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World Student Christian Federation
2012-2013 Annual Report
Creator and Sustainer of peace, guide us unto the path of clarity and creativity as we explore the depths of who you have called us to be. Grant us the wisdom and the courage to take a stand against oppressive systems and chains of injustice. Lead us onto life abundantly beyond our words, into accountability binding love with action. Save us from ourselves when we have failed to understand your will and your way in the beauty of the earth. Show us how to live simply, so that others might simply live. Give us awareness of the comfort that we often choose over sustainability.

God of life, as you lead us we thank you for your justice and peace that will be established throughout the nations. Go in peace.

* a Benediction taken from the Universal Day of Prayer for Students (UDPS) 2013. The UDPS has been observed since 1898, making it one of the oldest ecumenical days of prayer.

WSCF invites our members and friends to observe it on (or around) the Third Sunday in February.

“...What attracted me the most in WSCF are the members’ beliefs; they speak of peace where there are wars and revolutions everywhere; they speak about tolerance and diversity where there is radicalism; they are looking for what unifies and where everybody else looks for what differs.” – Dany El-Obeid, Orthodox Youth Movement, Lebanon
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- And the timely, courageous, and creative efforts to utilize our international platform and community to find, deepen, and develop means of international and international learning and exchange; to deepen solidarity with those who are suffering and to advocate for justice, speaking truth to power; and to embody Christian friendship, dialogue, and community – today a more counter-cultural and radical act than ever.

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Students gather for the special 40th anniversary celebration annual conference entitled “Seeds of Liberation.”

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In 2012, students, SCM Senior Friends, church leaders, and local activists gathered in Bangalore, Yangon, and Jaffna to celebrate the historic 100th milestone of their ecumenical journeys with student communities. In Myanmar, a student assembly was held to strategize about the future of the nation and the SCM. In Sri Lanka, the centenary year started with a celebration of the Universal Day of Prayer for Students (UDPS) and concluded with a thanksgiving service in Colombo. WSCF AP regional and general secretaries joined the celebration in Colombo, and also participated in special Valedictory service inBangalore to celebrate SCM India’s centenary. The service featured the award-winning poet, writer, and social activist, Meena Kandasamy. At the service’s conclusion, the SCM India articulated their 100-year journey as “a journey from a Socially Committed Movement to a Subaltern Christian Movement to a Subversive Christian Movement.”

During the past year, many conferences and workshops were held to educate members of all ages and raise awareness about environmental problems. Some of the themes were global warming, recycling waste, and reforestation. The students used social media to communicate and to advocate for their cause.

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OUR VISION

The World Student Christian Federation is an international community of 116 grassroots Student Christian Movements (SCMs) committed to dialogue, ecumenism, social justice, and peace. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, the WSCF is called to be a prophetic witness in church and society. This vision is nurtured by a radical hope for God’s reign in history. (From Our Vision, WSCF 33rd GA in 2004)

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to empower students in critical thinking and constructive transformation of our world by being a unique space for prayer and celebration, theological reflection, study and analysis of social and cultural processes, and solidarity and action across boundaries of culture, gender and ethnicity.

OUR VALUE

SCMs are working in schools, universities, and churches to bring Christian students and youth from all denominations together to undertake critical contextual biblical and theological reflection, to advocate for justice and peace, and to promote solidarity, diaconal and development work in cooperation with churches and local communities across the globe. WSCF has been doing this for years – since 1895 – and continues to be the only space for students from Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox as well as Evangelical and Pentecostal traditions to join side-by-side on local, regional, and global levels to advocate for a better articulated spirituality and a better world.

WSCF Strategic Plan 2011-2014

The WSCF’s strategic plan was finalized in 2011 and represents a new way of working in the WSCF toward common goals, with common frameworks for monitoring and evaluation, in the effort to strengthen the WSCF’s ability to build bridges between regions, to connect students around the world, to gather perspectives, experiences, and resources, and make the best global impact.

This annual report describes WSCF activities and accomplishments during the second and third year of the strategic plan, showing how WSCF member, donor, and partner participation, investments, support, and collaboration have allowed the WSCF to progress in achieving its mission to equip and empower students in critical thinking and transformation of our world.

To achieve our mission the WSCF focuses work in four priority areas:

Ecumenical Leadership Formation
- By developing prophetic ecumenical student leaders with social, economic, political and inter-religious awareness and sensitivity.
- By taking the lead in the development and renewal of the present and future church and ecumenical leadership.
- By continuing promoting gender justice within the WSCF, in the church, the ecumenical movement and society.

Advocacy and Solidarity
- By offering as a global student Christian community, a direct and urgent response to situations of suffering and injustice.
- By drawing attention to injustice from a global student Christian perspective, aiming at changing policies to promote justice and peace.

Radical Renewal of Biblical and Theological Reflection
- By resourcing the movements to radically renew their Biblical study, theological reflection and spiritual life. To resource the movements in exchange, encounter and mutual learning.
- Biblical studies every second month from different regions which are published on website and in Student World.
- By resourcing the whole Federation to take the lead in the ecumenical movement and civil society in the renewal of hermeneutics (Biblical and social) and theological reflection.

Capacity Building
- By making the Federation more transparent, accountable and democratic in its decision-making processes by improving its personnel, financial, communications and PME systems.
- By resourcing movements to renew their movement life, to build their capacity, to fundraise, to manage projects and finances and become sustainable.
- By strengthening financial viability, to consolidate existing partnerships, to build new partnerships, to diversify funding sources and build own financial resources.

Global Programmes
- Global Ecumenical Leadership Training
- Eco-Justice
- Movement Capacity Building
- Communications
- Overcoming Violence in the Middle East
- Women’s Empowerment and Gender Justice
- Peace with Justice in Colombia

Morning prayer at the Executive Committee meeting in Berlin, Germany 2012
Programme Area Highlights

Eco-Justice

A key priority for the WSCF in 2012 and 2013 was to mobilise students and youth across all levels of the Federation to engage in eco-justice advocacy through critical reflection and action.

