

2019 END OF YEAR REPORT OF GHANA CHRISTIAN MISSION

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INTRODUCTION:

Ghana Christian Mission (GCM) continued to give the Hope of the Gospel to all the people of Ghana and beyond spiritually and physically throughout 2019. Through our four key pillars (Church Planting, Health Outreach, Education and Community Development), we faithfully discharged our God given duties. We are therefore grateful to the almighty God. We also count our blessings because of your unending support in prayers, kind, visit and funding. 2019 was great, as the Lord enabled our collaboration to accomplish so many things. We truly appreciate the Board members who continue to give strategic and timely guidance and direction to the mission. TOGETHER, we continue to serve the Lord in Ghana and beyond.

1. CHURCH PLANTING:

With 17 rural and 3 urban church planters, GCM recorded over 500 baptisms and 10 new churches started. Although we could not meet our own set target of 1000 baptism, we remain thankful to God for helping us achieve this.

The year 2019 was a blessing as various activities and projects were accomplished.

- Purchased of 6 new motorcycles
These motorcycles came in good time to motivate the church planters as well as facilitate their evangelistic movements to surrounding communities.
- Funds to host 4 staff retreats
Staff retreats were organized to promote unity among the staff and re-equip them for better output and instill the values of the Restoration Movement.
- Roofing of Borae Christian Church
Borae Christian Church received support from Pitchtree Christian Church to roof their church building.
- Church Pavilion Construction at Kpandai
For the first time after 10 years, Kpandai Christian Church can boast of a structure of their own.
- Support to Good Shepherd Christian Church building
Good Shepherd Christian Church got support to aid them continue the construction of their permanent church building
- Support to Akplale Christian Church building
Akplale Christian church got support to aid them continue the construction of their permanent church building
- 7 students in Bible school

A total of 7 young and dedicated men are in training to become servant of the Lord Most High.

- Several discipleship classes started
Through the teachings of Wisdom and Hayford to leaders in the churches, several church planters and leaders have started several discipleship classes.

CONVENTIONS:

The Pistis Christian Churches held an Easter Convention at Sege to celebrate the death and resurrection of the Lord and to promote unity. Speakers included Austin Ganyo, Hayford Ahiabu and Enoch Nyador with over 1000 people in attendance. In August Christ in Youth Conventions were held in various locations with focus on youth evangelism and discipleship while in December many conventions were organized in different parts of the country to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. The Christmas conventions were mostly organized by our church planters.

REACHING THE CHAKALI PEOPLE:

We Now have completed works on the Chakali housing project. Joshua Lodo has fully settled in Bulenga, one of the main towns of the Chakali people. By the grace of God, a borehole and access to electricity were provided to enable him cope with the terrain. Joshua is now deeply submersing himself in the community to understand and speak the local language, understand their culture and traditions. In this new year, we are hoping that as he starts to engage the Chakali in their own language, he will also start making some disciples.

Because Musah Godfred decided to end his work with us, Joshua is all alone in the field. I am therefore praying and hoping that God will raise a reliable and faithful partner (church Planter) for the evangelization of the Chakali people's group.

We continue to pray for collaboration with congregations and Christian individuals over a three-year period with the goal of seeing 600 Chakali believers. Together with God's blessing, and His people this project will be accomplished.

2. HEALTH OUTREACH

As usual we continue to demonstrate the Love of Christ through compassionate health care delivery in our clinics and through community preventive care education outreaches.

COMPLETION OF TWO NURSES HOUSE

In 2019, the Lord answered two of our several years old prayers. These are the renovation of the Loagri Nurses house and the completion of the Akplale Nurses House (started over 15 years ago). By the Grace of God through our partners, these two buildings were made ready for use by the end of August. They accommodate in total 16 nurses. We are grateful to IDES, Genesis

Christian Church and First Christian Church for supporting these projects. We pray that 2020 will also see the completion of projects like the mother and child center at Makango, Nurses house at Kumdi and Makango.

THE CLINICS

We are grateful to God for smooth running of the clinics despite the numerous challenges we faced. These challenges range from NHIA non-payments, unavailability of drugs, difficulty in paying IGF staff on time and non-payment of CHAG staff allowance. Regardless of these challenges, we were able to record higher number of patients treated than the previous years.

