



Republic of Cameroon



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Republic of South Sudan

The Africa Appeal

Lent 2015

The Africa Appeal is an outreach project the Traditional Anglican Church of Canada (TACC) under the administration of the parishes of St. Columba of Iona and St. Bride of Kildare. Along with traditional Anglicans in Australia, the USA and the UK, we send money to churches in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Cameroon and South Sudan. These fast-growing churches are, together with the parishes of the TACC, members of the Anglo-Catholic Church - Original Province, a worldwide communion of traditional Anglican Churches. Funds collected are used for clergy support and various projects developed and run by Bishop Steven Ayule-Milenge (Congo), Bishop Wilson Garang (South Sudan) and Father Alphonse Ndutiye (Cameroon) such as building schools, a farming collective for widows, and sewing classes for victims of rape.

Dear Supporters of the Africa Appeal,

Construction of Fr. Alphonse's house goes ahead in Cameroon



We have had such an excellent response to the appeal for funds to construct a house for Fr. Alphonse that we have raised more than the required amount of \$2,400. Thank-you to all who donated and made this possible, and extra special thanks to our anonymous donor who offered to match donations received before the end of February up to a value of \$1,500.

The house will be built in Nsimalen, Yaoundé. Fr. Alphonse has sent this photograph of the site before the start of construction. You can see the lines marking out the future extent of the walls. He tells us that the workmen have now received all the material for the house and have already built the roof.

Next will be the construction of the walls. This may sound odd since we are used to seeing walls go up before the roof. But when you consider the tropical rainstorms, it makes sense to have some shelter for the workers and the walls they build.

You may remember reading in our December 2014 Appeal that we had received a donation to buy two roofing sheets to provide protection to worshipers from torrential downpours in the partially completed cathedral at Nsimalen. You can see part of this newly-installed roof in the photo at right which shows the cathedral parish family celebrating the feast of St. George after the church service.



Also in Cameroon, Fr. Alphonse has been offered a building for church use (shown at left) in the city of Edéa, west of Yaoundé closer to the coast and the city of Douala, the commercial hub of Cameroon. This building will house a new parish, contributing to church growth in the Littoral or coastal region of the country.

The current parish and church community at Edéa includes a group of Anglican Religious, some of whom can be seen in the photograph.



Congo Church holds third Diocesan Synod

In Congo, Bishop Steven has just ended the third Diocesan synod where he ordained to the diaconate two Deacons: Mlundu Mewale and Welelwa Lusekea and to the priesthood: Fathers Acumba Lwikeca, Dewayo Mlake, Donato Alphonse, Kidete Erneste, Makutano Ibutwa and Mkelelwa Bilewausomba.

During the synod, the diocese established priority projects for the next two years. These include projects that have been in progress for some time but which have had to wait for funding to be available:

- Completing the construction of the church of St. Paul Fizi - roof structure (\$US 990) and sheet metal (\$US 1,750)
- Completing the construction of the church of St. Matthew Sebélé - lintel (\$US 1,104), roof structure (\$US 990) and sheet metal (\$US 1,750)
- Land purchase for high school in the town of Baraka (\$US 1,500)
- Starting the construction of the parish church of St. Jacques Lwiko Itombwe (\$US 1,000)
- Starting the construction of the parish church of Christ Roi-Alélé (\$US 1,000)



South Sudan situation improving

Peace within the Diocese of Aweil has improved economic conditions. People there no longer have issues with cattle raiding and ethnic or tribal violence. Arab influence from the north has also been reduced due to the creation of the separate country of South Sudan. Now that the major threat of violent incursion has been reduced, the provision of adequate food for the human community as well as for animals has become the people's main preoccupation. Animals, together with any surplus harvest, are the basis of family wealth in South Sudan, providing a secure future for the family.

The area around Aweil is flat and prone to flooding. During the rainy season, the plains dwellers take refuge in the town of Aweil to avoid the raging torrents of the rivers Lol and Pongo. For those living in the region, there is no option but to live with the danger and disruption that this creates. It is their faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ which has given many the strength to endure, first the

hardships of war, then the politics of setting up a new country, and now, the immense task of building a new society.

For these people, the work undertaken by Bishop Garang and his clergy and people is so very important, providing a sound and sure foundation for that new society based on the clear message of hope and love, founded on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

There is no doubt that the potential for growth in the African church is incredible. The primary barrier limiting that growth is the lack of funding for any significant construction or development project. With your help, we can provide assistance to Father Alphonse Ndutiye, Bishop Steven Ayule Milenge, and Bishop Wilson Garang to achieve their goal of bringing their people to a knowledge and love of Jesus Christ.

With thanks for your support,

**In Christ,
David+**

If you have comments or questions:

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How to give support to these churches:

There are no deductions from moneys received by the Appeal; the full dollar amount is sent to Cameroon, South Sudan or Congo. Any overheads are paid from gifts received for this purpose.

In Canada

The Parish of St. Bride, c/o 20895 Camwood Ave., Maple Ridge, BC V2X 2N9

Or

The Parish of St. Columba, c/o Box 894, Sechelt, BC V0N 3A0

Please make a note that the funds are for the Africa Appeal on the front of the cheque.

Tax receipts will be issued by the parishes.

In the USA

The ACC Mission Fund, The Anglican Catholic Church, PO Box 5223, Athens, GA 30604

In Australia

Anglican Aid Abroad, PO Box 256, GRANGE, QLD 4051

Or

A safe and inexpensive way of sending your gift is to make a deposit at any WESTPAC BRANCH to our Account at Morningside: MISSIONARIES OF ST ANDREW – ANGLICAN AID ABROAD 034 058 58 0656 - or use the INTERNET.

If you need a receipt for tax purposes or acknowledgement in the newsletter, please write to tell us your name, details of the deposit and enclose a self-addressed envelope. If you intend the donation for a special project, please let us know, so we can designate it accordingly.

In the UK

Cheques should be made payable to “Anglican Catholic Church - Diocese of the United Kingdom” and marked on the back: “Missions – Cameroon, Congo or S. Sudan” as appropriate and sent to: Diocesan Treasurer, ACC Diocesan Office, St Nicholas House, 42-48 High Street, Lydd, Kent TN29 9AN