



NEWS LETTER

The Koinonia Trust Inc.
Monrovia, Liberia

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Update on our Building Project

We are delighted to announce that we have finally moved to our permanent location in Sasstown, Louisiana Monrovia. When the world says it is an impossible situation, we continue to walk in obedience and persevere in faith witnessing God remove the obstacles and providing what is needed. We are so thankful that we will not be spending anymore money on rent and that we have become fully committed community dwellers. It is a season of new beginnings. Thanks again to all those who have generously supported us financially and helped us meet our objective of moving permanently to a new location.



Our community well was the first thing we built. It is over 30ft deep and is situated between Momo's house and where the mission house will be. It is a pure joy to see how many people are able now to access clean water. We look forward to the many opportunities that we will have to meet our neighbours at this well. It is a reminder to us when Jesus went out of His way to meet a Samaritan woman at the well, demonstrating His care for all regardless of their social standing. It was an encounter that changed her life and the life of those in her village, (John Ch 4:4-42).

Update on the Football Team

The Koinonia Trust U- 15 team continues to excel and recently won the Community league games cup. They continue to practice three times a week and are waiting to be called to participate in the National games.

The U-12 football team are also developing and **we have one beautiful talented female player, Hawa Sonie**, who is 12 years of age. She is passionate about the game and took full advantage of the opportunity to play when she was given it. At a young age she is demonstrating courage and determination to pursue her dream. We are thankful to our coaches who pray and mentor these young people. We are proud of the young men who include Hawa as an equal member of their team.



Update on Pastoral Care

We will continue to build relationships and offer pastoral care in our new community. Trusting in Gods wisdom, plan and purpose for The Koinonia Trust as it puts down roots and re-establishes. Our prayer and hopes are that we will see many who have experienced trauma or brokenness come to God for healing, love, restoration and fresh hope. Most ordinary Liberians continue to suffer severe poverty, with poor healthcare and living conditions. Everyday life holds its own misery and trauma.



Please consider joining our monthly sponsorship scheme of

€10 - €15 – €25

If you would like to make a regular contribution to help keep our work going, please go directly to our website where you will find our Donate button.

Prayer Requests



- Pray for all those involved in The Koinonia Trust as we embark on a new season and settle down in our permanent community.
- Pray for those that come to draw water at our well that these interactions become divine opportunities for us to demonstrate God's love, restoration and hope
- Pray for our football teams and coaches that they continue to not only develop their skills on the field but that God will knit them together like a family so they can grow spiritually, emotionally and mentally.

Our Social Media Platforms are currently being updated but you will find more information about the Trust at www.thekoinoniatrust.com

Facebook: The Koinonia Trust
Instagram: koinonia_trust

Update on Funding

We were unsuccessful with our funding proposal to the Irish Embassy and continue to wait on the outcome from Liberia Mercy Partners. Please consider making a donation yourself. Currently we are seeking to raise €1500 so we can restart our tailoring workshops again in September.

REFLECTIONS

Reflection from Momo

Psalm 30 vs 12: “..I will sing your praise and not be silent, O Lord my God I will thanks to you forever”.

God has been so faithful to us and to keeping His promises. We started the work on the compound 12 months ago and now I am living here. We thank God so much for His provision and His perfect timing. We had to leave our existing compound and indeed would have been homeless. God has a timetable for every part of our life. Praise His name.

Reflections from Frances

Jeremiah 29 vs 11: “For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans for welfare, and not for evil to give you a future and a hope”.

As many of you know I have been struggling with health issues concerning my heart and I thank God I am now stable and on the right medication. A big thank you also goes out to my local gym BMS in Bundoran where they are trained and qualified in Cardiac Rehab. God's provision is sometimes in the unlikeliest of places and he certainly provided the team there especially Patrick to get me active again restoring my quality of life. I have been studying the book of Ruth with fresh eyes during this period. It was indeed timely as I read about the losses these women experienced and their journey in trusting God despite their challenging circumstances. Faith is trusting God's sovereignty when we are in deep despair, lonely or abandoned, our story is in His hands. As Ruth and Naomi's story unfolds so does Gods plan and purpose for their life. Fresh hope and restoration arises out of the ashes of their brokenness. It is a lesson in never giving up and keeping trust in a God who has a plan and purpose for each of us.

‘God's heavenly plan is always bigger than our earthly circumstances’ Lisa Alvin Meyer.