Total number of patients treated in the year include:

OPD	18,316	General cases
ANC	3,500	Women received ante-natal care
DELIVERY	532	Babies were delivered
CWC	12,094	Community health education outreach visits were made to various villages
PNC	563	Post-natal Care
FAMILY PLANNING	1,485	Family Planning
Total	36,490	Total number of patients seen in our clinics from January to November 2019

MEDICAL OUTREACHES

We are grateful to Dr. Diane Matsumoto, who led a 25-member team from Global Health Outreach to serve with us in July/August. Over 4000 patients were treated in 6 days of clinic and dozens gave their lives to Christ and were baptized. We continue to cherish the partnership with GHO and look forward to their return to Ghana this July/August. We are also glad to report the possible opportunity to start a second medical outreach with GHO in the Northern part of the country this year. There will be a feasibility studies from January 17 to 20 of 2020.

Successfully, we also hosted Bring Good News International in a medical outreach which saw over 600 patients in a four-day outreach in the following villages; Bombare, Kojoboni, Kumdi and Tadando. We thank Mr. Rick Wolford and his team for their partnership.

In June, there was a team of five from Christ's Church in Florida visited us to educate children on the need to keep their tooth clean. They also cleaned the tooth of **about 500** students in **three** schools in the Volta Region of Ghana.

3. EDUCATION

In a developing country as Ghana, education remains important. GCM is still focused on providing a Christ-like based education as a key source for evangelism and discipleship and for raising Christ-like leaders for the church, nation and the world at large. We support Faithway Christian Academy which has about 450 students.

Four years and counting, we have partnered with Dr. Jodie Ferise of University of Indianapolis, who led a team of students and teachers to construct a classroom for the elementary school started by the Papase Christian Church (Transformation Basic Academy) under the leadership of David Akpessey. We thank Students of University of Indianapolis who are partnering for this school.

GCM in partnership with Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) received one forty-footer container of Manna Packed rice in 2019. Although it was not enough for the four schools with over 1200 population, we remain grateful to FMSC and others who supported this vision.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

The year 2019 did not see much community development-oriented programs. Aside our partnership with Mission Resource Ghana to provide low interest loan to some of our staff and church members, we can however mention the borehole drilled for the Chakali projects which is serving other people in the community. The second is the Vocational center started at Yizesi to support teenage girls who would have been exposed all also social vices after abandoning school in search of greener pastures. Now they are assured a skill that can always provide income for them.

VISION FOR 2020

As we thank God for the progress made in 2019, we envision a sustained and improved effort in 2020 and beyond. The following are projected goals for 2020 and beyond:

- ❖ To begin discipleship work among the Chakali People Group in Upper West Ghana.
- ❖ To replace four more old motorcycles with new ones at a cost of \$1,500 per motorcycle.
- ❖ To work with IDES and other donors to provide clean drinking water for 4 communities in northern Ghana.
- ❖ To continue the process of a succession plan which should result in a smooth replacement of Enoch as director by March 2021. The vision is to mentor and hand over to a 30-40year old evangelist with a graduate degree in missions who has potential and ability to lead well.

- ❖ To support 7 students in pastoral and missions training in Ghana. More trained and competent leaders are needed in opening frontiers of the Gospel in Ghana, Burkina Faso and other nations north of Ghana.
- ❖ To hold two seminars in the history and values of the Restoration Movement to instill deep values of biblical non-denominational Christianity among GCM staff and other church leaders.
- ❖ Complete the mother and child center at Makango,
- ❖ Provide accommodation for nurses at Kumdi and Makango.

CONCLUSION:

We thank God for this provision throughout 2019 and we pray that he will continue to use us for His glory. Our aim in this new year is to continue to be wholistic mission agency. Thus, providing hope to people in Ghana and beyond physical and spiritually. For this to happen, we shall continue to faithfully and diligently perform our duties and expect the Lord to provide for his work. We also thank and appreciate all the churches and individuals who partner with us in prayer, visits, finances and other ways to make the ministry functional and dynamic. Without our donors, we could not survive financially to continue to serve. Together we form a winning team for our Lord, the initiator and perfecter of missions. To Him be all the Glory.



Medical Outreach with BGNI



Baptism by Pastor Ernest Nyador



Akplale Christian Church



On going Discipleship Class



Vocational Center at Yizesi



New Church started at Tatale



New Pavilion at Kpandai



Mechanised borehole at Bulenga



Mother and Child Center at Makango



New Motorcycles for church planters



Pastors and Leaders training at Nkwanta



Participants of Youth Convention at Tatala



9th grade students of Faithway Christian Academy



Christian Transformation Basic School at Papaase