

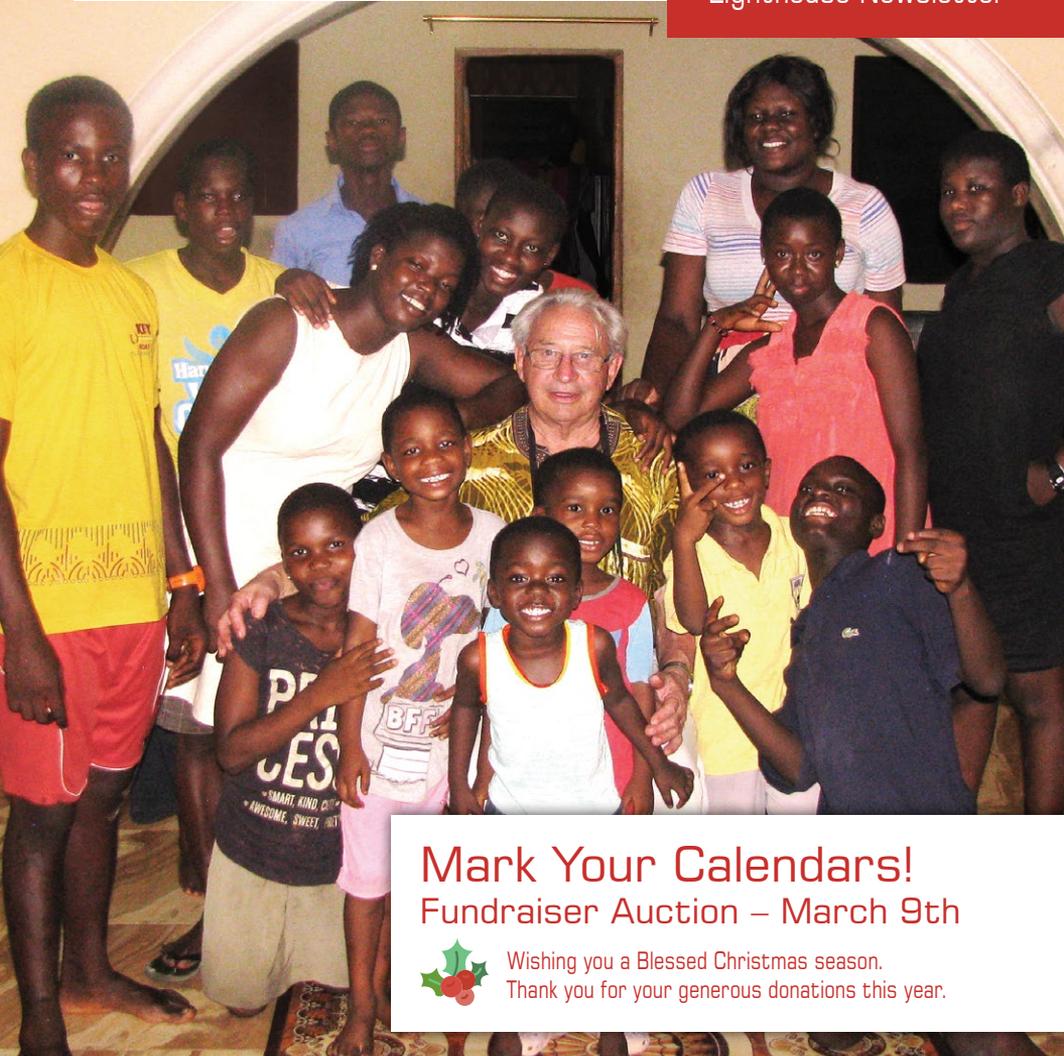


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Mark Your Calendars! Fundraiser Auction – March 9th



Wishing you a Blessed Christmas season.
Thank you for your generous donations this year.

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Back to School

LEAF (Lighthouse Education Assistance Fund)

Poverty levels in Africa have increased astronomically in the 21st Century regardless of efforts of African governments to tackle the issues of economic and social deprivation arising out of extreme poverty. In the rural areas of Africa the issue of poverty is even too alarming and unbearable. Studies have indicated that, the income levels are extremely low with its attendant poor standard of living due to illiteracy, remoteness, lack of infrastructure such as inaccessibility to schools and quality health care, poor drinking water among absence of other social comforts. It has therefore become vital for strategic development frameworks to deal with

this ever-growing canker impoverishing the poorest of the poor in the rural areas of Africa.

