top 10 schools in the country in a contest that included 150 Arab and Jewish schools, which has brought great honour to our community. We also had similar results in previous years.”

Last year, World Vision helped the school establish a library and this year it is supporting the opening of a modern science lab.

Thirteen-year-old eighth grader Rozan (left) is a sponsored child who feels sad she will be leaving St. John’s at the end of the year to join a secondary school.

“Although I’m not happy about it, I see this step as a challenge in life. I know that I’ve received the best possible education, which will help me to achieve my dream of going to university. I will never forget my teachers and will miss writing to my sponsor,” she says.

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<td><strong>(Statistics from Haifa Municipality)</strong></td>
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<td>Pop: <strong>268,000</strong></td>
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<td>Jews <strong>90%</strong></td>
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<td>3rd biggest city in Israel</td>
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More than 1.4 million people live in Gaza, about 60 percent of them are children. Life was never easy for children there, but in late June with the start of the Israeli military operation “Summer Rain” the situation took a steep downturn.

On July 25, 2006 World Vision announced emergency status for Gaza in order to increase its assistance to families in need. More than US$1.1 million was raised from World Vision offices around the world in an attempt to avert a humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip.

The Abu-Tur children were among the 1,500 World Vision sponsored children who received food packages in the Southern Gaza ADP. One sponsored child who received a similar package says, “There are food items in the package that we haven’t eaten for months. Now we won’t have to go to the market for weeks.”

These funds were used to implement three large-scale relief projects that directly helped more than 110,000 people in 19 different locations in the Gaza Strip.

### Distribution of Food Parcels and Medical Supplies

About 40,000 people in need throughout the Gaza Strip received food parcels. Each parcel weighed 41 kilograms (90 pounds) and was enough to feed a large family for more than two weeks.

In addition, World Vision distributed desperately needed medical supplies to a hospital and four clinics in the marginalised northern area of the Gaza Strip. These five medical facilities serve more than 65,000 people.

### Gaza: evolving humanitarian crisis

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Distributing locally produced agricultural products to families in need

The Poor Farmers to Poor Families Project helped to temporarily increase household food security for 6,000 families. Each family received a fresh food basket containing 10 food items including eggs, cheese and vegetables. Every basket weighed about 60 kilograms (132 pounds).

The project also helped 600 local farmers who received income for the sale of their produce at a time when the export markets are closed.

In addition, the project generated 1,800 work days that benefited 400 workers and their families.

In all, about 70,000 people benefited from this large-scale project.

Rehabilitating damaged agricultural infrastructure in southern Gaza

Farmlands in the southern Gaza area where the World Vision ADP is located suffered heavy damages in recurrent Israeli army operations. Once the breadbasket of Gaza, large agricultural areas around Rafah became wasteland.

The “Rafah Emergency Rehabilitation of Agricultural Infrastructure” is designed to help 684 farmers and their families by reclaiming 100 dunums (25 acres) of damaged agricultural land, and rehabilitating 105 greenhouses and 23 irrigation ponds.

The project will also generate 3,400 work days that will benefit 400 workers and their families.

Children in crisis (from study conducted by Al-Awdah Hospital of children aged 5-11)

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<td>45%</td>
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<td>25%</td>
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World Vision’s hope-based on its Christian identity and commitment—is that all people will experience life in all its fullness, free from all kinds of oppression and cruelty. We also demonstrate God’s love by respecting the dignity and worth of all people we encounter; working alongside the poor and oppressed to alleviate poverty; and promoting reconciliation and healing where conflict endures.

In the Holy Land, where the indigenous Christian population is steadily declining, we have an additional commitment to:

- Support the continuity of local Christian presence;
- Work for peace and justice based on a biblical understanding;
- Nurture the spiritual formation of our Christian staff;
- Further the understanding and respect of other faiths.

The situation for Christians today in the Holy Land

Since the time of Pentecost, there has been a continuous presence of indigenous Christians in the Holy Land. Today that presence is threatened as thousands of Palestinian Christians leave the area every year due to the various sociopolitical obstacles caused by the ongoing Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza. Today, numbering approximately 49,000, Palestinian Christians comprise only 1.5% of the population of Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza—compared with 7.6% of the entire population of British Mandate Palestine in 1948.
Addressing root causes of poverty

Each year World Vision strives to more effectively address the root causes of poverty and hindrances to development in the communities where we work. Our aim is to be a trusted source on development issues in the oPt-making our advocacy emerge directly from our community-based work.

This year the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians intensified. Leadership changes in both governments, the international donor boycott of the Palestinian Authority and a redeployment of Israeli troops around Gaza were three of the most significant events influencing deterioration in the quality of life for Palestinians. To address our concerns, in May 2006 World Vision collaborated with over 30 international agencies working in Gaza to call global attention to the developing humanitarian crisis there.

Unfortunately, there is much more to be done to address the poverty and the conflict which fuels it. Children especially continue to be vulnerable to death, injury, malnutrition and inadequate medical care.

World Vision has also increased efforts to identify and analyse how conflict impacts our development work by training key staff to be practitioners of the methods of “Do No Harm” development.

Through our worldwide network, World Vision is committed to advocating for justice, peace and reconciliation for all the Holy Land’s children.

The UN has announced the Palestinian territories as one of the 10 most dangerous places for children in the world. More than a 100 children were killed in FY2006, bringing the total number of child fatalities to 824 since the beginning of the Intifada in September 2000.
## FY2006 Financial Highlights

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