



**SOLIDARITY** with South Sudan

## TEACHER TRAINING

### Teacher Training - The Goal

On behalf of the Sudan Catholic Bishops' Conference, **Solidarity with South Sudan (*Solidarity*)** aims to provide quality teacher training following the curriculum of the Government of South Sudan (GoSS), certified by the Ministry of Education. This training targets teachers in primary schools of South Sudan and those intending to become teachers.

### Teacher Training in Action

The Teacher Training programmes have firmly established ***Solidarity* Teacher Training Colleges** as a leading provider of primary teacher training in South Sudan. More than 1,500 highly motivated, competent and effective teachers have already been trained by staff from our two teacher training institutes in Yambio and Malakal and through *Solidarity* outreach programmes. Innovative distant learning programmes make it possible to reach out to teachers in remote areas.



### Current Progress

To date *Solidarity with South Sudan* has offered in-service programmes to **1605 Sudanese people** of whom 359 are women.

One of the goals of *Solidarity* is to **improve educational opportunity for women and girls.**

In 2012, Solidarty began some special **affirmative action** programmes. These programmes for women are creating a new dynamic and alerting young women to possible careers in teaching.

**The first stage** of the *Solidarity* strategy has been to provide teacher training to assist current teachers to upgrade their capability to use English as the language of instruction and to obtain a recognised qualification. This is still an urgent priority, especially for Arabic-trained teachers, who could otherwise find their future students far more proficient at English than they are themselves.



**The second stage** of development of Solidarity with South Sudan Teacher Training has been the commencement of a distance learning four year programme in-service curriculum at Leer, Nzara, Gumbo, Rumbek and Loreto Rumbek as well as the delivery of short course inservice programmes offered in Juba, Renk, Nzara, Ezo, Tombura, Nandi, Yambio and Malakal.



Will you educate us?

**The third stage** is to focus on increasing the number of teachers available to teach, through the medium of English, by offering a two-year, full-time, pre-service education. This year, Pre-service has commenced in Yambio and Malakal.

In responding to the most desperately needy in South Sudan, *Solidarty* is sending tutors in 2012 to provide three by three-week blocks of intensive English instruction to ninety teachers in Agok from the Abyei region. In 2013, after this preparation, *Solidarity* will begin to provide the four-year inservice curriculum in Agok.

Solidarity with South Sudan continues to seek contacts with other NGOs and support from various Church and philanthropic organizations as well as the Governments of other countries to maximize the input of **much-needed educational funding for the work of teacher education in South Sudan.**

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