

# The McCabe Educational Trust

## DIARY OF THE YEAR 2007



### OCTOBER

**We are grateful to all the supporters of McCabe who helped us distribute £66,000 to very worthwhile ventures in the last year.**

A special **Thank You** to McCabe pilgrims who helped us raise **£13,748** during October, and a total of **£105,287.79** so far this year.

With your help, we will continue helping those in need we encounter on our travels.

### JEEL 150

Two men from Stormont in East Belfast recently undertook a sponsored walk of 150 miles, and raised £11,000 for Jeel al-Amal and the Lazarus Home.

The Revd David Humphries, Rector of Stormont, is a regular tour leader to the Holy Land, and in recent years has developed a good working relationship with McCabe Pilgrimages. His good friend David Davies accompanied him on this year's pilgrimage and visited the orphanages for the first time. Moved by what they experienced, the two Davids decided to embark on the walk, which they named the "Jeel 150", and they caught the interest and imagination of their fellow parishioners.



The Jeel 150 took them through the Country Down countryside, following the famous "Ulster Way". Both Davids are faithful environmentalists with a strong interest in nature, so the walk was an absolute delight to both of them, as they passed along the shore of Strangford Lough, one of the top conservation sites in Europe, and on into the heart of Down – land frequented in the 5<sup>th</sup> century by St Patrick and many other Irish saints.

The lads hope to re-visit the orphanages in Bethany on another pilgrimage in 2008.

### Be inspired !

We are so grateful to the two David's for their wonderful initiative which will make such a difference to the lives of the children in Bethany. We can present the need but we rely on our supporters to respond to the challenge.

**Let the McCabe Educational Trust be a channel for your charitable giving**

Send a general purpose donation OR send a specific donation

Remember The McCabe Educational Trust in your will

Become a regular donor to the McCabe Educational Trust with a standing order

**All administration costs of the McCabe Educational Trust are met in full by McCabe Pilgrimages.**

## A NEW BUILDING FOR AL SHUROOQ

Helen Shehadeh's work in the Beit Jala district of Bethlehem goes from strength to strength. At present 25 visually impaired children stay on the premises under the care of housemothers. Lessons are given in Arabic and English, and children who can cope with it are sent to main-stream education, where they continue to be supported. **Exciting times!** A new school and home is under construction and is being purpose built. The work is on schedule to be completed by Easter next year.



Helen has just launched an initiative to raise funds to pay for the interior fitting of the building. Below is an example of how you or your church could sponsor the furnishing of a classroom or a bedroom or a computer room. This is a picture of one of the classrooms that you or your church could provide funds for. You can view the idea in detail on the Al Shurooq website: [www.nsfvh.org](http://www.nsfvh.org)

**TO HELP** send your cheque or credit card donation to the McCabe Educational Trust. *Giftaid it* and we will add the tax rebate and forward the total funds to Helen. Together we can help make Helen's dream a reality!



<b>You could furnish a Class room</b>		<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Unit Price</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
This is the cost for each classroom				
Chairs	Unit	11	£30	£330
Wooden Table(120*55) cm, covered with oak veneer and solid wooden edges, with steel legs.	Unit	6	£120	£720
Vertical Shutters	M2	5	£3.75	£18.75
Wooden Cabinet 120*40*200 cm, covered with oak veneer and solid wood edges.	Unit	1	£325	£325
<b>Total</b>				<b>£1,393.75</b>