

significant increase in production needs training, manufacturing, and marketing. This is where Al-Othman Vocational Training Center comes into play.

I swear it's a happiness that cannot be described in words when Kuwait is a part of something that plants good and aids in changing economic patterns which supports those in need, away from the intervention of governments. This simply means that the welfare goes directly to the owners without intermediaries.

To be honest and without being hypocrite, in the delegation of Bayt Zakat I saw piety, enthusiasm, and sincerity. The guys weren't going on a picnic, because what was due in a week, was done in a mere three days. This is because brother Ibrahim Al-Saleh believes that time is a commitment. And the dear brother Adel Al-Jari, Director of External Activities, is no less eager than Mr. Ibrahim. For instance, Ali Al-Theferi, our courteous ambassador, invited us all to join him for dinner at his home. Mr. Ibrahim politely declined the invitation preferring instead to inspect and evaluate one of the orphanages requesting sponsorship from Bay Zakat. It's the policy of Bayt Zakat that a delegate must personally visit any organization requesting support. The next day I saw him thrilled. I said: "We missed you at dinner yesterday." He replied: "Praise be to God, now we sponsor another two hundred orphans." This delegation with its entire members and our embassy's employees there are an excellent bundle of the people of Kuwait, and we should truly raise our *Agal* for them.

So thank you for Bayt Zakat, for everyone who contributed to this work, and a great big thanks to Kuwait.