

SEIZING THE OPPORTUNITY: TFS-BMF VISION FOR 2005-2010.

Adequate sustained funding and good management are necessary for a growing charity. Competent and dedicated employees and engaged Trustees are likewise crucial. Vision, which includes perspective, ability to seize opportunities and to change focus when necessary, is equally important if we are to remain interactive with a changing Sudanese political and social environment. The following is based on consultation with senior TFS-BMF employees, Silas Jojo in particular, and indicates what I believe **Together for Sudan** could accomplish in the period 2005-2010.

Direction and Management

- *Remaining faithful to our mandate to educate disadvantaged Sudanese women and children and to those projects which support that mandate.
- *Growing autonomy for the Khartoum office.
- *Continual upgrading of Khartoum office staff's management abilities.
- *Fully functioning Khartoum data base.
- *Strengthening of partnerships with other INGOS and with UN agencies (UNICEF, UNDP and WFP in particular).
- *Establishment of three way partnerships with UN agencies and community based organizations in which TFS-BMF serves as facilitator, monitor and financial verifier.
- *Continuing reintegration of our university graduates and other trained personnel back into their home areas

Expansion and Consolidation

- *Concentration on expanding projects in the Nuba Mountains and, as possible, in Southern Sudan.
- *Fully functioning sub-office in Kadugli
- *Opening of a southern office (possibly Rumbek or Juba)
- *Periodic review of projects to see which we might reduce or even eliminate while remaining open to setting up necessary new projects.

Projects

- *Concentration on women's literacy and higher education and children's basic education as our primary work.
- *Expansion of nursing scholarships into a major project.
- *Set up of a project to train paramedical workers, including medical technicians and midwives, in the Nuba Mountains and Southern Sudan.
- *Expansion of women's literacy work outside the Khartoum area, in particular to Nuba Mountains, Southern Sudan and Darfur.
- *Concentration of Solar Project on Nuba Mountains and other areas beyond Khartoum.
- *Focus on teacher training, for literacy and basic schools in particular, but also emphasizing training in health and hygiene, HIV/AIDS awareness, first aid and befriending.
- *Extension of Eye Care project to western and southern Sudan.
- *Extension of Breakfast Project to all sponsored schools in the Nuba Mountains.

What is possible? By 2010 we could – with adequate funding and appropriate management – achieve the following:

- *Growing programmes in the Nuba Mountains, Darfur and Southern Sudan as well as among the destitute and marginalized in the Khartoum area.
- *100 women's literacy classes with all teachers Reflect trained.
- *300 university graduates of whom at least half will be working in their home areas in the Nuba Mountains and Southern Sudan.
- *Strong nursing scholarship and paramedical training programmes.
- *50 sponsored basic schools in Northern and Southern Kordofan, most of them set up in response to our willingness to pay teachers salaries and to work with them in partnership with UN agencies.
- *A growing roster of sponsored basic schools in Southern Sudan.
- *Payment of at least 100 teachers salaries in basic self-help schools.
- *A support system for self-help basic schools outside the Khartoum area which will include solar lighting and breakfast project as well as medicine box and eye care.
- *HIV/AIDS Awareness Project which will include six teams and reach at least 50,000 people per year in Khartoum area and beyond, including southern Sudan and the Nuba Mountains. The project will have an active home based care component which will include befriending.

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