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Here I Am!

Here I Am! In My Children

As most of you know by now, this newsletter is dedicated to showing where God is at work in Ghana and in West African Mercy Ministries.

Paul reminds us of a very important truth in Philippians 2:13:

It is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

This is the way God designed the Christian life. Technically, Jesus did not leave us on earth so we could work hard to finish his work. According to this passage of Scripture, Jesus left us on earth so he could finish his work through us. I believe that is why we are referred to as the Body of Christ.

So when we highlight what is being done by those involving themselves in mercy ministry, we are actually pointing out what God is doing through his children—through his body.

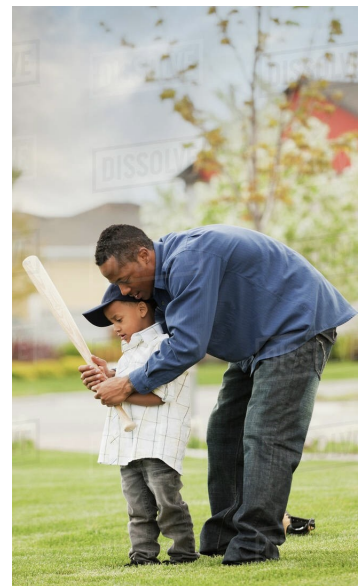
Later in Colossians 1:29 Paul reinforces this idea:

I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Paul humbly reminds us that the work he is involved in is not by his own might or power, but through the energy of God himself.

This month I hope to encourage all who read the stories to follow with this truth for two reasons:

First, to remove any doubt that you are capable of be-



ing a mercy extender, not because of who you are, but because of whose you are.

Secondly, as is always the case, I want to make sure we are remaining true to our goal for this newsletter. I want to make sure you hear it when God says, “**Here I Am!**”

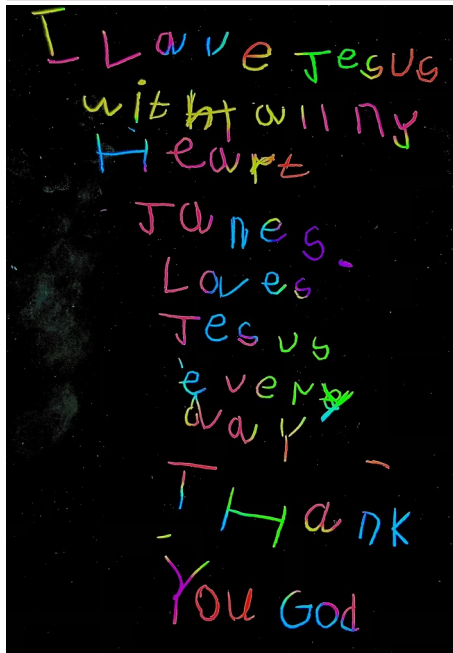
July 2025 Prayer Requests

- For the resources necessary for Jeremiah’s treatment and for Charity’s surgery scheduled for this month.
- For Esther’s comprehension in her literacy classes (See Pages 2).
- For Debbie and me as we finish up our 2025 summer trip in late July.
- For the Crosson family, videographers who are with us in Ghana right now creating promotional videos for WAMM.

2025 Annual Prayer Requests

- Full Missionary Support for Dekus.
- Opening/Use of Building 2 including staff.
- 20% of WAMM-Ghana Support from within Ghana.
- Expansion of Our Solar Power System.
- Pockets of Prayer (Hosts and “Homes”).
- Financial partners for the Odeikrom Church Plant.

Here I Am! In Patrick



Sometimes God works through his children to bring about encouragement. While Debbie and the team from Michigan (page 3) were playing with the children at HOME, Patrick came up to Debbie and handed him the picture to the left.

What an amazing thing to see in this young 12-year old boy who struggles with physical as well as educational special needs. This was an unsolicited work of art from the heart of one who truly loves Jesus. What a great reminder from our God that He is at work in and through “our kids”.



Here I Am! In Miss Rachel and Debbie



Earlier this year Debbie and I were at a Mission's Conference at Hamilton Baptist Church in Virginia. While there we shared Esther's story.

