

The McCabe Educational Trust

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We are grateful to all the supporters of McCabe who helped us distribute £130,000 to very worthwhile ventures in the last year.

A special **Thank You** to McCabe pilgrims who helped us raise **£4,735** during June - a total of **£90,998** so far this year!

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

SPECIAL APPEAL FROM BETHLEHEM

Our friends at the Al Shurooq School for the Blind in Bethlehem are looking for qualified volunteer staff. We are circulating this appeal to friends in the hope that you may know of an individual or organisation that could help.



Helen Shehadeh writes:

“We hope to move into our new school building in September, the beginning of the new school term. The new building will enable us to expand our work and for the first time we will have the space to accommodate volunteers. We want to use this space to expand our work and improve our service to the blind and visually impaired in the Bethlehem area.

Our immediate need is for two volunteer teachers:

An Orientation and Mobility Instructor & someone to teach “Independent Living” also sometimes called “daily living skills”. These two subjects are most important for blind children and adults in order to achieve full independence. Both of these specializations are sadly lacking throughout the West Bank.



Ideally a volunteer would stay for three to six months and would train a local person in the required skills to continue the programme after the volunteer went home.”

Do you know somebody who could help?

Do you have contacts with any local organisations working with the blind and visually impaired?

PLEASE CONTACT HELEN DIRECTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION
Helen Shehadeh, Director Al Shurooq School for Blind Children Bethlehem

Email: info@nsfvh.org website: www.nsfvh.org

The McCabe Educational Trust is pleased to support this initiative and applicants should ask us for help with air fares and the logistics of travelling to Bethlehem. Helen will provide board and lodgings and pocket money to cover incidental expenses.

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Katherine Leigh

I have just got back from camp with the Al Shurooq School! It was amazing. One of the greatest experiences of my life! I want to send my thanks to all at McCabe. The children were all remarkable. The older ones spoke very good English for their age and I could just tell how happy they all were.

I feel you should advertise the opportunity of volunteering here. Miss Helen is desperate for people to come and it would be a mutually beneficial experience. I have had a brilliant time!!!

*Here are some pictures of myself, Helen and the children at the camp.
Kat Leigh*



Katherine is currently volunteering her services at the Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation, run by Helen's brother Edmund. The McCabe Educational Trust were delighted to be able to support Katherine with a contribution to her travelling costs.

Katherine has promised to write to us about her work at BASR and we will feature her report in a future newsletter.