The struggle for environmental and economic justice finds its roots in the biblical tradition and its material ethics of justice and abundant life. In such a struggle, WSCF students have affirmed, the care for creation and defense of life must inspire our work as Christian students and young people acting out faith through the WSCF.

Global achievements:
ASC Strategic Meeting Members of WSCF’s Advocacy and Solidarity Committee (ASC) met in Nairobi in February 2012 to undergo training, to further develop their protocols and principles as a Committee and to develop a programme to align the Federation’s work on ecological and economic justice into one eco-justice framework. The ASC functions as an advisory group to the Federation and facilitates the strategic planning and monitoring of global advocacy and solidarity programmes.

Rio+20 A delegation of 21 students from the Latin America and Caribbean Region and 3 from other regions joined other youth networks at the Rio+20 Conference on Sustainable Development in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June 2012. At the Rio+20 People’s Summit, the students poured their energy and renewed vision for a better world into a statement declaring their opposition to the commodification and exploitation of natural resources and their support for spaces and processes that call governments to account.

PWE Forum WSCF delegates from New York, Cuba, India, and Indonesia participated and presented a grassroots Student Christian Movement perspective on eco-justice, contributing to the work produced a Manifesto, which has also received WSCF students around the world.

Looking forward, the WSCF will continue raising awareness about the critical eco-logical issues and their intersection with the dominant economic architecture and will define specific issues to mobilize around.

Overcoming Violence in the Middle-East

The Federation, taking its guidance from the Middle East members, is committed to use our global platform for today’s critical Middle East issues. We believe that the Federation exists precisely to support our Christian students in the rapidly-unfolding developments in the Middle East. The WSCF is called to engage the most pressing issues and challenges of the region and to play a role in the future of Christianity, the future of ecumenism, to use our global platform for today’s development in Prali, Italy. WSCF students present the LAC Water Exhibit at Rio+20 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2012.

Advocacy training for local UN representatives The WSCF partnered with the World Alliance of YMCAs (Young Men’s Christian Association) and the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) to implement 3 trainings, funded by the European Youth Forum, in Nai-robi (August 2013), New York (September 2013), and Paris (November 2013). The trainings were aimed at equipping members of the respective youth and student networks to represent their organization on an on-going basis at the United Nations.

Looking forward, the WSCF will continue prioritizing communications efforts to better tell our stories as well as bringing our monitoring and reporting systems up-to-date.

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Movement Capacity Building

The Federation’s leadership prioritized capacity building at the 2012 Executive Committee Meeting with the recognition that the SCMs and WSCF must study and equip themselves to meet the new challenges and trends through organizational development. WSCF students are committed to developing new systems and competencies in project design, monitoring, and reporting; updated communications strategies, and systems and competencies in project organizational development. WSCF students have affirmed, the care for creation and defense of life must inspire our work as Christian students and young people acting out faith through the WSCF.

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The WSCF leadership team celebrates the Universal Day of Prayer for Student with representatives of the Federation’s movements in Cairo, Egypt 2012.

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Call to prayer Several international calls for prayer have been issued, as a priority action requested by the region, with the recognition that prayer is needed as the foundation for all other study and action.

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Programme Area Highlights

Gender Justice & Women’s Work

Whether it is discussing women’s rights in Ghana, signing petitions to end violence against women in India, or discussing feminist biblical perspectives on “foreign brides” in Taiwan, students and youth in all corners of the Federation continue to prioritize the need for women’s empowerment and gender justice in their communities and to work to translate these priorities to action that will touch the students of today.

Global highlights:

CSW WSCF’s deepest point of engagement in the UN system until now is the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), the principal global policy-making body dedicated exclusively to gender equality and the advancement of women. The WSCF brought a small delegation in 2012 and a delegation of 10, representing each of the 6 regions, and including a youth leader from the Council for World Mission, to take part in the 57th session, from 1st to 15th of March 2013, as the representatives of non-governmental sector. They cooperated together with the Ecumenical Women network, of which WSCF is a member, in the advocacy process. All of the delegates were actively involved in the advocacy mission. WSCF held a side event at CSW together with the World Council of Churches to launch the jointly-published book “When Pastors Prey”. This book about sexual abuse within the Churches by Pastors, and this event, represented a real opportunity to address and open the discussion on a troubling and controversial issue within the Christian communities in this international forum and to contribute to solutions.

IDD Task Group Since the last Assembly in Montreal the WSCF has been engaged with the theme of “Identity, Diversity and Dialogue” (IDD) and in 2012 decided to begin a process to address the differences of theology, experience, culture, and opinion concerning human sexuality, especially around LGBTQ persons and issues, within the Federation. The ExCo mandated a global task group to deliberate, discuss, and bring a proposal to the 2014 WSCF General Assembly. The group was identified in 2013 and began preparations online.

Looking forward, the WSCF plans to gather the group for an intensive one-week process that will strengthen community and understanding while discussing sensitive and contentious issues concerning human sexuality, in the hopes that the Federation will find innovative, prophetic ways forward.

Global highlights:

PEAC As the hope for real peace continues amongst the Colombian people, the churches initiated an ecumenical initiative engage in ecumenical advocacy in the defence of human rights and in support of a negotiated solution for a just peace in Colombia, nationally, regionally, and internationally. The Programme for Ecumenical Accompaniment in Colombia (PEAC) was created to become a permanent non-violent witness to the presence-in-solidarity of the churches and the national and international ecumenical community among communities and organisations who work for and support the return of displaced communities to their land, the defence of human rights, political advocacy, the pursuit of justice and the up-building of life and peace through dialogue in Colombia. The WSCF was among the first to send companions to provide protective presence through international Ecumenical Accompaniers in 7 zones where the member churches have work with the communities experiencing a present threat from the armed conflict.

