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## JAMHOUR ALUMNI U.S. ANNUAL EVENT – DECEMBER 8, 2012

Dear fellow Alumni and Friends,

Jamhour Alumni US started in 2003, as a New York-based not-for-profit organization with 501-c3 status, after an appeal from Père Daccache s.j., then Recteur of the Notre Dame de Jamhour College. The school was in dire need of support, as a large number of students' families did not have the means to pay their tuitions, and the College always said: we cannot reject a student because his family does not have the financial means to support him or her. Over the past eight years, JAUS, with the help of our Canadian fellow Alumni, raised over \$1.2M in funds supporting students' tuitions. This action bore fruit, as we have created a following with other Alumni, in particular in Lebanon, who started to provide enough funds thru high-level donations from prominent Anciens. The pressure on the College itself has abated, however, the Jesuit education mission is now focused on a broader scope. The Réseau Jamhour was created to use the leverage that the College has to help other schools under Jesuit sponsorship in the Bekaa. Three schools, previously managed by the Sisters of the Holy Hearts are now under Jesuit supervision thru the Réseau Jamhour. Père Marek Cieřlik, s.j. is in charge of the Bekaa schools. He has appealed to us earlier this year, the schools are in a same situation as was the College years ago in terms of tuitions and other infrastructure needs, and we can make a difference.

Père Marek gave us a short history on the Bekaa schools:

Since May 4, 2012, three Jesuit schools in the Bekaa: Technical Institute of Our Lady of Consolation in Tanaïl, Notre-Dame de la Consolata School in Jdita and St. Elie School in Taalabaya became part of the Notre Dame de Jamhour Network. Each of these three schools was founded at a different time and with a particular perspective. The Technical Institute of Our Lady of Consolation in Tanaïl was launched in 1922, serving first as an orphanage. Notre-Dame de la Consolata School in Jdita, founded in 1944, was initially a vocational school for women in the village. As for the Saint-Elie School in Taalabaya, initiated in 1890, it started as a primary school. Changes in the historical context of these schools has led them to become either a Semi-Free primary school – this is the case of the school in Jdita and Taalabaya or, in the case of the Tanail School, a private school in which there are three cycles: primary, secondary (technical – and then three years ago: academic), and higher technical.

These schools have always been under Jesuit responsibility, but they were directed, and this for almost 50 years, by the Sisters of the Holy Hearts (Sœurs des Saints-Cœurs). Around ten years ago the Jesuits found a steady decline in its Bekaa schools, up to a point of considering the possibility to withdraw. It is in this perspective that a committee of Jesuit schools in the Bekaa was formed, a committee including former Recteur of the College Notre-Dame de Jamhour and current Recteur of the Université Saint-Joseph, Père Salim Daccache. The committee quickly identified not only the causes of the decline of these schools, but also what should be done to save them.

Lebanon instability has impaired the operations of all schools in the country. The partly government-subsidized schools have particularly suffered as they lost their subsidies and faced a fierce competition from subsidized denominational schools. The previous agreement with the Sisters of the Holy Hearts was changed: presently, the Jesuits control the administrative, educational and financial aspects of the school. A weekly board meeting is held that includes the Recteur of Notre Dame de Jamhour: Père Bruno Sion, s.j.. Over half of the faculty teachers and administrators body is new. The core curriculum is set according to the Jamhour standards. The teachers' continuous education program is supervised by Jamhour coordinators and prefects. Accounting is overseen by Jamhour's accountants.

It is important to note that a significant positive effect has taken place once these Bekaa schools became part of the Réseau Notre Dame de Jamhour: teachers feel more supported, and student enrollment is increasing: this year we have 1416 girls and boys: this is 60 more students compared to last year. The prospect is greater integration thanks to network meetings with coordinators by discipline with our Colleagues of Jamhour. The plan for the future is a stronger integration with the Jamhour School and a closer cooperation with its faculty.

We have enclosed for your review the list of the students we hope to sponsor with a brief description of their social situation.

We are counting on your support for the Education in Lebanon and especially in the Bekaa schools, where it is much needed.

