



Kimberly Daniels: February 2007 Newsletter

Ghana Christian University College

Sitting in on some of the classes offered this spring semester at Ghana Christian University College, I am gaining a more insightful perspective of why our graduates are not only well-grounded in Scripture, but are also highly competent in communicating the Gospel message. It has much to do with the quality of instructors and lecturers who teach at the college—some of whom graduated from the college many years ago or even as recently as two years ago, and some of whom were trained at American bible colleges, such as Johnson Bible College in Knoxville, TN. All, including myself, have a desire to instill within these students the necessity of worldwide New Testament evangelism, as there are still many nations of peoples who don't know Christ.

These least-reached peoples live in an area of the world referred to as the "10/40 Window," often called "The Resistant Belt." They represent two-thirds of the world's population—Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, and Animists—extending from West Africa to East Asia, from 10 degrees north to 40 degrees north of the equator. They are billions of spiritually impoverished souls, many of which I now share this continent. This is why I am serving here in Ghana, and this is why I need your continued prayers and support. Please pray for me, the faculty and staff of Ghana Christian University College, the other missionaries with whom I work, and the students—that we will stay focused on God's agenda in reaching the lost.

A Fellowship of Christian Church Bodies

Not long after I arrived in Ghana and settled down from all of my in-country travel, I was asked to join committee members representing the Fellowship of Christian Churches (FCC) for a meeting to discuss Team Expansion's new field project in West Africa. Our mission for this project is to send out teams of African workers to plant indigenous churches in Northern Ghana, surrounding West African countries, and to the north beyond. We believe this project to be strategic in that we're recruiting graduates of Ghana Christian University and other African believers to serve as missionaries in a land where they will be more effective in church-planting than the typical American missionary.

Most African people speak several different languages, and learning a new language would be easier for an African worker than it would be for me, for instance. I hear any

foreign dialect and I automatically think Spanish, speak Spanglish, and behave North American. :) African workers also have a better understanding of how traditional religious beliefs of peoples living south of the Sahara (African Traditional Religion which involves ancestor worship), and the influences of Islam play an important part in whether or not a person truly converts to Christianity. In most cases, they can more easily adapt to the new-field environment, the barriers to evangelizing are low (commonality in color, cultures and e-conomies), and African missionaries can plant a church at a fraction of the cost it would take for an American to plant the same church on African soil.

Please pray for me and my new Ghanaian team as we plan a survey trip to Tamale and Wa (Northern Ghana) in April to research these areas for future church-planting work.

Please **send financial support in the form of a check to:**
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(please do not put my name anywhere on the check)

Please Pray for my Short-term Team

I've known Karla ever since I moved to Louisville in August 1995. We worked together in the Controller's Office at the University of Louisville. She was one of my very first customers when I started my Mary Kay business, and didn't even mind when our first "party" ran more than 4 hours long. There I was trying to show Karla and her friends how to apply three different eye shadows for proper coverage, contouring, and highlighting, and I didn't even know how to apply one shadow to my own eyelids. Now, more than 11 years later, she still thinks I'm "cool," and wants to join me and others for a short-term mission trip to Ghana this July.

I met Denise a number of years ago at a Faces of Christ Retreat a ministry of Southeast Christian Church. Shortly afterwards, she extended an invitation for me to speak at a women's conference, and later, an invitation to present my ministry work to LightHouse Christian Fellowship. It was during the pioneering stages of the African-American mobilization ministry with Team Expansion, that Denise and the other members of the fellowship began to partner with me in prayer and financial support. Every year since then, she and I have talked about working side-by-side on the mission field. Lord willing, this will be the year.

Percilla e-mailed after learning about me from her pastor and his wife. I had met them at a church mission conference in Atlanta in May 2006. I soon met Percilla on a support-raising trip to Portsmouth, Virginia that fall. The 2-hour road trip to Wilson, North Carolina, where Light of the World Baptist Church is located, was well worth it as I was introduced to one of the most passionate wanna-be-senior-missionaries I had ever met. We talked for hours, Percilla and I, about her desire to serve God cross-culturally in Africa. Before I left to return to Portsmouth the next day, we had planned a week's worth of Vacation Bible School and women's ministry to take place on her very first mission-trip to Ghana. Her passion is contagious and I am even more excited about what God has in store for us as we allow Him to minister to us and through us this summer in the Cape Coast area.

Please pray for Karla, Denise and Percilla as they raise support and prepare to embark on the journey of their lives, July 11-22.

Only a Handful (1 Kings 17:12)

One of the most unforgettable memories I have while support-raising last year was a visit I made to Light of the World Baptist Church in Wilson, North Carolina. I went there with no expectations but to be a part of the worship service that Sunday morning, and to meet members of the Sister-to-Sister women's ministry that had decided to support me. I was surprised by an invitation to share with the congregation my call to go to Ghana.

To be honest, I can't remember now what I said then. What I do remember is witnessing as the messenger for that Sunday gave up the special offering collected for him so that it could be given to me, and watching as even the smallest of children dropped coins in a basket for my work. Only a handful of coins, but a n armful of love. Praise God for all of His provisions!

February 2007 Financial Recap

Receipts

Christ Temple Cathedral Church of Christ	100.00
Church of the Great Commission	87.55
E.B. Enterprises, Inc.	100.00
Faith Community Church	100.00
Living Water ABF	100.00
St. James Missionary Baptist Church	50.00
Individuals	<u>\$ 1,925.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$ 2,462.55
General Fund Balance	\$ (109.88)

Expenses:

100 - Salary	\$ 500.00
110 - Medical Insurance	313.33
111 - Special Medical Expense	51.00
130 - Social Security	130.00
141 - Roth IRA	250.00
150 - Housing Allowance	158.00
320 - Hospitality	36.16
470 - Joint Team Projects	600.00
490 - National Co-Workers	39.13
660 - Mission Phone	21.74
661 - E-mail/Internet	200.00
740 - Home Office Fund	100.00
800 - Car/Transportation	68.48
820 - Travel Fees/Tools	.11
840 - Legal/Travel Fees	32.61
880 - Home Service Fund	<u>250.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$2,750.56

A Deal on These Wheels!



When my Team Leader bought this car while in Ghana in 2005, I just knew, somehow, that God had a bigger plan for its usage that included me. Martin is willing to sell me his wheels for \$8,000. Please prayerfully consider giving towards the purchase of this vehicle so that I can get around Ghana. You may send donations to "Team Expansion," memo: Car.

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