

ATD Fourth World

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INTRODUCTION

We are happy to report back to you on the main events, stories, actions that mobilised each of us in 2016.

Through the members, ATD Fourth World engaged its heart, energy and strength to support communities to face situations of extreme poverty. 2016 permitted a strong mobilisation of ATD Fourth World members on education issues in all their various aspects. The World Day to Overcome Extreme Poverty gathered more than 200 people with opportunities for friends, families, activists (people living extreme poverty and taking responsibilities in the action of the Movement) and full-time volunteers to present and inform about the global actions. This Annual Review has the same ambition: to share with you a global vision of people involved and show you the various aspects of the fight against extreme poverty led by the Movement through its members.

In 2017, we will celebrate together the 100th anniversary of Joseph Wresinski's birth, the 30 years of the World Day to Overcome Extreme Poverty and the 60 years of ATD Fourth World.



Let's stay close





"All Together" refers to the unity of the Movement, as well as the necessity to join everyone's efforts to reach common goals.

"**Dignity**" represents the core of the ATD Movement. ATD members who live in extreme poverty and friends explain that dignity refers to the value of every human being, as well as the respect everyone deserves. Dignity represents the essence of humanity; everyone has dignity. However, in many cases, human beings are not respected as such.

ATD Fourth World is an international movement founded in France in 1957. It is now present in more than 30 countries worldwide. ATD Fourth World has been present in Tanzania since 1999 in Dar es Salaam: Tandale, Tegeta (Kunduchi, Boko), Chasimba and the Magogoni Fishmarket.

People living in extreme poverty are at the centre of our Movement, actively participating in the solutions to overcome extreme poverty, together we stand for the rights of all, creating public awareness and influencing public policies.



ATD TANZANIA in 2016

What will you find in this review ?

Please discover the various aspects of the actions led by ATD Fourth World and its members in 2016. This year, besides a large view of actions, events and successes achieved in 2016, we invite you to discover people, members who reveal what is ATD Tanzania today.

You will find a portfolio with a selection of the strongest images of the past year. You are welcome!

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Access to Rights

Education For All

Understanding and advocating for access to primary school education for children living in extreme poverty.

"Education helps me achieve my goals. Education is liberating for my life, my family and my community".

"Primary education is the right of every child irrespective of the status or culture of a particular society".

In March 2016, the Education for All Research Team finished a study that was conducted for a period of one year and a half. The study was comprised of six different topics according to people's lives: Self, Family and Friends, Housing and Community, Income, Health and School. Information was collected and analysed, the findings drawn out, which led to fifteen recommendations from the contribution of all people interviewed.

In June 2016, the Research Team staged a major seminar to present the research report and findings of the study. The seminar was attended by people from different social backgrounds including principals of primary schools, parents, local government leaders, education officials and other various education stakeholders.

At the end of 2016, the plans and strategies of 2017 were agreed, which include disseminating the results of the research by bring together education stakeholders to discuss the right of access to primary education for children living in extreme poverty. In the implementation of this there will be meetings that will bring together parents, teachers and local government officials to discuss the fundamental right of primary school education. The process will be conducted by a team formed of teachers, people living in poverty, and ATD Fourth World Volunteers.







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Birth Certificate

For the last year the ambition was to continue supporting families living in extreme poverty to get birth certificates for their children in specific areas of Dar es Salaam: Boko, Kunduchi and Tandale. We were looking for a new way in order to support them and as well other families in their community. Last year 64 children were registered and succeeded to get birth certificates.

People living in poverty at Kundunchi, Chasimba, Boko are supporting families: giving information, helping to fill the forms and be the contact with ATD Fourth World. The success of the project depends as well from the support of RITA's staff after many years of contact. As with any action aimed at accessing rights for the most excluded, everything is possible when citizens and institutions work together.

When families get the birth certificate they feel proud and hope for the future of their children. A birth certificate is a basic right and a key to fight exclusion from the society. ATD Fourth World will follow the project in 2017.

