

## AAS-I Activities Report 2009

### Introduction:

As it is known, founding of the Assyrian Aid Society in Iraq in 1991 was a result of the tragic conditions that our people gone through, and because of the economic embargo imposed on Iraq in general and the blockade imposed by the former regime on the northern region in particular, the bad economic situation, unemployment and poverty. As a result of these and other reasons, the idea of establishing the Assyrian Aid Society was necessary as a supportive society to our people, especially in the northern region of the country.

It is worth mentioning that the role of the Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq increased more and more in supporting our people after the fall of Saddam region in 2003, and as determined result for other needs due to the security and economic circumstances that Iraq is going through, in addition to the expansion of the geographical patch to include most of the governorates that our people are centralize: Nineveh Plain, Baghdad and Kirkuk.

### **Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq Departments:**

1. Aids and Humanitarian Affairs
2. Health (Medical and Therapeutic Aids)
3. Assyrian Education and Dormitories
4. Construction
5. Administration and Financial

## **First: Aids and Humanitarian Affairs Dept.:**

In 2009, Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq implemented the following relief programs:

### **A. AASI implemented the following relief programs in 2009:**

- A relief program for (239) families in Baghdad for distributing financial aids for the families who returned back to their houses, in addition to helping the injured and some patients, by the support of Assyrian Aid Society of Sweden, for the period Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- A relief program for (500) families in Duhok City Center, Nineveh Plain and Sulaymaniya, by the support of the Assyrian Universal Alliance (AUA) from the period Mar.4<sup>th</sup> till Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- A relief program for (2000) families in Nineveh Plain in: Qaraqosh, Karemles, Bartella, Ba'asheqa, Telkeif, Batnaye, Tellisquf, Shekhan, Alqosh, Sharafiya and Mosul Dam by the support of SALT Foundation Inc\ Holland, from the period Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> till Mar.26<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- A relief program for (85) families in Duhok Governorate: in Sarsing, Sardarav and Badarish villages by the support of Sister Hatune Foundation, for the period Jul. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009,
- A relief program for (225) families in Nineveh Plain (Khazna village) funded by Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq, for the period Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- A relief program for (370) families, (270) families in Barwari Bala villages and (100) families in Duhok Governorate, by the support of SALT Foundation Inc\ Holland, for the period Sep.6<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- A relief program for (24) damaged families due to the explosions of Al-Tahira Church in Nineveh Governorate, Hay Al-Shifa', funded by Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq, for the period Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

It's worth mentioning that our society will continue implementing these programs for 2010 to help needy families and refugee.

**As above mentioned those programs were implemented by Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq by the financing and supporting of:**

- Assyrian Aid Society of America
- Assyrian Aid Society of Sweden
- Assyrian Universal Alliance (AUA)
- SALT Foundation Inc., Holland
- Sister Hatune Foundation

## **B. Aids:**

Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq was able to help many people as:

- Offering financial aids for (68) cases and buying medicines for them.
- Sending some patients outside the Homeland for treatment, by the support of Assyrian Aid Society of America and the Assyrian Medical Society.
- Helping about (300) needy families.
- Distributing financial aids for (37) families in different areas in Baghdad and Nineveh Plain, by the support of Sister Hatune Foundation.
- Distributing (200) agricultural instruments for the farmers in different villages in Duhok governorate.
- Buying chairs and tables for the church of Babilo village in Duhok governorate.
- Buying chairs and tables for the church of Bebad village in Duhok governorate.
- Buying plants for Mar Narsai Church in Duhok.
- Buying gifts for the children of the Assyrian Language session held in Baz village.
- Supporting the inhabitants of Mar Yaqo and Shiyoz villages by buying them drinking water.
- Supporting Shiyoz Kindergarten.
- Supporting an orphanage in Baghdad.

