

ABSTRACT

This study explores the correlation between entrepreneurial knowledge needed by Vocational school graduates and the reality of what knowledge they get in order to perform small scale enterprises. The study was done in the ELCT Karagwe Diocese by concentrating on the two vocational Training Centres namely NYVTC (Nkwenda Youth Vocational Training Centre) and LOVTC (Lukajange Orphans Vocational Training Centre) in Kyerwa and Karagwe government Districts as a representative sample. The study aims at promoting the performance of Vocational school graduates as micro- entrepreneurs in their entrepreneurial endeavours so as to reduce income poverty among the population, promote employment creation and contribute to the growth of national economy.

The general objective of this study was to assess the contents of the ELCT/KAD Vocational Training Centres in order to find the gap which results into unemployment of the graduates. The research had three specific objectives: to examine the contents of the syllabus of the ELCT/KAD Vocational Training Centres, to determine the gaps which lead to unemployment of the graduates and to find out measures that can be taken by the KAD Vocational Training Centres to foster employment to its graduates hence fit in the global market.

The achievement of the study objectives were obtained through research methodologies and tools such as questionnaires and their administration, interviews (both structured and unstructured), observation of the realities in the field, review of various documents and literatures relevant to the study. The data for the study were generated from a survey of 20 randomly selected KAD VTC graduates in Kyerwa and Karagwe. The study revealed that the two vocational training centres are not teaching entrepreneurship and its elements therefore calling for implementation of it. This knowledge may lead them to starting their micro-enterprises and be able to run them.