

The Williams Family

Planting churches in Ghana, West Africa

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GEMS4CHRIST

Grant (my oldest son), Owusu (my assistant), and I had the privilege to visit a church plant about two and a half hours away in a village called Bui. We went with a man named Peter who is in Bible College and who plans to move to Bui, after he graduates, to pastor there. While in Bui, we travelled to the nearby village of Jama where I had the privilege to meet with the chief and give him the gospel. When I asked him if he knew for sure that he would go to Heaven when he died he responded, "Well really, I am kind of in heaven right here. I have many people who worship me and depend on me for many things. Plus I am a good chief, and help my people; so, by all means, I will go to heaven." In my mind I thought, there is no way this man will humble himself to the point of accepting his need of taking Jesus as his Saviour. However, the Bible says: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" *Romans 1:16*. So armed with this promise, I simply gave him the gospel straight. When I finished he summarized, "So you are saying that my goodness is not good enough, that I am a sinner, and I must accept Christ as my Saviour if I want to go to Heaven." When I reaffirmed that that is what I was saying, and asked him if he wanted to do that, he replied that he did. So the chief of Bui bowed his head and trusted Jesus Christ as his Saviour! After he prayed Peter asked him what he would tell the next person who asked him if he was sure he would go to Heaven when he died. The chief said, "I will tell them that I was not good enough, that I was a sinner, and that I trusted Jesus Christ as my Saviour". A few weeks later Pastor Volante travelled to Jama, visited the chief, and informed me that the chief gave a very strong testimony of salvation. Praise God for the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ!

GEMS4CHRIST(2)

It was a great joy to me to have my oldest son, Grant, with me when the Jama chief trusted Christ. It has also been my joy to have my two oldest boys with me numerous times for soul winning, village evangelism, etc. I pray that as we are reaching *gems* for Christ that I am also training my boys as disciples so that they will also be *gems* for Christ.

On one particular occasion, I had Grant and Brett with me as we went to follow up on a man that I had won to Christ during our Easter soul winning campaign. We had a great time with Kwabena who preached back to me the gospel that I had shared with him when he was born again. After he finished, I then continued to disciple him by going through many verses about the difference between the righteousness of man and the righteousness of God, and what role each plays in our salvation and life as a Christian. When we finished and as we were leaving, we greeted his wife, small child and his wife's mother. This is when things became interesting for my boys. Kwabena's wife told Brett that he should take her small baby girl to be his wife, to which Brett promptly said, "no". Then things got really interesting when Kwabena's mother-in-law told Grant that she wanted to marry him. My guess is she was between eighty and ninety years old. Grant, being much more concerned with not disappointing people than Brett, wouldn't tell her "no". Instead, he just shrugged his shoulders, in embarrassment, so as not to say "yes" or "no", to which the lady clapped with delight.

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I then bailed Grant out by jokingly telling the lady that he had a girl in the U. S. that was waiting for him. When we left Grant said, “Dad, she (speaking of the particular young lady I had mentioned) is not waiting for me!” to which I responded, “Hey did you want me to bail you out or not”.

Oh, how fun the ministry can be together, even if, sometimes, it is at my children’s expense.

Regular Updates

Our website is now being updated regularly with prayer requests, answers to prayer, and what God is doing by faith. Please feel free to check it regularly. We have added birthdays, anniversary, etc. to our website as well as prayer requests and answered prayers. We will also be posting many exciting pictures of our family and ministry experiences as God has touched someone’s heart to donate a camera to our ministry..... coming soon!

By Faith

Please check out our “By Faith” section of our website monthly to see what God is doing!

Gems Ghana Mission

GEMS is now officially recognized in Ghana as GEMS GHANA MISSION. This means we can now add missionaries to our mission via work permits. We will tell you more later about all God has done to help make this possible.

For His Glory,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Williams'.

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