Sincerely,

Jamhour Alumni US

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**SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS**

**L'Ecole Secondaire et l'Institut Technique Supérieur Notre-Dame de la Consolata in Tanail**

Founded 1922 as an orphanage, then transformed into a private school (complémentaire, secondaire technique, technique supérieure, et secondaire académique profil sciences)

Today, has 480 students, an increase of 26 compared to last year.

Tuition need \$45,000.



**INSTITUT TECHNIQUE NDC**

	Class	Full Tuition	scholarship	Social problem
1	TS3	\$2,000	\$333	Family of 4 children. the Father is a businessman, his work has been affected by the economic crisis facing the country
2	TS3	\$2,000	\$500	Family of 3 children. The father is unemployed
3	TS2	\$1,833	\$168	Family of 3 children, Father employee in a company, and with his small salary he can not ensure the needs of the family
4	TS2	\$1,833	\$333	Family of 3 children. The father is a factory worker. It affects the minimum wage which is causing financial difficulties.
5	TS2	\$1,833	\$333	Family of 3 children. The father is a builder and can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
6	TS1	\$1,833	\$467	Family of 3 children, the father was a blacksmith and his performance is modest enough to cover all the family's needs.
7	TS1	\$1,833	\$333	Family of 4 children, the father is a worker in a company and with its modest salary barely provides daily needs.
8	TS1	\$1,833	\$333	Family of 4 children, the father is a worker in a company and with its modest salary barely provides daily needs.
9	TS1	\$1,833	\$333	Family of 2 children. The father is a builder, works only in summer.
10	TS1	\$1,833	\$1,000	Family of 5 children. The father is a worker in a company and with its modest salary it is difficult to ensure the school.
11	TS1	\$1,833	\$500	Family of 2 children, the father is a driver in a company with minimal salary, he can not provide for his family.
12	TS3	\$2,000	\$1,334	Family of 3 children. The father owns a small shop in the neighborhood and has health problems, it can not cover all the needs of the family.
13	TS1	\$1,833	\$333	Large family of 7 children 2 of which are students at the university, the father owns a small shop, it does not lead to ensure all requests for his family.
14	TS1	\$1,833	\$500	Family of 3 children, the father is a workman in a factory, it affects the minimum wage that is sufficient to cover the needs as necessary.
15	TS2	\$1,833	\$700	Family of 2 children, the parents are separated, and the mother with her work can not repay the amount of schooling.
16	TS1	\$1,833	\$1,000	Family of 3 children. The father is a driver. Its very modest income that does not allow him to cover basic needs.
17	TS2	\$1,833	\$1,000	Family of 2 children, the father has serious health problems, it can not work.
18	TS2	\$1,833	\$500	Family of 3 children. The father works daily basis that it prevents them from having a fixed return end of the month.
		<b>\$33,495</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	

**ECOLE NDC TANAIL**

	Class	Full Tuition	scholarship	Social problem
1	SV	\$1,567	\$267	Family of 2 children. The father owns a small shop in the neighborhood, it can not cover all the needs of the family.
2	S2	\$1,500	\$133	Family of 3 children. The Father is a businessman, his work has been affected by the economic crisis facing the country. The girl is brilliant pupil.
3	S2	\$1,500	\$667	Family of 4 children. The father is unemployed.
4	SV	\$1,567	\$333	Family of 5 children, the father has free job and health problems, it can not ensure the amount of schooling.
5	S1	\$1,433	\$1,000	Family of 4 children, the father is a mason, he can not find work. The girl is brilliant pupil.
6	S1	\$1,433	\$1,233	Family of 2 children attending college. The father is a janitor with minimal salary, it can not cover all the needs of his family.
7	S1	\$1,433	\$400	Family of 3 children, the father is an employee in a company, and with his small salary he can not ensure the needs of the family.
8	S2	\$1,567	\$667	Family of 2 children. The father is a taxi driver, his work yields are insufficient for daily needs. The boy is brilliant pupil.

