



Message from Sister Mūmbi

As many others have wondered, what does the ongoing war in Sudan mean for South Sudan? The latter's current state of relative peace in a majority of the country, stands on shaky feet. The peace agreement signed in 2018 is yet to be realized, five years later, a situation that heightens tensions.

With the withdrawal of humanitarian support and protection of civilian designation from all but one IDP camp, and all its ensuing implications, coupled with a large number of returnees that continue to return home from Sudan, one can only wonder what the future holds. The government has indicated that it lacks resources for either demographic to support them in their re-integration and movement to their home localities. I ask that you may pray in a special way for South Sudan and Sudan.

We are sad to hear that violence has broken out at the only PoC camp in South Sudan at Malakal, where we have one of our Solidarity members ministering. As you may know, this was one of the areas that was badly affected by the conflict in 2013, leading to Solidarity members having to abandon their compound and establish a new presence and teacher training college in Yambio.

On Solidarity's part, there has been reason to celebrate recently with more cheer anticipated in the



near future as students graduate from both of our institutions. These graduations tell only a part of the tremendous sacrifice and hard work on the part of our students in achieving this milestone. Many of them are not able to be with their families for the entire duration of their studies. I hope you will derive much joy in reading STTC's newsletter that highlights their recent graduation ceremony.

Wishing you all a good start to the summer, and be assured of our best wishes from Friends in Solidarity.

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Image: Mural on the walls of the South Sudan Council of Churches in Juba. Photo by Elizabeth Boyle