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Antioch Missions Report 2013

For 2013, Antioch Missions Department setup a budget of \$30,000 to help provide a water well in Ghana, West Africa for \$20,300 and to fund a "Summer Outreach Program" for eight churches for \$4,500. We are proud to report that the well was placed in a farming village of 8,000 people, Subriso, Brong Ahafo and it was dedicated July 6, 2013 by Rev. Elgin Taylor and the Summer Missions team.



The village of Subriso was chosen because of its location in a tomato growing region, we have a church plant there, and the need was extremely urgent for so many people. There were also persons available whom we could trust to oversee the project.

We make lists of the villages with greater needs then choose one to help as funds become available. We try to help where they have a larger number of people in need, then move to the next village. We have a list of 40 villages.

It is also important to have persons on hand to oversee and make repairs otherwise the well will break down and be abandoned.

This is the third well provided by the congregation of Antioch Brong Ahafo region sends their hearty thanks and appreciation for what has been done for Christ's sake through you.

King OKatakyie Kudom IV also sends you thanks and proudly speaks of Antioch as one of the outstanding Afro-American Churches reaching around the world to assist those in dire need, such as Ghana. He was overwhelmed when the Antioch 2013 Missions Team reached out and "rescued" a senior couple in the village of Ayerede who lost their mud brick home in a rain and windstorm. The team raised the funds among themselves to build them a small brick house. Here is photo of their new home.



The Summer Outreach was outstandingly done. The local team had made the pre-arrangements and had a good response inspire of very wet weather and school being extended for a week past their planned Camp. The women and children came in good numbers and all left blessed to attend their first "Church Summer Camp." The Youth Group was very outstanding being taught by Deacon Reginald Harris, the Chief Developments Officer CDO) for TEL International, in Dallas.

The young people were so challenged and filled with questions on the Christian Life Lessons, that they requested longer sessions and were always the last to close. This proves that the Youth can be confronted and encouraged by our working with them. They are the future leaders and workers in the Ghana and in our churches. Eight churches participated in the camp this year and four desire to join in and attend next year. That is; if they can get transportation! Pray for a 15 seater van for the churches so they can meet some of the people at the bus stop and bring them to the camps.



The Team also travelled to another country, Sierra Leone, Land of Diamonds. Here we dedicated a Primary School in the name of: Elgin Taylor Academy for grades K-6 with the hope to expand to 7-12 later. The Taylors had worked in Sierra Leone from 1969-1998, but moved to Ghana during the civil war which lasted from 1994-2008. The school was to honor Rev. Taylor for his compassion and spiritual guidance during the Civil War. The Taylor's had held a "Food Bucket Drive" in US and Canada in 1998, which resulted in 2 large 40 foot containers of 5-gallon



Food Buckets (Called Family Survival Kits) filled with beans, rice, sugar, flour and being sent to help starving families during the height of the civil war in 1998.

Antioch church assisted the Taylor's to make the trip and be available to dedicate the school to the Glory of God.

Lastly, we arrived in London, England and spent the weekend visiting the Ministry there among immigrants from the Caribbean Isles. Here there is a church and school founded by the Taylor's in 1965 and where they pastored for 15 years before returning to America. It was great to see

remaining fruit around the world whom God has allowed Antioch to become a part of and work with established churches and schools, through our affiliation with TEL International

The other wells which were drilled in 2012 are still providing much needed water and blessing the people in Pamdu, a yam(large African white potato) producing village and Dandwa, (a corn raising community) which helps maintain the vital food chain for all of Ghana.

Thank you, Pastor Wesley and Antioch Church for your vision and Compassionate care for the people around the world. May God continue to supply your needs also according to His riches in glory? Yours in His Bonds,

Rev. Elgin Taylor, TEL President