

Member Updates



Update 2017/18 of the Relief Organization of Swiss Commandery

The year 2017/18 consisted in the development of our diaconal activities in several countries:

Switzerland:

Support of "Villa YoYo", a playground and protected area for children of immigrants' districts of large Swiss cities.

New "Villa YoYo" could be opened, a total of 14 are now functioning. It is an activity for the integration of immigrants, a prevention of violence and a link with YMCA/YWCA. The children learn socialization and get self-confidence.

International Transports: an activity in collaboration with "Aide et Assistance" of the Order of Malta and with our JOIN members. Many transports of hospital and school, used and new, material were sent mainly to eastern countries.

International:

Europe, Romania, Sibiu: Charity Event in Au Castle / Canton Zurich. One new projects.

Europe, Romania, Bucharest: visits and financial support of a school for unprivileged children: "school is cool".

Africa, Madagascar: AMADIA, Clinic for the treatment of diabetes in cooperation with the Relief Organization of the French Commandery: Collaboration with Prof. Assal, from Geneva, who works with medical doctors and nurses for education of the local medical crew. Regular video conferences between Geneva and the Clinic are organised. In addition, training of medical doctors in Europe was provided. The AMADIA is recognised on an international level for the treatment of diabetes in Madagascar.

South-America, Peru, Truchillo, ARPEGGIO: a way of socialising unprivileged children by playing a music instrument. Visits and music lessons were given by members of the Order. Charity Concert in Berne.

South Sudan: Construction of a new maternity ward in cooperation with the German JUH Johanniter Unfallhilfe (Auslandshilfe).

Syria: Support of the hospital "Saint-Louis" in Aleppo.