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"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."



Live simple, Dream big, Be careful, Give love & Laugh lots,



DMI-DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



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Mission

Director's Message



We are delighted to release the annual report of DMI Tanzania Africa Mission for the year 2017. Development mission team had intensified their work and brought out visible changes in the lives of the target community. DMI strives hard to bring lasting change among the target community and ensures that they live a dignified life. The activities of DMI such as rehabilitation program for trafficking children, SHGs, microcredit program, children parliament, child labor eradication program, social care, entrepreneurship and income generative programs have paved a way forward in increasing the household income, protecting their rights, promoting health and enhancing the quality of lives. Our work for the past one year in Tanzania helped us to recommit, and enhance our ability to work for the noble cause. When we retrospect our engagement over this year, we are highly satisfied, yet we need to travel a long way to ensure marginalized communities get all the basic facilities and their rights are protected. Our presence with the marginalized community for one decade has helped us to learn and sharpen our program strategies. I take this opportunity to thank almighty God, donors, well-wishers, all the DMI sisters and staff team whose effort and commitments have set new direction in accelerating our base and reach. I thank DMI congregation, the Founder Rev. Fr. Arul Raj and the Superior General for their support and guidance.



**Sr. S. R. Vijili, DMI
Mission Director**

2017 THE YEAR AT A GLANCE



Wings Mobile School - DMI fosters vocational skill training as preventive measures against trafficking. DMI envisaged in creating alternative employable opportunities for school dropouts and child laborers to enable them to live a dignified life through vocational skill training in beautician and computer skills and addressing potential victims through preventive measure.



Community Health Promotion -DMI supports people living with HIV/AIDS. Periodic monthly meeting has been conducted at St. Joseph University Conference Hall for the people living with HIV/AIDS to promote their health through nutritious food, medical support and travel allowance. Motivational seminars, recreational activities, counselling sessions and income generation skill training are provided for them.



Women Development -DMI organizes International Women's day and SHG federation meetings. DMI has celebrated the international women's Convention day recognizing their contribution and empowering them. Excluded and marginalized women are registered in the DMI's self-help group program and through the multifaceted approach DMI facilitates the reference community to address the root causes and through collective process initiate socio-economic empowerment.



Children Parliament -DMI creates future leaders, eradicates child labor and supports education. DMI works with a wide range of schools in Tanzania takes preventive measures in alleviating child labor in the field through promotion of educational support by providing books, uniforms, stationaries, school fees for the underprivileged children.



Major Events and programs -DMI celebrates International day of African Child and World day against human trafficking. DMI aims to enhance strong and effective values among the public through observance of various awareness programs. DMI conducted the world day against trafficking in persons to create a mass awareness among the public on the issue of human trafficking and the theme for 2017 was "Break their Chains and Heal their Pains!"



VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS



“Loving God in Serving the poor to be fully human and fully alive”.



Committed to love and serve the poor and the marginalized unconditionally, especially the women and children, to enable them to get their legitimate shared in education, health, security and livelihood”.



2017 marked the focus on DMI’s three-year Strategic Plan, which provides a comprehensive and long-term framework to meet the needs of the people in Tanzania, such as children development activities, women empowerment activities and community health promotion activities. The Strategic focus also sets clear goals for improving the current system, collaborating to strengthen network, and improving organizational effectiveness. In order to attain results, DMI has been conducting meeting to create a framework to improve its performance.



Rehabilitation of Child Victims of Trafficking

The rehabilitation program strategies are identifying and rescuing the girls who are victims of trafficking, screening the neediest through the drop-in center, providing counselling services, medical support, intensive vocational skill training, life skills training, family



reunification, prevention programs, lobby and advocacy. Over the years DMI was able to reach out to 240 trafficked victims and reunified them with their families and for 2017, 49 beneficiaries are enrolled in the rehabilitation program.

VOCATIONAL SKILL TRAINING AND ADDITIONAL SKILLS:

Spring of Hope is giving the best quality training for the children through four vocational skill trainings for **78 children every year**. The vocational skill training for the four skills has been strengthened by focusing on the advanced syllabus on each vocational skill.



Though the children struggled in the beginning yet with a lot of enthusiasm, positive attitude and dynamic approach selected the course of their own interest to learn and obtain new skills in order to become experts in the relevant skill, in

Accept the challenges so that you can feel the exhilaration of victory.