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9	SG	\$1,567	\$533	Family of 2 children. Father worker in a company, he has serious health problems.
10	SG	\$1,567	\$867	Large family of 7 children including 2 university, the father is a driver, it does not lead to ensure all requests for his family. The girl is brilliant pupil.
11	S1	\$1,433	\$500	Family of 2 children, the father has serious health problems, it can not work.
12	S1	\$1,433	\$333	Family of 3 children. The father is a builder and can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
13	S1	\$1,433	\$400	Family of 3 children. The father is a builder. He works only during the summer.
14	S1	\$1,433	\$667	Family of 2 children, the father is a worker in a company and with its modest salary barely provides daily needs. The girl is brilliant pupil.
15	SV	\$1,567	\$333	Family of 2 children, the parents are separated, and the mother with her job can not pay the full amount of tuition.
16	SV	\$1,567	\$333	Family of 3 children including one university. The father is a driver. Its very modest income that does not allow him to cover basic needs.
17	SV	\$1,567	\$133	Family of 3 children, the father is a workman in a factory, it affects the minimum wage that is sufficient to cover the needs as necessary.
18	S1	\$1,433	\$267	Family of 3 children. The father works on the daily basis and this does not allow him to have a fixed return in the end of the month.
19	SV	\$1,567	\$533	Family of 3 children. The daily wage of the father does not allow him to have a fixed return in the end of the month.
20	SV	\$1,567	\$1,567	Family of 4 including 2 children academics. The father is Painter, li not working regularly, which prevents it to ensure all needs. The girl is brilliant pupil.
21	SV	\$1,567	\$1,000	Family of 4 children. The father is a worker in a company and with its modest salary it is difficult to ensure the school. The girl is brilliant pupil.
22	S2	\$1,500	\$200	Family of 2 children, the father is a driver in a company with minimal salary, he can not provide for his family.
23	S1	\$1,433	\$467	Mary, daughter unique. Les parents are separated. She is supported by her mother is a hairdresser, it can provide just the basic needs. The girl is brilliant pupil.
24	S1	\$1,433	\$133	Family of 2 children. The father owns a small snack, with minimal cash it can not cover the entire schooling.
25	S1	\$1,433	\$667	Family of 4 children, the father with his free labor can not find regular work to ensure all household needs.
26	S2	\$1,500	\$1,500	Family of 3 children father is a tiler, given the country's economic situation it does not work as it takes to ensure the amount of schooling. The girl is brilliant pupil.
27	SV	\$1,567	\$133	Family of 2 children. The father works abroad, he has financial problems.
28	S1	\$1,433	\$533	Family of 2 children with a university. The father Painter and yields this job, can not pay the schooling.
29	SV	\$1,567	\$333	Rana is an only child, her father is old it does not work. Her mother works part-time in order to ensure just needs necessary of life.
30	S1	\$1,433	\$333	Family of 3 children. The father is a factory worker. It affects the minimum wage.
31	S1	\$1,433	\$1,000	Family of 3 children, 2 are academics. The father has a chronic illness and it is in a company driver. With his modest salary, he can not provide all the daily needs.
32	S1	\$1,433	\$200	Family of 2 children. The father is an electrician.
33	EB9	\$1,367	\$533	Elias is an orphan, he is supported by his mother. Elias is a brilliant pupil.
34	EB9	\$1,367	\$400	Elias is an only child, his father is aged, her mother works to ensure the needs indispensables. Elias is a brilliant pupil.
35	EB9	\$1,367	\$402	Parents are separated, the mother works cleaning woman.
36	S2	\$1,500	\$1,000	Family of 2 children attending college. The father is a janitor with minimal salary, it can not cover all the needs of his family.
		<b>\$53,467</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	

**Notre Dame de Consolata in Jdita**

Most recent school, founded in 1944. Started as a professional school for women in the village. With the change in social context, it became a semi-free school like Taalabaya (pre-scholar and primary). Today, has 226 students (10 less than last year).  
Tuition need is USD 10,000



	Class	Full Tuition	scholarship	Social problem
1	PS3	\$919	\$167	Family of 2 children, employed father can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
2	PS3	\$919	\$67	The father can not ensure the immediate needs of his family.

