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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Anglican Church of Kenya, since its establishment in Kenya has always approached its core mandate of preaching the gospel of Christ in a wholistic manner. We recognize the day to day challenges that citizens go through in terms of earning their daily bread. We don’t take it for granted that spiritual nourishment is sufficient. We know that for communities and households to receive Christ, their daily worries of survival must be addressed. It is for this reason that the ACK founded Christian Community Services (CCSs) in the mid-1970s to spearhead the social transformation ministry of the ACK by working very closely with communities to empower them and give them a voice to hold duty bearers accountable in terms of service provision.

The need to harmonize operations in the social transformation arm of the Church led to the establishment of Anglican Development Services to promote ‘dignified and wholesome living among communities in which the church is engaged. As a driver of social development in the Church, ADS is therefore driven by the need to empower communities to enable them live dignified lives through the provision of services such as education, healthcare and food security. By empowering communities to be able to uplift their own living standards through community development programmes, ADS seeks to re-inforce the mandate of the government of Kenya in fulfilling its developmental mandate to its citizens in line with the Sustainable Development Goals as set by the United Nations.

This report therefore consolidates the efforts of respective Anglican Development Services regional offices across the 47 Counties of Kenya. It highlights the engagements that the ADS has had with communities and County Governments on matters development. It further gives a broader outline of developmental gaps and challenges that continue to bedevil Kenyan communities in their efforts to attain ‘wholesome and dignified living’. This report summarizes the work that ADS accomplished in the year 2017. In our efforts to facilitate citizens to live wholesome and dignified lives’ we initiated new projects in Taita Taveta and Narok Counties. These new projects focused on inter-communal peacebuilding and communal rights of artisanal miners from Transmara and Taita Taveta areas.

Through these projects, we have been able to engage key stakeholders such as the communities, church leaders from the project areas, County and National Government officials, other Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO), Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and Faith Based Organisations (FBOs) by establishing and re-enforcing inter-communal institutions that will ensure sustainability of these
projects long after the project life. Further, ADS facilitated and supported capacity building in its regional offices on issues of governance, inter-communal peacebuilding, organizational development, by training communities, key collaborative partners and even ADS staff and Board members to improve efficiency and delivery of program activities to communities.

In terms of outreach, ADS directly impacted on 2.85 million citizens through projects on community development, advocacy, institutional strengthening, climate change adaptation, knowledge management and sustainability of organizational resources. May we therefore take this opportunity to thank the Boards of ADS Kenya and the Boards of ADS Regional Offices, Management, Staff and Partners that made our work meaningful to the lives of citizens across Kenya.

God Bless You!

The Most Rev. Dr. Jackson Ole Sapit,  
Chairman,  
Anglican Development Services, Kenya

The Rt. Rev. Joseph Kibucwa,  
Patron,  
Anglican Development Services, Kenya

Executive Director,  
Anglican Development Services Kenya
INTRODUCTION

Our Vision

Our vision is to be a sustainable organization that works with communities to enable them to live godly and dignified lives. We do this by focusing on ‘wholesome’ development of communities in terms of provision of spiritual nourishment as well as facilitating social transformation initiatives among Kenyan communities.

Our Mission

Our vision is to build sustainable partnerships with communities and thus enable them to exercise their God-given potentials in addressing their needs. Our focus on sustainable partnerships with communities touches on the following key areas:

- Community development
- Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)
- Advocacy

Our Thematic Areas.

1. **Community Development**
   - Food Security
   - Health
   - Agriculture
   - Economic Empowerment
   - Peace Building
   - Extractives Sector advocacy

2. **Climate Change Adaptation**
   - Climate Change Resilience
   - Environmental Conservation

3. **Advocacy**
   - Electoral Justice
   - The role of the Youth
   - Gender Balance
   - Good Governance
   - Justice for all

4. **Knowledge Management**
   - Research
   - Publications

5. **Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Development**
   - Staff Training
   - Research
   - Stakeholders Forum
   - Sustainability and Availability of Resources
• Sustainability and Availability of Resources
• Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Development
• Knowledge Management

Our Opportunity

Kenya has an estimated population of 45 million people. Out of these, the number of Kenyans out of school and unemployed currently stands at 39.1% which is by far the highest in the East African region. In recent times, Kenya has faced a myriad of challenges ranging from governance (corruption and lack of respect for the rule of law), debilitating droughts and food crisis, inter-communal violence, police brutality, radicalisation of male youth and teenage pregnancies.

The Anglican Development Services seeks to embrace communities by working to address the above stated challenges. Our approach is ‘wholesome development’ of the human being. We believe that by facilitating social transformation projects that improve human lives, we are doing God’s work and spreading the gospel of Christ. To fulfill our mandate recognise the critical role that state authorities play in midwifing development in Kenya, as such we closely partner with the National and County Government structures. We also work very closely with community interest groups, other Faith-Based Organisations, Non-Govermental Organisations and International Non-Governmental Organisations.

