



Annual Report for Year 2009

August 2010

Relief Network Ministries, Inc.

CEO / Board Chairman's Letter

Dear Partners, Friends & Board Members,

It is indeed a pleasure to serve and lead RNM, Inc. from its inception as a non-profit corporation for the past nine years and into our 10th year of ministry. As we look back to review our accomplishments of the past year and look forward to the exciting future that is ahead, we are confident that our vision for sustainability, to empower the poor and needy to begin to meet their own needs and to become integrated into the mainstream of civil society, is not too far from realization.

"For the needy shall not always be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish forever" – Psalm 9:18.

What started in April 26 of 2001 has been accelerated by the contributions and support of many of our friends & devoted partners as well as our networking with other corporate partners – in particular, Living Water International, Inc. (LWI) and Medical Missions International, Inc (MMI).

Below is a brief summary of our joint 2009 accomplishments made possible with your support, prayers, and assistance. Join us in giving thanks & praise to God for His incredible kindness to us.

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Investments & Developments

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Other Events / Report Notes:

Please see additional information below in the photo journal below, as the pictures will speak more than thousands of words to help tell our story. Also, be sure to also visit our website as well (http://www.relief-networks.org/news_summaries.htm).

We appreciate your continued support and do know that God will not forget to reward your labor of love in that you have ministered and do minister to the saints – Heb. 6:10.

“For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have showed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.”

It has been a privilege to co-labor with you.

Thank you.

Yours truly & for Him,

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Year Summary of Financial Figures & Program Results

For the fiscal year January 1 through December 31st of 2009, our reported financials are given below. Source: Form 990 for Fiscal 2009 (Tax ID: 76-0678774)

2009 Financial Summary	
Total Income/ Revenue	\$173,644
Total Program Expenses	\$131,700
Program Details:	
New Water Well Drilling Projects	\$102,715
Equipment Rental or Purchase	\$10,863
Vocational Training & Medical Ministry Outreaches	\$8,612
Well Rehabilitations	\$7,077
Evangelism & Outreach	\$2,433
Total Fund Raising Expenses	\$3,442
Total Administrative Expenses	\$24,492
End of Year Net Assets	\$24,289

Summary of Program Results & Successes

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CPA Opinion letter

The RNM financial statements have not been reviewed by a CPA. This review is presently not required given that the earnings remain below the \$500,000 USD mark set by the IRS. Rather, RNM uses a Financial Committee of the Board to review and validate the accounts and have filed the required IRS Form 990 for 2009 Tax Returns with a copy posted in the public domain: Online at the RNM website and at Guidestar.org.

The Budget

For planning and target purposes, our budget estimate for 2009 was \$293,000. This was to fund the planned 33 new wells and 6 well rehabilitations along with mission and medical outreaches.

Stock price (N/A)

RNM, Inc. is a non-profit tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) charitable organization and has no stock holdings. In March 2006, RNM received its final determination letter regarding this tax-exempt status under the Federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Code as a public charity.

Fundraising Information

RNM solicits individuals, churches, foundations, and a few corporate organizations to raise funds and other gifts in kind. Most of the funds raised during the year have come from the public or publicly supported organizations.

For example, contributions from individuals - friends / board members were in excess of the 33% required by IRS to demonstrate public support. Several well subsidy contributions came in from our partner organization – Living Water International that accounted for over 60% of our total proceeds during the reporting period.

Our 2009 Annual Fundraising event was again held in downtown Houston in order to reach a greater number of the ministry's friends and contacts in the greater Houston Metropolis by improving attendance at the Dinner Event / Gala. The event was held June 20, 2009 at the Picazo Restaurant.

RNM continues to solicit funds via proposal writing to foundations and major corporate bodies trusting that eventually, our program will catch the eyes and favor of these major funders. In the meantime, we continue to depend on the goodwill and assistance of our individual contributors, and a few church groups to raise the much needed support.

Management Discussion and Analysis

RNM, Inc. is presently a small non-profit organization. As a networking charity into International relief and development efforts, the strategy remains to identify larger partner organizations that can leverage our experience and grass root ability to implement water well projects, and conduct Health & Hygiene training for the local beneficiaries.

