

## SEE THE NEW FARM!

The first season's crops are growing well! Corn & beans will be ready for harvest in June, manioc later in the year. This will feed the students & poorest members of FEBA, many of whom are almost starving in the current politico-economic situation. The rest will be sold to pay for other necessities to support nutrition & health. Thank you for our farm, First Presbyterian Church of Evanston!



Before they can harvest, the women need a place to stay at the farm & storage for the crops until they are transported to Kinshasa. First Presby has started a farm-house project. Thank you! (For now

FEBA rents space on a truck for transport to Kinshasa, but eventually the project needs its pick-up for a self-sustaining agricultural success.



The farm guard hosted Mme Henriette & Mme Antoinette when they came to see the progress & assess on-going needs... such as weeding!!!

**Coming next time: the sewing school moves into the Tomisunga Women's Center!**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual RunAgainstRape



Grab a friend, an aunt, a brother, your kids, & run, walk, row, or bike a 5K wherever you are! Our third annual RunAgainstRape will launch again this coming June. Choose a day in June, run your 5K wherever you are, & send Woman, Cradle of Abundance a picture & \$25 for each person involved. In the past, the creativity had families swimming, rocking in rocking chairs, biking & hiking a 5K, all to raise money to help our Congo sisters. Extra points for the most creative 5K!

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## MAMAN MONIQUE ON TV



On April 2 Maman Monique was interviewed on The Dr. Joy Show hosted on Princeton Community TV! The podcast will be on [our](#) website by the end of May: come watch the star!

## Communiversity 2018

It was wonderful! Great thanks to Susan & Mayra for set up & running it all, to Cheryl & Joe; lovely friendly parrots Maddie & Mariah posed with guests. Susan congratulates a beautiful customer modeling her new FEBA jacket!



Don't you want one, too?! Or a pillow cover, bag, shirt, bracelet, earrings?



Special thanks to a great bunch of young people from Hands Across the Water (HAW) in Plainsboro! From middle school (CMS) through high (HSNorth) they have enthusiastically supported students in eastern Congo: education for orphans in Uvira & Goma, hope for war-torn communities. HURRAH, HAW!

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## Suffering Floods



Our sisters & brothers in Uvira, Goma, survivors of war & rape, orphans & widows, are mourning the deaths of friends & family who have been drowned. We have sent some aid; you can help.

## Climate Change Disasters

In Congo the annual rainy season used to be a predictable heavy rain (1+ hours/ day) for about 6 months. Now it has become an annual disaster of continuous torrential rains that produce floods, unpredictable in timing or length. In Kinshasa (south of the equator) people as well as homes were swept away in Nov.-Dec. In northeastern Congo, on the other side of the equator, now is the disaster.



Mountains wash down on villages, nearby Lake Tanganyika has inundated coastal inhabitants. Many are struggling to stay alive huddled together without shelter, rain beating down on them.

## CONTRIBUTE OR GET INVOLVED

Contribute: Donate securely via Stripe at [www.WomanCradleofAbundance.org/donate](http://www.WomanCradleofAbundance.org/donate) .

Please designate "Leadership Development" in the purpose line to contribute to equipping the next generation of leaders, or "Farm Needs," or "Sustaining Gift" to support ongoing work.

Checks payable to Woman, Cradle of Abundance can be mailed to the following address:

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Volunteer: Contact Cheryl Ciaranca, Community Outreach Coordinator, at [cciaranca@gmail.com](mailto:cciaranca@gmail.com) or 215.292.3290 to discuss ways to partner with Woman Cradle of Abundance.