

"Train up a child in a way that he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6 NKJV

How did we get it wrong? Children must be cared for and brought up properly, or else, we lose them! Children are a heritage from God, and they must be treated as pearl jewelry.

"Child streetism" is an unfancied advertisement of a non-caring, wicked, selfish world in Africa. "Streetism" basically means living in/on the streets. What caused this shift from home to the streets? Child streetism is largely the product of the loss of parents or absence of parental care, poverty, lack of sustainable support for education, child labor, monetization of juveniles, and acute stresses of urban life. Some children have been subjected to abuse in their homes, such as severe beating and starvation, and have found solace on the streets.

Those who sell on the streets, stand the risk of being run over by moving vehicles. Moreover, teenage pregnancy is also a major problem of street children in Ghana. Teenage girls are often lured and raped by irresponsible men on the streets. Those who become pregnant in the process and are unable to provide for the needs of their children end up offering sex for money.







What can be done to grind the wheels of streetism to a halt? The good news is that child streetism is solvable! How? Get these kids off the street; and back to school.

A burden has been laid on our hearts for the unwanted children and those left to fend for themselves. To start with, we want to put up an *ORPHAN/STREET CHILDREN ACADEMY*. This discipleship opportunity would empower these kids with education to acquire needed skills for ultimately obtaining better and more secure employment. "Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right." Proverbs 20:11 Also, at the initial stages, three meals a day would be given to these street children orphans as the Lord provides funding for this project. WE CALL FOR SPONSORSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP in this direction. If you have never given

before, maybe this is your opportunity to give—even \$5.00 a month—toward the needs of these children.

"I Am" has never really pursued a task such as this with orphan street children. There are about 2,300 scriptures quoted in the Bible about taking care of the orphans and the widows and helping the poor. I believe that the Lord is trying to tell us something. It is disturbing and it hurts to watch these children trying to get some food for the day. I believe that with Pastor Isaac taking on this project with us we could be of some help. As someone said to me, we can't help all the children, but we can help one child at a time. As many times as we've been to Africa, it seemed helpless—but we will try this with one child at a time.

Can you honestly say, "No, I won't help you."





One of the reasons Greg Davis enjoys going to Africa is to give attention to the children. He is known to draw children to him like a magnet. You can see the smiles brought on by his presence.

"Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed." Psalm 82:3 NIV



"We will not hide them from their children shewing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done." Psalms 78:4 KJV