Raising and sustaining a good door and volunteer base continues to be a challenge, especially in the light of current economic downturn.

RNM will prayerfully consider every opportunity that comes to us, and make best effort to reach out to others who may be able to assist us in making any changes that would be for the advancement of the organization.

With the changes made at the board level this past year, we now have a near semi-consultant staff – doing all the general management work as our General Manager, without a salary, but with a compensation in the form of some allowance. As the organization grows and consolidates on our equipment deployment and better use through our selected contractors, we are likely to generate some income that would help cover most administrative overheads, maintenance costs and depreciation expense on equipment.

By the grace of God, we believe that each year as we make changes and progress in managing our field crew and equipment, the drilling program will eventually become self-sustaining as we diversify with other water related deliverables that can be afforded by our target low-resource populations. For example, when we import certain pump brands and field test them in Nigeria, we can be leveraged by local retailers to supply such pumps to many other private drilling contractors. Any such related profits will accrue to the ministry as income from related business. We can also drill commercial wells for some owners who may not have all the money to pay for it at once, and could get our support in the form of credit. Such credits would come at a certain percent of amount financed as additional income for the ministry. Initially, our venture into supporting such micro-credit finance or some partnership with local commercial providers would help bring additional revenue from this sector that can become sustainable for our operations.

The Executive Team – Committees

The President worked closely with the Secretary (Mr. Michael D. Smith) and Treasurer (Mr. Cyril Okeke) to manage the daily affairs of the organization.

Volunteers were used on ad-hoc basis for a number of functions such as interim validation of the records and bookkeeping, planning annual events such as the fundraising dinner / gala and auctions, etc.

The General Manager role, also a volunteer position, was filled in by Rev. Mrs. Ogechi F. Ochi-Okorie. She also serves the Editorial Board and co-ordinates the international engagements and outreaches.

Mission & Objectives

Relief Network Ministries exists to provide access to clean domestic water, medical aids, and job skills to the poor, at risk children and orphans, & disadvantaged communities especially, in Nigeria and 3rd World countries in order to demonstrate the love of Christ for people.

Relief Network Ministries is committed to addressing the need to remove conditions that lead to abject poverty, disease and ill health, especially among children and women; as well as inadequate skills which leads to low productivity & development in targeted communities. We focus on alleviating acute shortages or lack of sanitary drinking water which significantly contribute to poor health & hygiene among the poor and disenfranchised.

The broad strategic mission of Relief Network Ministries is to work through specific faith based community-driven project efforts using well researched methods to meet the needs of impoverished communities particularly in developing countries, rural areas, and inner cities.

This helps Relief Network Ministries target the socio-economic problems associated with the family & human sufferings, especially in 3rd world countries and our inner cities. Our ultimate mission therefore is to touch lives for Christ & eternity.

In addition, Relief Network Ministries aims to minister to urban drug addicts, alcohol abusers and battered women / teenage mothers who desire to be helped through RNM's faith based approach.

Officers and Directors

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Key Photos - Highlights for 2009

See additional newsletters and reports at the RNM Website:
http://www.relief-networks.org/news_summaries.htm



Above: Kids playing with water at a Fulani camp near Egbe



Above: Engr. Moses Aende by the Chinese Rig during dedication & inventory visit in April.



Above: HGY 200 Rig parts, and drill pipes



Above: Fulani women & girls fetching water at their new well in Kango - Okeloke.



Above: Wife of the late Chief joyfully pumping water out of their new well in Eeka - Okeloke, Kogi State Nigeria.



Above: Umu Osuihitteukwa water well flowing



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Above: Wisdom International School Borokiri, near Port Harcourt



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Above: Chinese Rig crew training



Above: Drilling a deep well at Igueben



Above: Well in operation at Iloke comp Odoere



Above: Well in operation at Mango Okoloke



Above: Nigeria-based Volunteer lawyer, Victor poses with nomadic Fulani kids at their Mango camp in Kogi State