

SOW Update

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we are delighted to share with you some news from The Gambia, and to ask for your continued support in prayer. Saturday December 8th was the date for the graduation of all the students who completed their studies last year. There was a good turnout of over one hundred people, the new library (materials provided by SAVE and Zionsville Fellowship in the US & reading room was officially named and opened, and ...a Tailoring School was launched (there's



a 'SOW' pun in there somewhere, waiting to have you in stitches) thanks to a generous donation of twelve sewing machines. More on the Tailoring School another time, but there is already a lot of interest from the village, so let's pray that it will be fruitful in building relationships with the community.



The preaching course has continued at Tubakuta, this term the four residential students have been studying Ephesians, Exodus, Mark's Gospel, Bible Overview, and Discipleship training, alongside Principles of Preaching and regular Preaching Practice opportunities. Bible Overview and Discipleship studies take place at the Fajara centre two nights a week, and there has been a further

module for the group of trainee Christian Religious Education (CRE) teachers. In addition, the Tubakuta students have been taking English classes on Wednesday evenings, which are proving helpful.

Farming God's Way has focused on the groundnut harvest, and the battle continues to try to limit damage to the crops from monkeys, rats, and other pests. A new water tank has been installed on the farmland to help irrigation, and looking forward to the next growing season, fencing is being put up around a further two hectares of farmland, after which it can be cleared and start to be cultivated.