



Adwafo Meeting

The day after our Christmas Crusade, we had the privilege of visiting the church we started in Adwafo about six years ago. We so enjoyed seeing our beloved children in Christ and I was able to preach to them again. So great to see Christ's church is still going forward.

Moving To Kumasi

We have moved to Kumasi to set up our headquarters here, but we are still looking for a permanent house and a location for our church and offices. Please pray with us for God's leading and timing.




Answered Call

Two young men have responded to our call for laborers and are earnestly praying about joining GEMS, possibly as soon as the end of this year, by faith.

Prayer Requests

- Lord willing, Brooke will deliver our fifth son sometime around the end of May or beginning of June. That's right; the ultrasound technician said it was another boy! Pray that God will give us much wisdom in all the decisions that will surround the birth of this child.

- Pray for Laborers for the Harvest!

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Christmas CRUSADE

Our Christmas Crusade was a huge success in more ways than one, even though we purposely kept it small and low-key since it was our first and since we had just moved to Kumasi some two weeks earlier.

The morning was beautiful, the food at the hotel scrumptious, and we were full of excitement as we prayed for our journey the morning of our Christmas Crusade. We asked God to direct us to the exact village that He wanted us to minister to. The plan was to take salt, soap, and candy to one of the poor villages that surround Lake Bosomtwe, where we had started the First Baptist Church of Adwafo, in the village of Adwafo, nearly six years ago. We bounced and banged for over an hour and had passed through many villages when we stopped because, we thought, we would have to walk the rest of the way due to the rough road we had discovered a week earlier while canvassing the area. We parked by a large family house (a house where many related families live) and a man came out to warmly greet us. In fact, after I asked him for permission to park at his house, he gave me a big hug! I was shocked by his friendliness.



Our small evangelism group, consisting of my family, a young Ghanaian man, and a single American man, soon discovered that the road was now open so we walked back to the car and kept driving. Just up the road was the next village, and we were surprised at how much different the people in this village responded to our presence as we drove through. We then drove up a really steep and

rugged road with deep valleys to the next village. However, we all agreed before reaching the next village that we should return and give the items and gospel to the village we had just left called "Apewo" (pronounced Ā-pā-wo). We enjoyed a lunch out in the bush, and then headed back. Upon our arrival, we asked to see the chief and permission was granted. We met with the chief and his elders while dozens of people crowded around to hear what was going on. We told

them of our mission and that God had directed us there. The chief and his elders responded by asking us to come hold a village wide Crusade, where the entire village would gather together to hear what we have to say. They then proceeded to ask us to come and start a church in their village and assured us that they would give us land upon which to build a building. We passed out our items and promised to come back for the Crusade. We then returned to the family house where the man was so friendly and gave what we had left to them. We sat with the adults and children and told them that these gifts would soon perish but we wanted to give them a gift that would last eternally. We told them that the soap would make them clean for a few days, but Jesus wanted to cleanse them with His blood for all of eternity. What an experience it was to watch them all bow their heads and trust Christ as their Saviour.

We have since returned to "Apewo" and witnessed to some of the elders and have set the date of February 25th for our village wide Crusade. They have also continued to ask us to start a church which, by God's grace, we will do in the near future.

By the way, we found out the name of the village means, "seekers of the dead". Little did we know that we, who were seeking the "dead" to bring them life in Christ, would find a village whose name would tell the purpose of our Christmas Crusade. Also, since the Crusade we have already had people promise to send money for this next year's upcoming Christmas Crusade. Praise the Lord!



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