Word of Life International Inc.



WLI, Made up of Former UN Staff from Liberia and Benin, is an International NGO in Special Consultative Status with the United Nations, Member of Humentum & Qualified in USAID Assistance Management, With Hands On Implementation and Program Management Training from Steve Kroll & Associates; and working in Partnership with the State of Pennsylvania, SOCODEVI (Canada), PANTROPIC and National and Local NGOs in Liberia.

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On behalf of Word of Life International, Inc. we would like to take this time to thank and appreciate all our partners (International, State and Local) as well as our hard working Board Members, Management and Staff and the Faith Team that have directed us to reach our communities without discrimination realizing that Faith and Spirituality are important to all. Let's keep up the good work as **WE REACH THE UNREACHED** and **EMPOWERING PEOPLE AND ENSURING INCLUSIVENESS AND EQUALITY**.

Rev. Dr. Karpku Sam Ndorleh President/General Overseer

Background

Word of Life International, Inc, (WLI) is a nonprofit, Non-Governmental Organization under the authorization of the Pennsylvania Charitable Department and works through the Department of Human Services and the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP), the Department of Intellectual Disability Services and also licensed by the Department of Health to serve with the Office of Long Term Living. WLI provides support services to adults with and without developmental disabilities, & school children up to 18 years. WLI support services are personalized and inclusive of all for the purpose of empowering both Individuals and their Families. This brochure focus on WLI's Programs in the USA and Liberia in Partnership with International NGOs, United Nations, USAID, SOCODEVI, HUMENTUM & others. WLI has acquired certificates for training in the USAID Rules & Regulations, and recently WLI four members delegation participated to the July 2019 Humentum Workshop held in Washington DC, USA.

Our Core Values:

Word of Life Int'l (WLI) believes that transformation starts with God, who made it possible for all people to be created equal and wants all to be reconciled to Him through Christ's death on the cross. When we receive His salvation gift, not only do we become a new creation, but we also have the opportunity to become a vital part of the ministry of reconciling the world to God (**2 Corinthians 5:17-20**). "*All the believers were one in heart and mind"* (Acts 4:32).

We want you to experience real relationship, as we build genuine connections with God and with others, as the primary setting God uses for spiritual growth and health. WLI believes in the fundamental values of Self-Help; Self-responsibility; Democracy; Equality; Equity and Solidarity. We also believe in the Ethical Values of Honesty; Openness, Social Responsibility and caring for others

Mission: REACHING THE UNREACHED, (there is/are always unreached person/s in a family, village/town, community or nation). WLI is set to reach one at a time for sustainability in life.

Vision: To secure resources to support people with needed services and opportunities to enhance possibilities, sustainability & independence in life.

WLI Executives and Administrative Staff



Rev. Anderson F. Vanwen National overseer - Liberia



Rev. Dr. Kparku Sam Ndorleh President/General Overseer - WLI



Mr. Gibson Momoh Tulay Country Coordinator - Liberia



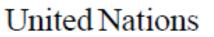
WLI EXECUTIVES (left to right)

Rev. Kparku Sam Ndorleh, PhD President/General Overseer

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Word of Life International Inc. acceptance letter to the United Nations





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26 July 2018

Dear NGO Representative,

Subject: Follow-up to the decision of the Economic and Social Council

I am pleased to inform you that the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at its Coordination and management meeting of 24 July 2018 adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to grant Special consultative status to your organization, Word of Life International, Inc. Please accept our heartfelt congratulations.

Consultative status for an organization enables it to actively engage with ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, as well as with the United Nations Secretariat, programmes, funds and agencies in a number of ways. In order to better understand this relationship, we take this opportunity to provide some critical information about the privileges that consultative status with ECOSOC confers on your organization, as well as the obligations that your organization will be required to meet under this relationship. We therefore urge you to take the time to carefully review the information provided below.

A. Privileges and benefits of consultative status

1) ECOSOC Resolution 1996/31

Arrangements for consultations with NGOs are regulated by ECOSOC resolution 1996/31, adopted by the Council on 25 July 1996. Please review the entire resolution at: <u>http://csonet.org/content/documents/199631.pdf</u> for detailed information. It provides information on ways to participate in the work of the Council, including opportunities to organizations such as yours to consult with Member States and the United Nations system at large, based on the nature and scope of work that your organization undertakes. Consultative relationship with NGOs also enables the Council or one of its bodies to seek expert information or advice from organizations with special competence in a subject matter;

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- Consultative status allows you to be informed about the provisional agenda of the Economic and Social Council;
- Organizations in general consultative status may request the Secretary-General, through the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, to place items of special interest in the provisional agenda of the Council.
- If the organization wishes to display consultative status on its letterhead, the following statement can be included below the name of the organization: "Organization in (Category of status) with the Economic and Social Council since (year status granted).

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. We welcome the opportunity to work with you and will be happy to facilitate your participation in the work of the United Nations, in particular ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, in the future.