Adult Literacy Class

From July to November 2016 nearly twenty people attended a class regularly to learn how to read and write Swahili in the heart of the Fish Market, in the meeting room of the board of administration. Thanks to their support, three afternoons a week, two teachers from Ilala Education District facilitated the class. The learners experienced a new method called "Ndiyo Ninaweza" (Yes I Can), based on the experience for teaching adults. The group was composed of adults and young people having in common no chance as a child to follow primary school education. They left behind the shame that one could feel and showed strength and courage.

The class, implemented close to their place of living and working showed that with good conditions to learn, people can succeed, whatever the conditions of life.

The learners really lived a common story where they got to know each other. One of the youngest learners said: "We feel as a family, really. We meet together, we exchange, we support our neighbour. If someone misses one day we try to show him. We try to progress together".









ATD Fourth World International

General Assembly in Bangui

In mid-July Rehema Jackson Mapunda, Mbaraka Ramadhani Kilima and Salehe Mussa Seif represented ATD Fourth World Tanzania as they were among forty members of the Movement from seven countries in Africa. With the African Regional Delegation they met in Bangui, capital of the Central Africa Republic, for the Movement's regional assembly. Two themes were discussed: "The commitment to leave no one behind" and coresponsibility "Carrying the responsibility for the Movement together". It is important for friends, Volunteers and supporters of ATD Fourth World to know one another and help each other to take the movement forward while ensuring nobody will be left behind. Coming together allows us to support one another in our strengths and weaknesses in order to gain strength that can enable us to reach out to the most isolated people.

As we are an international movement and we all come from different cultures, when we meet together we learn to fully trust and depend on each other in spite of our great differences.

Street Library

At the Street Library in Tandale, every Wednesday afternoon, Volunteers with ATD friends facilitate different activities with children in the neighbourhood. More than sixty children, from 1 to 14 years old, participate at the Street Library each week. We welcomed two new young friends to animate: Margret and Rajabu.

Children

The Street Library is a place for children to collaborate, to create friendship with those who have no friends and play and learn at the same time. It is a place to prepare those who are not yet at school, a time of unity for children from different background to play together, to share things such as materials with other children. They discover many things such as books and different stories. The Street Library is open and free, to guarantee anyone can take part. The Street library is a place for parents and children where they can come and share what know and enjoy together.





Families

Changing at the Office

A new face for a new step

Since last November, our team has grown. We have welcomed new team members who are involved in the research on the dimensions of poverty and how to measure them. Meetings are regularly organized as part of this research. It has also been necessary to enlarge the office in order to have a work space adapted to the new changes. A new room was added, and we took advantage to do some maintenance work in the office. The roof was changed, and floors of two rooms of the office were tiled. The painting was done by the members of the team.

We also have a new fixed telephone line, the number is: **022 276 1717**. We are pleased with these modest improvements making the ATD office more beautiful and welcoming.

Presence and support

Essential to ATD's approach is the closeness with families living in extreme poverty. ATD Fourth World members visited one family who said: "When you visit us, we feel like people who have value in the community, we are listened and recognised in our effort."

Through visiting and presence the Movement can get a better understanding of the difficulties faced by people to overcome the daily challenges.

When a family welcomes ATD members, the relationship grows and gets stronger. Trust is reinforced and as friends we can understand together what could be done to support the efforts of everyone.

Extreme poverty often means a life where you are left behind. Being close to people in their neighborhood is a path to breaking the cycle of exclusion.





The Young Friends of ATD

Who are the Young Friends of ATD.... a diverse group of young people aged from 18 to 25, some who know and experience the challenges of poverty on a daily basis, others who come from a more stable environment, but each in his or her own unique way is committed to finding ways of changing their communities for the betterment of all.

What does it mean to be a Young Friend of ATD, they tell us "... to see the point of view of other people and give everybody time to speak; to learn from our experiences, and to change ourselves; to respect, trust and build friendship with people and tell others the meaning of friendship. To be a Young Friend of ATD is to be a friend of very poor people everywhere".

How do the Young Friends involve themselves in ATD... in each step the movement takes in Tanzania they are present, participating in the various projects of research and advocacy; running a Street Library; bring creativity, humour and drama to national events; developing their desire for learning through training and culture; and supporting each other when facing problems and in times of joy.