Our Impact

In all our projects, our focus remains facilitating ‘wholesome development’ of the person and the community. In the year 2017, ADS reached 2.9 million people directly through a range of projects from inter-communal peacebuilding, climate change adaptation, community rights for artisanal miners, orphans and vulnerable children projects, emergency relief and national advocacy efforts to guide the nation of leadership and governance.

Our History

The history of ADS is closely linked with the planting of the Church in Kenya. St, Paul’s Rabai was first church of the Anglican Church of Kenya was set up in Rabai. The missionaries Dr. Ludwig Kraft and Rev. Johannes Rebmann sought to bring other social services closer to their congregants by establishing schools and hospitals to create a sense of ‘wholesome communities’ that would enable the spread of gospel of Christ. Later on in the 1960s the Church of the Province of Kenya as it was then called started the establishment of vocational training centers such as Christian Industrial Training Centres in Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu. Later in the 1970s the ACK Maseno South Diocese established Christian Community Services that sought to refocus the development work of the ACK on the community. These were later consolidated into the regional offices of Anglican Development Services that serve all the 47 Counties and 38 Dioceses of the Anglican Church of Kenya with the Anglican Development Services Kenya serving as the National Coordinating Office.
Our Values

1. **ADS KENYA IS A GODLY INSTITUTION.** We are driven by the need to honor God as guided by the Holy Bible in the design, implementation and impact of our work.

2. **ADS KENYA IS GUIDED BY LOVE FOR HUMANITY.** In our service to communities, we embrace compassion, love, humility and the drive to uphold the dignity of the human person and the communities they come from.

3. **ADS KENYA EXHIBITS HIGH LEVELS OF PROFESSIONALISM:** To deliver our mandate of ‘wholesome and dignified living’ ADS Kenya demonstrates high levels of commitment to communities, governments and partners in order to facilitate efficient and timely delivery of services.

4. **ADS KENYA VALUES INTEGRITY:** In all our undertakings, ADS Kenya is guided by accountability and honesty that ensures the integrity and long term sustainability of our community projects.

5. **ADS KENYA IS A DEDICATED STEWARD OF RESOURCES:** We are committed to accountability, transparency and good stewardship in utilization of God-given resources including preservation of the environment.

6. **ADS KENYA’S COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE:** We are dedicated to ensuring justice, inclusiveness and equity in sharing of resources and opportunities.

7. **ADS KENYA’S COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATION:** We are committed to ensure broad-based consultative processes targeting women, youth, children, People with Disabilities and the aged inform our developmental and management decisions to promote social transformation initiatives on behalf of the Anglican Church of Kenya.

8. **ADS KENYA ADVOCATES FOR INNOVATION:** We recognize the role of ‘thinking outside the box’ in today’s world. We embrace ideas that are out of the ‘norm’ but transformative and aimed at facilitating ‘wholesome and dignified living’ to communities.
The Rt. Rev. Joseph Kibucwa, Chair ADS Kenya Board of Directors

Rt. Rev. Joseph Kibucwa is the 3rd Bishop of Anglican Diocese of Kirinyaga. He was consecrated and enthroned on 9th of December 2012. He holds a Bachelor of Education (Science) degree from Moi University and was employed previously as a teacher by Teachers Service Commission. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts in Divinity from St. Paul’s University, Limuru. He previously served as a Diocesan Development and Lay Training Secretary and as the Provost ACK St. Thomas Cathedral and Archdeacon of Cathedral Archdeaconry.

Mr. Bwibo Adieri, Secretary to the Board and ADS Kenya Executive Director

Bwibo has a wide experience in Program as well as Organizational Development, leadership and management spanning over 20 years. He has worked with the Government of Kenya and further has sharpened his skills in various established organizations such as National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK), Hope For African Children Initiative and Plan International. He joined NCCK as a Business Advisor and rose through the ranks to the level of Director of Social Service Program and Director of Capacity building for Membership. Later he joined Hope For African Children Initiative as the Country Director. In Plan International, he served as the Regional Program Manager covering Kenya, Uganda and Zambia and later as the Organizational Development Advisor. Before leaving to join ADS Kenya, Bwibo was Head of Programmes at Plan International Kenya. He holds MBA from University of Nairobi and several certificates in program management and corporate governance.

The Rt. Reverend, Julius Karanu
Board Member

The Rt. Reverend, Julius Karanu is the Bishop of the ACK Diocese of Murang’a South. He was consecrated and enthroned as the Bishop in 2014. He sits in the Board of the ADS Mt. Kenya region.
Grace Njeri Gichuhi, Board Member

Grace is an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and has been in legal practice for 24 years. She previously worked in the Attorney General's Chambers as a State Counsel before going into legal practice. She is also the Chancellor for the Anglican Church of Kenya Diocese of Thika.

Esther Musili, Board

Esther is the Executive Director of ADS Eastern Region. She holds a BA degree from the University of Nairobi and MBA from Kenyatta University. Esther worked with Ukamba Christian Community Services (UCCS) for over 16 years in various capacities. She is passionate about the call to have efficient governance in organizations and she represents the regional ADS directors in the ADS Kenya board.

