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VILLAGE BABY PROGRAM UPDATE



Village Baby Program

The Village baby program has been a huge support for malnourished babies and those who have lost their mothers. One day, one of the grandmothers who has been supported by the program looked into my eyes and said, "I thank you and the Ministry for what they have done for me and my grandchild." I in return asked her why, and she said, when she was told to come to

We still meet the parents every Friday in the week, they come in two groups in two weeks intervals in the month. So, every group comes twice in a month. Their current number is about 45 in all. The challenges are sometimes that people try to take advantage of the program, so we have set some criteria with which a baby is accepted on the program so if the baby does not fall into that, then we don't serve. We want to work as hard as possible to serve babies in real need. One way to do this is for a new guardian or parent to bring a letter from the nutrition center of a hospital. This letter needs to be endorsed by an accredited nutrition officer, doctor or nurse stipulating the reasons why that baby should be supported. We also give our own examination with certain questions before a baby is received on the program.

Glory
be to God!!



Babies that finished the Program

Living Hope for support for the baby, she thought she had no hope, neither did she even think the child could make it or survive, but God has done a miracle in the life of her grandchild. Glory be to God!

Another challenge is the high cost and scarcity of the baby

formula and its scarcity. Buying it in bulk whole sale is very difficult. We don't know what is wrong with the producers so normally we have to go to the small stores and get it in bits and pieces to serve them, and that makes it more expensive.



Triplets on VB Program



HIV, MEDICAL & PRISON MINISTRY REPORTS



Refuge Camp

The HIV Program is still on going, we meet twice in a month on Saturdays with three nurses. Currently our number is about seventy, but at least we can have thirty to forty people at a clinic. The covid brought some panic and concerns basically because of their low and weak immune systems. It also affected them financially, some of them are operating their own small-scale business that either collapsing or nearly so. But we are still working with them, encouraging them to continue putting their trust in Jesus. If there is anything we can do to help them boost their immune systems, please let's see how best we can help them.

MEDICAL REPORT

Brother Francis was diagnosed with cancer on the arm, but later when he checked again with the hospital, he was told to conduct another test for the doctors to be sure the cancer is still there, thankfully the result showed negative, so the wound is being dressed for a couple of weeks before he goes for his plastic surgery. The skin on the entire left arm is almost removed; that is why he needs to go for the surgery. So, let's keep praying for Brother Francis.

Habiba Mahama is a young girl who used to have both male and female organs. Living Hope helped support her to have the male organs removed. She is still on medication and goes for monthly or weekly checkups. Currently she is in class six in school. She still needs our help, so let's continue praying for her that God will bless her and prepare her for His own purpose...

Veronica is a nine-year-old girl who has a hole in her heart, and the sickness has even affected her normal growth, where it has even deformed her physically. The doctors decided she needs to be taken to India for surgery. We still take her to the hospital periodically since she sometimes doesn't feel well. So, we are praying she gets funds to support the cost of her surgery and the cost of the trip for the two persons who will accompany her to India or the travelling expense and accommodation are Mama & Daddy Emmanuel Asoaming.

Efuwa Nooma was also diagnosed with hemorrhoids and she needed to have surgery. She travelled to Kumasi for the surgery and it has been successful so far. She went for a checkup two weeks after the surgery and the doctors have been able to rule out the problem, we pray she still remains in good health and keeps on thriving.



HIV Clinic

PRISON MINISTRY

The prison Ministry is partially opened for only Sundays. I have had four church services at the Maximum prison since it was opened. We met openly on the basketball court. Attendance was about two hundred to three hundred inmates, and you could read from their response that they are really hungry for the word of God. They have changed the chaplain and have brought another one from the old prisons. Because of various protocols put in place, it's difficult to really have them one on one to share their testimonies in what is happening in their hearts and their understanding so far. ***Let us continue praying for them that the word of God will transform them, to be what He has called them to be.***