Yours sincerely,

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Marc-André Dorel Acting Chief, NGO Branch Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development Department of Economic and Social Affairs

KEY SUPPORTING PARTNERS & THEIR ROLES

1. STEVE KROLL & ASSOCIATES, LLC—Assisting WLI with Training and Support for implementing of USAID and Federal Awards. (Analyzing the Impact of Federal Funding Through Compliance Reviews; Indirect Cost Rate Submissions and Restructuring; International Organizational Structuring; Policy, Procedure and System Evaluations; Proposal development, Etc.

2. Societe de Cooperations pour Le Developpement International, SOCODEVI — Partnering and Sup-port to WLI to Develop Cooperatives and Associative Enterprises that are Inclusive, autonomous, Profitable and sustainable in order to Contribute, in Tangible Ways, to Reducing the Vulnerability and Inequality of Families while Strengthening Skills and Building a Better World. SOCODEVI & WLI Expect a Memorandum of Understanding in December, 2019.

3. PANTROPIC—LOCAL TRIBAL ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT—Marketing training and arrangement of supply contracts with local/tribal groups who trade products for sales to end users, set up free trade zones (FTZ) and train for shipping, distribution and fulfillment.

4. HUMENTUM—USAID ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT TRAINING & ANNUAL WORKSHOPS/EXPOs

5. DUB & BRADSTREET—HELPING TO MAKE WLI CREDIBLE IN ITS BUSINESS AND DREAM

Fundamental and Ethical Values:

WLI believes in fundamental values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity, solidarity, diversity and ethical values of openness, honesty, social responsibility and caring for others. We believe in our mutual involvement with the community as a way of professionalizing our role in service. We also believe that recovery & resilience take place within the context of relationships with people and communities and not disempowerment & disconnection from others. WLI believes that there is/are always an unreached person/s in a family, village/town, community or nation that needs to be reached at all times.

Our Aims and Objectives :

- To secure resources and initiate support to people disadvantaged by crisis & natural calamities.
- To transform the lives of the poor and underprivileged and bring economic empowerment & sustainability through community programs including education and vocational and life skills training, water & sanitation, agriculture and cooperatives development and reproductive health.
- To promote & improve agricultural production, processing (preservation) and market linkages.
- To support people with or without developmental disabilities & their families through personcentered support services that enable them to responsibly exercise their choices, preferences & rights, without limitation while creating enriched capabilities for a fully integrated life.
- To secure resources and facilitate community development services partnership.

Programs Focus: "Agriculture and Cooperatives Development/Professionalization"

WLI has strong expertise in cooperatives development and professionals who can mobilize farmers in order to enhance increased productivity, processing & marketing.

- WLI endeavors to seek support to rehabilitate tree crops and reclaim paddy swamps of former World Bank, IFAD, USAID and EU Agriculture Projects and introduce new crops and farming strategies.
- WLI endeavors to develop and reactivate farmers and non-farmers cooperatives for sale of all produce.
- WLI shall enhance capacities of cooperatives to prepare business plans and provide management training.
- WLI shall work with national and international partners like SOCODEVI, CDA, ACDI/VOCA etc. to support agriculture
- WLI shall conduct Farmer Field School (FFS) and other good agricultural practices (GAP).
- Provide seeds, tools and other implements through cooperatives
- Facilitate storing, processing and preservation of produce for collective marketability.
- Facilitate quality control and value addition.
- Provide technical knowhow for installing & managing solar dryers.

Vocational and Life Skills Training:

WLI is constructing its first Vocational Skills Training Center in Liberia to enable youths acquire skills for employment that is job-market driven and foster entrepreneurship, small scale contractual services, with assistance to reduce the poverty gap and movement towards self-sustainability. WLI's vocational training curricula shall include but not be limited to:

- General construction including plumbing; general automotive; electricity, solar and renewable energy construction and maintenance; appliance repair and maintenance; HVAC and etc.
- Create awareness and enhance gender equality while looking forward to secure funding to assist in capacity building of women and youths in order to promote their involvement and participation in decision making and employment.
- Provide start-up tool kit for program graduates in order to begin small self-employment business partnership groups.

Education:

The current education gap has seen many children into street life and prostitution. Many of our youths are petty traders being used as bread winners instead of going to school. WLI seeks collaboration, network, advocacy and partnership to address the needs of the disadvantaged children, school dropouts, teenage parents, abandoned children, the intellectually disabled among others to bridge their access to education. WLI shall:

• provide education materials for needy children and distribute school supplies.

- Provide afterschool programs, homework help and extracurricular activities.
- Create awareness to prevent bullying, sexual and gender-based violence in schools, prevent child slavery, early marriage, child labor and child trafficking.
- Undertake projects to focus on health and nutrition of preschoolers and teen age mothers.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- WLI envisages providing sustainable safe drinking water and latrines to schools, clinics and disadvantaged communities.
- Provide training and hand-pump repair tool kit for communities to maintain their facilities.

Conduct awareness on environmental degradation, poor and improper sanitation, open field and public defecation.