Rev. Can. Rosemary Mbogo, Board Member

Rev. Canon Rosemary Mbogo is the Provincial Secretary of the Anglican Church of Kenya. An ordained Priest and Canon of the Church, she is currently the Chairperson of the National Council of Churches of Kenya (N.C.C.K.). Canon Rosemary holds a Bachelor of Education and a Masters of Arts degree in Theology and Biblical Counseling. She has been a teacher, Head-teacher, Inspector of schools, lecturer, and University Council Member. Her book “Woman, a vessel of Honour and Great Potential” expresses her desire to uplift women.

Lay Canon Norman Kiambi, Board Member

Norman is a professional Accountant and he has served in various capacities in the development sector including as the Regional Finance Director of Practical Action Eastern Africa. He is currently the Treasurer of ACK Nairobi Diocese, Chairman of Maridadi Fabrics (a project of the Anglican Church of Kenya) and Vice-Chairman Biblia Sacco. He offers consultancy services to Compassion Canada and is currently working with Women-For-Women International, a UK based organization as the Finance Director for Africa.
Lay Canon Wycliffe Temesi, Board Member

Temesi holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree in Accounting Option from the University of Nairobi. He is a fellow of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK) and a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors, USA. He is qualified as a Director of Public Companies; and is a certified Lead Quality Auditor by the Kenya Bureau of Standards. He is a council member of the St. Paul’s University, Limuru and a member of the Training and Development Committee of ICPAK. Prior to joining the Commission, CPA Temesi held Senior Management positions in the Kenya Energy Sector’s power utility companies.

Prof. William Ogara, Board Member

Prof William Otiende Ogara has over 25 years of experience in both the financial and Civil Society (FBO) sector. He worked in auditing for 10 years before going into consultancy. He started out at Coopers and Lybrand, now PricewaterhouseCoopers. In June 2013 he was honoured with a fellow of Certified Public Accountants. He also received a distinguished award from PWRDF Canada in 2010. He worked for CORAT Africa as the Executive Director for consultancy and research up until 2014. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Center for Leadership Renewal Africa. Prof. Ogara is a renowned expert in coaching support and Organization Development.

Dr. Zeph Gaya, Board Member

Dr. Gaya has over 25 years working experience as a general practitioner and specialist surgeon. He is a former Lecturer at Moi University School of Medicine, Eldoret and current Chairman of ADS North Rift Region. He brings to the board skills and expertise in health and counselling.
ADS Regional Heads.

Chair Persons

Rt. Rev. Gaddiel Lenini  
Chair Naika

Rhodah Mulili  
Chair Eastern

Dr. Zeph Gaya  
ADS North Rift

Rt. Rev. Tim Wambunya  
ADS Western

Rt. Rev. Julius Wanyoike  
ADS Mt. Kenya

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DS implements community development projects aimed at imparting knowledge and skills on agricultural skills, business skills training, micro-credit facilities, value chain enhancement, and marketing of agricultural produce among others. In 2017, we worked with over 2000000 community Members in various Development Areas aimed at improving their lives.

**Value Chain enhancement**

DS worked with communities across the country to train and support them in adding value to their produce to increase the marketability and produce earnings. ADS also supports these groups in marketing, book keeping and creating linkages to access capital for startups and even markets for their finished products. Among the projects undertaken was the Flying Food Project by ADS Nyanza. Research has shown that some insects like termites and crickets are a very good source of Calcium and Zink, which is an essential mineral in the growth of Children. ADS Nyanza mobilized a group of 200 farmers in Kisumu and Parts of Homabay Counties and trained them on how to rear crickets.

The farmers were organized in such a way that they could easily get market for the crickets and also taught on the benefits of the use of crickets. This gave rise to new business setups. ADS Nyanza facilitated the establishment of a factory/collection point where the farmers sold their crickets. These were in turn used to bake confectionaries like cakes. The crickets were also used as both human and animal feed. The farmers were also organized to form cooperatives and also linked to microfinance institutions for ease of access to capital to increase their production.

**Transformation of Agriculture through New Technologies**

DS Western also organized farmer groups and supported them to increase their farm produce as well as to diversify their crops. The farmers got their farms tested to determine which crops would grow best in their farms and also given the equipment to use in farming processes like shelling and land tilling. ADS Western also established milk coolers and collection centers where the farmers could store or sell their produce. This was done in all the 4 counties of the western region. In the North Rift, ADS North Rift provided farmers with high yielding seeds and shade nets for use in areas with dry climatic conditions. In Lodwar, farmers were encouraged to adopt drip irrigation so as to diversify their sources of income to complement their pastoralist way of life.

