"To look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world" James 1:27

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INTRODUCTION

This year Street Children Ministry has been running a number of ministries to achieve its goal of transforming the lives street children in South Sudan. The programs included outreach, rescue, construction, education, and vocational skills training.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

The outreach ministry was put in place to reach out to the children that are still on the streets and try to help them by meeting them where they are. We strived to meet them as Jesus met with the poor and needy in his day. This was done through visits to the different streets of Juba three times a week. The locations visited were Konyokonyo market, Nyakuron market, and Hai thoura

Objectives

- a. Heal wounds and minor illnesses of street children
- b. Enable street children to know more about God
- c. Offer nourishment for malnourished street children
- d. Provide education for a healthy lifestyle for the street children

SEBIT'S STORY

Sebit, a boy in Malakia, got into a motor accident which broke his leg and caused a wound around the area. The wound got infected due to the dirty surroundings, and he was on the brink of losing his leg when the team got him. The team stood with him and gave him all the medical care they could offer such as wound dressings, antibiotics, referral, x-rays, and other care. Today Sebit can move freely, and he no longer has a wound thanks to God.

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Activities carried out to achieve objectives

- a. Wound dressings, giving out medicines, treatment, and referrals
- b. Prayer meetings
- c. Feeding the children during the outreach days
- d. Giving health education to the children to enable them have a healthy lifestyle



FIGURE 1 OUTREACH

Challenges

- 1. Follow up was difficult because the children don't stay in the same place
- 2. Slow wound healing because of inadequate nutrition
- 3. Transportation for the outreach team was interrupted

Achievements

- 1. The number of children with wounds in Hai Thoura dropped from around 35 a day in February to 3 a day in November
- 2. Many wounds were healed, the outstanding one being that of Sebit Longa in the fourth quarter.
- 3. The children looked cleaner after the time health education was introduced

RESCUE DEPARTMENT

The rescue department was in charge of the wellbeing of the children rescued from the streets who are currently under Street Children Ministry's custody. When the year started, there were 16 children at the compound. One child ran back to the street and two were brought into the home.



FIGURE 2 THE CHILDREN AT THE COMPOUND AND DURING A VISIT TO ONE OF THEIR FAMILIES

Objectives

- a. Give the children a new home
- b. Provide proper nutrition and nourishment for the children
- c. Enable the children grow in the Word of the Lord
- d. Provide education for the children
- e. Maintain the physical and mental wellbeing of the children

Activities carried out to achieve objectives

- a. Construction of the children home and providing them with basic needs like clothes and shoes
- b. Daily feeding of the children and balanced diet
- c. Daily prayer meetings (devotions) and Sunday church services to enable spiritual growth
- d. School enrollment for all the children from grades 1-3
- e. Trauma healing activities to provide mental well-being and sports for physical well-being
- f. Other activities included entertainment and visiting of parents



FIGURE 3 THE BOYS FOOTBALL TEAM

Challenges

1. Anger management issues among the children

- 2. The children running away from the compound
- 3. Difficulty in sustaining balanced diet due to small budget
- 4. Mismanagement of things bought for children like clothes, shoes, and playthings

Achievements

- 1. The children now know how to read and interpret the Bible
- 2. All the children are healthy and well-fed
- 3. The children can speak English well

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

This construction project was an initiative started last year to provide a bigger space to accommodate the children and bring in a few more if possible. During the first half of the year, work at the construction site was stunted and at the same time taking in a lot of cash, which prompted the administration to change the contractor.

In the second half of the year the new contractor worked efficiently and did a very good job. The building is now currently in its finishing stages. Towards the end of the year, however, funds were insufficient to fully finish the building. We trust in the Lord's promise to provide for our daily needs that he will provide what is needed to finish the construction of the children's home.



FIGURE 4 THE FRONT AND SIDE VIEWS OF THE BUILDING

Challenges

- a. Lack of accountability from the first contractor
- b. Delays in work due to funding
- c. Lack of store to keep the unused materials

Achievements

- a. Construction of the latrine and bathroom
- b. Completion of the building structure
- c. Roofing done
- d. Compacting and leveling of the compound
- e. Fixing of doors and windows
- f. Moving into the building

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Educating the children was one of the main goals of rescuing the children from the various streets of Juba. All the children were therefore enrolled in a home school where they were joined by four children from the community and taught by a group of teachers from Cush Christian School. There were four classes including class 1C, class 1B and grades 2 and 3. The classes were conducted in the morning hours (9:00am to 11:30am).



FIGURE 5 SOME OF THE CLASSES HAVING THEIR LESSONS

Objectives

- a. Provide a platform for learning different life skills
- b. Teach the children how to present themselves
- c. Provide literacy for the children
- d. Enable children to grow in the lord

Methods of teaching

- 1. Lectures during lessons
- 2. Music
- 3. Games
- 4. Reading books
- 5. Identification of photos for the lower classes
- 6. PACEs (workbooks for independent learning)

Challenges

- 1. Insufficient games for the lower classes
- 2. Lack of concentration in the students
- 3. Students competing to finish PACEs quickly
- 4. Some classes were interrupted by rain

Achievements

- a. The children can now have a conversation in English
- b. The majority of the children can read and write
- c. All the children passed their respective classes
- d. Some children were able to get sponsorships

VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING

The vocational skills training was a six-month program initiated in May to empower street children and youth from the community. The training included instruction in two trades, namely carpentry and tailoring, both of which initially had 10 students between the ages of 17-25. The training was carried out from Monday to Friday in the afternoon (1pm-4pm).



FIGURE 6 TAILORING AND CARPENTRY CLASSES

Objectives

- To develop skills for the vulnerable adolescent boys
- To restore hope and future for the children
- To bring enlightenment and educate the adolescent boys and girls to know their usefulness
- To generate income for street children and the ministry.

Methods of training

- a. Theory
- b. Practical (hands on)

Achievements

- a. The trainees from both trades have acquired the skills of making products with little or no supervision
- b. The trainees have finished the first phase of their training
- c. The trainees have mastered the skill of selling their respective products

PRAISES

- a. SCM work to reach out to the vulnerable children in the streets
- b. The acquisition of ministry car
- c. Moving into new building
- d. The children well-being and good health
- e. Vocational skill training
- f. Children's education at the compound
- g. Healing of several children from the streets
- h. Construction and completion of the latrine

PRAYER REQUESTS

- a. The funds to complete the building
- b. God's guidance and protection
- c. Continued health and safety of the boys residing at the SCM compound
- d. Wisdom for the running of the school.