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3	PS3	\$919	\$133	The father is a worker with his modest salary it can not ensure the immediate needs of his home
4	PS3	\$919	\$200	Family of 2 children, employed father can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
5	PS3	\$919	\$133	Family of 2 children, the father is a mechanic. Income is not enough for your daily needs. .
6	PS3	\$919	\$133	Family of 2 children, the father is a mechanic can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
7	PS3	\$919	\$67	Family of 2 children, his father mechanic with modest incomes, it can provide just the necessary for his family.
8	PS3	\$919	\$67	Family of 2 children, with the father's income can not cover the tuition.
9	PS3	\$919	\$100	Family of 3 children, the employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
10	PS3	\$919	\$500	Only daughter.'s Father died a few years. This is the single mother who supports her daughter
11	PS3	\$919	\$67	The father is a factory worker, he received the minimum wage.
12	PS3	\$919	\$100	Employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
13	PS3	\$919	\$133	Family of 2 children, father's income does not cover the needs of his family.
14	PS3	\$919	\$67	Family of 2 children, the father is a builder, his income is minimal.
15	PS3	\$919	\$133	Family of 3 children, father worker in a unsine his salary is minimal.
16	PS2	\$919	\$133	Family of 3 children, the employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
17	PS2	\$919	\$133	Separated parents, it is the mother who takes care of the children.
18	PS2	\$919	\$67	Family of 2 children, the father is a mechanic can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
19	PS2	\$919	\$67	Family of 2 children, the father is a mason can barely ensure the immediate needs of the home.
20	PS2	\$919	\$33	Ghazal is an only daughter, the father's modest salary does not allow the family to ensure their needs.
21	PS2	\$919	\$133	Family of 2 children, the father is a worker in a factory can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
22	PS2	\$919	\$333	The girl is sick (kidney problem).
23	PS2	\$919	\$200	Family of 2 children, employed father can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
24	PS1	\$717	\$267	Family of 3 children, the father is sick, the father's income can not cover the schooling of her three children.
25	PS1	\$717	\$167	Family of 2 children. The mother is sick. Employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
26	PS1	\$717	\$67	The father works in a factory, he receives a minimum wage.
27	PS1	\$717	\$67	Family of 2 children. The father is sick, it is the mother who works to ensure the needs of the family
28	PS1	\$717	\$67	Family of 2 children. Employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
29	PS1	\$717	\$200	Family of 3 children, the father is a factory worker, he has financial difficulties
30	PS1	\$717	\$67	Family of 3 children, the employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
31	EB5	\$552	\$67	Family of 2 children, father carpenter can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
32	EB5	\$552	\$67	The father is a driver. His income is not enough to ensure basic needs.
33	EB5	\$552	\$67	The father died a few years. This is the mother who supports her family.
34	EB5	\$552	\$67	The father is sick employee just happens to provide the needs of his family.
35	EB4	\$552	\$67	Employed father can hardly ensure the needs of the home.
36	EB3	\$552	\$67	Family of 2 children, employed father can hardly ensure the immediate needs of the home.
37	EB2	\$552	\$100	The daughter is sick, she needs to take medication continuously.
38	EB1	\$552	\$67	The father is a driver, his income is not enough to ensure the needs of his home.
39	EB1	\$552	\$100	The parents of the girl are separated. Moreover, her father is sick.
40	EB1	\$552	\$100	Family of 3 children. The father can hardly ensure the needs of his family.
		<b>\$31,676</b>	<b>\$4,832</b>	

**St Elie School in Taalabaya**

The oldest school in the Reseau Jamhour, founded in 1890. It is also the largest: 710 students, 40 more than last year. Offers pre-school, primary. Semi-free, its student population is from poor origins. Semi free means it depends on government subsidies, which is good (half the tuition is gov't financed) but also a disaster, as the government has a 3 to 4-year delay in paying the tuitions.  
Tuition need is USD 35,000



	Class	Full Tuition	scholarship	Social problem
1	G.S	\$918	\$300	2 children at school, poor family .
2	EB6	\$552	\$133	The father is a farmer with a yield minimal.
3	EB6	\$552	\$133	The father is a farmer with a yield minimal.
4	M.S	\$919	\$167	Poor family, the father is unemployed.
5	P.S	\$652	\$250	3 kids at school, the father's salary is minimal.