What is the Young Friends vision of fighting poverty... Pazi from the group said, "In the past I thought poverty is to not have enough money for food shelter and clothes. Then I went further in my understanding, I learned it is about exclusion, isolation and not being allowed to participate in society". Their solidarity and rejection of exclusion builds peace within their communities and brings hope for future generations.





Events

World Day for Overcoming Extreme Poverty

The 2016 World Day to Overcome Extreme Poverty brought together hundreds of people at Makembusho Village Museum, Dar es Salaam. Particular attention was given this year to the participation of all in order to put an end to poverty in all its forms, and to ensure that people living in extreme poverty are the first partners in all actions, decisions and projects.

In 2016, the 17th October committee wished to give feedback to the members of ATD, families and friends who often said, *"In fact, we don't really know what the Movement is doing in the country all along the year".* Families from different places, friends, officials from Education Offices and full time volunteers shared stories, challenges and successes based on the main actions of the Movement in Tanzania.

For each action the testimonies focused on the process of participation of those who do not have words and what can enable people to participate. For example, families who experienced getting birth certificates can share with others, sharing their new knowledge and supporting each other. ATD members living extreme poverty comanage the Education For All project and bring their knowledge to guarantee very concrete conclusions based on the reality and preoccupations of parents and children to access primary education.

The World Day for Overcoming Extreme Poverty stays as a day of celebration where everyone joins together to show to society there is a deep movement of citizens growing who refuse people being left behind. In 2017, we will celebrate the 30 years all over the world, an opportunity to give a new dimension and alert the society. At this occasion a call for all people, the Call to Action, is launched on the 12 February, 2017. See page 37.





Youth

Regional youth seminary

From 20 to 25 March 2016, thirty young people from Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia and the Democratic Republic of Congo met in Dar es Salaam. We were happy to celebrate the first international ATD Fourth World event held in Tanzania since the Movement was born here. Every meeting is an opportunity to strengthen the commitment of each of us for the future and bringing us together to share our beliefs, our doubts and enthusiasms.

This time the main actors were the young people and the heart of the seminar was to strengthen the commitments they are taking within their communities and to enhance the enthusiasm of active youth that carries with them the force to bring about changes.

As one of the youth said: "Any success or development of the world is in our hands as young people: a world where there will be no discrimination, a world without poverty. But we can only do that if we remain united. If we were not united, this meeting here in Dar es Salaam could not succeed. I learned to feel concerned by the problems of the other, that the problem of the other, this is my problem, and I have the right to help him get by. It is from this that we become friends of the friendless."

This seminar gave all of the participants the assurance that what they do is serious, they acquired the certainty and pride that *"The little things that everyone does become big things"*. Being friend of the friendless, this is a real success, and this success helps to build peace.

Ally said: "With the youth from other countries we had a good collaboration, as youth when you stay together you create love. This enabled us young people to do more than I had expected."





Poverty Indicators Study

Launch of the project

The Poverty Indicators study is a research project to understand what poverty is, its dimensions and how to measure them. It is an opportunity to engage the intelligence of people trapped in poverty and to rethink with them what is poverty and how to measure it together with other participants like academics, policy makers or social workers. The Merging of Knowledge method will be employed in which people facing extreme poverty and social exclusion will be empowered to exchange ideas with other participants and be recognised as corresearchers, on an equal footing.

ATD Fourth World Tanzania is collaborating with the International Movement based in Mery-sur-Oise (France) and Oxford University (U.K) in this study. The study team is composed of ATD Tanzania members: people living extreme poverty who are active in the actions of the Movement, practitioners and academics engaged for the period of the project.

The research will follow the deep culture of the preoccupation for the respect of dignity and human rights, especially for people living extreme poverty starting from their experience, and the contributions of those who live daily exclusion.

The conclusions of the study will enable people and institutions involved in fighting against extreme poverty to understand what people really live in order to take good decisions.



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Events in 2017

The Call To Action Campaign

FOURTH WORLD

ALL TOGETHER IN DIGNITY

With events on three continents, the International Movement ATD Fourth World launched its global Stop Poverty campaign on the 12 February, 2017. It highlights people living in extreme poverty as full partners in the fight to end poverty.

