A Volunteer Service Meaningful to Me

In the fast-changing modern times, capitalism has conquered every part of the world, bringing us a brand new world with luxuriously material life and, sadly, an even wider gap between the rich and the poor. The most well-known example is Africa, the poorest continent of all. While people in the developed countries are enjoying their hopeful and colorful life, tens of thousands of people there are facing the end of their miserable lives, on account of starving, and many of them are children and new-born babies. As a consequence, I would like to be a volunteer to help the needy in Africa if possible, to bring the light of hope to those live in darkness and despair.

As we know, most people tend to do others a favor with the substantial amount of fortune. Nonetheless, I don’t really consider it the most helpful solution to the difficulties that Africans are facing. One significant reason is that what they truly need is food, and donating money, however, doesn’t mean that they can get food directly and immediately. Accordingly, going straightly to Africa and teach them some techniques of cultivation or whatever they need while delivering them material assistance may be the best way to help them. So before being a volunteer in Africa, I would like to learn something first, and the techniques I want to learn most are that of cultivation.

Food shortage is a hot issue in Africa and throughout the world, and that is probably why considerable people in Africa died of hunger. The primary cause of food shortage, nevertheless, is not the infertility of the ground, but the world’s imbalanced economic system. The farmers in Africa merely know how to cultivate the commercial crops, such as coffee beans, which grow better in the tropical zone. Yet, even a child know that coffee beans can’t be staples, neither do other commercial crops. As a result, I hope I can learn the techniques to cultivate crops that can be staple, such as rice, corns or potatoes, in order to give those poor farmers as well as their families a hand, saving them from the gradually serious food shortage and the unfair global economic system.

Furthermore, I would like to teach them English, the language they are not familiar with while people around the world are. Needless to say, English has become an universal language since the eighteenth century, and it is of great importance even until now, the age of global villiage. Therefore, children in the undeveloped regions like Africa may be more competitive in the future in this fast-paced world if they have great proficiency and comprehension in English. Being fortunate to have the capability of speaking English, I wish I can share my fortune to others, especially the brilliant but poor African children. I am deeply convinced that by doing so, the future of those lovely black angels will be brighter, and future of Africa will no more be hopeless, hiding in the shadows.

In my opinion, helping others can nourish my soul and broaden my horizons, paring the way for a more colorful life. I believe that being a volunteer will be a spark, which lights of the fire, my desire to do the world a favor. Undoubtedly, a volunteer service in Africa will be meaningful, incredibly meaningful in that it opens my door to a whole new life, giving me a thoroughly new experience that I have never come across but willing to do. And I swear I will spare no effort to make it.

I am long convinced that even one’s little effort can change the world to the better, no matter how small we are, and how weak our power is. With a firm belief, people are capable of doing whatever
they can ever imagine and simultaneously lift the world to a higher stage, and I hope, with my strongest will, I can be one of them, by doing the most holy work in the universe ------ a volunteer service.