



“THE CHURCH IN AFRICA IS ITSELF CALLED TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN GOD’S PLAN OF SALVATION.”

—SAINT JOHN PAUL II, *ECCLESIA IN AFRICA*

SUPPORT THE Solidarity Fund for the CHURCH IN AFRICA

In the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis addressed a concern for the family in his Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*. He said: “The family is experiencing a profound cultural crisis, as are all communities and social bonds. . . . The weakening of these bonds is particularly serious because the family is the fundamental cell of society” (no. 66). In an effort to shore up these bonds and contribute to the support and growth of African families, the **Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa** supports many projects that benefit family life, women, and children.

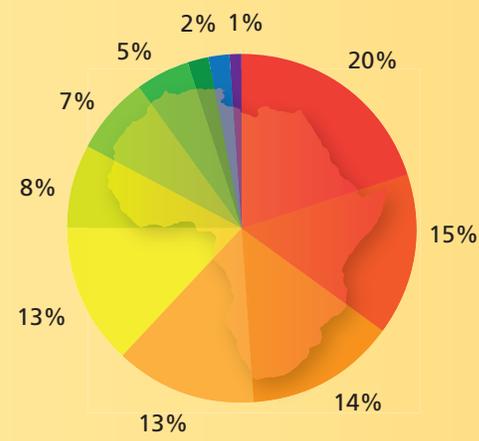
For families in Uganda, many social challenges undermine the development of a strong practice of their Catholic faith and an active participation in society. Some of these problems include more children living on the street, a rising number of single parents, the instability of many marriages, and domestic violence.

In order to help combat these problems and bring the Christian message of hope to families in Uganda, the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa funded a series of workshops for parents, children, and relatives. These workshops increased the tools and resources of pastoral workers who care for families, allowing them to effectively reach out and offer strong Christian formation to families and young couples preparing for marriage.

With your help, the Church in Africa can continue to play an active role in the evangelization of the world. Projects like these family workshops care for the spiritual needs of African people. This allows the Church in Africa to give the world many vocations and a vibrant expression of faith. Please give generously to the **Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa**.

2013 DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS

TOTAL GRANTS: 85
TOTAL GRANTED: \$2,158,742



- Operations (20%): \$424,223
- Evangelization (15%): \$330,000
- Leadership Formation (14%): \$297,904
- Justice and Peace (13%): \$284,500
- Communications (13%): \$289,000
- Construction (8%): \$182,115
- Catholic Schools (7%): \$142,000
- Clergy and Religious Education (5%): \$107,000
- Vocations (2%): \$51,000
- Religious Education (2%): \$35,000
- Youth Ministry (1%): \$16,000



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