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The leadership program at Church of God is still ongoing except one church at Esiam. The Beradze group is doing very well together with the refugee camp. Some of the camp pastors have gone back to their country, because by the grace of God, their country is peaceful now after the war. One of them that I trust is having a desire to continue the Ministry in his own country He is asking for support to get started. And based on that I would also like to visit him if God permits. Please let's continue to pray for him and the people of Cote d'Ivoire as he ministers to them, that their hearts will be willing to let go of the past and to forgive one another so that can put their trust in Jesus Christ. Also that there will be a time of refreshment from the Lord and eternal life. Because we know that its only through this that they can rebuild their lives with hope and their country. Because of the war some have lost their families, some have become disabled and they have to start over again, so let's pray for them.



CANTEEN & HOUSE REPORTS

CANTEEN REPORT

We thank God for all the things He is doing in our lives. Initially things were a bit tough most especially for the adjustment but we are still coping and managing things according to the ability given to us by God. My colleagues are also helping a lot making things run more smoothly. We serve more than three hundred children plus the New Hope Foundation workers and apprentices. The canteen's relationship with school is very remarkable and teachers happily come around to enjoy food during the break time. We love serving the children; the children always feel at home when they come to the canteen. We aren't serving only food, we serve them with love and care and we take particular interest in them by sometimes advising some of them and counsel them for their own wellbeing. Some of the challenges are that the food stuffs have become expensive and sometimes the money for market is so limited and we really have to squeeze, but we are still managing and hoping things will get better. Please pray for us.



School Children at Canteen

~ *Mama Justina - Head Cook*



REPORT FROM HOPE HOUSE

First of all, greetings from Hope House, we thank God for our lives and how he has seen us through so far. Our children are growing very well and some of them have even become young men with deep voices now, Johnny and Michael are in the teacher training college now, it's a four-year program, we are praying for God to help them through that. Their program will be posted to some of the schools for them to be good teachers of our country. Ebenezer, Josiah, and Dominic will also complete their high school this year, we are praying they come out with flying colors in their examination so that they can also enter the training college for the purpose of God for them to come to pass. Kobina has two more years ahead and Kobi too has another year more to complete with his college schooling while Joojo also embarks on his examination this year to complete the JHS. We praise God for all the lives of our young persons and how he is helping them so far to become good future leaders for His Kingdom. Lets continue praying for them so that they would still learn good principles in the scriptures while they have a fleet of decisions to make for their future life, so that they don't go wayward. And we thank the sponsors too who are sponsoring the children that the good Lord will bless them and keep on providing for them to help these young persons.

~ *Zac Eshun - House Father*

REPORT FROM BLESSING HOUSE

We praise God for His faithfulness, the Bible says all things work together for good to them that love God... Rom 8:28. It is true that God is working all for our good even in this time of the pandemic. The six children that are in my house are on school break, except Precious who is still in school and preparing to write her final examination from September to October 2021. We are planning to take Ekuwa Nyamekye to school when academics resume. And by the grace of God my wife is doing very well.

IN CONCLUSION

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage those who are sponsoring these Ministries. GOD IS SAVING LIVES THROUGH THEM. Keep it up and do the good work for Christ. ~ Matt 25:34-40

~ *Emmanuel Asomaning - House Father*

Matt 25:34-40

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

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**Thank you for giving and
supporting the work of the ministry.**

**Please continue to lift
the ministry up in prayer.**

**Please pray with us as a ministry
and for the native staff.**

I had the privilege to travel to Ghana with the work group from Hill Crest. I enjoyed working with them. Some of the projects we worked on were hanging ceiling in the school, replacing soffit and fascia on Lonnie Weaver's house, painting, and the ladies also helped with some sewing. We were able to visit some village churches for the two Sunday mornings we were there. Also we went to two villages for evangelistic meetings. We visited the slave castle, walked the swinging bridges, spent some time at the beach, and did some shopping. The team enjoyed the exposure to a different culture. It was a blessing to watch God use them and see Him at work in their lives.

~ Earl Shirk



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