Rehabilitation of Child Victims of Trafficking

order to increase their employability and job marketability. In the **saloon course**, bridal decorations for wedding, farewell, kitchen party, usage of relaxer and its types, washing, setting, braiding, dreadlocks and plaiting has been taught.



In the tailoring course trainings on short hand dress, six-side dress, solo skirt, and effective use of various tools were given major focus. Adobe photo shop, designing card, opening photos, saving files, printing and erasing images, typing and Microsoft publisher were taught in the **computer course**. In addition, new equipment such as cooking ovens, baking vessels, kitchen lab and furniture, lab coats, freezer, refrigerator, mixer, cutting plate,



cleaning kit, generator and training materials were purchased for the **cookery course** students and the syllabus covered on the preparation of the Indian cuisine and Italian cuisine such as spaghetti. The **catering** students had also learnt about restaurant etiquettes. DMI also imparted additional skills on entrepreneurship program for each child based on their capacity and interest such as, batik (design print in cloth), crochet and candle making, soap-water making, Handi-crafts, fashion designing and gardening, which would help them to earn additional income when they are reunified.

We may encounter many defeats but we must not be defeated.

Rehabilitation of Child Victims of Trafficking

LIFE SKILLS TRAINING

DMI Spring of Hope rehabilitation centre conducts life skills program for the beneficiaries to promote and to strengthen their ego and psychosocial status. Practicing life skills leads to qualities such as self-esteem, sociability and tolerance, life skills increased their capabilities to have the freedom to make decisions in life. Life skill training program gradually helps children to understand the value of life, enhance their self-esteem and face the challenges of life with alternatives. DMI invites experts such as doctors, nurses, and other professionals from



outside to provide training on sex education, self-help groups, business management, HIV/AIDS, child rights and personal health and hygiene.

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without **hope and confidence.**

Rehabilitation of Child Victims of Trafficking

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Extracurricular activities such as music, singing, brain puzzles, memory test, dancing, drawing, performing skit and drama helped them to ventilate their emotion and build inner healing and spiritual refreshment.



Recreation activities also helped them to improve their concentration, created interest in them to learn skill training program with more focus and increased their discipline, teamwork, accountability



and responsibility. All the children were motivated to take part in all the activities to ventilate their bitter experiences that they had undergone before joining Spring of Hope rehabilitation centre. These activities also provided space for them to relax and to get entertained.

In order to succeed, we must first believe that we can.

Rehabilitation of Child Victims of Trafficking

AGRICULTURE AND GARDENING:

Training was given on gardening, agriculture and livestock for the children, giving them practical knowledge on cultivating the land and planting the vegetables. The process of agriculture and gardening make the girls connect to the environment and accelerates their overall healing process. The



cultivated vegetables are used for their aliment and give them a sense of deep

satisfaction of enjoying the fruits of their labor. Agriculture is a good source of income and supplies the necessary vegetables for the sustenance; each girl has been given a small piece of land for cultivation and takes special interest in developing



their garden. The secondary benefits of Gardening are that it increases their responsibility towards nature and deepens their understanding of cultivation. Increases their overall self-confidence when goals are achieved and while reaping the fruits of their labor, the pleasant environment increases their love of nature, the science of plants, animals, weather, environment, nutrition, simple construction increases their reasoning, knowledge and thinking capacity, productive physical activity amuses them, team work increases cooperation between them, overall it enhances their creativity and provides nutrition from fresh food sources.

The secret of getting ahead is getting started.

DROP-IN CENTRE

DMI Spring of Hope has opened a new Drop-in Centre on 7th Aug 2017 at Sinza to provide temporary space for rescued trafficked victims, screen and enrol the neediest for long-term rehabilitation program. This drop-in centre has been opened in order to strengthen the spring of hope rehabilitation centre program. The drop-in centre acts as a three-month interim abode for the children until they are well prepared for their admittance into the DMI Spring of hope Centre. During the three-month time children have been provided with life skills training, recreational activities, medical care, legal aid and counselling support. The centre acts as a location to screen and segregate the children according to the severity of their problem and requirement for further assistance. Based on team assessment, children from drop-in centre either reunified with their family or enrolled in to long-term rehabilitation program – Spring of Hope. The fundamental mission of DMI Drop-in centre is to render its service in reaching the neediest children in Tanzania and to protect the children from becoming victims of human trafficking and exploitive labour, thereby promoting the rights of every child. DMI through its expertise is able to identify victims and is uniquely positioned to make a difference in the lives of the children.



