

## Annual General Assembly

On 1 December 2022, Solidarity with South Sudan held its annual meeting at the De La Salle Brothers' headquarters in Rome. Over 65 participants, representing 37 member congregations, were present, as well as a number of other congregations who are considering various types of engagement in South Sudan. The Irish and British ambassadors to the Holy See were also present. So, after two years with the Assembly online, we came back to have a face-to-face meeting.

We had the chance to listen to the report of the President, Brother Emili Turú Rofes (fms), and the Vice-President, Sister Maria Carmen Ocon (msola), who made their first trip to South Sudan last October, highlighting the results obtained on the ground thanks to the donations received: the feedback was very positive regarding the achievements of Solidarity and the influence it has on individual lives.



In addition, we had an important intervention from the Bishop of Malakal (South Sudan) Stephen Nyodho, representing the SSBC.

Then Mr Mike William, an international development consultant, gave a presentation on the "Relevance and Sustainability of Solidarity with South Sudan". He has been conducting his analysis for months and you will find his conclusions below:

- The new paradigm of collaboration, community and engagement has worked / is working: the impact on South Sudan is clear and evident. Solidarity has built the capacity of communities, particularly in the areas of health training, education, pastoral workers and farmers.
- The programmes are working under very difficult conditions: during the past violent upheavals, it was noted that Solidarity never closed its doors and continued to operate when many other aid agencies had fled the scene.
- The needs in Southern Sudan are still enormous and the relevance of our intervention in the country is as great as ever.

For these reasons, Solidarity is again asking for your support to continue this important work in Southern Sudan. If you wish to support our project, please make a donation online >>> [Donate \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com) <<< or email [info@solidarityssudan.org](mailto:info@solidarityssudan.org) for other ways to donate.

Click on this link to download the Christmas Appeal [Merry Christmas 2022 \(solidarityssudan.org\)](https://solidarityssudan.org/merry-christmas-2022)

We wish you a peaceful and merry Christmas and a peaceful 2022!

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