General Assembly The WSCF chose Colombia as the venue for its upcoming and very important 35th General Assembly, after the Chairperson Horacio Mesones, General Secretary Christine House, Latin America and Caribbean Regional Secretary Marcelo Leites, and Senior Friend Chris Ferguson visited Colombia in July 2013. The WSCF team met with church leaders, SCM leaders, and other ecumenical organizations, and was met with enthusiasm and interest. With the confidence that the churches, with the lead of the Presbyterian Church, would host the Assembly, the WSCF was pleased to confirm Bogota, Colombia as the venue. The WSCF will work with the churches and ecumenical partners to contextualize the global discussions of the Assembly in the very challenging context of Colombia and to use this international ecumenical gathering of young leaders as a platform to raise the call for just peace in Colombia. The theme of the Assembly is “We are Many, We are One – Sent out to Build God’s Peace”.

Looking forward, the WSCF will raise awareness about the Colombian struggle for peace with justice through the General Assembly process.

Promoting Peace with Justice in Colombia

As the global Advocacy and Solidarity Committee grew in its work to examine and respond to different situations and concerns of the member SCMs, they recommended giving focus to the situation in Colombia as a global Federation, and the Executive Committee agreed.

Global highlights:

WSCF delegates from around the world to the Commission on the Status of Women 2013 (with a delegate from the Council for World Mission)

From left to right: Rita Chaurcovic (SCM Lebanon), Rosina Scott-Fyle (SCM Antigua), Nalkey Mills (SCM USA), Kaury Lani (WCWM), Masophy Kengoo (SCM India), Luvicza Makoswa (SCM Zambia)
Throughout 2012-13 the WSCF Asia Pacific (WSCF-AP) region made significant strides at strengthening national movements, promoting students and youth leaders to engage in justice, peace, and gender issues, deepening theological perspectives, and setting goals for the future. These 2 years witnessed a historic milestone as 3 of its SCMs, namely: SCM India, SCM Sri Lanka and SCM Myanmar celebrated their 100 year anniversary! Other significant moments for the AP region were the coordination of the Asia Pacific Students and Youth Gatherings (ASYG) and the first joint WSCF global delegation to actively participate in and witness the 10th General Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Busan, South Korea, which included a large delegation from the AP region.

WSCF AP put their best efforts toward women’s empowerment and gender justice by creating space for women to realize their full potential through several programmes, workshops, and campaigns throughout the year. The workshops on “Feeminist Theological Perspectives”, “Breaking Chains of Violence”, “Restoring justice and peace for women” and a series of ‘global events’ to mark the 16 Days of Activism Campaign for End Violence Against Women were carried out. All these events affirmed participants that women within their own communities fight for equality, justice, peace, and development and pave the way to encourage the journey toward women’s emancipation.

Many countries in the region have faced the challenges of climate change, which has aggravated the frequency and intensity of natural disasters. Indonesia, the Philippines, and Bangladesh have suffered from repeated severe flooding, earthquakes, and cyclones. In 2013, the AP Region came together in solidarity actions for the super typhoon, Haiyan, which affected hundreds of thousands in the Philippines. WSCF AP and especially SCM India and SCM Korea engaged in a campaign against the Koodankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KKNPP) in Tamil Nadu, and the work of POSCO movement in Odi- sha, India through consultations, protests, signature campaign, statements, etc. The AP Region witnessed a transitional phase during 2012-2013 with the appointment of a new regional secretary, regional women’s coordinator, officers and committee members to lead regional activities. The 20th regional committee and the 21st Standing Committee Meeting have prioritized movement capacity building, among its other thematic priorities.

Human rights training and advocacy continues to be a primary area of work for the region. The Human Rights Justice and Peace (HRJP) solidarity programme was held in Sri Lanka, on the theme: War and Militarization: Justice, Peace and Reconcil-iation. The young people learned and understood about the 25 years of ethnic conflict and the present situation after the civil war in Sri Lanka through an exposure to Jaffna and by meeting with the war affected communities towards a hea-ling and reconciliation process. In 2013 the HRJP programme launched a campaign “Education NOT for Sale”. The delegates of the programme convinced that quality education should be accessible to all. Newly elected members from the AP joined in partnership with other Christian youth through the Human Rights Justice Peace Committee (HRJPC). The AP Region is lending its commitment to the goals of the HRJP including increasing cognizance of human rights, justice, and peace issues among Christian youth through education, training, expo-sure, campaign, and advoca-cy, providing a venue for Christian youth to engage in theological reflection on human rights, justice and peace issues, and deepening the meaning of Christian faith, witness and praxis.

Leong Swee Fung, from SCM of Myanmar: “WSCF gave me a chance to know other members around the world, despite the language and culture barriers, we still speak the same language. WSCF also enabled me to think globally and act locally. Another significant change from WSCF is to challenge me to be more open and take practi-cal steps to serve others. During HRJP (Human Rights Justice and Peace) workshop 2012, which was my first WSCF programme to attend, I not only had a good time in Sri Lanka, but was made aware of its conflicting situation, especially the historical significance of 2 different ethnic group in the country which was an eye opener! I found joy to see God’s work and cherish the memory of Sri Lanka”. 

Visit the WSCF Asia-Pacific Region website at www.wscfap.org to learn more.
In 2012 capacity building was introduced as a new programme for sub-regional trainings with the aim to enhance the work of SCM and support their integration into the Federation. Thanks to strong commitment and input from both staff and volunteers, these achievements were made possible. 6 trainings took place between 2012 and 2013 divided into 3 sub regions: Central Europe, Western Europe, and the Nordic Baltic region. These trainings also centred on strengthening the connection between the different SCMs and WSCF-Europe Region (WSCF-E), developing the relationship between the national and the local level of SCM work. The Polish Orthodox SCM hosted the capacity building training in September 2012 to strengthen national Student Christian Movements by encouraging young people to ask more questions, challenge stereotypes, and help them to consider each other first and foremost as human beings, regardless of origin or religion. One of the headline projects of 2013 was the Solidarity with others conference “Invisible Slavery. Human Trafficking in Europe” in St. Gilgen, Austria, 32 young Europeans were brought together to discuss the European regional dimension of this topic. Much of the content of these conferences are captured in the regular Mosaic journals published each year. Nearing the end of 2013, a handover process between the outgoing and incoming Regional Committee was initiated, giving the new leadership team a positive start. WSCF-E is confident that these changes will help address the new opportunities that 2014 will bring to fulfill our mission to be a progressive Christian voice, aware of the political responsibility of its members, and to educate and empower its members to be critical thinkers and leaders. Tula Bagelzete from SCM Georgia: “Although I am asked to describe WSCF in two sentences, I would never end my words without emphasizing one thing that is totally incredible that happens at WSCF meetings. Yet Magic happens for me when we pray together. In everyday life I do not regularly attend church services as such, but ecumenical prayer is so much more powerful and magical for me. During such prayers and worship, I feel God with us and in us more than ever, when we sing Taize songs together we leave all our differences behind and unite in Christ. Very often in such moments tears come down from my eyes. And, these are the tears of happiness, happiness of unity!” Visit the WSCF Europe Region website at www.wscf-europe.org to learn more.

