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An die Partner in Tansania

Regarding: Corona protection - experiences and recommendation

Dear Friends

The Corona Virus has entered the world like a thief in the night and we are challenged to meet it.

Our experiences:

Two months ago the Corona Virus seemed far away and soon after has spread fast all over Germany. Schools, shops - except for essential needs - were closed, meetings forbidden, movement limited. The fast spreading slowed down and has reached now the rate that each infected person infects one only (The target is to reduce this rate). But our health system can cope with the infected persons and is able to treat them. Slowly and only step by step social and economic life is reopened (i.e. shops of smaller size) - while measures by the experience are observed: keep distance (1,5m), avoid gatherings, travelling and wear protection mask wherever other people are nearby (obligatory).

We do hope we may return to normal life slowly - even if it takes a long time - when we adhere to the protection measures.

As keeping distance and wearing protection masks may help as a key we may share our experiences:

Attached you find a guidance collected by Agnes Riegler, Deputy Chairwoman of LfA, who is active in the social field. As she is a dressmaker herself, she has already manufactured/tailored more than 600 protecting masks and is spreading the skill. Besides the attached Scan you find also more information on the internet under corona protection mask (English) - as guidance and help. (Or: Mundschutz selber nähen - German) Kanga and Kitenge cloth are suitable.

As needle work/tailoring is one of the activities of the woman groups, tailoring protection masks may be an active measure to meet coming challenges - even if we don't know if, when and how this virus is entering our life.

Sharing your worry but also the hope to overcome
We remain united in spirit and prayer

For the members of Licht fuer Afrika e.V.

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