Turkana fishermen were provided with fishing nets and ADS North Rift established a fish processing plant to enable fish storage. ADS North Rift also linked fishermen/women with buyers who offered competitive prices as compared to the prices
offered by the middlemen. This ensured that the communities appreciated fishing as a livelihood means and embraced it. ADSMKE is also working with communities through poultry, sunflower, honey and cereals. In Maua ADS collaborated with the government to vaccinate over 2000 chicken. ADSMKE through the CCMD project organized community groups to establish Self Help Groups. Through this project beneficiaries increased access to economic resources through; increased income, access to finance and ability to make decisions regarding the utilization of their credit and income. In other areas, ADS Trained farmers on:

- Good Agricultural Practices
- Integrated Soil Fertility Management,
- Integrated Pest Management
- Post-Harvest Management,
- Crop protection,
- Value addition/processing, and marketing,
- Poultry production and management
- Animal health

**Community Savings and Loaning Schemes**

The concept of community loaning and saving schemes has been identified as one of the most effective ways through which individuals can raise financial resources to help them start their small business of even pay for services. ADS has adopted this model and incorporated it in her operations and work in the communities. Over 500 Community interest groups involved in different economic activities were organized into groups where they contributed money as savings and loan to each other on a need basis. These groups eventually became saving schemes and help in fundraising for their various economic and social activities. The groups were trained on:

- Book Keeping
- Table Banking
- Business development
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**Water, sanitation and hygiene**

Clean, sufficient, accessible and safe sources of water is critical for human development, with increased changes in the climate in most parts of the world, there has been continued disruption in the supply of clean and accessible sources of water. As climate variability grows, stakeholders need to come up with urgent measures that will ensure water security is guaranteed for both human and animal consumption. In Kenya many households still depend on rain water for both their domestic and livestock consumption. However, most of the rivers across the country are drying due to deforestation and silting.

The Anglican Church of Kenya has invested a lot in preparing communities to adapt to these challenges and empowering them to make the most out of the little available water. Last year, ADS worked with
communities to ensure that the available water resources could sustain and hold for a longer period for both human and animal use. With the drought experienced for the better part of last year, most areas went without water for longer periods. ADS intervened by:

- Constructing water pans and (sand and earth) dams in dry areas.
- Protection and rehabilitation of Rock Catchment Areas
- De-silting existing water pans
- Drilling boreholes for communities
- Training on water recycling, reuse and purification technologies.
- Advocating for the formation of water committees that oversaw the running and maintenance of water points.
- Support for piping of water to homestead and supply of water tanks

**Health and Sanitation**

Poor sanitation in has contributed to the influx of diseases in both rural and urban centres. This has left communities exposed to the spread of diseases which in most cases, as was witnessed last year in Nairobi (during the cholera outbreak), turned fatal. ADS invested in existing health systems and even introduced new ones where none existed before so as to make sure that there is improved sanitation among communities. This was done to address the sanitation needs of households and communities. The strategies employed included public education on handwashing and waste disposal among others to sensitize the public and minimize risk of spread of communicable diseases. ADS therefore accomplished the following tasks to enhance communal sanitation:

- The establishment of 2500 Health clubs in schools where children are trained on proper hygiene practices.
- Training communities of how to and the importance of keeping their environment clean
- Introduction of handwashing and boiling drinking water among households, schools and communities.
- Training on households and communities on water purification technologies.
- Construction of pit latrines in Schools and homesteads. ADS also encouraged community members to construct latrines in their communities.
homesteads so as to reduce and prevent the spread of Communicable diseases such as Cholera.

**The health assignment.**

Access to quality and affordable health care has been a challenge to most Kenyans due to the huge population as compared to the available Health facilities. In the past one year, the health sector was hit by many challenges the biggest of them being the frequent Health Workers strikes that paralyzed operations across all public hospitals, with some going for more than three months. This together with mismanagement of public health facilities makes it hard for the public to access quality health services. To bridge this gap, Anglican Church of Kenya and ADS, working with other partners have come up with ways that have enabled the public to access quality and affordable health care. These included:

1. Drug distributions to hospitals and health facilities in the country.
2. Construction and running of health facilities. The Anglican Church of Kenya operates over 100 health facilities across the country.
3. Free medical camps for testing and treatment for diseases like HIV/AIDS, Malaria, and Pneumonia among other diseases.
4. Support for People living with HIV/AIDS [PLWHA] through follow ups and giving them drugs.
5. Prevention of Mother-to-Child (PMTCT) education for parents who are positive.
6. Selection and training of 2000 Community Health Volunteers to coordinate health related activities at the grassroots (community) and household levels.
7. Organizing health days where community members come and get information on various health issues.
8. Health campaigns and awareness programs on various conditions such as fistula.
9. Rural Health Transport support in remote areas. Through this program, ADS organized for delivery of essential health services to communities with poor road network like Kakamega and some areas within Narok County.
10. Technical Support for Health Officers. These included trainings and provision of data collection tools.
11. Pastoral Visits by ACK Clergy to hospitals to offer moral and spiritual support to patients.
12. Support for pregnant women to visit health facilities during the pregnancies. These included areas within the ADS South Rift Region.
14. Campaigns against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in communities that still practice this like Pokot, Turkana and other pastoralist Communities.
15. Child vaccination programs where mothers are trained on the importance of vaccination and immunization.
16. Sex education for the youth and behavior change education in the Nyanza, NAIKA, Rift and other Urban and slum areas.
Emergency Response: Together for Food Secure Communities

