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In Her Words: Victoria's Story

Victoria or Vicki Charles is a name that was given to me by my father, I Charles, in 1996 when my mother, sister and I arrived in the U.S.A. My family is from the tribe known as the Acholi tribe. I was born in a village under the mountains : where one is able to smell the breeze of true nature. As a young woman in the Acl tough with traditional customs which I can never forget. War took over my village in one is unable to forget. It was a war that divided families far apart from one another brothers and fathers against one another. I lost four uncles who joined the war and one of whom is my father. I also lost my dear aunt and grandfather. It was a war that could remember and it is still destroying my country and my people as I write this. I am now thankful to God Almighty who gave me another opportunity to take a different path I am also thankful that I am in a country that not only opens doors to those who are making one very strong and determined both in health and spirit to accomplish one's goals.

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"Some see a hopeless end,
while others see an endless
hope" - Unknown

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Join us in our effort to empower
Sudanese women:

<http://www.sudanreach.org/membership.htm>

I joined the Sudan-Reach Women's Foundation, so that I too may give back to those who are lost and in need of voices and accurate information regarding health, education especially for women and children in Sudan's refugee camps. My main focus is to spread the word to those people and let them know that by working together as a community we can bring about changes to those who are in more need than we are. I am now attending a community where I am challenged everyday in all that I face. Surviving the war in Sudan, has made me strong and able to face obstacles with confidence and determination. I hope that my voice will be taken seriously enough to make changes starting with my community in San Diego.

If you are interested in becoming a Sudan-Reach Chapter Organizer and represent our community please contact: contactus@sudanreach.org

A letter to Sudan-Reach

Sudan-Reach would like to share with its members and supporters the following letter of appreciation which was written on the completion of one of our most recent projects in Sudan as part of the "Women's Education Initiative".

**Khartoum Province
Jabal Awlia District-Alkalakla
Alkalakla Algala'a (South) School for Girls**

رحمن الرحيم
* الصراط
ء / وحدة الكلاكلت
تعة جنوب نوات "ب"

We would like to extend to you our deepest gratitude and appreciation for your efforts to provide a better learning environment for our students by alleviating the suffering caused by excessive heat and poorly ventilated classrooms.

لكم ورسوله والمؤمنون". صلى الله العظيم

We are in receipt of Sudan-Reach's generous donation of 151,000 Dinars and 6 Orient-brand fans which were presented to us by Mr. Hanafi Yousef Fadul [on behalf of your organization].

لنا عوناً ومساعدةً في سبيل إسعادنا وراحة تلميذاتنا
مولئك ذلك عن طريق استلامنا ست (6) مراوح

May you continue to prosper and be rewarded for this act of kindness. We hope that your organization will continue to succeed in its noble goal of caring for all the children of Sudan. We hope that this, and future collaboration with [Sudan-Reach] will help us better serve the children of our nation.

بن ألف جنيه سوداني من جهد Sudan – Reach
ش خير الجزاء وهب عليكم من نسائم الجنة ودمتم

ة أبناء شعبنا وإلى الأمام

Mariam Hashim Mahyeldeen

School Administrator

مريم هاشم محي الدين

إدارة المدرسة

Orphan Sponsorship

Sudan-Reach is proud to offer its new Orphan Sponsorship program as part of its greater initiative of providing relief and assistance to orphaned girls. The sponsorship program enables you to play a direct role in the life of a young girl by funding her education, meals and clothing needs. As part of this program you may choose to sponsor an orphan for 3, 6, 9 or 12 months of the year. We believe that no child should have to grow up impoverished or unwanted. Write us at contactus@sudanreach.org to learn more about this project. The Orphan Sponsorship program is a collaborative effort of Sudan-Reach and the Endowment Organization for Orphan Care in Sudan.

Wrapping up 2005

Thank you to our members, donors, and supporters for another fruitful quarter. We are indebted to you as you are not yet a member of Sudan-Reach, I encourage you to learn more about membership benefits and become a part of this important cause. (<http://www.sudanreach.org>) At the end of 2005 we are afforded the opportunity to reflect on the successes of the past year and eagerly anticipate the challenges ahead. There is still so much more to accomplish and we will be able to involve even more women in enriching the lives of women and their families. I look forward to having been part of this effort and I look forward to seeing you around the world--in keeping with our vision through which all women may become involved in Sudan's war-torn, and poverty stricken communities.

If you have not already done so, join our list and activities including the end-of-year fundi
<http://www.sudanreach.org/joinlist.ht>

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