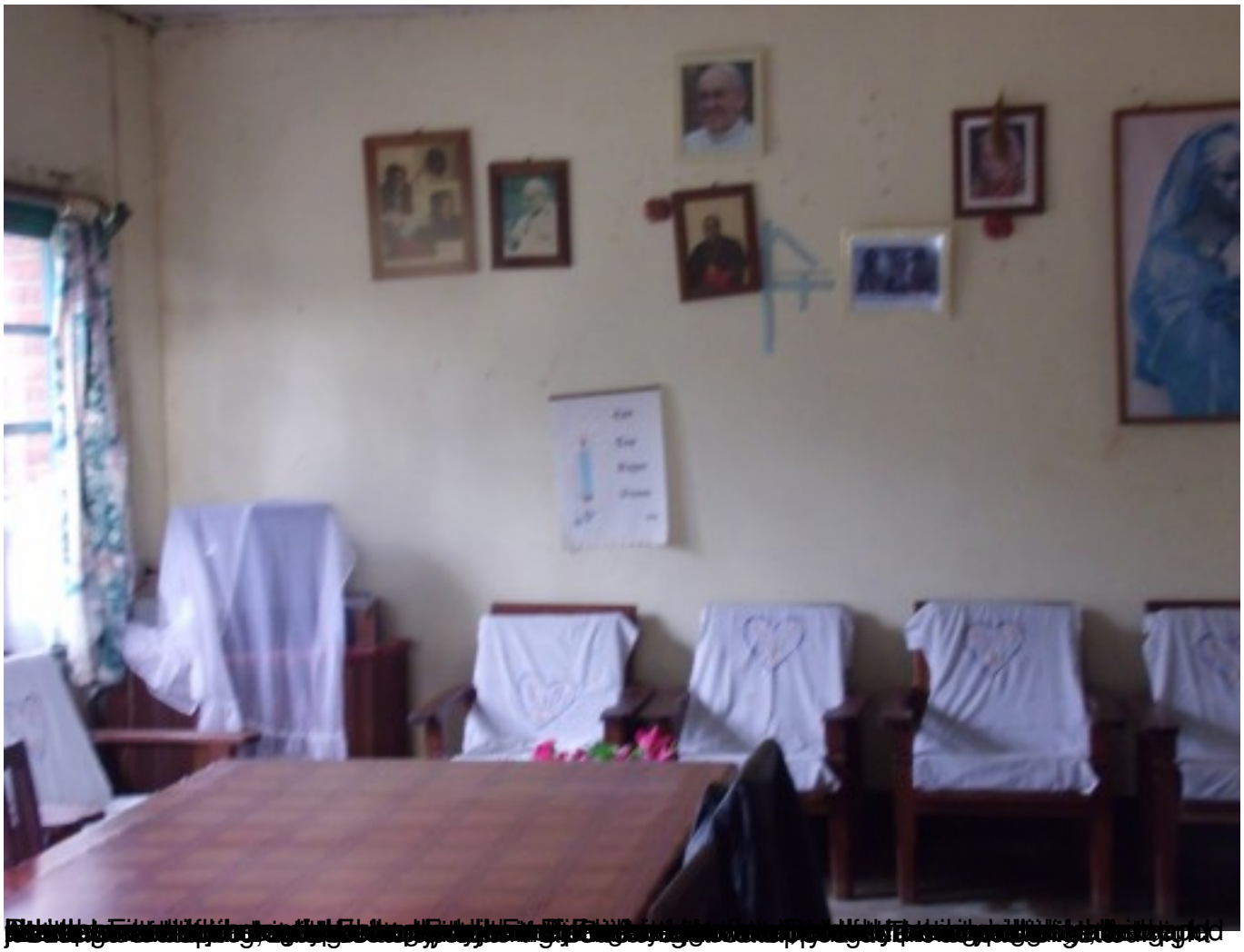


On October 6, 2014, my friend Ronda Lamoree and I flew out of Logan Airport to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Our purpose was to meet the sponsored children who are part of Kids in the Congo, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization co-founded by Congolese Assumptionist Fr. Salvator Musande and myself.

Fr. Ephrem Kapitula, the Regional Superior of the Assumptionists in Eastern Congo was our guide and translator for the 2 weeks we were in DRC. In addition to meeting our children and their families, we had the opportunity to visit the Assumptionist parishes in Butembo and Kyondo, the Palm Oil Plantation in Mbau, the Institute Superior Emmanuel D'Alzon in Butembo (ISEAB) which is the Assumptionist college. We also visited Radio Moto, the Assumptionist radio station which is the most trusted source of news in Eastern Congo, and an orphanage in Beni-Paida managed by the Oblate Sisters of the Assumption.









On Oct 19th, Fr Tekindalingya traveled from Butembo to Mbau to say Mass on the 2nd Anniversary of the kidnapping.