Another World is possible even for slum dwellers!

# Slums at the World Social Forum

Activities organized by Kutoka Network together with Land & Housing Coalition, support of International Alliance of Inhabitants and other partners



The KUTOKA NETWORK is a voluntary gathering of Christian teams who minister to people living in various slums in Nairobi. In 2002, we started coming together to learn and discuss about the multiple issues we face in our daily work. Now we have members in more than 17 slums in Nairobi.

### SITUATION IN NAIROBI SLUMS

The more than 200 slums of Nairobi house 2,5 out of 4 million dwellers crammed in a mere 5% of the city territory.

Most of the land occupied by the slums is Government or City Council property and some privately owned. The slums are multi-ethnic and the 60/70% of its dwellers are youth under 30 years of age. Their socio-economic reality is very poor and the slum dwellers are one of the most exploited and oppressed classes of people in Kenya. There is a lack of public services such as water, sanitation, electricity, schools, health centre, roads, garbage collection.

The **main challenges** are: prostitution, unemployment, drug addiction, alcoholism, rapes, criminality, illegal firearms, domestic violence, street children.

Despite the situation, the network aims at bringing hope in the lives of majority of the slum dwellers.

Kutoka Network is part of the Catholic Coordination for the WSF and of the Ecumenical Platform for the WSF

### Saturday, 20th January OPENING CEREMONY

in Uhuru park: everybody mobilized to join!

### Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> January

### **MEETING OUR COMMUNITIES**

Kutoka Network wants to offer the chance to meet its communities in the slums. The WSF delegates are invited to share the Eucharistic celebration with the community and to enjoy an activity with them. Each community has chosen a different activity.

To reach the place easily there is at least a contact person for every place, willing to explain to you the road and to accompany you.

### St. John, Korogocho: STREET CHILDREN FESTIVAL 9.00am

The mass starts at 9 and after there will be a street children festival where the children will perform for all the community & the visitors.

Contact person to reach the place: Japheth 0724 261 751 or Hesbon 0720 710 756

#### Holy Cross, Dandora: HIV/AIDS DAY 11.00am

Mass at 11 followed by activities on HIV/AIDS, food supplement delivered to the HIV positive people.

Contact person to reach the place: Atula 0721 546509

### Holy Trinity, Kariobangi: YOUTH AND JUSTICE 11.00am

The Mass will be followed by activities organised by the youth and the Justice & Peace

Contact person to reach the place: Joseph 0722 229867

#### Christ the King, Kibera: PRESENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY 9.00am

After the 9am Mass, the community will have several activities to allow the visitors to get to know their reality: poems, songs, drama, presentation of the activities, ...

Contact person to reach the place: Ignatius 0722248071

#### Sacred Heart, Baba Dogo: YOUTH & WOMEN DAY 11.00am

Meeting at 11am for the Mass. After the Mass the community will open to the visitor who wish to get to know them. Youths group and Catholic Women Association will organize the activities.

Contact person to reach the place: George 0733606146

# Our Lady of Guadalupe, Adams Arcade (close to Kibera): OVERCOMING TRIBALISM AND VIOLENCE (Peace building and reconciliation) 11.30am This parish

will have Masses at different hours and in different sub-parishes. Main Church Adams: 11.30am; Kianda: 7.00am; Makina: 9.00am; Olympic: 10.00am In every parish and sub-parish visitors are welcome and everywhere there will be entrainment activities and in Olympic sub-parish there will be a youth festival.

Contact person to reach the place: Omare 0722 425026

#### St. Joseph the worker, Kangemi: YOUTH FESTIVAL 9.00 am

At 11.30, after the Mass, there will be a youth festival with different performances. **Contact person to reach the place:** James 0727 275793 or Parish office 0722 982844

### Consolata Shrine, Westlands: STREET CHILDREN SEMINAR & FOOTBALL

**TOURNAMENT 2.00pm** To rehabilitate our street children, we will offer them a seminar on drug abuse and a party for them, you can come and share the day with us. **Contact person to reach the place:** Peter 0722 658264

### St. Joseph Mukasa, Kahawa West. SLUM UPGRADING 10.00am

We will organise a public forum on our project in Soweto. We will explain the concept of Community Land Trust. **Contact person to reach the place:** Mathew 0721 465 213

## Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January

# SECURING BASIC RIGHTS FOR THE POOR IN THE SLUMS Seminar at WSF venue in Moi

International Sport Centre - Kasarani organised together with Land and Housing Coalition, and many other partners from all over the world.

# Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January

# DECENTRALISED WORKSHOPS ON SLUM ISSUES

From 9 to 12am, we have organised **seven workshops** in seven different areas together with Land and Housing Coalition and other groups. Our aim is to bring the slums at the WSF but also bring the WSF in the slums. Therefore these activities will be held in our communities.

### SLUM UPGRADING. Christ the King, Kibera

Partners: Pamoja Trust, Christ the King Catholic Church

Contact person: Ignatius 0722 248 071

### **EVICTIONS & DEMOLITIONS. Kibagare**

Partners: Haki Jamii, Shelter Forum Contact person: Boaz 0722 663 290

### EMPOWERING THE POOR IN THE SLUMS. Mukuru Kwa Njenga

Partners: St. Mary Catholic Church, Pamoja Trust

Contact person: Lawrence 0720 896 025 or Fr. Otul 0721 219863

### **INCLUSIVE CITIES FOR INFORMAL SECTOR. Freedom corner, Uhuru Park**

Partners: Niscof

Contact Person: Evelyn 0722 882452

### LAND AND HOUSING. St. John, Korogocho

Partners: St. John Korogocho, Land Alliance, Shelter Forum Contact person: Japheth 0724 261 751 or Fr. Daniel 0733 702972

### HIV/AIDS IN THE SLUMS. St. Theresa, Mathare

Partners: Catholic Coordination group on HIV

Contact person: Chiara 0734 603175 or Magdalene 0721 826583

### WORKING IN THE SLUMS. St. Joseph the worker, Kangemi Partners: Ipsia,

St. Joseph the worker Catholic Church Contact person: Andrea 0725 454920

# Wednesday, 24th January

### GLOBAL PLANNING FOR ACTION Networking

for future action plan and building common strategies together with all the organisations in the world dealing with the same Kutoka issues.









# Thursday, 25th January, registration from 7.00am

# MARATHON THROUGH THE SLUMS FOR BASIC RIGHTS

It will be a marathon passing through several Nairobi's slums to reach Uhuru Park and join the closing ceremony of the WSF. It will be one of the main closing event of the WSF. It will be possible both running and walking. The length will be 14 km and the cost to register and get the T-shirt will be 10Ksh. Registration and giving out of T-shirts will start at 7.00am from St. John Catholic Church, Korogocho. To have information on how to reach St. John call: Japheth 0724 261 751 or Fr. Daniel 0733 702 972

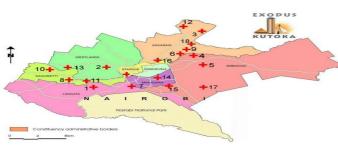


16-19th of January

# WORLD FORUM ON THEOLOGY AND LIBERATION

Kutoka Network has been invited as delegate in this forum which will bring together 250 theologians from all over the world. On 17<sup>th</sup> some of the theologians will visit the Christian community of Korogocho and Kibera together with other Pastors from other denominations for a reflection on the slum situation. On 18<sup>th</sup> we will lead a workshop on slums in Africa for the theologians.

### **OUR PARISHES**



- 1. Christ the King, Kibera
- 2. Consolata Shrine, Westlands
- 3. Holy Mary Mother of God, Githurai
- 4. Holy Cross, Dandora
- 5. Divine Word parish, Kayole
- 6. Holy Trinity, Kariobangi
- 7. Our Lady Queen of Peace, South B
- 8. Sacred Heart, Dagoretti
- 9. St. John's, Korogocho
- 10. St. John the Baptist, Riruta
- 11. Our Lady of Guadalupe, Adams Arcade
- 12. St. Joseph Mukasa, Kahawa West
- 13. St. Joseph the Worker, Kangemi
- 14. St. Joseph and Mary, Shauri Moyo
- 15. St. Mary's, Mukuru kwa Njenga
- 16. St. Theresa's, Eastleigh/Mathare
- 17. Christ the King, Embakasi
- 18. Sacred Heart, Baba Dogo

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