## **C. Supporting the Civil Society Organizations:**

### **1. Assyrian Women Union:**

Supporting the Assyrian Women Union in Duhok, Erbil and Nineveh Plain as follows:

- Continue supporting the Day Care Centers in Erbil and Duhok.
- Supporting the Assyrian Women Union in Duhok for holding a nursing session (for first aids) in Bakhitme and Deralok villages and Erbil Governorate.
- Supporting the Assyrian women Union in distributing Christmas gifts for the children in Duhok Governorate and surrounded villages.

### **2. Chaldoassyrian Youths and Students Union:**

Supporting the Chaldoassyrian Youths and Students Union in Duhok, Erbil and Nineveh Plain as follows:

- Contributing in buying heating fuel for the Union's headquarter in Barwari Bala Area.
- Contributing in furnishing, repairing and rehabilitating the Union's headquarter in Duhok.
- Furnishing Sharafiya Youth and Students Union in Nineveh Plain.
- Holding the Third Narsai David Football Championship for the students of the AASI Dormitories, with the participation of (22) Teams. This Championship was held for Kha B'Nisan festivals.
- Holding Martyr Samir football Championship in Deralok village in Aug.
- Supporting the Union to hold their scout camp for the students in Sapna Area.
- Supporting the Union to hold their convention in Nineveh Plain.
- Buying furniture for the Union's headquarter in Enishke village.
- Supporting the Union's headquarter in Zakho area.

### **3. Other Societies:**

Supporting the Cultural, Social and Athletic centers as follows:

- Supporting Alqosh Cultural Society in holding its cultural activities.

### **Second: Medical and Therapeutic Aids:**

Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq Pharmacies continue to offer their medical services to the people living in Nineveh Plain and Sarsing, at very low prices, and sometimes free of charge especially to needy people. These pharmacies are located in:

- Sarsing
- Alqush
- Tellisquf
- Batnaye
- Karemles

### **Third: Assyrian Education Dept.:**

#### **A. Assyrian Primary Schools in Duhok, Erbil, Nineveh Plain and Kirkuk :**

1. Paying transportation expenses of the lecturers who give lectures outside their living areas in the schools which are outside Duhok Governorate.
2. Supplying the schools of some of their needs (buying computers, printers and copy machines) and giving petty expenses to the administrations of the schools according to our capabilities.
3. Paying salaries for (4) cleaners in the primary schools for the academic year 2008-2009
4. Paying all the transportation expenses for three months and a half for the academic year 2008-2009
5. Paying lectures fees for the lecturers of the primary schools in Baghdada and Bartella.
6. Paying the salary for the lady who is supervising the transportation process in Baghdada.
7. Paying transportation expenses for the teachers in Duhok Governorate and surrounded areas.
8. Honoring all the superior pupils in all the Assyrian Primary Schools
9. Paying monthly bonus to the storekeeper of the Assyrian books in Erbil.
10. AASI bears the expenses of transporting the Assyrian Education curriculums and distributing them to the Assyrian Schools.
11. AASI bears the expenses of typesetting the Assyrian Education curriculums which are changed by the Ministry of Education.
12. AASI bears the expenses of copying the Assyrian Education curriculums till Ministry of Education bears this process.
13. Paying salaries of the teachers who give lectures in the Assyrian schools and who are not officially employed by the government.
14. Supporting Jam Rabatke School in Nahla Area in rehabilitating its building.
15. Buying a mini bus for transporting the students of Bakhitme village to Bahra School in semel village and the students of Shameil high school in Sheyoz.
16. Buying a coaster for transporting the students of Nohadra and Shorash primary schools.

