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Last year, nearly 200,000 people received medical and rehabilitative services in more than 100 ALM-supported projects around the world.

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## our promise

As an American Leprosy Missions donor, you have our guarantee that your ministry gifts are used according to high stewardship standards.

We adhere to strict compliance with federal, state, and local regulations and Biblical principles.

- ALM is a **member in good standing of ECFA**—Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability ([www.ecfa.org](http://www.ecfa.org)).
- ALM meets the standards of the **BBB Wise Giving Alliance**, a merger of the **National Charities Information Bureau** and the **Better Business Bureaus Foundation** ([www.give.org](http://www.give.org)).
- ALM is **registered and in good standing** with all states that require fundraising registration.
- In 2002, **71.6 percent of income** was spent on program.
- ALM is **audited annually** by Tait, Weller & Baker, CPAs, of Philadelphia. ALM's annual report and audited financial statements are available upon request.
- ALM's **gift annuity activity is audited** by the New York Insurance Department.

Each year our staff selects a Bible verse to guide our work, goals, vision and purpose. For 2003, we chose Psalm 67:1-2—**"God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. "**

We try to be faithful to this message, and we are richly blessed in watching your gifts touch lives in unimagined ways. We give God the glory and we give you our most heartfelt thanks.

There are over a million charitable organizations in the United States—so many worthy causes to choose from. How can you choose a good one?

- **Does the charity have a track record? How long has it been in existence?** ALM was founded in 1906.
- **Is the charity audited annually by an independent professional auditing firm?** ALM's audit is done by Tait, Weller and Baker, CPAs, Philadelphia.
- **Is an audited financial report available to donors upon request?** Please call if you would like to receive ALM's annual report and audited financial statement or visit ALM's website at [www.leprosy.org](http://www.leprosy.org).
- **Is the agency a member of reputable national or international organizations?** ALM belongs to ILEP (the International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Organizations), as well as Association of Evangelical Relief and Development Organizations (AERDO).
- **What is the caliber of the agency's board members?** ALM board members are business people, pastors, doctors, and retired missionaries. Retired U.S. Surgeon General Dr. C. Everett Koop is a member of ALM's Board of Reference.
- **Does the agency meet charitable guidelines established by such monitoring agencies as Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability and the BBB Wise Giving Alliance?** ALM does. ALM is also a member of ECFA and the Better Business Bureau.
- **Does more than 60 percent of the agency's expenditures directly support the people or programs the agency serves?** ALM's program budget exceeds this industry-established minimum.
- **Do national salary surveys show agency executive salaries within the same range as other comparable agencies?** ALM's are within, and often below, executive salary ranges paid by comparable agencies.
- **Are visitors welcome to visit office headquarters, meet with staff, and ask questions?** You're always welcome at ALM.
- **Has the agency fulfilled all legal registrations in the states where it solicits funds?** ALM meets requirements in all 50 states.

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