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**C** **RWRF is thankful** for the ongoing opportunities to partner with communities all over the world to provide Christian charity, both in areas of relief and of development. We are humbled by the way the Lord continues to provide through you, our generous supporters. Over the last few months, you've joined us in praying for the work of our partners in South Africa, Kenya, and Pakistan. For the next months, we ask you to bring before our Father's throne the people and projects in the DRC, Mexico, Mali, Senegal, Timor, and Lebanon. May his name be glorified!

### **May KINSHASA**

In December of 2022 a storm hit Kinshasa, the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), and caused terrible flooding that killed more than 100 people and destroyed many homes and businesses, as well as the main highway that provides the transportation of goods to Kinshasa. In the months following this flooding we have worked with Mission French Africa Ministries (MFAM), whose training center was also flooded, by providing food for those most affected by the flooding in the area.



### PLEASE PRAY

- *Pray that the relief work by MFAM may be effective.*
- *Pray that those affected may soon rebuild their lives.*
- *Pray for MFAM's pastoral training program.*
- *Pray that the relief work may serve as a way to point people to the Lord Jesus.*



EXTENSIVE FLOODING IN THE CONGO

## **June** **FAITHWORKS**

Faithworks is a subcommittee of the CRWRF that organizes short-term service and learning trips. A team recently traveled to Queretaro, Mexico, where they worked at the Pan de Vida orphanage, painting the outside of a building and two murals, as well as doing tile work in the showers in the boys' dorm. The team was able to witness God's love and grace in the lives of the children at Pan de Vida. They saw how the staff and volunteers are committed to providing a safe and loving environment for the children. The team was humbled by the experience and was grateful for the opportunity to serve.



### **PLEASE PRAY**

- *Please pray for God to continue to work in the lives of the children who come to Pan de Vida.*
- *Pray that He would bless the staff and volunteers with wisdom and strength.*
- *Praise God for the work He is doing at Pan de Vida.*
- *Pray for the Faithworks committee as they continue planning other trips.*

## **July** **MALI**

In Bamako, Mali, we've been supporting a development project focused on women's health, abuse prevention, and Christian family life. The overall goal is to improve the health and wellbeing of community members, especially survivors of abuse and those with high vulnerability to abuse. Currently in phase five of this program, our partner AMAFEP has been leading training in local churches to improve knowledge in health, STIs, reproductive health issues, and how to prevent and report abuse. It also aims to equip churches so that they can protect children, prevent and respond to abuse, and care for survivors of abuse.



### **PLEASE PRAY**

- *Thank the Lord for the success of the program thus far.*
- *Pray for the AMAFEP staff and 15 training facilitators.*
- *Pray for the victims of abuse.*
- *Pray for those involved in victim care.*
- *Pray for the 77 local churches who've been hosting the training sessions for their communities.*

## **August** **SENEGAL**

In Linguère, Senegal, we've been supporting a development project that focuses on increasing food security for People Living with HIV/AIDS, their families, and their neighbours. This is primarily done through community vegetable gardens and nutritional training. So far, eleven gardens have been established. Farmers receive training and mentoring from the staff at SLDS (Lutheran Senegalese Development Service). The gardens allow families to eat more nutritious meals, and there is often excess produce that can be sold at the market. In some communities, farmers have created solidarity funds to pool their money and help community members with larger expenses.



### **PLEASE PRAY**

- *Thank the Lord for the program's success.*
- *Pray for the 248 female farmers.*
- *Pray for the 3 SLDS staff.*
- *Pray for the 344 orphans and vulnerable children who receive support.*
- *Pray for the Shining Mamas program, recently introduced to address the high rate of maternal mortality during childbirth.*

## **September** **Timor**

In Timor, New Hope Indonesia (Timor) aims to bring hope to those who are in despair by providing Christian relief aid, as well as opportunities for Christian education. In this predominantly Muslim country, even most Christians have very little understanding of God's word. The seven New Hope schools serve 1,000+ students (kindergarten to high school, and vocational school). A number of boys and girls also live in the New Hope Homes. The relief efforts have increased recently, in the wake of extreme flooding and a massive landslide which, among other things, has made it more difficult to access and afford food and gas.



### **PLEASE PRAY**

- *Pray for encouragement for the staff and teachers, in the face of strong government opposition.*
- *Pray that teachers may receive wisdom to teach the government curriculum with a Biblical perspective.*

- *Pray for counselors to focus on bringing hope to the children living in the New Hope Homes.*
- *Pray for those involved in relief efforts, especially when they face opposition.*

## **October** **LEBANON**

In Lebanon, CRWRF has partnered with MERATH to provide support to refugees from Syria who have fled the war since its start in 2011. Syrian refugees in Lebanon are particularly vulnerable because there are no refugee camps where they can live for free, and there are severe restrictions on work, limiting livelihood opportunities and making it almost impossible for families to cover their basic needs. Working through World Renew, MERATH has been able to address some of these needs by providing milk, diapers, and feminine hygiene products.



### **PLEASE PRAY**

- *Pray for endurance and encouragement for the staff at MERATH.*
- *Pray for the 400+ families who are beneficiaries of this program.*
- *Pray that the Lord provides access to the necessary goods, in a situation where high inflation and lack of availability have made it challenging to access the necessities.*
- *Pray for an end to the war in Syria.*



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