

Report from Roy Wanta

To those who helped the blind man, Charlie Atiogbe, "Thank you." Charlie is now in his new home that we had built. In 2006, Charlie the contractor was struck blind and his only brother could not be found. I am so grateful to those that heard

the voice of Charlie's prayer, saw his need,

and decided to help him live in something better. The Bible says in II Timothy 1:6, "...stir up the gift of God, which is in thee..." The gift was in you. You acted on his behalf, as II Chronicles 16:9 says, "For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew

himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him."

When blind Bartimaeus in Mark 10:47 heard that Jesus of Nazareth was

passing by, he began to cry out, "Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me." Bartimaeus' faith was stirred. In Psalms 119:105, David wrote, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." In this dark time of Charlie Antogbe's life, no one wanted him, so Pastor Francis took him in to

feed and watch over him with what he had. The new building of blocks with a new roof is a great help in dealing with the harsh environment in Africa.

At this time, I had no intentions of going back to Ghana soon, especially with the Ebola scare that is going on in West Africa. The Lord has other things in mind for Doug Christie and me. We received a call a few weeks ago that some one would be willing to help do a well in Ghana for our future widows and street children's school. Doug and I leave February 13th for Ghana. Please keep us in prayer.

Old

We have almost completed some living quarters for the widows. We will be going back to see the "throw away children" that no one wants, ranging in age from three and four years old to fifteen or older. We saw a young pregnant girl living in a small four by

four foot cube made with chicken coupe wire and a cardboard roof. Before you condemn her like some people have, in her youth this girl was left to fend for herself with no where to live. We are going to try to make a shelter for these young children that do not have a place to live. The problem with that is providing food and education also. It will be only God that will intervene on their behalf to raise support for them. Pastor Isaac and his wife are educated teachers with Pastor Isaac having a college degree. So we are privileged to be working with someone like Pastor Isaac who has a passion for these "nobodies" which no one wants.

New

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Our mission is to reach the world for God and point them to Jesus

Take the kids out of the lion's den

by Pastor Isaac Agyapong (Ghana – West Africa)

Let's take the kids from the lion's den. Which den? The den of deprivation; the den of hunger and starvation; the den of no parental care; the den of pain and agony; the den of societal neglect; the den of abandonment; the den of orphanhood and no education. This is what the Lord is calling us to do as believers.



In the book of Daniel, "...the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians were brought before him. Also his sleep went from him. Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions. When he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel...'Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?' Then Daniel said to the king, 'O king, live forever! My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, 0 king, I have done no wrong before you.' Then the king was exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because he believed in his God." (Daniel 6:18-23 NKJV)

This scriptural context fits the situation in Africa today. There are many children orphaned and abandoned in the streets of Africa today. These are not street gangs...no! These are kids abandoned and left with no option other than to subsist in the cities and gutters of Africa.



"I Am" Mission joins the foray by establishing "Hope for Abandoned Children Academy"

At the initial stage in Ghana, we are planning a three-classroom block, two technical training workshops (for lower and upper primary levels), an instructors/staff common room and an administrator's office.

Education and three daily meals would be provided to more than 200 street children at the short to medium-term stage. This education would empower these kids to acquire the needed technical and vocational skills to ultimately get secure and better employment.

In Ghana today, there isn't hardly a day that passes without seeing abandoned orphans and hungry children on the streets. Some have been subjected to abuse, such as severe beating and starvation in their homes, and have found solace on the streets. A greater number, however, are orphans who have lost their parents – and source of livelihood – and therefore, go to the streets.

Our aim is to get these unfortunate orphans off the street and empowered socio-economically with Christ, education and vocation.

