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Five Talents wins Sustain Award 2010



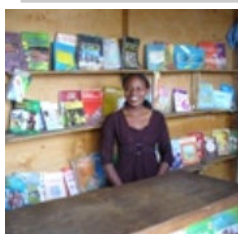
Five Talents won the International Prize for Global Citizenship at the 2010 Sustain Awards. The award recognised the contribution Five Talents makes to economic, social and environmental sustainability through its microlending and savings schemes in developing countries.

STOP PRESS – Five Talents has also been shortlisted for the Financial Times Sustainable Banking Awards in the category “Banking at the Base of the Pyramid”.



Burundi Training kicks off

Sixteen leaders from the Mothers' Union of Burundi came for training in Bujumbura in late February/early March. They were trained to deliver a Financial Literacy curriculum. They represented all 6 Dioceses in Burundi and will themselves go out to train a further 110 facilitators nationwide. This is the beginning of an exciting partnership between Five Talents and the Mothers' Union training thousands of men and women in financial skills and community managed loan funds.



Kenya Update – growing from strength to strength

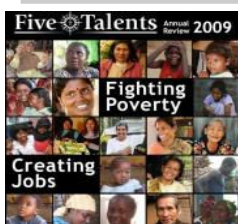
In the last 4 months the total savings of the Trust Groups in Thika, Kenya have increased by 12%, meaning each of the 1,882 members now has average savings of £110. It is from these savings that group members, like Grace pictured, are able to borrow from each other in a safe and affordable way. In her case, Grace and her sister Salome, borrowed £70 to buy second hand books for their bookshop which they are repaying over 6 months.



Seasonal Events

The Virgin London Marathon 2010 takes place on the 25th of April. Steve Taylor (pictured) and Sam Grindle will be pounding the streets of London to raise money for Five Talents. You can support them at <http://www.justgiving.com/bigstevesmarathon> and <http://www.justgiving.com/Sam-Grindle>.

Thank you to those of you who visited us at Spring Harvest. We will also be exhibiting at the TBN conference, Keswick Convention and New Wine south. Please come and visit the stand or help out for a few hours. Contact the office to join the team.



New Annual Review

During 2009 Five Talents grew its income by 45% and expenditure on charitable activities grew by 54% compared to 2008. Thank you so much for supporting this growth, enabling us to help more and more people with training, savings and small loans. The Annual Review for 2009 is now available, contact the office for a paper copy.

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