The year 2012 was focused on the challenge of strengthening regional integration and the work of SCMs through regional projects. These projects form part of a leadership development process started in 2012 which aims to educate SCM members in socio-theological thought and conduct capacity building for institutional strengthening and advocacy. There is dynamic engagement in seeing the potential of being unified as a movement, the region is presented with an invitation to change the way it operates and therefore the way it relates to its members and network. This process of commitment and integration has continued to deepen in 2013, since the process of leadership development, as a key component of its strengthening, is a three year project. The LAC Region reinforced its networks on a regional and a global level, for example, through the Latin American Water Exhibit or participation in the process of Rio+20, and therefore more shared the SCM work in the region with others, developing greater visibility and contributing to the WSCF’s partnerships as a whole. A key theme during 2012-2013 was Eco-Justice. On a local, regional, and global level, the Latin America and Caribbean region hosted workshops, events, and conferences to discuss issues surrounding this theme in order to raise the knowledge and commitment of its SCMers. The LAC Region developed a “Youth and Environmental Justice” project (www.accionreacion.org) which involved 9 movements from 9 different countries. This project included the Traveling Photo Exhibit of Water, a collection of photos taken by students in the region. The exhibit was shown to each of the 7 countries of its contributors before being presented at other ecumenical display locations. The Photo Exhibit premiered at the United Nations Rio+20 Conference in June 2012 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The WSCF sent a delegation of 21 students from Latin America and 3 students from other regions to attend the conference and be part of the People’s Summit, an event parallel to the conference. As part of the Latin American Water Tribunal, the Latin American Traveling Photo Exhibit of Water was also exhibited at the Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires. The photos served to visualize the problems surrounding the lack of access to and sanitation and pollution of water in Latin America. The project reached 2,112 students in different local workshops and a regional training meeting called “Tools for Advocacy.” Denominations represented in this project were: Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Anglican, Methodist, Independent, Lutheran, Evangelical, and Catholic. A regional training in 2013 was the final stage of this project that will be continued in the new Eco-Justice Programme, part of the WSCF Strategic Plan. At the 13th LAC Regional Assembly in Lima, Peru at the beginning of April 2013 a new strategic plan 2014-2018 was developed for the region, the key programmatic areas of which are: Eco-Justice, Identity and Diversity, Prevention and Care during emergencies and humanitarian crisis, and the strengthening of SCMs. The LAC Regional Committee also confirmed the desire of members throughout the Region to host the 35th WSCF General Assembly (GA) in Colombia. Preparations of the GA made the universal and global aspects of the WSCF grow apparent as local, regional, and global representatives converged in preparation of the WSCF General Assembly. Visit the WSCF Latin America & Caribbean Region website at www.fumec-lac.org to learn more.
Middle East Region

WSCF Middle East Movements: 19 (including 1 Contact Movements)
Countries with WSCF Movements: 7
Regional Secretary: Fady Nakli
Regional Office Location: Beirut, Lebanon

Post-revolution 2012 and 2013 has not been an easy period for the WSCF Middle East Region (WSCF-ME) and its SCMs. The hopes and dreams of young people within the Arab world for a new society boasting of justice, freedom and peace that began with the Arab “Spring”, were in fact, put into question, beginning a new time filled with doubts. Students and youth have now deep concern regarding the future of their countries, their security, and their prosperity. Due to the growing number of extremists holding power or seeking more power within the region, churches of the Arab world are now threatened more than ever in their physical existence. Consequently, young Christian people neither want to take part in revolutionary action nor express their faith. In fact, young people have been deceived; this has resulted in their eagerness to find ways to return to normalcy.

Though challenged greatly by this climate, the WSCF-ME young people have remarkably responded by implementing 16 activities throughout the year 2012 all over the Arab region, covering: “Youth, Faith and Freedom”; “Youth and Muslim-Christian Dialogue”; “Ecumenical Training and Human Rights Issues”; “Capacity Building Training”; and “Woman...between the East and the West.” These activities concluded with a very important conference held in Lebanon: “Youth Renewing Ecumenism in the Middle East Region”, where more than 70 Arab Christian youth of the WSCF-ME movement reflected on their witness, correlatively with the changes brought about by the so-called “global community”, and designed elements for the renewal of ecumenism in the coming years. Their clear conclusion is that promoting and living ecumenism is a necessary strategy for not only Christian unity in difficult times but for the social transformation needed. An appeal detailing the results of the conference was sent to all related ecumenical bodies, SCMs, and church circles and hierarchies in the region.

The pace continued into 2013 with many similarly relevant and impactful events (found in detail in the “Year-in-Review” page). A desire for Arab youth to play an increasingly active role in the future of their society is complicated by both economic pressures and their Christian identity. As a religious minority within the region, they face the fact that new constitutions do not give them the full rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Hearing the students speak with bold expression about their fears but then their hopes, dreams, and commitments as part of their newfound understanding of what it means to be both Christian and citizens in their countries is the visible sign that the WSCF’s Middle East work is touching the essence of the needs of student and context. Such realities in the region have urged the WSCF-ME to take action and not merely stop at reflection; together the Region is committed to witness what has been heard, to bear each other’s burdens and to understand as a whole together the common Christian identity requires of them. This is a time of crisis with special intensity in the Middle East, but one is undoubtedly affecting all of humankind.