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6	M.S	\$919	\$67	The father is a taxi driver and affects daily.
7	EB6	\$552	\$466	3 kids at school, and the father is a watchman in a hospital.
8	EB4	\$552	\$366	3 kids at school, and the father is a watchman in a hospital.
9	M.S	\$918	\$250	3 children at school, and the father is a traveling salesman.
10	EB5	\$552	\$400	2 children at school, the father is a janitor of a building in Beirut and his family stays in the Bekaa.
11	G.S	\$919	\$167	The father is a laborer, his wages are daily.
12	M.S	\$919	\$167	The father is a laborer, his salary is 600,000 L.L. per month.
13	G.S	\$919	\$467	The father is a laborer in a hair salon with a minimum salary.
14	M.S	\$919	\$467	5 children to school and the father is unemployed.
15	M.S	\$919	\$800	Family of 2 children. The father receives the minimum salary.
16	G.S	\$919	\$200	The father is in prison.
17	M.S	\$919	\$333	2 children in school and the father is a laborer.
18	G.S	\$919	\$800	The family has financial problems.
19	G.S	\$919	\$200	Family of 2 children. The yield of father's work is insufficient.
20	P.S	\$652	\$200	The father is a joiner worker.
21	EB3	\$552	\$150	Refuges from Syria.
22	P.S	\$652	\$600	The father has a free work can not ensure the needs of his family.
23	P.S	\$652	\$600	The father is a worker in a factory, his salary is modest.
24	EB2	\$552	\$467	Family of 2 children, the parents are separated and the mother is the only one taking care of the children.
25	EB1	\$552	\$467	Family of 2 children, the parents are separated and the mother is the only one who takes care of the children.
26	P.S	\$652	\$200	Large family and the father's wage is 650.000, - L.L. a month.
27	EB3	\$552	\$133	3 children in the school and the father is unemployed.
28	EB1	\$552	\$100	The father is sick and does not work.
29	G.S	\$919	\$67	The father is a disabled person.
30	EB4	\$552	\$333	3 children at school, the father does not bear the responsibility of his family.
31	M.S	\$919	\$600	5 children to school and the father is a farmer.
32	M.S	\$919	\$133	4 children at the school and the mother is cancerous.
33	M.S	\$919	\$233	Two children and the father is unemployed.
34	EB1	\$552	\$267	4 children at the school and it is a very poor family.
35	EB5	\$552	\$133	The father is unemployed.
36	EB6	\$552	\$333	3 kids at school and the father is a taxi driver, no salary.
37	G.S	\$919	\$333	3 children in the school and the family is poor.
38	EB2	\$552	\$167	2 children in school. Father's salary is modest.
39	G.S	\$919	\$467	A large family of 10 children of which 4 are in school.
40	EB3	\$552	\$333	The pupil is sick, he has a big problem in hearing.
41	G.S	\$919	\$167	The father is unemployed.
42	G.S	\$919	\$167	2 children in school. The father receives a modest salary.
43	EB4	\$552	\$167	2 children in school and the father is in prison.
44	G.S	\$919	\$333	Very poor family.
45	P.S	\$737	\$600	Family of 2 children. The mother works housekeeper.
46	G.S	\$919	\$333	3 children in school. The father is deaf man.
47	EB6	\$552	\$467	3 children in school. The father is a laborer.
48	EB5	\$552	\$333	3 children in school. The father is a farmer.
49	G.S	\$919	\$733	4 children at the school. The father is a poor workman.
50	EB4	\$552	\$167	2 children in school and the father is unemployed.
51	EB4	\$552	\$167	3 children in school and the father is unemployed.
52	EB5	\$552	\$167	2 children in school. One of them is very sick.
53	EB1	\$552	\$167	3 children in the school and the father receives a modest salary.
54	G.S	\$919	\$200	The father is unemployed.
55	G.S	\$919	\$200	The father is a laborer. He receives a salary per day.
56	EB4	\$552	\$200	2 children in school and the father is a laborer.
57	M.S	\$919	\$267	3 children to school. The father is a taxi driver. No fixed salary.
58	G.S	\$919	\$167	3 children in the school and the father is a day laborer.
59	EB3	\$552	\$250	3 children in the school and the father is a day laborer.
60	G.S	\$919	\$67	The father is a driver, he receives a salary per day.
61	EB4	\$552	\$232	The father is blind and does not work.
		<b>\$44,998</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	