



## A vocational School to equip vulnerable youth in Giza Egypt.

Goal: US \$ 84,144 - C \$ 111,000

We praise God that this project has now been funded to 50 %. **We need another C\$55,000!** Please pray how you can help in helping these young people have a future with financial stability. Often the student graduating from the Training Centre is the only breadwinner in the family.

Here is a message from Francine our contact at the Diocese of Egypt:

The Diocese of Egypt has long been training men and women in handicraft skills, as well as providing an "marketplace" in which these individuals can sell their crafts: the Wady Shop. We then began implementing this handicraft training in our Vocational Training Centre in the Ornamentation Design and Crafts Training and it has been a marvelous success!

In the first three-week training in Ornamental Design and Crafts, we trained young people in the basics of designing and making handcrafts, which will be sold in the Wady shop. Unlike the other courses, this training continued on a medium-term basis, with a trainer coming once a week to review the work of participants and ensure they have reached a degree of excellence and proficiency, in order to market their products. This kind of hands-on training and attentive supervision will ensure long-term impact on the participants!



Abanoob Youssef, Ornamentation Design and Crafts Training Participant

In each session, the students learned a new product, each session building on the skills learned in the previous session. This method ensures the student is able to apply their skills not only in this training, but in the future. Some of the products learned include dishes, crosses, trays, table tops, etc. and they worked on each until they mastered the skills of working with the craft.

This training began with 12 participants, and all 12 participants completed the training! 10 of the participants finished within the typical time frame and the 2 remaining were able to catch up with the rest at a later date! They met once a week in order to catch up.

We praise God for the success of this project and the empowerment of our 12 wonderful participants! Lives are being changed!

## ARDF Global Council meeting in Plano TX



This is international body that approves new projects and receives the assessments on completed projects. The council meets once a year. Bp. Charlie Masters and Claus Lenk are the delegates from Canada. Representatives from ARDF US, ARDF Australia, and ARDF Kenya were present. The Primates from Miramar, South East Asia, Rwanda, Kenya and Chile were present. It was a wonderful opportunity to share and hear what God is doing around the world and the request for urgent prayer especially when it comes to the persecution of believers in Jesus

A special presentation was made to Claus Lenk for his 10 years of leadership as National Director of ARDF Canada as well as delegate to ARDF Global Council.

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## ARDFC seeks a new National Director

Early this year Claus Lenk announced that he would be retiring as National Director and also as board member at the end of December 2019. Claus has been in leadership of ARDFC since its inception in 2009. Shortly after receiving the announcement, Bishop Charlie, Chair of ARDFC appointed a two person committee to recommend to the Board of Directors how we should go forward into a new era and also to seek out a person who could lead us into the future as Claus has done over the past years. Nona Leung from Vancouver and Bishop Don Harvey from St. John's accepted this appointment and immediately began their work.

The Committee was greatly helped in its task by a detailed and comprehensive report written by Claus wherein he described his present duties and made recommendations as to how our operations could be streamlined as we move into a situation where technology and rapid communication had vastly changed since our inception. This position is voluntary and would be for a person with passion for mission, the needs of the Global South, and a love for the less privileged. Above all, the person must have a desire to live out the Lord's words - "Inasmuch as ye have done it to the least of these, ye have done it unto Me." (Matthew: 25:40)

Some travel is required and administrative experience would be an asset. The time requirement is about 15 hours a month.

The Committee is putting much effort into seeking a candidate for the pivotal role of National Director, and will take as long as it feels necessary to find a person qualified for this heavy responsibility. We are asking the ARDFC community to pray that God will direct us to the right individual.

Suggestions for a suitable nominee would be very welcomed and the committee would be pleased to follow up on any suggestions. Please email any suggestions with a short recommendation and contact co-ordinates to Bishop Don Harvey at bpdonharvey@gmail.com

## Burundi – Help from Canada in troubled times



Goats being distributed in Sanzwe

Burundi is one of the poorest countries in Africa and indeed the world. They say it is the hungriest nation on earth.. As much as 89% of the active population depends on farming a territory as densely populated as Belgium. The country has had more than a decade of civil war. ARDFC supported a programme of training for modern farming methods, marketing methods and animal husbandry. Critical to the success was the peoples eagerness to join farming co-operatives. The programme has been successfully completed and has had an impact on 3,600 individuals. The implementer reports that the goal has been exceeded by 20 %.

Watch this short video about the impact on the people in the Anglican Diocese of Muyinga, Burundi. This is about the gospel in action!

Thanks be to God!

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