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**Subject:** ASNZ Christchurch Earthquake Trauma appeal

Dear Members of the Anthroposophical Society in Canada

I'm writing to tell you about the launch of the ASNZ Christchurch Earthquake Trauma Appeal here in New Zealand and would appreciate it if you would consider making a donation and also if you could distribute this to others with whom you are in contact.

As I am sure you will know, the second earthquake in Christchurch on 21 February was much more destructive than the first. It's likely that over 200 people have died and many injured. Probably a third of the city will have to be demolished. Many have lost their homes. Strong aftershocks continue to damage the weakened fabric of a lovely city.

The response of many excellent agencies - the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, local and central government - has been magnificent calling forth a huge effort from within New Zealand and around the world to address the urgent physical problems and begin the process of rebuilding. There is a huge amount to do and this will take many years after which Christchurch will be a new city.

The Society and others working anthroposophically have had many contacts asking if there is anything that people can do. In response, we've launched an appeal to support work which will address the soul damage which the earthquake has caused. Children, young people and families can be particularly badly affected. Nursing, oilings, massage, therapies can help. Families can be given respite care. Stretched and stressed parents can be helped. It is to this that we want to devote our appeal supplementing what others are doing for the physical aspects of the earthquake.

The attachment to this email gives details of the fund and how it will work, or you can go to our web site [www.anthroposophy.org.nz/quakeappeal.htm](http://www.anthroposophy.org.nz/quakeappeal.htm) to get more information.

I hope you'll consider donating yourself. Any amount will be a help and all money raised will be used for this work. I also hope you'll forward this to others who might want to help. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you

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