The WSCF-ME also facilitated high-level conversations with the church, ecumenical bodies and leaders, and is working to foster greater communication between SCMs in the federation’s 6 regions through the WSCF Middle East Programme.

North America Region

WSCF North America Movements: 5 (including 0 Contact Movements)
Countries with WSCF Movements: 2
Regional Secretary: Luciano Kireges
Regional Office Location: New York, USA

2012 and 2013 were two years full of events and activities as well as discernment and transition for the WSCF of North America (WSCF-NA). In 2012, both the Student Christian Movement of Canada (SCMC) and the Student Christian Movement of the USA (SCM – USA) convened a national consultation with their outgoing board members and Senior Friends to regroup and discern the future of the movements amidst the many challenges that SCMs and students face in the current ecumenical climate and in the educational environments, to pave the way for new strategies to engage Christian students in faith and justice work on campus and other settings. At both meetings, it was reaffirmed how unique and important it is to continue to offer a space like SCM to new generations of young adults and students that is meaningful and relevant for the 21st Century. Following these consultations, both movements planned their national conference where students engaged in progressive theological reflections, critical thinking, and social justice activism in connection to a global community of justice seekers within the WSCF.

The North American Regional Committee (NARC) reaffirmed the priority, which emerged already in 2011, of supporting movement building in Canada and the US and established as its priorities: capacity building, intergenerational collaboration for movement building, monitoring, and evaluation of our work. The North America regional office has been therefore heavily involved in facilitating the work of the core leadership group of SCM-USA, in supporting the board of the SCMC, in promoting movement growth as well as planning the first SCM-USA Leadership Training Program held in April 2013. Currently, the WSCF-NA office also functions as the National Office for the SCM-USA.

One of the greatest achievements the WSCF-NA has made was hiring Rang Young from SCM-USA Conference Coordinator. She used her many gifts in envisioning and running an inspirational SCM-USA national conference as well as helping emergent local SCMs to unite and connect to the national movement and the WSCF on a global level. The SCM of Canada hired a new General Secretary in 2013, Sarah Mikhaila, who has been very busy laying the groundwork for movement building in Canada.

Other noteworthy successful events included a North East Eco-justice symposium held in New York and a bi-regional program organized with the WSCF Latin America and the Caribbean Region in Cuba on eco-justice advocacy. Members of SCMs also attended local, thematic and denominational events such as the Ecumenical Advocacy Days, the Wild Goose Festival, and the Fund for Theological Education’s Vocational Discernment Conference, the Facing Race Conference, the World Day of Prayer Conference, the United Church of Can-
Year In Review 2012

October

Austria
- Ecumenical Advocacy Day / Washington DC, USA
- WSCF representation in Interfaith Youth Network Africa Pre-Assembly Meeting / Kampala, Uganda

Europe
- Participation in WCC Assembly/ Busan, South Korea
- WSCF participation in Fund for Theological Education Conference / New York, USA

November

Austria
- Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture / Honda, Thailand
- Participation in the first Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture / Honda, Thailand

Europe
- Nordic Water Tribunal / Geneva, Switzerland
- Participation in International Conference on Transparency and Responsible Finance in the Extractive Sector / Lilongwe, Malawi

December

Africa
- Participation in the International Conference on Transparency and Responsible Finance in the Extractive Sector / Lilongwe, Malawi
- Participation in Regional Workshop on Combating HIV & AIDS through USIDDF Reduction and USF Prevention / Harare, Zimbabwe

Asia-Pacific
- Participation in WCC International Conference on Theological Colloquium for Transformation / Seoul, South Korea

Europe
- Participation in WCC International Conference on Theological Colloquium for Transformation / Seoul, South Korea

February

Austria
- Annual Core Team meeting of WACO Net European (SCM1) and SCM Middle East

Europe
- Delegation to the United Nations Conference for Sustainable Development / Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon

March

Asia-Pacific
- 16 Day Activism Campaign on Violence Against Women / Regional Committee Meeting / Lebanon
- Presentation of Travelling Water Photograph Exhibition at the Latin America Photo Exhibit on Water at the UN Commission on the Status of Women / New York, USA

Europe
- Regional Committee Meeting / Odsted, Denmark
- Regional Committee Meeting / Kampala, Uganda
- Regional Committee Meeting / Geneva, Switzerland

April

Latin America and Caribbean
- North American Student Conference on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture / Honda, Thailand
- Regional Solidarity Conference / Asociación Evangelica de Comunidades Indígenas del Sur de Colombia / Bogotá, Colombia
- Regional Committee Meeting / Bogotá, Colombia
- Regional Committee Meeting / Kampala, Uganda
- Regional Committee Meeting / Geneva, Switzerland

Europe
- Participation in the 40th General Council of the United Church of Christ / Chicago, Illinois
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon

June

Africa
- Participation in the Africa Africa Conference of Churches, Women Programmes Committee / Kampala, Uganda
- Participation in the 3rd Ecumenical Water Network Consultation Meeting / Kampala, Uganda

Europe
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon
- Participation in the 40th General Council of the United Church of Christ / Chicago, Illinois
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon

July

Asia-Pacific
- WSCF participation in the 3rd Ecumenical Water Network Consultation Meeting / Kampala, Uganda
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon
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Europe
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August

Austria
- Participation in the 16th General Assembly of the World Council of Churches / Geneva, Switzerland

Europe
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon
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September

Europe
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October

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November

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December

Europe
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Year In Review 2013

January

Europe
- Nordic Baltic Sub-Regional Summer Camp / Haugtun, Norway
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Latin America and Caribbean
- Fifth Annual Core Team meeting / Barbados, West Indies
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon

October

Austria
- Theological Work Camp / Agape, Italy

Europe
- Participation in the 41st General Council of the United Church of Christ / Chicago, Illinois
- Participation in the Coordinating Team meeting of Asian Church Leaders in Syria / Lebanon

November

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Officers:

Chairperson
Mr Horacio Mesones (Uruguay) Methodist

Vice Chairpersons
Ms Janejinda Pawade (Thailand) Church of Christ (until October 2012)
Ms Bronwyn Clare (Australia) Anglican (from October 2012)
Ms Shantha Ready Alonso (USA) Roman Catholic

Honorary Treasurer:
Mr Youhanna Kamal Shawky (Egypt) Orthodox

Regional representatives:

Africa
Ms Denise Memel (Côte d’Ivoire) Methodist (until October 2013)
Ms Jules Tchede Dokpan (Benin) Methodist (until October 2013)
Mr Paul Martin Nguimgo (Cameroon) Evangelist (from October 2013)
Ms Lydia Nabunya (Uganda) Protestant (from October 2013)

Asia Pacific
Mr Immanuel Gopal (Sri Lanka) Reformed
Ms Bronwyn Claire (Australia) Anglican (until October 2012)
Ms Leni Valenzano (Philippines) Roman Catholic (from May 2012)

Europe
Mr Marco Fornerone (Italy) Waldensian
Ms Carla Khijoyan (Lebanon) Orthodox

Latin America and Caribbean
Ms Belkys Teherán Estrada (Colombia) Presbyterian (until October 2013)
Ms Sarahí García Gómez (Cuba) Presbyterian (until October 2013)
Ms Dianet de la Caridad Martínez Valdés, (Cuba) Presbyterian (from October 2013)
Mr Oscar Eduardo Reicher Salazar (Chile) Methodist (from October 2013)

Middle East
Mr Sameh Effat Fahmy (Egypt) Orthodox (until October 2013)
Ms Carla Khijoyan (Lebanon) Orthodox (until October 2013)
Dr. Dary Eshel (Lebanon) Orthodox (from October 2013)
Ms Mariame Azer (Egypt) Coptic Orthodox (from October 2013)

North America
Mr Brandon Cook (USA) Disciples of Christ

Partner Representatives

GBGM, United Methodist Church – Ms Jerald McKie

Regional Secretaries

Africa
Ms Georgine Kengne Djeutane (Cameroon) Reformed
Rev. Amos Kamugisha Mushendwa (Tanzania) (from May 2013)
Asia Pacific
Ms Sunita Suna (India) Lutheran
Europe
Mr David Masters (UK) Evangelical

Staff & Administration

Inter-Regional Office
WSCF’s global office is in Geneva, Switzerland. The WSCF Inter-Regional Office (IRO) in Geneva manages finance and administration at the global level; organises statutory and programmatic meetings; fundraises for global programming; produces global publications and administers the website www.wscfglobal.org; and provides staff support to the Centennial Fund. WSCF’s Inter-Regional Office is located in the Ecumenical Centre, Geneva. Through its position at the Ecumenical Centre, WSCF builds connections with key players in the global ecumenical movement and benefits from collegial relationships and professional support among the Geneva organisations.

The WSCF global office maintains working relationships with numerous ecumenical organisations in Geneva, including the World Council of Churches, Lutheran World Federation, the Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance, ACT Alliance, World YWCA, and the World Alliance of YMCA.

General Secretary
The General Secretary, Ms. Christine Housel, has executive responsibility for the Federation. She oversees all global level programmes and projects and manages the personnel and work of the Inter-Regional Office and coordinates the global staff team.

Regional Secretaries
The regional secretaries work with the Inter-Regional Office to develop and coordinate regional level programmes. They work with national youth councils and national youth alliances and benefit from the support of the Inter-Regional Office. Regional Secretaries oversee regional level programmes, and have best visibility and access to the SCMs in the regions. The regional secretaries, with their respective office locations are: Rev. Amos Mushendwva (Africa Region, based in Nairobi); Ms. Sunita Suna (Asia Pacific Region, based in Hong Kong); Mr. Hans Hommens (Europe Region, based in Berlin); Mr. Marcelo Leites (Latin America and the Caribbean Region, based in Buenos Aires); Mr. Luciano Kovacs (North American Region, based in New York); Ms. Elsy Wakil (Middle East Region, based in Beirut).

Financial management
WSCF’s Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Youhanna Kamal Shawky, is the chairperson of the Federation. He supports the staff in his work by WSCF’s part-time Finance Officer, who manages the IRO accounts, global meeting accounts, payroll for regional staff, the Centennial Fund accounts, and the General Assembly budget.

Office administration
The Office Administrator provides administrative support, organises logistics for meetings, prepares and translates documents, manages records, coordinates volunteers, and maintains databases for WSCF and the Centennial Fund. The position has gone through several transitions since 2012. The position of Executive Assistant, held by Ms Monica Rawcliffe, was replaced temporarily by Ms. Carrie Diaz-Littauer, a Missioner from the Episcopal Church, who served as a full time Office Administrator and Project Manager for a one-year term, and later by Ms. Leslie Debornes, as part-time Office Administrator. In September 2013 when Leslie left to continue her education, Ms. Natascha Nogarede took up the position.

Interns and Volunteers
The IRO would not be able to keep its current level of functioning without the help of the many volunteers, missionaries, and interns. Interns and volunteers have offered support in the areas of administration, translation, editing, design, communications, and human rights advocacy. The interns/missioners for 2012-2013 were: Ms. Rachel Berry, Ms. Brittany Browne, Ms. Faida Bahati, and Ms. Silvia Iliccas. The volunteers were: Ms. Veronica Angelico and Mr. Romesh Devanesan.