We believe that any strategy earmarked for the eradication of extreme poverty must inherently equip the rural folks with skills training and nurturing of talents which will be the source of their livelihood. To achieve these goals we believe nurturing the children through basic education will build them to become self-reliant in the future.

This year LEAF started more child sponsorship programs which had to have given a “U turn” to many children for a better future. LEAF is sponsoring children who had no hope in continuing their basic education.

Priscilla

Priscilla Dansoa Amoah was born on 22nd April 2011 while her mother was a teenager. In Ghana, teenage pregnancy is too rampant among the rural folks. The mother of Priscilla



was also a complete orphan so she was staying with other relatives of their extended family. You can imagine how the care and protection of Priscilla will be. Her future career is to be a nurse or a professional teacher. Even at her age she sometimes gathers children below her age and teaches them Bible stories. Priscilla's future was uncertain due to her background situation until we picked her to be sponsored by the LEAF program. The program renders free education and supplies food stuffs. She always says I'm blessed.

Michael Gamawo

Michael Gamawo is a 9-yr-old boy in stage 3 in Ankaful M/A basic school in Cape Coast metropolis Ghana-West Africa. His mother Akosua Konadu is a petty trader, because the mother is a single parent she is not able to cater for the child as it should be.

The child lacks basic needs like security and school materials to the extent that the mother can't afford three square meals a day for the child.

Michael is brilliant academically and intelligent but needy, Thanks to Lighthouse Ministries International for your love, kindness and blessing to Michael to be part of the LEAF program.

God bless you all.





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VOCATIONAL SCHOOL



RVS Trip

On August 17th, Jeanette and I had the privilege of traveling to Haiti to celebrate the graduation of 24 students at Redeemed Vocational School.

We arrived in Haiti on a Friday. The following morning Wismith and some of his fellow pastors headed up the mountain to help officiate a wedding. We were privileged to go along and attend the wedding. It was interesting to see another part of Haiti. I am always amazed at how happy the people are even when they have so little. As the Bible says, "for a man's

life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth".

The graduation was on Sunday afternoon and evening. It was an exciting time for the students graduating. Much effort, planning, and preparing was put into the graduation and the results showed it. One of the highlights was when the top student from each class got their gift. The top sewing student was elated when she got a sewing machine given to her as her award! Her family is very poor and now she has a skill set and a sewing machine with



which she can make clothes for her family and generate an income by sewing for others.

I believe God is using the Redeemed Vocational School to teach people His ways while teaching and meeting their needs in practical skills. There are many opportunities to share God's word with students during vocational training.

As a child of God, we can travel to another culture where so many things are different, but we are brothers and sisters in Christ! Please continue to pray for Wismith and Rebecca as they lead the Redeemed Vocational School and for the work of God's kingdom in Haiti.

Calvin Frey



Fundraiser Auction Info

Saturday, March 9th, 2019

For questions or if you are interested in donating an item for the auction or helping in any way, please contact one of the Events Committee listed below.

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Board Report

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. John 1:14

Over two thousand years ago, Jesus, came to earth as a baby. He was both Creator and created at the same time. Through that baby, Jesus, we can be reconciled to God and we praise His name for that.

Christmas is a time when many of us reflect on what Christ did for us. We get together with family and friends to enjoy food, fellowship, and giving of gifts. I believe the spirit of giving is a small reflection of the incredible gift of God becoming flesh and becoming our Saviour from our sins.

Because of your giving throughout this past year people across the globe were blessed.

Children at the home in Ghana were able to enjoy the blessings of food, clothes, a nice home, loving caregivers, school etc.

LEAF students in elementary school and up to post-secondary schools, were able to go to school and improve their skills in hopes of being able to contribute to society in the future.

Youth in Jamaica had the opportunity to be at camp for a week to learn how to sing a-Capella and to learn about God's love.

Haitians had the ability to go to vocational school to learn practical skills like sewing, computer, English, mechanics, etc.

Lighthouse Ministries International has been incredibly blessed this year and we want to thank you again this Christmas season for your spirit of giving both financially and in prayer throughout this past year. We wish you and your families a blessed Christmas in the Lord.

On behalf of the board,

Calvin Frey

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