Kadugli Newsletter

"Please do not grow tired of praying for Sudan" (Archbishop Ezekiel)

Inflation and Peace Primary School. After the last Newsletter, does this sound like more of the same? Not completely, for there have been developments, and some of these are exciting!

Among the less welcome developments, inflation continues to rage; the cost of food at the end of 2020 was two and a half times what it was at the beginning of 2019, and the BBC reports (19 February 2021) that there is a shortage of bread and other staples and reminds us that a shortage of bread was one of the factors leading to the overthrow of President al-Bashir in 2019. The Sudanese government is subsidising bread.

Better news comes from Kadugli, where a report has been produced on Peace Primary School. Last month we said the opening of the school had created great interest in the town.

The report provides more detail:

- 276 Pupils
- Lower fees than other private schools
- Teachers come with good experience and reputation
- Good location and presentation
- Positive advertisement



Some happy children near by the water tank tower enjoying the water . . .



These bald statements are supported by interviews with parents.

"This man's name is Zakaria Ibrahim, he is Muslim. I asked him 'Why did you bring your children to the Peace Primary School'? He replied, 'I brought my children here because I know that the Church always doesn't deceive people. Since this school belongs to the church, I brought my children here to guarantee they are receiving good education.

Secondly the teachers' reputation is very good and as I heard they have good experience in education.

Thirdly the location is near to the market that means my children will get transportation easily'.

I asked him 'What do you think about the school itself'? and he replied 'I think the School need to have a minibus to transport our children and this will bring very good reputation to the school in the future and the fathers will push their children to it.

Also, I think if the school administration managed to make separate computer hall to make our children receive education on it will be very successful, as now I have four pupils with you here. I hope they will get the best education as they are in (kindergarten, class one and class two) I hope when they graduate from here, they will be able to use computer."

Zakaria Ibrahim with his four children who all attend Peace Primary School



Bakhita Hassan with her children at the Peace Primary School



"My name is Bakhita Hassan, I'm a Christian I brought my children here because it is Christian school where I will feel happy, they will get good religious studies, and at the same time the school fees are very low and the number of the pupils here in the class is suitable not like the governmental one, so that is why I registered my children here".

Bakhita was asked what do you think about the school? She replied, "The building is very good, and I hope it will be the best and distinctive school in the state. Also, I think this school must use new ways for education like projector in education."

Bakhita was asked "What improvement would you like to see? She replied, "I would like the church administration to have a separate place from the kindergarten to get a better education".

Future Developments

Although there is a kindergarten class, with pupils, their existing accommodation is not suitable. There are plans for a separate unit of two classes and an office within the premises of the Primary School, but this will entail an outlay probably more than £5,000. We in Bradford Deanery would like to support this, so if you would like to contribute, please send funds via BACS to:

Name of Account: Bradford Deanery Synod

Sort Code: 30-98-75 Ac No: 00710285

Ref: Kadugli (Please note this is very important to quote, thank you)

If you do not have access to internet banking, then cheques made payable to Bradford Deanery Synod can be sent to John Joy, 11 Stancomb Avenue, Trowbridge, Wiltshire BA14 7HS.

Every blessing, John Joy Bradford Deanery Lay Chairman