"Too often the suffering people living in poverty face is used to instil fear, to call for walls to be built, and to reject foreigners," Cassam Uteem, President of ATD Fourth World and former President of Mauritius said. "In 2017, we want to tell the world about someone (Joseph Wresinski) who started a movement to unite people – those who live in poverty and those who do not – in order to eliminate obstacles that keep some people at the bottom".

All year long we invite all of you to join the call to say Stop Poverty. You will be proposed to sign, give your voice, leave your testimony. Ask around to other ATD Fourth World members, share with your family, friends, neighbors to join the call. In 2017, we will celebrate as well the 100th birthday of Joseph Wresinski on the 12 February and the thirty years of the World Day for Overcoming Extreme Poverty.

If you have access to internet: http://www.atd-fourthworld.org/stop-poverty/call-to-action/ Kutokuwa na sehemu maalum ya kuishi, hofu kila siku nitakula nini. Kudharauliwa na mbaya zaidi kuonekana hawana thamani, elimu duni, watoto kutokwenda shule, kukumbwa na magonjwa mbali mbali, kufikiri kwamba kila wanachokifanya hakiwezekani. Haya ndio maisha ya watu maskini, hayana mwelekeo na huendelea kujiuliza licha ya juhudi zao zote, "*Nitakuwa wapi kesho?*"

Japokuwa umaskini ni janga kubwa ni kama mtu aliefumbwa mdomo na kushindwa kuongea, Lakini ni watu ambao huweka juhudi zao katika kuijenga dunia yenye amani na kuweza kuishi katika hali ya usawa na kutambulika kwa watu wengine.

Malengo

Thamani ya binaadamu wote ni sawa- kipaumbele kwa maskini

Kipaumbele cha ATD Dunia ya Nne ni kwenda hatua kwa hatua, bega kwa bega, na watu maskini katika vitu vyote tunavyofanya. Ili kujenga uaminifu, ushirikiano mzuri na kuifungua mioyo, akili zetu na kujuana vizuri na kuendelea kuwatafuta watu wengine wasiokuwepo. Tunapaswa kuheshimu na kuzingatia vikwazo wanavyokutana navyo kila siku na kuitia moyo jamii kujua juhudi na namna ya kujenga jamii nzuri.

Kujifunza katika maisha

Ni ile shauku ya kujifunza kutoka kwa watu wanaoishi katika hali ya umaskini katika rika zote haiwezi kupungua. Ukiangalia maisha magumu wanayo kumbana nayo. Kiundani uelewa wetu ni juu ya sura nzima ya elimu na kujifunza maisha,huanzia nyumbani katikaka jamii, shuleni na kwa ujumla kwenye maeneo yanayotoa elimu. Kipaumbele kitakua kutambua zile juhudi wanazozifanya watu wanaoishi katika umasikini na vikwazo wanavyo kumbana navyo katika kufanikisha suala la ujuzi. Lazima kuwasisitizia kujifunza kwa furaha na kuwatia moyo kwa kushiriki katika mafunzo yao na si kwa kufanya mashindano.

Vijana – ndio taifa la kesho

Katika kipindi cha ujana ni kipindi ambacho kila mmoja anataka kuonekana kuwa ni mtanashati na kujionyesha mbele za watu, lakini hukabiliwa na majukumu mazito ya kusaidia familia zao. Tutaendelea kuwatia moyo vijana kutoka matabaka tofauti kujitambua na kutimiza ndoto zao. Kuhakikisha kuwa juhudi zao zinatambulika katika jamii zao kama kujenga amani na kujenga taifa lao.

Dunia ni ya wote

Harakati zetu, mtazamo wetu, ni kwa dunia, kwa maskini na matajiri, kwa binaadamu wote kuishi kwa amani, umoja, utu na njia nzuri ya maisha. Tutawawezesha watu kufahamu na kuzifikia haki zao za msingi. Katika kueneza ujumbe tutashirikiana mitazamo, kwa kuanza na majirani, jamii yetu na walio mbali. Tutadumisha mshikamano na kuunda urafiki baina ya watu na makundi na kupeana ufahamu, mawazo na ujuzi tulionao kwa manufaa ya wote.



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