

Our World Mission

News on RCUS Foreign Missions

Congo – Economic Development Fund

Dear brothers and sisters,

With each of the RCUS Foreign Missions works, the end goal is for each of these works to be self-sustaining both spiritually and financially. The Congo Economic Fund has been used to meet this goal for the United Reformed Church in Congo, a work long led by Rev. Robert Grossman which began in 1984 and has grown to 136 churches with 8,500 members.

Ten years ago, the RCUS helped purchase sewing machines that could be used to teach young ladies and single mothers a trade that could provide income to them and their families. Each woman would learn how to sew at the church in Mbuji-Mayi until she could pass a state exam and be licensed as a seamstress.

The program has been very successful and has grown to the point that more women want to attend than there is room for. This training has been open to both women of the church and from the outside. But recently, the Congo government said that the women who are members of the church could no longer be taught there – only those from the outside could, so money dedicated to the Congo Economic Fund in memory of the late Rev. Robert Grossman was used to purchase land and now build a three room sewing center near the church building. This picture shows the progress of the construction.



Once the building is completed, more sewing machines and supplies will need to be purchased as well. Please pray for this work, done in the name of Jesus, which provides these dear sisters a means to feed themselves and their families. Support for the Congo Economic Development Fund can be sent to:

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