

A photograph of a woman with dark hair, smiling warmly. She is wearing a bright red zip-up jacket and is holding a large, vibrant bunch of green leafy vegetables, likely bok choy, in front of her. The background shows a rural setting with a dirt path, a green irrigation pipe, and rows of young plants in a field. The overall scene is bright and positive.

Supporter Impact Report

INTRODUCTION

Poverty robs families of hope, and the life God intends for them. Through your generous support, World Concern follows Jesus to hard-to-reach places, bringing opportunities for hearts and minds to change, opening the door to transformation. In this report, you'll see how your gifts enable families to have sustainable income, safety, and lasting hope. Thank you for making these stories—and many more—possible in 2025.

In fiscal year 2025, World Concern walked beside **847,909** people in 10 nations on their journey toward transformation.

FROM MAT WEAVER TO COMMUNITY LEADER *Mayda's Journey out of Poverty*

Every morning Mayda gathers grass near drought-stricken Sero Village to sell to other communities for thatching their homes. On good days, she has enough left over to weave traditional mats and sell them for small amounts that would seem insignificant to outsiders but represent survival for her family.

Mayda accepted poverty as her fate until she joined a World Concern savings group and learned that things could change.

Mayda explains, "When I got married here, we did not have anything, so I set a goal to buy goats. And I am grateful to God that the first time we shared loans from our savings group, I was able to buy goats. They are doing well, and I have several of them. I no longer have to borrow milk from my neighbor."

As a leader in her savings group and community, **Mayda embodies the three-legged stool of leadership that World Concern teaches: character,**

skill, and knowledge. "If I didn't have all those things, I wouldn't be a leader," she says.

Leadership training has changed the way Sero solves problems. No longer accepting defeat as inevitable, the people work together to overcome challenges.

Collaborating to make traditional mats means they can make six times as many, promoting education for their children gives hope for them to advance to university, and saving together has already allowed them to build an irrigation system for their fields.

In villages like Sero, your support doesn't just provide temporary relief—it develops leaders and proves that even in the most marginalized communities, regular saving and mutual support can break generational poverty. Your help transforms mat weavers into community leaders, pennies into prosperity, and skepticism into hope.



Globally, there are **37,904** active members of savings groups in World Concern communities.



Women and men in Laos are learning to grow their own vegetables for food and income,

FAMILIES IN LAOS EARN INCOME SAFELY, THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT

Many people in Laos cross the Thailand border to work and send money back to their families. Away for months or years, they work 15 or more hours a day and earn very little, and younger people are vulnerable to even worse forms of trafficking than menial labor.

Ms. Tou has worked in Thailand for decades. But recently, she took part in training with World Concern where she learned how to farm effectively, and now can earn money at home, stay safe, and take care of her family.

Ms. Tou Building Her Dream Farm

Ms. Tou started a vegetable garden with the support of World Concern. As she began planting, she grew various vegetables such as cucumbers,

pumpkins, eggplants, and long beans. The demand for them from locals was higher than expected, so she is improving her techniques and



I'm very hopeful that this village is going to grow and the future is very bright.

- Village resident

experimenting to increase her income. With this year's profit, she was able to purchase a water pump, and she now has working capital to expand her vegetable crops and purchase other essential farming materials. Her family and community are blessed by this, and she can't believe that she was able to take such a big leap from where she started. After spending half of her life in Thailand as a laborer in a factory that provided her with a very low income, she is grateful to be living and working—safely—at home again. She loves being with her

family and commits to never return to work in Thailand again.

Looking ahead, Ms. Tou plans to expand her farm and build a fishpond because fish are a staple food and will provide additional income. She is confident that vegetable and fish farming will improve her family's well-being and help the community at the same time.

Through World Concern,
135,622 people
took part in protection
activities to prevent
trafficking in fiscal
year 2025.

A total of **4,450**
people were trained in
fishing, farming, and/or
livestock raising.



Because of your support, men like Adhaku are being transformed by the Gospel.

A NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Once trapped in a spiral of addiction and hopelessness, Adhaku now leads youth and children toward faith and purpose in his village of Buranga in the Democratic Republic of Congo. How did this transformation happen?

Evangelists who you support through World Concern visited Adhaku's home. "They talked to me, and I once again dedicated my life to Christ. I repented of my sins, and I started walking with God again. Afterwards, I started attending trainings organized by the World Concern team," Adhaku said.

Through World Concern's emphasis on spiritual development, he learned that change must begin in the heart before it can reach the hands. "Before this training, I was so fearful, but as we continued with the training, I started gaining courage and confidence to stand and talk before people," he said.



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~Adhaku

Today, Adhaku coordinates youth and children's programs at his church and travels between villages on the bicycle the church gave him after he recommitted his life to Christ. He is no longer a man defined by his past. "I feel I can no longer go back to the old sinful ways like before," he said. "I decided to get eternal life so that I can always live for Christ. That is what I would desire for all the people of Buranga."

3,964 people shared that they decided to follow Jesus through the work of World Concern and our partners.

1,187 pastors and church leaders were trained.

57,670 people took part in church and spiritual formation activities.