In 2017, the country was faced with one of the worst dry spell brought about by the delayed rain seasons. This complicated efforts by stakeholders to ensure food security in the country. In February 2017, the Government declared the drought a national disaster and appealed to the international community to boost Kenya’s efforts in providing food to her people. A record number of 23 counties were identified as being at risk and vulnerable to the effects of hunger. Working under the ACT Alliance Drought appeal, The Anglican Church of Kenya Dioceses and ADS mobilized resources to help mitigate against the effects of the drought. While at the same time offering relief to the affected people, efforts were commissioned to ensure that future risks would not hurt the people as they did in the years before. Several ACK Dioceses pulled resources together and bought food items for those affected. This included maize, beans, water, and maize flour among other items. This was a short term intervention meant to ensure that households had enough food to keep them going atleast for a certain period of time as they waited for the long rains.

The distribution was done mostly in the adversely affected counties of Marsabit, Baringo, Kajiado, Kitui, Samburu, Kwale, Lamu, Turkana and Pokot Counties. It was overseen by the locally established relief committees which were identified by targeted communities and later trained on Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS) and accountability for the relief items. The beneficiaries were drawn from the most vulnerable households based on a criteria agreed upon by the community members. Priority was given to households headed by pregnant/ or lactating mothers, elderly, orphans, chronically ill persons and child headed-households. The table below presents the levels of support and outreach that ADS carried out across Kenya:
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**Food Security**

As a long term intervention, farmers in areas that are generally dry were given and encouraged to plant drought resistant seeds that would withstand the harsh climatic conditions. In other areas, farmers were encouraged to store their produce and even sell it to those who don’t have. Farmers were also introduced to new farming technologies which enhanced their yields in terms of quality and quantity. These included the use of fertilizers and testing of land before planting so as to determine its fertility and linkages with input suppliers to ensure that they use quality seeds. Communities used to particular livelihoods such as pastoralism were introduced to other food items to improve their nutrition and diversify their livelihoods to enhance food security at the household and communal levels, this was implemented among the Pokot who are pastoralists and entirely dependent on livestock. ADS North Rift introduced irrigation and tissue cultured bananas aimed at exposing the communities to alternative sources of food and farming activities. A centre for agricultural training for capacity development of farmers was also established to facilitate knowledge transfer.

**Activities:**

1. Trained over 500000 farmers through community Farmer Groups in new agricultural techniques.
2. Organized farmer field days for 50000 farmer groups for exposure.
3. Mobilized resources for building food collection centres in individual community areas where farmers brought their surplus food harvest for storage.
4. Trained farmer groups and community members on dry land farming in with little rains like Eastern, Mt. Kenya, Mt. Kenya East, Central and North Rift, Naika and Pwani regions where they could produce food for domestic use during dry months.
5. Trained farmers on alternative income generation models where they could get extra income through agricultural activities.
CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DRR)

The whole world is today battling the effects of climate change. With increasing global warming brought about by global carbon emissions from industrialization processes, destruction of forest covers, increased exploitation of available natural resources and non-commitment to restoration of destroyed forests by individuals, communities and governments has resulted into undesired and harmful effects on community livelihood resources. Kenya through vision 2030, Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) has put down plans and strategies that will ensure that the available natural resources are not destroyed at the expense of development. The Anglican Church of Kenya realizes this noble responsibility cannot just be achieved by the government alone but must at all times seek to bring on board all Kenyans. Kenya, being an agrarian based-economy and heavily depended on rain-fed agriculture experiences first-hand the effects of climate change. This was evident in the unreliable and changing rainfall patterns witnessed across most parts of the country. Crops failure has become the norm thus threatening food security at the household level. Water levels in most water bodies have fallen (with some even drying). The direct effects were generally felt in the agricultural sector thus threatening community livelihoods. In efforts to facilitate communal response in regards to climate change adaptation, the Anglican Development Services worked with other development partners including County and National Governments to implement policies, laws and by-laws that commit resources and empower communities to respond to the debilitating effects of climate change at the household and community levels. The efforts of ADS also included sensitization of communities on environmental conservation.