Reproductive health

WLI focuses on general sensitization and community awareness because issues of chronic diseases are always impossible to address without adequate awareness although it remains increasingly recognized as important health concern. Awareness will be on:

- sexual exploitation, sexuality and reproductive health among youth including the use of contraceptives and abstinence.
- HIV/AIDS and the adequate prevention and control of diseases like the EBOLA in West Africa through disease prevention sensitization.
- training in distinguish morbidity from infection, diseases, maternal mortality and malnutrition.
- Soil testing, crops production analysis & old farms rehabilitation.

Construction & Engineering:

WLI has trust-worthy professionals with high profile of good skills and knowledge with lots of working experiences in general engineering. WLI's engineering department has staff that implemented many road and building construction projects for UN organizations including UNHCR/GTZ, the Government of Liberia, the private sector and other partners. WLI is equipped with machineries to undertake roads, bridges and building construction projects.

WLI staff have had both national and international working experiences. WLI construction work is focused on Designs, Architecture & Engineering; Technical Consultancy; Projects Planning & implementation; Community Development; Training on the use & maintenance of WASH Facilities.

WLI's current road plan is modeled according to the one implemented during the emergency period that went from 1997

to 2002. These quick impact projects were meant to make roads **PASSABLE** to give all NGOs access to internally displaced

Refugees and community residents retuning from exile. WLI's engineering team at the time within the UN systems did not

only build needed facilities including schools, clinics, specialized training facilities but also roads repair and bridges.

MEET THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS and MANAGEMENT TEAMS:

Structure:

WLI has a 13 member Board of Directors who guide and support its activities both in the USA and Liberia. The board is assisted by the President/General Overseer Rev. Dr. Kparku Sam Ndorleh who oversees the day-to-day operations and reports to the Board. The General Overseer also heads the Spiritual Arm assisted by National Spiritual Leaders and Pastors. The management team members are persons with good qualifications and appreciable long standing working experiences in social and humanitarian services with National and International organizations, including United Nations Agencies (UNIMIL, UNHCR, WFP, FAO), USAID, UNICEF, , UNFPA, World Bank , IFAD, and the EU.

Rev. ANGELO WILLIAM SR.

Chairman of the Board of Directors Founder/Senior Pastor, Word of Life Church Ministry Over 30 Years in Education & Social Services Sectors

REV. KPARKU SAM NDORLEH, D. Th; Ph. D

President & General Overseer Over 25 years Humanitarian Sector Experience

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Admin & Finance Officer Over 15 years in Humanitarian and Banking Sector

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Program Specialist/Social Worker Developmental Disability Program Over 8 years humanitarian Services

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Administrator, Liberia Office 20 Years of Experience

Mr. Gibson M. Tulay, BBA

Country Coordinator—Liberia Cooperatives Development Specialist Over 25 years Humanitarian Sector Experience

Dr. Varmuyah A. Kromah M.D.

Supervising Medical Doctor Sponsored by WLI—Over five years experience

Ms. Jassah Ndorbor, RN

Health and WASH Coordinator Over 10 Years Health Sector Experience

Mr. Johnathan B. Boiboi, MSC

Agronomist/FFS Specialist 20 Years Agric. Sector Experience

Mr. G. David Saingbe, Dip.

Vocational Training Coordinator Over 25 Years of Experience

A SNAPSHOT OF WLI PAST AND PRESENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1. Provide support and assist individuals with developmental disabilities attain fulfilling lives and independent living in Philadelphia, Delaware and Chester Counties in Pennsylvania, USA.
- 2. Ongoing construction of vocational and life skills training center on Pipeline Road, Liberia that is at 80% completion level.
- 3. Developing 8 hectares lowland for swamp rice and vegetable production in Cinta Township, Margibi County.
- 4. Harvested 5 acres of swamp rice (approximately 10 tons of paddy rice) in Cinta Township, Margibi County, Liberia.
- 5. Conducted training for 14 cooperative societies with membership of nearly 2,000 farmers in Bong, Nimba and Grand Gedeh Counties in partnership with SOCODEVI under the Smallholders Tree Crops Revitalization Support Project (STCRSP) funded by the World Bank.
- 6. Conducted community needs assessments in tree crops and swamp rice rehabilitation, WASH, etc.
- 7. Engaged 200 migrant and minority children in summer programs in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 8. Collaborated with SOCODEVI in the development of Tree Crops Master Plan for MOA/Liberia funded by the World Bank.



WLI—Our hope is in educating the children

WLI swamp rice harvest in Cinta, Margibi County, Liberia

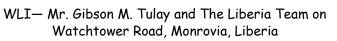


WLI—Program & Technical Team in Liberia headed by: National Program Coordinator Gibson M. Tulay and National Overseer Rev. Anderson F. Vanwen



WLI—School Construction Project in Monrovia







WLI Individuals, Staff and Dr. Ndorleh Hanging out at the Funplex in New jersey, USA 9/25/19



WLI—Staff Training in the US Office

Engaging our children during the summer Philadelphia Social Worker KIM MAI TANG



WLI—Another Cooperative Development Training in Grand Gedeh County, Liberia

Dr. Ndorleh speaking at the ECOSOC High-level Meeting at the United Nations on July 19, 2019

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