

INGH HONoured FOR EXCELLENCE IN EVANGELISM

International Needs Ghana (INGH) has been honoured by the Ghana Evangelical Missions Association (GEMA) with the "Excellent Missio Dei" Award. At the 30th Anniversary of the Association, INGH was commended for the immense contribution towards the development of the African Missionary Movement in accomplishing the Great Commission through church planting and outreach to the Least Reached People Groups.

The late Rev. Samuel Apeligeba, a former church planter with INGH was also honoured posthumously for his untiring efforts in missions in Northern Ghana.



Mr. Cromwell Awadey, (in suit) Executive Director of INGH receiving the Award.



A cross section of participants at the GEMA 30th Anniversary Awards Ceremony

PREPARING CCPCs FOR RESUMPTION OF SCHOOLS

Community Child Protection Committee members from eight communities in four districts of the Volta Region, received a two-day refresher training on pertinent topics regarding child protection at the Centre for Empowerment and Enterprise Development (CEED) in Adidome. The training sought to build the capacity of CCPCs on emerging issues in child protection. Facilitators from The Department of Social Welfare and Community Development, Ghana Health Service and the Domestic Violence and Victims'

Support Unit (DOVVSU) of the Ghana Police Service trained participants on Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (ASRH&R), Adolescent Pregnancy, Child Marriage and Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) to equip them in their work. The training also prepared the CCPCs on ways of re-engaging and motivating children to return to school after staying home for close to a year due to COVID-19.



Scenes from the Training Programme.

NANANKOR COMMUNITY NOW ENJOYS CLEAN WATER

The people of Nanankor a Community in the Suhum Municipal Area of the Eastern Region, can now enjoy potable water after decades of living without this essential element of life.

Community members lived on water shared by both animals and humans, which posed great threats to their health. Apart from the health dangers the water posed, there was always shortage of water in the dry season. Community members had to virtually fetch muddy water and allow it to settle just to keep going. All this is in the past now as a borehole has been provided for the community through the benevolence of a native of Nanankor.

International Needs Ghana, with support from International Needs Canada and Women Making a Difference, has facilitated the extension of the water to the only school in the community for pupils to enjoy potable water in school. A water storage system has also been put in place to avert shortage in the dry season.

Phase two of the project will see the installation of a power system to mechanize the borehole.



Trenches being dug for installation of pipe lines



The completed water project in use.

Where are they now?



This edition features another beneficiary of the International Needs Child Assistance Programme (INCAP)

VINCENT'S RESILIENCE PAYS



Vincent with some of his apprentices

He was enrolled into class two when he was 16 years old, after helping his family with cattle rearing all the while. Although he was teased by classmates, as he appeared far older than they, he was determined to be in school against all odds. While in school, he was supported through the International Needs Child Assistance Programme (INCAP), which enabled him to access educational materials, hot meals at school among other benefits. Through counselling received at school, Vincent Vudugah, continued steadily in his studies till he graduated basic school at age 23. His great interest in tailoring urged INGH to support him acquire a skill in the field. After two years of training, Vincent opened his own shop and started working on his own. He presently has eight apprentices receiving training from him.

“International Needs gave me hope through their programme over the years in school and apprenticeship. Because of that I was able learn a trade. I have decided to also help young people who will also need help to make it in life”, Vincent noted. Vincent Vudugah comes from Kanuwloe, a deprived community in the North Tongu District of the Volta Region. Cattle herding is common in the community and predisposes children to child labour. International Needs Ghana started an intervention in 2003 through its Christian Witness Programme and established a basic school there. Several people from the community and its environs continue to access quality education through INGH's intervention.