Regional Secretaries
The regional secretaries work together with the general secretary to make up the executive global staff team. The regional secretaries oversee regional level programmes, contribute to global programming, and manage the personnel and work of their respective Regional Offices. The regional offices are also based in prominent cities where WSCF may build partnerships and have best visibility and access to the SCMs in the regions. The regional secretaries, with their respective office locations are: Rev. Amos Mushendwva (Africa Region, based in Nairobi); Ms. Sunita Suna (Asia Pacific Region, based in Hong Kong); Mr. Hans Hommens (Europe Region, based in Berlin); Mr. Marcelo Leites (Latin America and the Caribbean Region, based in Buenos Aires); Mr. Luciano Kovacs (North American Region, based in New York); Ms. Elsy Wakil (Middle East Region, based in Beirut).
The Episcopal Church and The United Methodist Church are longstanding partners of WSCF on different levels, national, regional, and international. In 2012 and 2013, in addition to funding support, both bodies sent young adult missionaries to serve in the Geneva office, and the regional offices, strong and exciting places. Ministries and The Episcopal Church for the young adult mission of the World Methodist Council (GBGM) sent a young adult missionary to serve in our Latin America and Caribbean regional office. This partnership is one of WSCF’s oldest and strongest partners. EMW has had a tradition of institutionalizing to continue its continued to provide consistent vision for the unique contribution that the WSCF makes to the ecumenical leadership formation of students and youth, and has continued to provide core, block funding that allows the institution to continue its work. EMW has demonstrated their commitment to the flourishing and future of the WSCF by investing in our strategic thinking and planning processes and sending two EMW staff persons to aid our planning at our May 2012 Executive Meeting. We thank EMW for their friendship and help for us to achieve our mission and to grow as an organization in order to achieve the sustainability needed to thrive for the next 100 years.

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Key Achievements in 2012 and 2013:

Young People as Key Leaders in Mission: WSCF with CWM
In line with WSCF’s commitment to develop and nurture new and old partnerships, WSCF General Secretary Christine House attended the Council for World Mission Assembly (CWM) in American Samoa, in June 2012, to develop a deeper relationship with the CWM family. House participated in an ecumenical panel together with the general secretaries of the World Alliance for Christian Communication and the World Methodist Council (WCC). WSCF thanks The Episcopal Church and The United Methodist Church for the young adult mission of the World Methodist Council (GBGM) sent a young adult missionary to serve in our Latin America and Caribbean regional office. This partnership is one of WSCF’s oldest and strongest partners. EMW has had a tradition of institutionalizing to continue its continued to provide consistent vision for the unique contribution that the WSCF makes to the ecumenical leadership formation of students and youth, and has continued to provide core, block funding that allows the institution to continue its work. EMW has demonstrated their commitment to the flourishing and future of the WSCF by investing in our strategic thinking and planning processes and sending two EMW staff persons to aid our planning at our May 2012 Executive Meeting. We thank EMW for their friendship and help for us to achieve our mission and to grow as an organization in order to achieve the sustainability needed to thrive for the next 100 years.

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Toward Meaningful Inclusion of Youth: WSCF at WCC Assembly
Members of the WSCF Executive Committee, together with student leaders from the Asia Pacific Region, travelled to Busan, Korea in October 2013 to participate in the 10th WCC Assembly. The WSCF participated widely and fully in the Assembly, joining the Women’s and Men’s Youth Pre-Assemblies, sharing WSCF work and spirit at the active booth, organizing a “madang” (workshop) on “Inter-generational relationships and ecumenism in the 21st century”, giving a “Ted Talk” at the ACT Alliance Booo, and promoting the WSCF/WCC co-published book “When Pastors Prey”. A highlight was the WSCF Senior Friends event at the 7th WCC Assembly in Busan, Korea 2013.

Justice, democracy, and the rule of democracy in Zimbabwe by hosting the ZAO, an international advocacy hub for Zimbabwe. In 2012, Marlon Zakeyo, the ZAO’s Advocacy Officer, and a Senior Friend of SCM Zimbabwe, continued to mobilize international ecumenical organizations, disseminated actionable information on developments in Zimbabwe, advocated at the United Nations, and developed and implemented the first stages of a framework for a new Ecumenical Peace Observation Initiative in Zimbabwe, officially launched in October 2012. Mr Zakeyo concluded his term with the ZAO at the end of 2012, and we thank him for his dedication and incredible work to bring justice and peace in Zimbabwe.
Financial Overview

2012

Total Federation Income Year 2012

- Undesignated (Churches & Agencies) $934,148
- Designated (Churches & Agencies) $432,375
- WSCF related sources $118,621
Total Income $1,485,144

Total Federation Expenses Year 2012

- Geneva $798,561
- Africa $97,944
- Middle East $201,269
- Latin America $65,336
- North America $67,467
- Asia Pacific $84,469
- Europe $170,095
Total Expenses $1,373,462 Net result $111,682

2013

Total Federation Income Year 2013

- Undesignated (Churches & Agencies) $737,685
- Designated (Churches & Agencies) $524,655
- WSCF related sources $80,957
Total Income $1,343,297

Total Federation Expenses Year 2013

- Geneva $655,193
- Africa $108,835
- Middle East $224,301
- Latin America $22,109
- North America $115,632
- Asia Pacific $91,212
- Europe $126,015
- Geneva Global Services $289,267
Total Expenses $1,322,183 Net result $21,114
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#### TOTAL AFRICA

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| 2013 | 90,517 |

#### ASIA-PACIFIC

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#### TOTAL ASIA-PACIFIC

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| 2013 | 28,733 |

#### EUROPE

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#### Total EUROPE

| 2012 | 90,929 |
| 2013 | 63,537 |

#### INTER-REGIONAL OFFICE

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#### Total INTER-REGIONAL OFFICE

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#### LATIN-AMERICA

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#### Total LATIN-AMERICA

| 2012 | 35,594 |
| 2013 | 36,575 |

#### MIDDLE-EAST

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#### Total MIDDLE-EAST

| 2012 | 208,664 |
| 2013 | 208,644 |

#### NORTH AMERICA

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#### Total NORTH AMERICA

| 2012 | 32,652 |
| 2013 | 65,645 |

#### TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES / WSCF

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### The consolidated 2012 & 2013 transparency summary

The World Student Christian Federation (WSCF) is a non-profit organization. The WSCF raises funding from partners and accepts donations from well wishers. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law. The Trustees of the World Student Christian Federation, USA, Inc. is a 501(c)3 charitable organization incorporated in the State of New York. For the first time we are in a position to provide a consolidated statement for the Federation. This report includes financial information from the Inter-Regional Office in Geneva and the regional offices in Beirut, Birles, Buenos Aires, Hong Kong, Nairobi, and New York, covering the world.