Esther is sixteen and has never been in school. So the consensus between the Dekus and DSW is that her greatest need at this point is for technical training to make her employable.

At this conference “Miss Rachel” approached Debbie and volunteered to help Esther learn to read. She is a Masters-degreed reading specialist who is now a stay-at-home mom and she offered an hour or so each day to help her. So now, with Miss Rachel as her teacher and Debbie acting as her proctor, Esther is on the road to literacy. We are thrilled for this opportunity for Esther.



God moved in Rachel's heart to will and to work for his good pleasure and now Esther is learning to read. Praise Jesus!

Here I Am! In a Team from Michigan



Let me introduce you to another group of people through whom God showed up to accomplish his work. Pictured above are Aaliyah, Megan, Debbie and Me, Candy, Emily and

Lauren (left to right). This group of five just spent a week working with the children at HOME.

Though their work might have easily been mistaken for play, entertaining 13 special needs kids is hard work. But God used these five wonderful women to encourage each of these children and to show them how much he loves them though this team's willingness to show how much they loved them.

This is exactly what Paul described in



Philippians 2:13. God was indeed actively willing and working for his good pleasure through my fellow Michiganders. How about bringing a team from your state?

**Please Feel Free to Share this Newsletter
with Anyone You Believe May Be Interested!**

Here I Am! In the Runners for HOME

Our final highlighted group through whom God showed up to will and work for his good pleasure is this team of people who ran for HOME.

These dedicated people ran thirteen miles for our thirteen children with the goal of raising thirteen thousand dollars for the children's home. I reminded them that the reason cars were invented is so we didn't have to run that far anymore, but they were insistence on doing things their own way.

Although they fell a bit short of their financial goal (though, you could still help them meet it—hint, hint), they

were able to raise almost \$10,000.00 on this first ever Run for HOME. I am told that the plan is to repeat this activity again next year, so if you are interested, please let me know using the contact information on page 4.

Three of the women who made up the team highlighted in the article above along with the spouse of a fourth team member were participants in the run. The fifth member of the team tried to enter, but the



run was filled by the time she submitted her entry. A huge thanks to all who participated (or tried to). God provided extra resources for HOME through these willing children of his. God Bless You All!



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The Mission of Our Mission

Glorifying God by Loving Jesus through Mercy Ministry is the mission of West African Mercy Ministries. Glorifying God should be every believer's mission. The Bible tells us that everything we do should be done for this purpose (1 Corinthians 10:31). And God told Moses that his glory would be seen as his mercy was displayed (Exodus 33:19). That is why "Glorifying God" is an essential part of our mission.

The Bible also tells us that when we show mercy to the marginalized of society we are showing love to Jesus (Matthew 25:40). In some supernatural way, our acts of love demonstrated to the "least of these" are actually acts of love being experienced by Jesus. That is why we have included "Loving Jesus" as part of our mission.

"Mercy Ministry", then, is the practical way we accomplish our goals of "Glorifying God" and "Loving Jesus". It is what brings these two theoretical desires into the realm of practical reality. We really can glorify God and we really can love Jesus by extending mercy to the orphaned and oppressed in Ghana. And you can too!

Support Opportunities

If you would like to . . .

- ☐ Sponsor a Baby Bed at HOME (see <https://youtu.be/ZpHik3mG0CI>).
- ☐ Help Support the McIntyre's—insuring their continued involvement in WAMM
- ☐ Help Support the Dekus—our Ghanaian Missionary Partners
- ☐ Partner with WAMM in planting mercy-ministering churches in Ghana

With a . . .

- ☐ One-Time Gift of \$ _____
- ☐ Monthly Gift of \$ _____
- ☐ Annual Gift of \$ _____

Please fill out this form and mail it with your name and address to

West African Mercy Ministries, P.O. Box 2028, Waukesha, WI 53187 or to Brian@WAMMGhana.com

Or Check out our PayPal option on the Website: WestAfricanMercy.org