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United Methodist Committee on Relief – Non Governmental Organization (UMCOR-NGO) Program Status Report

Name of Organization:	United Methodist Committee on Relief – NGO Unit
Project Title:	Al Daein Child Protection and Development Project for Internally Displaced Persons and Host Communities
Project Duration:	January 1, 2006– December 31, 2006
Total Project Value:	\$530,000
Donor:	Ginghamsburg United Methodist Church in Ohio
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The general security situation in Al Daein and Adilla localities remained stable this month. The Darfur Peace Agreement (DPA), signed in Abuja in May, continued to hold despite other factions staying out of the deal. The Child Protection Program activities progressed smoothly the following are the activities accomplished during the month of June:

Life skills

Khor Omer Life Skills Center:

- The center is located in Ed Daein town and is for Dinka IDP children. The center provides kindergarten education to young children and skills training for older girls.
- 50 children are enrolled for skills and 50 for kindergarten training with four teachers.
- Attendance has been good, older girls broke their normal conservative nature and were observed playing volleyball, quite an achievement.
- Four sewing machines were purchased in Khartoum and sent to the field through UNJLC transportation via Nyala. They are expected to arrive in Ed Daein the second week of July.

Youth Center:

- The center is located in Ed Daein town and is for Dinka and Non-Dinka IDP children.
- Dinka IDP children had not enrolled for classes in June. The primary reason was because they were helping their parents with farming activities during the farming period.

Education

- Building materials has been purchased for El Ferdous, Adilla, and Al Goura schools. The materials are for the construction/rehabilitation of six classrooms will be completed July.
- UMCOR received various learning materials for 11,400 pupils from UNICEF in June. Priority will be given to IDPs and girls since the quantity provided was not enough to cover all the schools. In addition, UMCOR will further hold discussions with UNICEF to provide structures for classroom construction/rehabilitation and girls' uniforms.
- UMCOR donated goods from Sager Brown, container with school kits and hygiene kits, left Khartoum en route to Ed Daein, the kits will complement the Church of Ohio and UNICEF contributions.
- Teacher Training: UNICEF started the training of IDP teachers: 25 teachers in Adilla south, 50 in Ed Daein town, 25 in El Ferdous in June. UMCOR will consult with the Ed Daein qualification institute to harmonize the training curriculum and look at possibilities of training additional teachers.
- UMCOR Child Protection staff trained four teachers at the Khor Omer Life Skills Center on child rights, teaching methodology, and psychosocial support.