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Kunyuk Girls' School Construction: A Promise Kept!

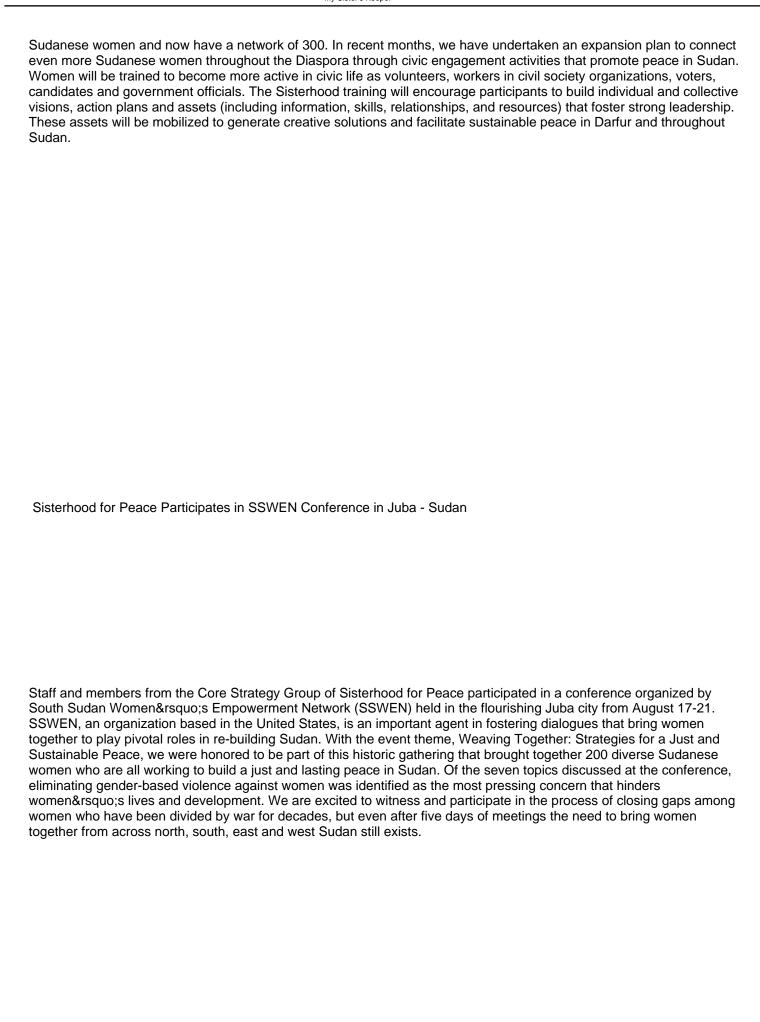
We are pleased to announce the completion of the Kunyuk Girls' School in the village of Akon! With your support, MSK has overcome legal hurdles, financial challenges, impassable roads, flooding, and political instability to deliver on a promise made to the Akon community three years ago. To get the job done, MSK's Field Coordinator, Kaidi Rial, spent countless hours traveling long distances, negotiating for building supplies and ensuring their safe delivery to our contractors.

The school lies near the village center and includes eight classrooms, three offices, a library, kitchen, dining hall, and bathrooms. The 900 enrollees will now attend classes indoors rather than under trees. This will allow them to continue classes even during inclement weather. In a region devastated by two decades of civil war, this beautiful campus serves as a reminder that educating a new generation of women leaders in southern Sudan is a critical goal worthy of enormous investment. The official ribbon cutting ceremony will take place in Akon in April 2009. Stay tuned for news of a special event in Boston next spring, when we will celebrate this new bright light in Sudan and share the students' stories along with a full report about the school.

However, completing construction does not represent an endpoint for us in Akon. We need your help to raise \$70,000 for desks and chairs, school supplies and uniforms, and to continue our highly successful women's literacy program now in its second year. The Women's Peace School is teaching 200 adults to read – most of whom are mothers of girls attending the school. Please consider supporting this valuable work by making a special year-end gift to MSK. Click HERE to donate online or sent your gift to My Sister's Keeper, c/o Bethel AME Church, 215 Forest Hills St., Boston, MA 02130.

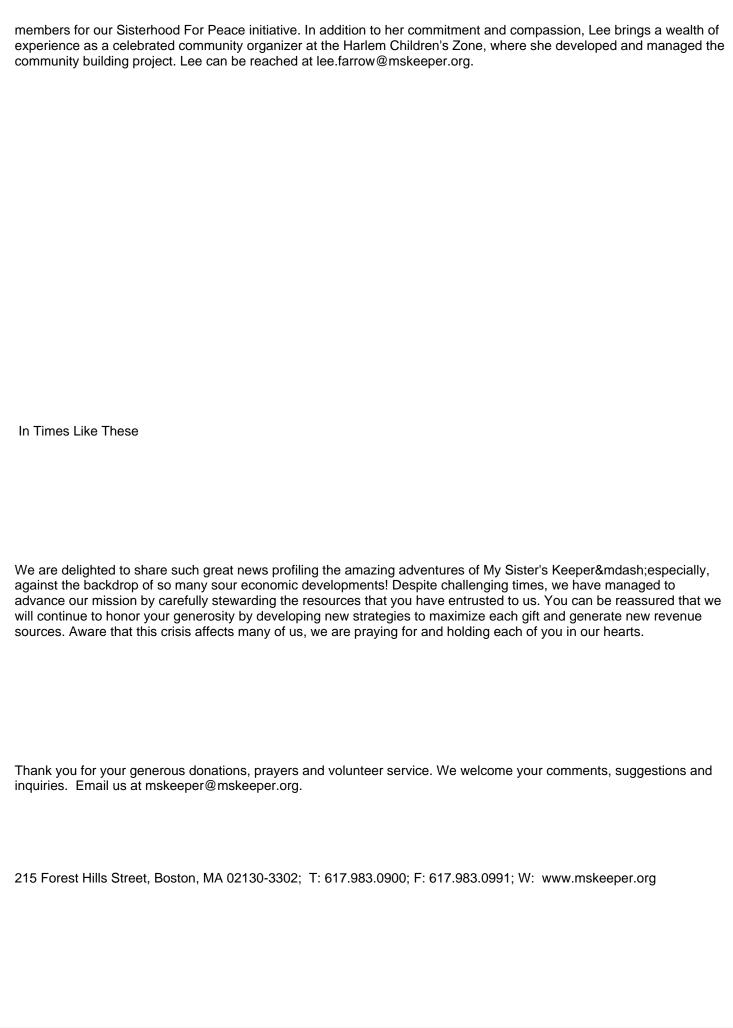
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18 months ago, My Sister's Keeper and Interaction Institute for Social Change launched Sisterhood for Peace to support diverse Sudanese women in the work of reconciliation and restoration of their communities. We began with 7



We are thrilled to welcome our new Chief Operating Officer, Lee Farrow! Lee was one of our Core Strategy Team

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