In the year 2017, Various ADS Regions worked with community members and groups to enhance their ability to adapt to the changes of the climate. These activities include:

1. Encouraged community members to plant trees in their home and other public spaces.
2. Encouraged communities living along and within water catchment areas to engage in practices which ensured continuity of the ecosystem and its conservation.
Protection of water bodies and catchment areas

Increasingly under the threat of extinction, water bodies were identified as resource that needs to be protected from irresponsible human activities. The Kerio River found within the Rift Valley and falling under the ADS Central Rift has been faced with the threat of human encroachment and degradation. ADS put up campaigns aimed at protecting it Kerio River. ADS has also been on the forefront in advocating for use of alternative sources of energy. This ensures that people don’t cut down trees for firewood. This has been done by introducing energy saving jikos in Eastern and using the solar energy to heat and treat water in Kajiado County. ADS also helped in constructing gabions and terraces in areas with frequent occurrences of soil erosion. This included areas in the Northern and Eastern parts of the country. The Church also encouraged congregants to plant trees during church services and on ADS Days across the country. In schools, ADS facilitated the establishment of environmental clubs in several schools. The members of these clubs are trained on environmental conservation and they in turn shared and demonstrated their skills to fellow students, siblings and parents and guardians. ADS also Eastern also advocated for reduced degradation of fragile ecosystem and increased vegetation cover in Makueni, Kitui and Machakos Counties.
A Local Government Administrator Addresses an Intercommunal Peace meeting organized by ADS in Kilgoris, Narok County
ADVOCACY

The Anglican Church of Kenya through its leadership fulfills its prophetic role by guiding and proposing solutions to societal problems.

The Advocacy role of the Church is implemented at two distinct levels; at the national level through the leadership of His Grace, the Archbishop, the Church leads the nation is seeking solutions to complex issues of leadership and governance. The Office of the Archbishop therefore serves as a center for arbitration and mediation on governance and leadership in Kenya.

The national secretariat of the Anglican Development Services therefore serves to support the Office of the Archbishop in its playing its prophetic role of mediation and guidance on national issues.

The ADS does this by providing technical support which includes preparation of technical papers, speaking notes, presentations and research that guides the Archbishop in his engagements with political, business and religious leaders. Further, advocacy at the community level is implemented directly through ADS and respective ACK Dioceses that minister spiritually to the targeted communities.

Below are the details of the advocacy efforts accomplished in 2017:

Santetu peace meeting
The Church as a Guide to the Nation on Leadership and Governance

For the better part of 2017, the country witnessed an increased and perhaps escalated level of political crisis. This was brought about by the two presidential elections held in the same year. This happened to be the first time Kenya had more than one General election in the same year, largely brought about by political differences between the competing political candidates.

The campaigns brought with them increased political temperatures and tones, legal battles and perceived tribal realignments witnessed in most parts of the country. With (political) perceptions and views being shaped to consider those of different Opinions as the ‘Enemy’ - the country was taken for one of the longest and tensed electioneering period that posed a challenge to the economy and security of the nation.

Being the second elections under the 2010 constitution, there were expectations and lessons that Kenyans had learnt from their former elected leaders. Whereas there were 8 candidates who expressed their interest to contest for the Presidential position, attention was placed on the two main political Rivals, the ruling Jubilee party’s President Uhuru Kenyatta who was also incumbent and his political arch-rival and leader of the opposition Alliance coalition NASA (the National Super Alliance) the Rt. Hon. Raila Odinga. Throughout the year the ACK, working with and through ADS, partnered with other like-minded organizations to try and end the impasse that seemed to mutate every other day.

While constantly encouraging the competing sides to accept the poll outcome and respect the rule of law, ACK also urged the constitutionally mandated bodies involved in the elections to do everything to safeguard the integrity of the process and also inspire confidence in the public. This was the first step towards building consensus on the contentious issues as the elections approached.

The Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Kenya and ACK Bishops addressed press conferences and other public forums including church services where they emphasized on the need for Kenyans to respect divergent the political views and opinions.

The Anglican Church of Kenya also worked with other religious leaders to reinforce their voice at the national level. They met the President, the opposition and other players so as to emphasize the messages of peace and respect for the rule of law.
The youth and their role in Society

Kenya has been described as a ‘youthful nation’ owing to its median age. It is estimated that 80 per cent of the Kenyan population is below the age of 35. This means that the youth are a voice that cannot be ignored and must be involved in the decision making processes of the country.

In 2017, the Anglican Church and ADS worked with various Youth Groups to sensitize them on the importance of participating in national development. This included trainings in the areas of governance, economic empowerment, sexuality and responsible life skills. Some of the programs included the Wajibika campaign which was launched by the Anglican Youth Organization (KAYO) and financially supported by ADS Kenya and ACK Dioceses.

It sought to mobilize the youth to come out and take up roles as change agents in the country. The youth were encouraged to vote wisely in the 2017 elections. The Wajibika campaign enabled Kenyan youth to sign and pledge to uphold peace during and after the 2017 elections.

One other major initiative targeting the youth is the ‘Get Out, Speak out Campaign’ in the ADS Nyanza region. This campaign targets the youth living in the region and gives them a platform where they shared between themselves about various issues that affect them such as entrepreneurship, sexual health, education, political and other social issues.

