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VISITORS TO API'S PROGRAMS

LAST FEBRUARY, WE WERE HAPPY TO WELCOME A 7-MEMBER AMERICAN MISSION TEAM FROM THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. THE TEAM HAD COME TO SENEGAL TO VISIT PROJECTS OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN SENEGAL AND OF ANTI-POVERTY INITIATIVE (API). FOR API'S PROJECT, THE TEAM, LED BY REV. TONY FULLER AND DR. CAROL MEYNEM VISITED THE CHRISTIAN WOMEN FARMERS' ASSOCIATION IN THE VILLAGE OF SEBIKOTANE, A 2HOUR DRIVE FROM DAKAR, THE CAPITAL OF SENEGAL. THERE ARE 100 WOMEN MEMBERS IN THE ASSOCIATION.

THE VISITORS ARRIVED IN SEBIKOTANE AT 6PM AND WERE WARMLY RECEIVED BY SEBASTINE UJEREH, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF API, AND BENEDETTE BAMBOCKY, THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION. SEBASTINE GAVE A PRESENTATION ON API'S PROGRAMS TO THE VISITING GROUP.....ITS HISTORY, ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES. THEY LEARNED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT MORE THAN \$950,000 IN REVOLVING LOANS HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO MORE THAN 2,000 UNDERPRIVILEGED WOMEN, A CLUSTER OF API'S MICRO-CREDIT GROUPS IN A HIGH DENSITY SECTION OF DAKAR. API'S DIRECTOR EXPLAINED TO THEM THE METHODOLOGY USED IN THE TRAINING OF WOMEN FOR MICRO-BUSINESS ACTIVITIES.

THE WOMEN DISPLAYED SOME OF THEIR FARM PRODUCE FOR THE VISITORS WHICH INCLUDED OKRA,

CASSAVA AND EGG PLANT.



THE VISITORS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK API IS DOING TO EMPOWER WOMEN.



THE AMERICAN VISITORS FROM THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO API'S PROGRAMS.

PREVENTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM (PHEP)

OUR PHEP IS UP AND RUNNING NOW. WE ENGAGED DR. AARON TO **LEAD CLASSES** ON PREVENTIVE HEALTH FOR THE BENEFIT OF UNDERPRIVILEGED WOMEN.

THEY LEARNED ABOUT BLOOD PRESSURE, BLOOD SUGAR, CHOLESTEROL, BODY MASS INDEX AND STRESS.....THEIR FUNCTIONS, LEVEL RISKS AND HOW TO TAKE THE READINGS.

THE WOMEN'S BLOOD SUGAR, BLOOD PRESSURE, CHOLESTEROL AND BODY MASS LEVELS

INDEX LEVELS WERE TAKEN. 2 WOMEN WERE DIAGNOSED WITH DIABETES. UNTIL NOW, MANY OF THE WOMEN HAD NEVER DONE BLOOD SUGAR AND CHOLESTEROL TESTS. THOSE WHO HAVE ABNORMAL LEVELS ARE CHANGING THEIR LIFESTYLE THROUGH FOOD AND EXERCISE.



Preventive Health Education Class

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THE ANTI-POVERTY INITIATIVE TRULY APPRECIATES YOUR SUPPORT, **DESPITE THE HARD TIMES**, WHICH ENABLES US TO CONTINUE TO BRING MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO UNDERPRIVILEGED WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

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WE ARE HAPPY TO INFORM YOU THAT OUR NEW WEBSITE IS READY FOR VISITORS. IT IS MORE USER-FRIENDLY ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO PREFER TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR WORK ONLINE. IT ALSO HAS NEW AND INTERESTING FEATURES.

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