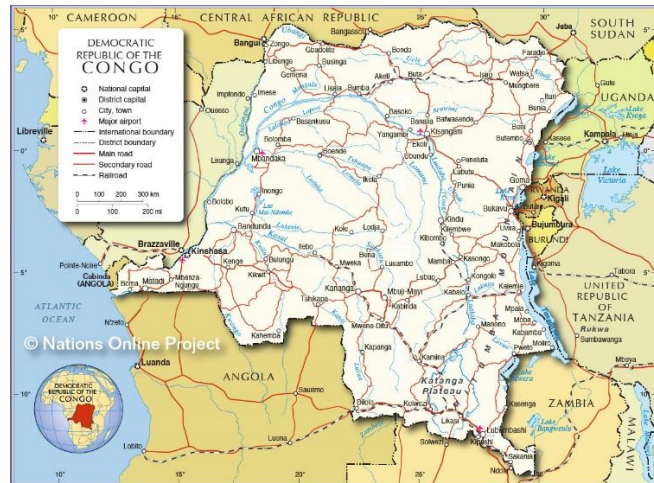


Background of GFS Congo



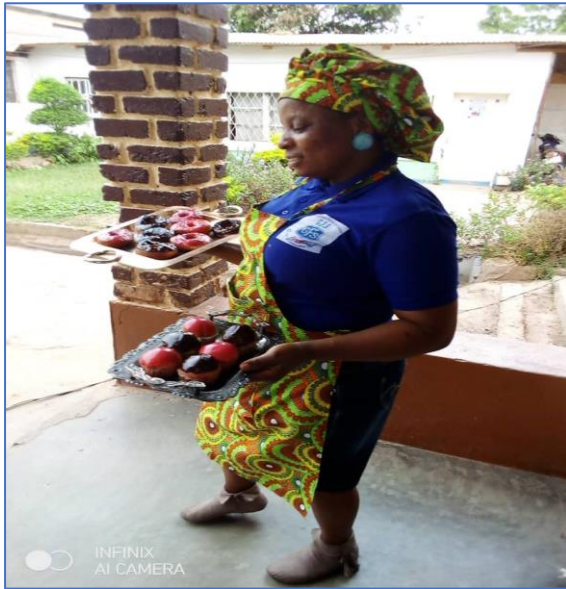
The Democratic Republic of Congo has an area of 2,245,410 km² and has 95,894,118 inhabitants, the Democratic Republic of Congo is a secular country and several churches are located across the country.

Indeed, the Anglican Church is established throughout the Democratic Republic of Congo, including Congo Brazzaville which is part of the province of Eglicane du Congo.

The movement of GFS entered the Congo in 2019 by his Excellency Bishop Bertin MWALE of the diocese of Katanga and the present World President of GFS Ms Thembeke Pama, assisted by the national president of Zambia who officially launched the movement of GFS by the installation of the national president Mrs. Ursule TSHAMA and Mrs. Clementine president of the diocese of Kisangani, and more than 500 members have been commissioned in the movement of GFS, since its establishment. GFS in DRC was formally admitted to the GFS World Council in 2021. GFS is installed in three dioceses of the Congo namely: Diocese of KATANGA, Diocese of KASANGANI and Diocese of BUTEMBO. Several activities are organized as part of the supervision of young girls such as: conferences, retreats, day of reflection...

In the different dioceses the girls have many difficulties, the lack of means, loss of parents following the war and they know a lot of problems of rape, sexual harassment. They are not even able to study for lack of financial means. That is why we have thought about doing a project on pastry and basic business skills through training sessions so that they can face these difficulties. We intend to implement the movement of GFS and train the girls of the other dioceses of the Congo, so at least five dioceses.

INUWA MSICHANA PROJECT:PHOTOS OF THE FIRST TRAINING





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2. Overview of the project: This should include details about when it was or planned to be started, location of the project and main reason for submitting the project.

The DRC is one of the African countries which faces several problems and the youth suffers from it.

The problems we face are:

- *Poverty,**
- *Lack of education,**
- * Insecurity (wars)**
- * Lack of work....**

With these problems young people are exposed and are forced to initiate themselves into a life without a future.

The lack of education is the major problem, many young girls are exposed to early marriage because parents are not able to educate them, and others find themselves pregnant with irresponsible men Which leads young girls to engage either in prostitution or in the sugar daddy system to support themselves, their children sometimes the whole family.

The districts where there are war young girls are raped and lose their dignity sometimes not even understood by their own community, they feel rejected. GFS wants to help these young girls through the pastry training, business training and take care of themselves, but also to expand GFS in the DRC. (Kisangani, Kinshasa, kalemie, Goma, Bukavu and Kasai)

After having been trained in business and pastry, we had directly thought about how we could continue with activities according to the needs in our communities, we are sure that through this we will help the young girls of our diocese to work and be self-made.

We think at the same time to train the greatest number of young girls who will be able to work in other bakeries shops in DRC.



Our project will be launched in Lubumbashi in the diocese of Katanga, especially in there where the first training was held and where the GFS Bakery will be open. The training project will also expand in four other dioceses.

We will start with the recruitment of young girls who will join GFS allowing us to follow up even after the training by creating groups of young girls with a group leader who will report to us each month. And of course we would like each group to meet at least once a month to share their experiences and help each other.

- 3. The aim/objective of the Project (to be measured at the end of the Project to assess its success)**

Our objective as stated above is to allow young girls to take charge of themselves but also to help them not to get lost in the wrong paths to which they are exposed.

This is GFS's first pastry project, we have decided that the duration will be 3Years.

The young girls who have been trained will work with our office and will train the newcomers.

A pastry shop will be opened and the funds received will help us organize other activities as well.

GFS Bakery will attract a big number of customers and help young girls.

- 4. Detailed explanation of project including all costing for each component:**
(Costing should be firstly in the currency of the country and then separate columns showing conversion to Pounds Sterling (£) and US Dollars (\$)).

Note: this budget is for two specific activities, the first one is for the GFS bakery in Lubumbashi and the second one is for the trip and trainings in other dioceses (the recruitment of young girls and a skill training).

**In Goma, Bukavu, Kasai and kalemie girls will be train in Business and Party,
In Kinshasa, Kisangani girls will be train in Business.**

Also, we will like to specify that our country is big the only mean of transport we have is flight.

Every diocese will provide a local, tables and chairs and snacks for the participants.

5. Statement at end of proposal

I, Ursule Tshama GFS President/DRC, have read the Rules of Management of World Council in relation to a World Project proposal and agree to all the requirements.

TSHAMA MBUYI Ursule
National Gfs president DRC



Signed:



Date:30-03-2023

(This should be signed by the Country GFS President)

Letter from Archbishop/Bishop of Diocese must accompany this proposal in which the Archbishop/Bishop of Diocese agrees to the project.

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