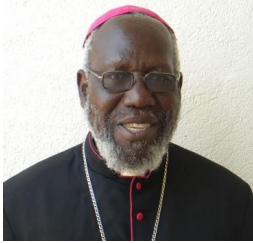




AN OASIS OF PEACE AND LOVE

EDITORIAL



Bishop Emeritus Paride Taban the founder of Holy Trinity Peace Village Kuron in his message on the martyrs', Heroes' and Heroines' day 30th July 2020 advised the people of South Sudan to wake up, repent and be focused.

In his message entitled "The blood of Our Martyrs is the Seed of Peace: Bishop Paride Taban gave scriptural reflection referencing King Solomon on the errors he made in his leadership and asking South Sudanese leaders to learn from the experiences of this biblical figure. He said that all of us should learn from King Solomon's costly mistakes.

Holy Trinity Peace Village being an Oasis of Peace, Peace work is what is practiced daily in Kuron.

The establishment of Holy Trinity Peace Village has changed the lifestyle of the communities in and around Kuron in different ways.

As people cope up with the threat of the Covid-19 pandemic, our communities have learnt to keep the rule of social distancing and washing of hands often. Amidst the positive part, the challenge of gathering at funerals still remains a habit in the whole country because of tradition. This attitude makes the virus to spread instead of reduction in some areas, luckily Kuron is free from Covid-19.

Gratitude to Norwegian Church Aid for seconding a Program Manager to Holy Trinity Peace Village—Kuron.

The Primary Health Care Centre continues to serve the community throughout with the support from the Health Pool Fund and the Norwegian Friends. Thanks to the government of South Sudan through the Health Pool Fund for the provision of medicine and bringing in a Clinical Officer to support the (PHCC) in Kuron.

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PEACE PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY PAX

Holy Trinity Peace Village being an Oasis of Peace, Peace work is what is practice daily in Kuron. The department of Peace is ensuring that peace exist in the communities by having weekly meetings within the community of the eleven villages. This helps in controlling any problem, which might arise and cause fight among the communities. Peaceful coexistence is what we practice.



Mr Najie one of the Community elder talks to the participants during the community monthly meetings held in Namuton village



.Ms. Elizabeth Kuron the Community women leader addressing the meeting. She advices the men to speak to the youth by bringing them closer to them. The youth are not settled, they move from one place to another and it is dangerous especially at this time of corona virus. Which she calls "Orono" which means "bad" in the local language.

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PASTORAL ACTIVITIES



In taking the Gospel to the people, development and new ideas are instilled in the community. The founder of Holy Trinity Peace Village, Bishop Emeritus Paride Taban planting mangoes in one of the villages around Kuron.



The community from Naliel trekked over one hundred kilometres to pay homage to Bishop Emeritus Paride Taban in Kuron and urged the Bishop to pray for them so that Corona Virus does not affect their villages.

EDUCATION- EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE EDUCATION

Amidst lockdown of the Covid-19 pandemic, the caregivers of the nursery schools and teachers of St. Thomas Primary school had online training on how to handle learners from the age of 3yrs to 9yrs, supported by Madrasa Early Child Development Institute through Stromme Foundation.

With Kuron settings, where there is no media, the Early Child Care Education caregivers resorted to mobile teaching in the villages. This is to help learners not to forget what they learnt. On the other hand the primary teachers are involved in developing learning packages for children in primary. These packages are sent to the children through the chiefs.



The ECCE caregivers with the learners for physical education (*Upper*) and in a class environment in the different villages around Kuron (*lower*)

AGRO FORESTRY SUPPORTED BY DIOCESE OF MAINZ

The establishment of Holy Trinity Peace Village has changed the lifestyle of the pastoralist communities. Many have now adapted to agriculture by growing crops and vegetable and fruit trees though in minimal scales.

380 banana suckers have been transplanted in the new plot. This is to enhance local income for Peace Village, food for consumption and empower the local community within the Kuron catchment area to adopt perennial crops such as bananas in their own plots. Some families have planted banana suckers in their homes and others have started harvesting. Many have shown interest and have requested for suckers for transplanting at their plots. With the heavy rains of July, there is high hope that it will pick up very fast.



Some of the students learning vegetable crops production during this lockdown.



Some of the banana trees with bunches for maturity



The extended acreage of banana plantation 2020

A SUCCESS STORY ON AGRO FORESTRY



Ms. Alapatu a farmer from Guma-rieng Village selling a bunch of ripe sweet banana (Cavendish variety) in Kuron which she harvested from her garden. She appreciates Kuron demonstration farm for offering her banana suckers which she planted in her plot. She proudly said so far she has 7 banana plants in her garden and she wants to plant more suckers of other varieties if it could be avail to her. She also join the animal traction project and this year she ploughed her garden using trained donkeys.

ANIMAL TRACTION– CARITAS AUSTRIA

A SUCCESS STORY ON DONKEY PLOUGH



Ms Nagule one of the beneficiaries ploughing her garden. She is grateful to Holy Trinity Peace Village Kuron for introducing the donkey plough. What impressed her most is the depth cut by the plough compared to their traditional Emelek which she blames for the little output. She has planted cereals (maize and sorghum). She said that, the garden that she used to till in two weeks with the Emelek (local hoe), she does it in three days and the crops germinates very fast and healthy. As she ploughs her garden, her neighbours came to witness what transpired in her garden and are impressed. Many are bringing their donkeys to be trained by the field officers.

KURON PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE (PHCC)

Activities

- Curative consultation
- Repairing of boreholes for clean and safe drinking water
- Bi- weekly mobile community awareness and sensitization.
- Door to door household training for hand washing facility.

Providing continuous facility based health education to patients coming from various villages helps in delivering key prevention measures to many infections as in health all sickness matters, to a larger population through those few present during the session.

Topics conducted here were:-

- Key information on COVID-19(How can one get infected, signs and symptoms, ways of its prevention and responsibility of individuals). And Exclusive breastfeeding and hygiene.

Some community boreholes were repaired for access to safe and clean water and to provide for hand washing, home use and personal hygiene. During the repair some had problem with the pump, rod, pipes, broken chains and pump buckets. All were replaced with new ones and are functional now.

Bi- weekly mobile community awareness and sensitization

This activity was conducted in the villages in and around Kuron. The same activity is being carried in the various Boma of the project area by Boma based volunteers, targeting women, girls, men and boys to provide covid-19 awareness and sensitization, hygiene promotion activities and safe water utilization approaches.

Door to door household training for hand washing facility

This activity aimed at increasing access to hand washing facilities at household level for every homes using five liters jerry cane. This was conducted for Napil and some staff built-up communities. There were 26 households hand washing tip tap facilities Established.



Moruethe Boma chief joined the health volunteers in speaking to his subject, thanking HTPV for having repaired their borehole, for they are able to practice hand washing with clean water



Hand washing tip tap made at chief Akadawa's home by the trainers. In a cap is the chief watching how the washing is done, as demonstrated by the trainers



Repair of one of the community boreholes

ST THOMAS SECONDARY SCHOOL—KURON

Kuron being safe from the Covid-19 pandemic, work continues normally. This led to the completion of the construction of St. Thomas Secondary school Supported by UNMISS.

Before completion, UNMISS visited the work twice to ensure that the work is finished in time before schools reopens and handing over to Holy Trinity Peace Village— Kuron



The visit of the UNMISS and the completed building, awaiting to be handed over to Holy Trinity Peace Village in the month of August.