They shared experiences and got to learn from experts how to handle their youthful years. ADS also work with various youth groups to build their capacity in development through trainings and support to start their own businesses.
Mediation between Health Workers and County/National Governments

In 2017, ADS was actively engaged in mediation, negotiation and resolution of industrial disputes between health workers and their employers (the County and National Governments of Kenya). The Country’s Public Health sector suffered a setback for the better part of 2017 owing to the numerous strikes by health workers across the country.

These industrial disputes went on for over three months at each time with both parties displaying unwillingness to resolve the crises. The striking health workers were demanding for, among other things, the implementation of Collective Bargaining Agreements that had been signed between their respective trade unions and the (National and County) Governments before 2017.

The CBA’s had secured better working conditions for the Health workers and sought to improve the national health infrastructure in the country’s public health facilities. Citing legal challenges and surge in the public wage bills, the respective governments distanced themselves from the said CBAs and encouraged the striking unions to sign new agreements. At some point the disputes were dragged into courts and the Unions’ officials jailed, which made it almost impossible to resolve the conflict without embracing dialogue. The protracted disputes meant that Kenyans could not access health care services in public facilities resulting into misery and untold suffering to patients and their families. Services that were critically hit were deliveries and patients with life threatening diseases and conditions.

The patients were forced to resort to home care which increased their suffering and for those who could afford, though expensively, went to private health facilities for health care services. In some unfortunate cases, a number of Kenyans lost their lives due to lack of treatment. The Anglican Church of Kenya joined other religious organizations and their leaders to help mediate the disputes. In the end, the strikes were called off with normal service delivery resuming across the country.
Intercommunal Peace Building

For decades, Kenya has struggled with the problem of intercommunal conflicts in most areas. Statistics contained in the National Police Service Crime Situation Report 2015, released in 2016, listed tribal clashes as one of the major causes of insecurity in the country.

The report noted that ‘Tribal conflicts fueled by ethnic incitement remain a major security challenge in traditionally cattle rearing areas.’ Further, the report states that ‘though it is challenging to discuss tribal conflict in total isolation from cattle rustling in Kenyan communities, some forms of conflicts occur as a result of political incitements, land and boundary disputes among others’.

A closer look at the phenomena of inter-communal conflicts however reveals a variety of issues that underlie the tensions that include land and resource based disputes. Among the areas that showed high cases of tribal tensions include communities living in the Rift Valley and parts of the Nyanza and Western regions like the Maasai, Kalenjin, Kisii, Nandi, Kipsigis, Luo, Kuria, Pokot, and Turkana communities.

In 2017 the Anglican Church of Kenya through its dioceses and the ADS engaged directly and indirectly with the communities in a bid to strengthen inter-communal conflict resolution systems and structures to enhance inter-communal cohesion. This was done through identification of the key peace stakeholders in the conflicts including the youth, the elders, women, political leaders and Government Agencies. ADS then embarked on capacity building sessions and community dialogue initiatives aimed at encouraging dialogue around drivers of conflict.

By the end of 2017, ADS had formed a core group of peacebuilding stakeholders that it works with along the Luo-Nandi border and among the Maasai and Kipsigis of Transmara. These are responsible for monitoring the early warning systems and signs and mediating on intercommunal disputes. Over 2000 peace champions were trained across
the country on how they could rally fellow community members on the importance of peaceful intercommunal coexistence. This were mostly in counties affected by inter communal conflicts like West Pokot, Nandi, Kisumu, Turkana, Narok, Elgeyo Marakwet and Kisii.

**Good Governance and Nation Building Agenda**

In 2017 ADS and the Anglican Church of Kenya was involved in a spirited campaign to ensure good governance, social justice and accountability in the management of national, county and community resources. This was done through organization of citizens into Common Interest Groups (CIGs) and speaking out against misuse of public office, corruption, systemic oppression, subversion of justice among other things.

ADS also facilitated the training of Kenyans to engage duty bearers on issues of governance and accountability through the preparation of petitions and memos. The Anglican Church also encouraged public participation in the development of County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs) in all counties so that the problems of the common Mwananchi could be addressed from a policy perspective. In Nyanza for example, ADS supported the Judiciary to construct a court room so as to increase the speed of handling cases. ADS was also actively involved in gender balance and empowerment campaigns across all regions. This included campaigns for gender mainstreaming in all sectors of the economy and against Female Genital Mutilation and forced marriages.
Care for the Vulnerable

The Anglican Church has, at the heart of its mission to the world, the duty to ensure that human dignity is upheld in all areas of life. Its responsibility is to ensure that the moral fabric that holds the society has in it a component of love and care for those in need. It is for this same reason that ADS, in the past year, identified people who needed to be supported in the society and supported financial and morally to enable them live dignified lives.