## **B. Assyrian High Schools in Duhok, Erbil, Nineveh Plain and Kirkuk :**

1. Paying transportation expenses of the lecturers who give lectures outside their living areas in the schools which are outside Duhok Governorate.
2. Supplying the schools of some of their needs (buying computers, printers and copy machines) and giving petty expenses to the administrations of the schools according to our capabilities.
3. Paying salaries for (2) cleaners in the high schools for the academic year 2008-2009
4. Paying the transportation expenses for the students of the high schools till Ministry of Education pays them.
5. Paying all the transportation expenses for three months and a half for the academic year 2008-2009
6. Paying transportation expenses for the teachers of the high schools in Duhok Governorate and surrounded areas.
7. Honoring all the superior pupils in all the Assyrian High Schools
8. Paying lectures fees for the lecturers of the high schools.
9. AASI bears the expenses of transporting the Assyrian Education curriculums and distributing them to the Assyrian Schools.
10. AASI bears the expenses of typesetting the Assyrian Education curriculums which are changed by the Ministry of Education.
11. AASI bears the expenses of copying the Assyrian Education curriculums till Ministry of Education bears this process.
12. Paying salaries of the teachers who give lectures in the Assyrian schools and who are not officially employed by the government.
13. Supporting Hezanke high School in Nahla Area in rehabilitating its building.

## **C. Universities:**

1. Paying transportation expenses for the students of Languages college\ Assyrian Language Department in Baghdad
2. Paying the salaries of one of the Assyrian Language teacher in Languages College in Baghdad.

## **D. Dormitories:**

1. AASI covers the expenses of Housing and Feeding (110) students, most of them are Internally Displaced People (IDPs), especially from Nineveh Plain including the Assyrian Education students. In addition to (5) teachers and (5) employers, for the academic year 2008-2009 (till the end of June)
2. AASI covers the expenses of Housing (94) students, most of them are Internally Displaced People (IDPs), especially from Nineveh Plain including the Assyrian Education students, for the academic year 2009-2010
3. Undertaking the expenses of Medication, Comforts and also giving financial aids to some needy according to their request.

## **FUNDING:**

- We depend in covering the teaching process costs mainly on AAS of America and AAS branches in Europe, Australia and New Zealand
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany.
- Assyrian National Council of Illinois in America

## **Fourth: Construction Dept.:**

- Buying water pump and pipes to Belmand village in NahlaArea.
- Repairing the Generator of Jam Rabatke Village in Nahla Area.
- Contributing in conduction electrical net for Badarish village to the houses.
- Contributing in conduction water pipes to Kinda Kosa village in Mangish Area
- Rehabilitating the Dormitories building by the support of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches in Germany.

## **Other Activities:**

- Distributing Sport clothes (1941 T-shirts, Shorts and Socks) and (122 T-shirts) which were donated from Assyrian Aid Society of America, Those clothes were distributed as follows:
  1. All the Teams of the Chaldoassyrian Youths and Students Unions in Duhok, Erbil, Kirkuk, Baghdad and Nineveh Plain.
  2. Duhok Youths Center Team
  3. Sanharib Club Team
  4. Peris Club Team
  5. Athletic Activity Directorate Team\ Duhok
  6. Kurdistan Bara-Olympic Society Team\Duhok
  7. Mar Khnana Church Team
  8. The Independent High Electoral Commission Team
  9. Zakho District Team
  10. Semel District Team
  11. Mer Georges Church Team
  12. Sapna Area Team
  13. Nassibin High School Team
  14. Assyrian Women Union Team
  15. Dormitories Team
  16. Nahla Area Team
  17. Gilgamish Team in Syria
- By a special fund from the Assyria foundation in Hollad, Mr. Matay Arsan, and in coordination with the Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq, distributing Christmas gifts to the children of Nineveh Plain as follows:
  1. Bartella : 1500 gifts
  2. Bahzane: 700 gifts
  3. Karemls: 800 gifts
  4. Baghdeda: 2500 gifts
  5. Sanharib: 3500 gifts

## **Finally**

Through this report, we, as Assyrian Aid Society of Iraq, would like to present our appreciation and thanks to all of our supporters (Assyrian Aid Societies worldwide, non-Assyrian Friends, Organizations and Churches), those who tried and are still trying to assist our Nation to stand and be powerful through its Education and Culture.