

PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16

Five Talents partners with local organisations, including the Anglican Church with the mission to transform lives through economic empowerment. We work in low-income countries, often affected by war and conflict, disease and climate change. In our experience, even in the most remote and rural community, where state infrastructure and services are lacking - there is always a church: a trusted and established institution. The Church gives Five Talents access to reach those regarded as 'left-behind' or marginalised. We do not prostelytise and our programmes are open to people of all faiths (and none).

"War comes without warning." - South Sudan member

Meet Ruby, a Five Talents trainer in South Sudan. Ruby had to flee from her home as conflict erupted and became displaced within Juba, the capital city. Incredibly, one of the Savings Groups that she previously supported also managed to escape and re-formed in Juba. The trust they had established previously in each other gave them confidence to continue saving, earning, learning and investing together. With support from Ruby, most of the members in the Group now have strong businesses selling smokeless charcoal, baking bread or making bed sheets. "I like Ruby's training because it gives me new ideas and helps me provide for my family." says one member.

Our members in South Sudan, like our programmes in other similar contexts (Burundi and DRC), further receive Trauma Healing Counselling. Savings Groups additionally provide a support network for our members to discuss and learn about issues within a safe environment; bringing reconciliation and peace amidst contexts of insecurity, instability and ethnic & religious differences.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR SOUTH SUDAN PROGRAMMES

21

new community facilitators trained to serve in displaced communities in Juba, South Sudan.

319

members supported with trauma healing counselling in Wau, South Sudan, in 2018.

827

businesses established in Wau, South Sudan, by our members in 2018

Figures are accurate from April 2020.