AFJN eBulletin

Today, International Women's Day, is a day when we highlight the many accomplishment of women and girls around the world. There are many stories of the achievements of women in science and technology, in politics, in sports, in education, in healthcare, and also in the family.

The Africa Faith and Justice Network (AFJN) would also like to share some of the highlights of the work that we have been able to achieve these past few months with empowering women and children in Africa. We are excited to share the digital version of our End of Year Report that features several stories of women who, after attending AFJN's Women's Empowerment Workshops continue to inspire others.

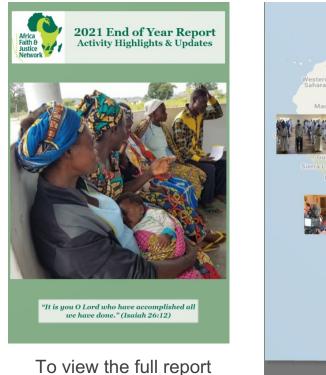
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Women's Empowerment Project

Today, International Women's Day we celebrate women the center of Familyhood and the vital voice in our world.

Women, who continue to inspire faith in God and humanity who, continue to bring nature and life.

May all women who suffer violence and war know peace and find comfort.

> - Sr. Eucharia Madueke, SNDdeN AFJN's Women's Empowerment Coordinator

Youth Workshop on Peace



AFJN's Women's Empowerment youth workshop on peace and nonviolence was featured on Catholic Television of Nigeria. Watch it here.



Skills Workshop for Women and Girls



AFJN's Women's Empowerment Project cosponsored one-day training program on empowerment through skills acquisition for women and youth in Jos, Plateau State Nigeria. <u>Watch it here</u>.

To learn more about these programs visit our Women's Empowerment page. This project is made possible by a large grant from the Conrad Hilton Foundation, Dominican Sisters of Peace Shalom Fund, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Base Communities, Missionaries of Africa, and AFJN organizational and individual members.

African Church Together Against Corruption

The African Church Together Against Corruption Project was a three-year project to mobilize Church leaders from Christian and Muslim communities to fight corruption and promote just governance in Cameroon, Liberia, and Ghana which ended in 2021.

Eliminating Corruption in Healthcare



Empowered after AFJN's townhall meeting about corruption in healthcare, Sr. Helene Madinko took action which lead to the resignation of the entire staff at Fossang Health Center. The townhall brought to light the varied ways that corruption was draining funds from the facility to private practices or to illicit medical markets. Sr. Helene made a commitment to route out corruption in the center and now new staff have been educated on the importance of living with integrity and standing up to corruption. Read more in the 2021 End of Year Report.

Bringing the Court to the People



Corruption with obtaining vital records is a major issue for families with children needing to sit for their school exams. Without Birth Certificates they cannot register to take the exams. AFJN in partnership with the Diocese of Bafoussam, Cameroon was able to bring the court to the people for a day. Over 250 people were able to register their births and obtain their official vital records from the government. Read more in the 2021 End of Year Report.

The project was funded by the Raskob Foundation for Catholic Activities with matching grants from Holy Cross Sisters, Missionaries of Africa, Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Sister of Notre Dame d Namur Base Communities, Society of African Missions, and Xavierian Missionaries.

News and Events



Fierce Urgency: Advancing Civil & Human Rights

The annual Ecumenical Advocacy Days virtual conference is April 25-27, 2022. AFJN leads the Africa Track and will be facilitating Catholic Mass. To learn more and to register click here.

AFJN Joins Catholic Cares Coalition

Catholic Cares Coalition is a coalition dedicated to promote vaccine equity in the U.S. and around the world, drawing on Catholic social teaching, for people who are underserved or marginalized. AFJN is excited to be working along side so many wonderful Catholic organizations on this timely issue. Read more about the coalition here.

AFJN Achieves Gold Seal of Transparency with Candid

Committed to transparency, AFJN received the Gold Seal for Transparency for 2022 with Candid. Read our profile here.

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