#### Income:

- In the financial year ending 2013 the Federation received a total income of USD 5.14 million compared to USD 3.76 million in 2012, a decrease of (-3%) amounting to USD 1.38 million. This reflects the tough challenges faced by the Federation with cost of mission, social, and inflation factors impacting the continued funding from donors versus the previous financial year.

#### Expenses:

- In the financial year ending 2013 total expenditure of the Federation totalled USD 5.56 million, compared to 3.92 million in 2012, a decrease of (-3%) amounting to USD 1.64 million. Despite lower funding in 2013, the Federation, while working on financially challenging budgets, reduced its gearing ratio to manage and maintain its cost and ended the year with the same level of activity as in 2012.

#### Transparency results:

- WSCF has maintained a positive result in the financial year ending 2012, with USD 0.1 million, and in 2013, USD 0.2 million. However, the result in 2013 has been close to the break-even point which highlights the vital need for the Federation to stop the trend of declining revenue and seek new sources of funding to be able to bridge its many financial cost to continue to mission among students the world over. Moreover, the marginal result in 2013 & 2011 has not been sufficient to cover a carry forward deficit calculated from previous years (from 2008 to 2010 resulting from the last General Assembly) this deficit has created a recurring financial burden and serious strains on cash flow availability for core budget finances and global programming cost. This situation has led the Federation to raise core and budget funding via short term fundraising campaigns that has yet to yield results and cover a year financial lag.

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The Centennial Fund is the WSCF’s endowment fund, established in 1995, to ensure the continuation of the Federation’s work of nurturing ecumenical leaders committed to working for justice and peace for generations to come. The Fund is managed by a Board of Trustees, drawn from Senior Friends (former members and friends of the WSCF).

In 2012 and 2013 the Fund again in 2012 and 2013 provided a large grant to assist the Federation in its core work, and the Chair and Treasurer of the Board participated regularly in the Executive Committee online and in person meetings. The Board also engaged in person meetings in May 2012 and 2013. In 2012 the Fund added a new individual, Mr. Joe Miller, to the Investment Advisory Group (IAG) of the Fund, and charged the IAG to rigorously evaluate the Fund’s investments, and in 2013 Senior Friend, Mr. Slaters becoming a member of the Board. The Fund is working to strengthen its fundraising efforts so that it may remain in a position to support the WSCF years to come. Thank you to the many donors from different areas of the world who support the work of the WSCF and are committed to ensuring our future through generous contributions to the Centennial Fund.

Board Members
President: Alice Jean Finlay (Canada)
Vice-President: Bungaran Saragih (Indonesia)
Secretary: Christotheni Housse (Greece)
Trustees: Slaters group (Ireland)
WSCF Honorary Treasurer: Younha Kim (South Korea)
Executive Secretariat
WSCF General Secretary Christine Housse (Greece)
Investment Advisory Group (IAG)
Marianne Amir Azer (United States) Sarahi Garcia (Sri Lanka)
Sisterhood of St. John the Divine (United States)
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The Senior Friends, or alumni, of the SCM and the WSCF are one of the unique components of SCM and the WSCF. As countless Senior Friends tell, “Once a SCMer, always a SCMer!” The SCM and the WSCF bring friendships, inspiration, and formation that, many Senior Friends report, give direction to their life’s course. The Senior Friends serve the SCMs and the WSCF by joining as resource people for events, lending expertise and accompanying SCM and WSCF life, and contributing funding for the continuance of the work nationally, regionally, and internationally.

The WSCF appreciates each contribution from each Senior Friend, seen and unseen, and understands that without their deep love, faith, and commitment, the WSCF would not be the same. The WSCF, together with the Centennial Fund, is committed to involving Senior Friends ever-more deeply in the work of the Federation. Inter-generational relationships and projects are needed today given the immensity of the world’s needs. The WSCF Executive Committee has invited a new level of strategic and programmatic accomplishment as well as financial investment by Senior Friends of different generations. As a part of the unfolding “We are the Federation” campaign, the WSCF wants to communicate that every student and each Senior Friend are a part of this Federation and has an important role to play within it!

We are working to gather a stronger database of names and contact information, and with it, mapping the skills and platforms that Senior Friends bring. We are working to reach out more effectively to Senior Friends to invite them to remember and highlight the ways in which their past work and ministry, to contribute their skills, and to financially invest in the WSCF, in order that the WSCF may find the road to sustainability and achieve our best impact in working with students and bringing the student Christian voice to the church, the ecumenical movement, and the world.

Students and youth in SCMs across the Federation graduate every year... but this does not mean their involvement stops there!

Senior Friends gatherings organized by WSCF or with WSCF participation in 2012-2013:

- In-house Ecumenical Centre meetings, Geneva, Switzerland
- WCC Central Committee Meeting, Delhi, 2012
- Poverty, Wealth and Ecology (PWE) global meeting, Indonesia 2012
- UN Global Ministerial Conference on Oceans and SCMs in the LWF World Council of Churches General Secretary and Asia Pacific Regional Secretary, December 2012
- Senior Friends Gatherings with Centennial Fund Board of Trustees, Bossey, Switzerland, May 2012 and 2013
- Senior Friends Gatherings with WSCF Middle East Regional Secretary, Beirut, Lebanon, November 2012
- “Novemberfest” with WSCF General Secretary, Oslo, Norway, November 2012
- Senior Friends Gathering at the WCC Assembly, October 2013

The Centennial Fund Financial Overview 2012/2013

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Prayer of Commitment & Dedication

We will live out Jesus’ prayer that we be one as God is one:
unity in community,
One in Trinity
We celebrate the dance of the Trinity
Our legacy
We embrace our legacy
We are called not to conform to the world – competition, alienation, isolation, etc
but to be transformed
We look to you for your changing power
We step forward in faith that you are changing us into what you need us to be
By our being different from the fractured world around us,
we can embody your vision of being one as you are one,
O God, three in one*

*Taken from the Universal Day of Prayer (UDPS) 2013