**It always seems impossible until
it's done.**

KEY ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS OF DROP-IN CENTRE: Rescuing and

screening the neediest trafficked victim is one of the main objectives of the program. The rescued **28 children** are provided with pre-counselling, post counselling and counselling is provided for their family members as well. Legal support for the children, medical check-up, medical treatment, psychological therapies, extracurricular recreational activities, indoor games, psycho-social counselling, group counselling, training the beneficiaries on



basic life skills, follow up on the reunified children are the major programs provided at the drop-in centre for the victims of human trafficking. Staff team maintains necessary records in the drop-in centre.

Problems are not stop signs, they are guidelines.

OUTREACH CULTURAL PROGRAMS

The children at the DMI Spring of Hope trafficking centre performed 15 cultural programs on themes such as - trafficking, child abuse, child marriage and health. The cultural programs sensitized public on the core issue children are facing and stimulated new thinking among community to address the issue. Through the cultural program, DMI was able to



reach out 1932 community members, 232 ten cell leaders and 73 women leaders. The village leaders and the community were given prior information

before performance to ensure all the leaders, and the community present for the program. They are very much touched and attracted by street theatre, awareness programs, skits, dances etc. Prior to cultural program spring of hope centre program children were trained by professionals on skit, songs and dance on various child rights themes. Outreach programs had enlightened the community



with awareness on the issue of human trafficking and has drastically reduced the rate of child trafficking and child labourers.

**You can't cross the sea merely by standing
and staring at the water.**

A Unique Program for underprivileged Children

WINGS MOBILE SCHOOL

DMI envisages in creating an alternative employable opportunity for the school dropouts and child labourers enabling them to live a dignified life through vocational skill training program. 120 teens, both young girls and boys have enrolled themselves in the vocational skill training program. By setting an alternative option, it prevents the children from becoming victims of various forms of exploitation and trafficking. DMI started the Wings mobile skill training school for the underprivileged children coming from the marginalized backgrounds, to train them in vocational skills such as beautician and computer course. The



The main aim of this initiative is to assist them in their self-sustenance by making them qualified for getting a good job with a decent income. The wings mobile school phase-1 was started at Manzese and Wings mobile school phase 2 was started at Mbezi. DMI organizes talent show, picnic parents meeting, examination, evaluation, certification for the Wings Mobile school students.

Failure will never overtake me if my
determination to succeed is strong enough.

A Unique Program for underprivileged Children

CERTIFICATION DAY - WINGS MOBILE SCHOOL -: 120 students have successfully completed the Vocational Skill Training on Beautician and Computer course through our new innovative program called DMI Wings Mobile School on 5 August-2017 we have issued certificates for the pioneer students of this unique program. Two students from the computer and beautician course had given testimony about the benefits of the program and parents shared



their experience of the changes it had made in their lives. The Special Guest Rev. Fr. Benedict Joseph Shaya - Parish Priest - Manzese, Dar es Salaam along with the Rev. Sr. C. Arockia Mary DMI - Provincial - Tanzania Province gave a felicitation speech and wished success for the students in their career. The chief guest gave a motivational speech for the students and encouraged them with her support in assisting them in being employed. Rev. Sr. S. R. Viji DMI, Mission Director – Africa was presided over the function. The certificate was awarded for all the students who have completed the course successfully. Following the vote of thanks, food and refreshments were provided by DMI for the participants.



**What you do today can improve all
your tomorrows.**

Right to Play - Children's Parliament

Children Parliament is an initiative taken in various schools by DMI to create a platform for the students to share their ideas and promote leadership. DMI has 165 children parliaments consisting of 3641 members. They play a key role in monitoring school dropouts and identifying child labourers thereby promoting strong leadership qualities, which enhances their confidence level with improved participation and decision-making.



Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground.

“Dare to reach out your hand into the darkness, to pull another hand into the light.”

HIV/AIDS PROGRAM

After the initial cases of HIV reported more than 35 years ago, 78 million people have become infected with HIV and 35 million have died from AIDS-related illnesses. DMI supports people living with HIV and people affected by the virus by providing them nutritious food to sustain their health, medical support, travel allowance, counselling services, monthly meetings, motivational seminars, vocational skill training and awareness programs to alleviate the stigma faced by the people living with HIV/AIDS.