This includes the poor and orphaned children, majority of whom live in slum and rural areas. Some of the activities that ACK/ADS facilitated among with these groups include:

i. Supporting 20000 orphaned Children to access education in schools through payment of school fees.

ii. Care for the elderly and people living with disabilities by involving them in development projects.

iii. Establishment of several Children Homes where orphans found second homes. These centres and run by the Anglican Church of Kenya across the Dioceses. Such centres include the St. Nicholas Children’s Home in Karen, Nairobi County which also has a school for the kids who live in the area.

iv. Formation of 1000 Child Protection Committees and training of community members on child protection and inclusion.

v. Supporting talent among children.

vi. Economic empowerment of poor and vulnerable households in informal settlements through Village Saving and Loan groups

vii. Training of Volunteers to work with the less fortunate.

viii. Provision of vulnerable young mothers below the age 24 years with life-skills for positive survival and behavior change, technical skills on in-demand trades and spiritual nourishment.

ix. Economic, Social and Political empowerment of poor and vulnerable women living in slums.

x. Formation of self-help groups

xi. Community open days where people share information on health.

Extractives Sector advocacy.

The Anglican Development Services conducted a Baseline Survey on the mining rights of artisanal miners of precious stones in Taita Taveta County. This was in readiness for the launch of community rights and awareness project on mining in Taita Taveta County.

Later, ADS organized public forums in Taita Taveta with community, church and CBO leaders to identify some of the key issues for joint advocacy in the extractives sector. Top on the list was the protection of artisanal and small-scale miners from exploitation by brokers and the large mining companies. ADS also strengthened alliances with Haki Madini to address the rights of host communities and strategize on how to operationalise the Country Mining Vision.
A Community Member inspects a fence he put around his farm to prevent cattle from invading his farm in Kajiado County.
One of the catalysts of any meaningful development in communities is the awareness of the context in which organizations are working. Solutions that can improve the lives of people are those which factor in the context in which people operate in. The Anglican Church of Kenya and the Anglican Development services takes into consideration the fact that research is an essential part of problem solving.

Through community led processes, ADS has engaged the communities to come up with local solutions that are merged with technology to give results that are sustainable. A few years ago, an alarm was raised on the continued and increasing rate of human encroachment of the Kakamega Forest in Kakamega County. ADS Western, working in partnership with other organizations set out to understand this worrying phenomenon.

A research was done on why the residents living along the forest in the counties of Kakamega, Vihiga and Nandi continued to destroy the forest. The research established that lack of productivity of farmlands inhabited by communities around Kakamega Forest in part contributed to encroachment. ADS mobilized the farmers into groups and trained them on new farming methodologies.

Tests were conducted on their farms to determine soil fertility and they were then advised on crops that could perform better in their farms. Demonstration farms were established to enhance skills transfer and best practices. ADS also facilitated farmers to access loan facilitate to expand their agribusinesses. This led to a drastic decrease in human encroachment along the forest and increased farmer yields.

ADS also contributed to research conducted by organizations such as NGO’s, County and National Governments and international partners. This aimed at aiding the policy making processes in development programming. Some of the publications that were made out of this include County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs), Strategic Plans, a publication by International Institute for Communication (IIC) on ‘Promoting Equal Chances for Men and Women to Use and Benefit from ICT-Enabled Agricultural Value Chain Development’, as a research outcome in partnership with ADS Western and North Rift.
ACK Clergy and staff drawn from both the Church and ADS across the country attended various trainings to build their capacities so as to be able to serve the communities better. These capacity building programs aimed at ensuring that the Church is better equipped in its mission to the Kenyans by understanding the context and challenges that communities face on daily basis some of the activities carried out included the following:

1. Trainings on Development of Strategic Plans for ADS Kenya regional Boards and Anglican Dioceses in Nambale, ADS South Rift and ADS North Rift.

2. Training of ADS Kenya staff on Core Humanitarian Standards by World Renew

3. Capacity Building Training of ADS and Diocesan Accountants on financial accounting systems in Tanzania

4. Training of ADS Kenya Senior Programme Officer on Community Development in the Philippines

5. Training of ADS Board of Directors on Organizational Development at Lake Elementaita Resort in Nakuru County.
The year 2017 presented ADS with an opportunity for accelerated growth rate coupled with unprecedented challenges that made us pay more attention on the context in which we worked in. A critical analysis of what we were dealing with and its impact on our work was key to our success. Fair to note, with the generous support from our partners and the communities we serve, we were able to make a mark in the lives of people in many areas. By the grace of God, by can no measure quantify the hope that we shared with the communities. However, we were faced with some challenges which affected our operations. These, mostly unexpected, made us rethink our strategies in approaching the problems faced the country. The political situation from August to end of October 2017 fueled tension and threats of violence that impacting negatively on our peacebuilding and national advocacy roles. Secondly, the debilitating drought of 2017 called our attention to the provision of emergency relief supplies to alleviate imminent hunger. Thirdly, we experienced a decrease in funding and winding up of certain projects across ADS regions. This compromised our work and forced us to release staff and re-align our development work. We however, continue to scout out for new opportunities and partners to support our social transformation work. As an organization we believe that we made an impact in facilitating the provision of services that enable citizens to live wholesome and dignified lives across Kenya.