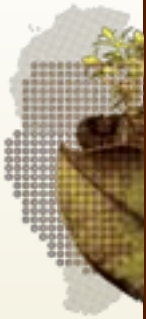


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# displaced families



Imagine you were forced to flee from your home, not just for weeks but for years. Now you might have only a small plot of land to plant some crops, a temporary shelter, and no job opportunities. How would you spend your days?

Since 2003, families in the Sudan who fled from their homes because of the civil war are still living in temporary camps in the southern part of their country. These families are completely dependent on relief organizations for their food, water, and healthcare.

## CRWRF-supported literacy classes in one Darfur camp provide

- ▶ a productive way to fill empty days
- ▶ basic reading and writing skills
- ▶ new opportunities for women and girls previously denied an education
- ▶ evidence of care from the outside world

The strong cultural belief that girls should not be allowed to go to school or receive education was discussed in camp community meetings before the adult education program began. As a result of the talks, many women now receive support from their husbands to attend the classes.

CRWRF funds cover costs for simple classrooms built with local materials, teacher training, and books.

**CRWRF PARTNER IN SUDAN:** ZOA Refugee Care

**CRWRF BEST PRACTICE:** CRWRF supports projects that uphold the dignity of beneficiaries and encourage a reasonable contribution of local resources, time, and money towards the programs. Literacy teachers are not paid with program funds but rather through contributions of local committees within the camp.

## family devotions - PSALM 145

Ultimately, it is God, as we see in this Psalm, who provides for the needs of all creatures. In what ways does God provide for people displaced from their homes? When God chooses to work through relief organizations, why, according to this Psalm is it so important that help is given in a Christian manner, directing people to the true and living God?

### PRAY FOR

- ✎ An end to the suffering caused by conflict in the Sudan.
- ✎ Good progress in basic literacy and math skills for those enrolled in the adult education program.
- ✎ A stronger civil society that might be built through the adult education classes.
- ✎ A strong witness, in word and deed, of our Saviour's love by the Christian staff of ZOA.
- ✎ Provision by our Lord for the physical and spiritual needs of displaced people living in camps all over the world.