DMI WOMEN FEDERATION

Marginalized women are registered in the DMI women development program, through multifaceted approach DMI facilitate reference community to address the root causes and through collective process, they are empowered socio-economically. Forming Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and promoting federations at different

level is one of DMI's core strategy. DMI have **185 SHGs and with 4765 members**. Formed in **23 VLF** (Village-level federations) and **5 DLF** (District-level federations) to democratize the leadership functioning and to strengthen the program monitoring. Excluded and marginalized women are registered in the program and through DMI's multifaceted approach DMI facilitate reference community to address the root causes and through collective process, socio and economical empowerments are set. DMI uses SHGs as a platform and commenced land rights, food security and micro credit program to reduce the household poverty of the target beneficiaries.



Quality is not an act, it is a habit.

LIVELIHOOD PROMOTION TRAINING AND SEMINARS

DMI women's world organizes various skill training programs such as livestock rearing, candle making, soap water making, handicrafts, poultry, kitchen gardening, leadership training, awareness seminars on gender based violence, stress management etc. 864 women members had



benefited from these trainings and it enabled them to develop their skills, knowledge and increased their sustainable income. Totally, 50% of the women started individual businesses while 45% of the groups have started their group businesses and increased their income reducing their household poverty.



**If you fell down yesterday,
Stand up today.**

Special Events

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

DMI women's world had celebrated the International Women's Day as Women Convention Day on 11th and 18th March 2017 at Dar es Salaam and Kibaha regions, 832 women and



180 children participated in it. The event was a grand and successful one and the women were encouraged to support education for women.



The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.

Special Events

ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING DAY

World day against trafficking in persons was observed by DMI on 29th July 2017 in order to raise awareness among the public on human trafficking and thereby prevent women and children from becoming victims of human trafficking. The main theme for this year was "Break their Chains! Heal their Pains!" There were more than 550 participants for the program.



The children sang two awareness songs from spring of hope on human trafficking. DMI report described about the DMI interventions on the rescue and rehabilitation of the victims of human trafficking through the establishment of the spring of hope, etc. The students performed a humorous skit raising awareness among the public on victimization of women. The public took pledge to work against human trafficking and provide their full support in rescuing and prevention of victims of human trafficking. The program has been a successful one and raised awareness among the public and spectators on the serious issue of human trafficking.



Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.

Staff Supportive Service

STAFF SUPPORT SERVICES: DMI organizes meetings, trainings and seminars for staff, interns and volunteers. DMI uses resource person from government sector to provide orientation and training on Anti-Trafficking Law (2008) for the staff; Key staff meeting is conducted every month for planning, monitoring and evaluation. As part of relaxation and learning DMI Staff went to picnic at Sunrise beach and field visit to KCC NGO. DMI also provided training related to finance for the staff and internship opportunities for interns from Institute of social work and volunteers from Europe. In 2017, Key staff meeting, seminars and training sessions continued to be at the forefront of DMI's agenda. To attain the goals, DMI enhances its human resources in order to bring forth the most productive results.



**Without hard work, nothing grows
but weeds.**

Media pitch

MEDIA AND SMS MESSAGE - TV, RADIO & NEWSPAPER:

TO WATCH ON YouTube

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vMayiyUnaYE&t=22s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XIOZUofsJo0>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5pGLRWk6LRk>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sT5AtoP2jb0>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yaVWZWzf-WI>
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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJpJsw5kkk0&t=41s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3GpmqniC5oM&t=19s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jk1tBl0Hbkw&t=202s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8gRppYT1EI>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bvCAYsAuVZQ>



Today's news is tomorrow's history

Conclusion

The developmental programs of DMI have accomplished inspiring changes in the community it has been working for the last decade. DMI has lived, demonstrated the love of God in serving the poor throughout 2017, and is pleased with the processes and the impact it has created among the reference community. In engaging with the poor and needy DMI exhibits the love of God in serving the poor to be fully human and fully alive. DMI thanks the well-wishers, donor organizations and friends for their relentless support and guidance. It is encouraging to note the participation and involvement of village leaders, local Government officials, and women group members, network civil society organizations and the children in the program implementation. The DMI's believe that loving God in serving the poor to be fully human and fully alive has been the success in its progress as it enhances and enlightens the quality of life of the socially disadvantaged women and children in Tanzania.



**We will always remember your
kindness and support.**

Thank you very much!



I'm Laurencia D.Lashau, Belongs to DMI SHG Group -winer ,kwembe, Dar es Salaam

"I am respected and now able to live a dignified life".

THANKS TO DMI





The buds May Blossom

CHILDREN PARLIAMENT

