(An organization for adults)

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To the attention of National Presidents, International Secretaries, Regional and Sub regional committees, contact persons of the Central Branch groups.

ISGF project 'a Shelter for South Soudanese refugees in Uganda' What stage are we at?

Dear members, dear friends,

Last October, ISGF appealed for your support to provide the South Soudanese refugees, who are forced to flee their homes due to the war and the famine, with temporary shelters, with tents more precisely.

Since then, you showed a wonderful and remarkable generosity allowing ISGF to collect €14.100 so far, while the ISGF team, composed of World Committee members and members of the National Scout and Guide Fellowship in Uganda, worked hard to make it operational.

From meetings with different ministries to visits to the settlement at Imvepi, ISGF was informed that the needs in the settlement have changed. The local authorities, recognising the ISGF valuable assistance, proposed us to supply the settlement with more permanent accommodations:

Traditional huts.

Why?

The tents are an emergency accommodation with a limited lifespan, no more than six months due to climate and product characteristic reasons. Tents are only used for new arrivals at the main reception area, before allocating the refugees a place to live.

Due to the prevailing situation in South Sudan and the growing number of refugees arriving at Imvepi, the settlement is to deal with longer stays (from several months to years) and aims at offering the refugees fair and decent living conditions.

Therefore, taking into consideration the above information, we would like to inform you in which terms the ISGF project will be adjusted and reoriented:

- ISGF will finance the building of traditional huts made of un-burnt-bricks and iron-sheets, large of 3x3 meters allowing to accommodate 4 adults, in compliance with the requirement of the construction department of the settlement;
- The ISGF team has already identified local workforce to build the huts. It will also contribute to support the local economy;
- The more permanent accommodation are more expensive, €514, instead of €25 for a tent. However, this form of accommodation will last longer, it is now a question of years, and the ISGF 's aid will be much more favourable and comfortable for refugees;
- Taking into consideration the ISGF financial objectives (€ 25,000), ISGF aims at providing 50 huts allowing to accommodate 200 people;
- Each hut funded by ISGF will be identified by the ISGF logo while the ISGF logo will be also visible on the board at the main entrance of the settlement, offering ISGF an even better and wider visibility.

We do hope that you will understand the changes that ISGF is about to operate, which are also a good illustration of ISGF's reactivity and ability to adapt itself in a view of ever better serving those in needs.

Thanks to the donations already collected, we can immediately start the building works for 20 huts. It is the first stage of the accomplishment of the project and we still need your support to reach our objective: **50 huts to make the life of 200 refugees easier and bearable**.

We herewith send you the revised Power Point Presentation that you can use for promoting this project to your members, friends, partners etc.

We will keep you informed of the progress of the project with photos and reports via the ISGF website, www.isgf.org

With our deepest thanks for your cooperation and your understanding. Yours in Fellowship.

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