

FAMILY  
*focus*

## FAME Ghana grows up by Rick Wolford, director of FAME

As parents, we are pleased when our children grow up, mature, and go out on their own. As the “parents” of FAME Ghana we are pleased that this ministry has grown, matured, and moved out on its own.

Under the faithful leadership of Enoch Nyador, FAME Ghana has grown to 10 clinics. Over 60 churches have been started and thousands have been won to Christ. Enoch now oversees a group of 14 evangelists plus nurses and other staff members.

Since 1987, FAME Ghana has worked under the direction of the FAME offices in the United States. After much prayer and consideration,

the decision has been made for this ministry to be on its own. It has grown to the point that it needs its own Board of Directors that can give undivided attention to this work.

FAME Ghana is now known as Ghana Christian Mission. The board members are Lloyd Acton and John Noel from Kingsway Christian Church in Avon, IN. Board members from Plainfield Christian Church in Plainfield, IN, include Ron Hera, Steve White, and Chuck Williams.

FAME and GCM will continue to be partners in medical evangelism. Future joint plans include building a hospital on land owned by FAME, and erecting village clinics as funds

and staff become available. FAME will continue to send short-term mission teams to work in FAME/GCM clinics.

Enoch and I anticipate a strong partnership between FAME and GCM, just as parents enjoy a new and profitable relationship with an adult child. All of you who have been supporting Enoch and FAME Ghana through the FAME office may now send your donations to Enoch’s forwarding agent at:

**Ghana Christian Mission  
c/o Plainfield Christian Church  
800 Dan Jones Road  
Plainfield, IN 46168**

### DIRECTOR'S *podium*

## Death could have been avoided

On June 17, 2003 Christopher Agboyibor, graduate of Ghana Christian College and pastor of the Honi Christian Church, came to visit me. The purpose of his visit was to press home his earlier request for a clinic to serve Honi and its surrounding 14 villages.

He felt compelled to come again because Honi church members Godwin, 15, and Edward, 10, lost their mother. Akuvi Atitso, 35, had died six days earlier in a preventable child delivery incident.

Akuvi started into labor around midnight on June 10 and was assisted by a traditional birth attendant in the delivery of her baby. An hour later she began to bleed profusely.

A relative was sent on a bicycle to the nearest town 10 miles away in

search of a vehicle to take her to the Swedru hospital 50 miles away. No vehicle was found. Akuvi bled to death at 3:30 a.m.

Her death would not have occurred in a modern health facility with trained medical staff. What a pity in the 21st century!

You can help prevent future tragedies. Our biggest need is monthly salaries for medical staff and evangelists. Only \$250 per month is needed to support a nurse or evangelist.

God has blessed us collectively with enough resources to make a difference in the needy communities of the world. I challenge you to recruit family and friends to commit to provide medical and spiritual hope to those not as richly blessed.

*-Enoch Nyador*

### MEDICAL *work*

## Eye-opening opportunities

As a follow-up to the outreach work of Christian Medical and Dental Association last February, 19 eyes were operated upon by Dr. Lydia Nyador and team from the Tema General Hospital.

Each heard the Gospel presented clearly before and after the surgery in devotional times organized for all surgery beneficiaries. Please continue in prayer for those who are yet to receive the light of Christ in their hearts.

Many more came to be operated upon when they heard of what was happening and Lydia had the difficult task of telling them they must wait until we receive more financial aid. We thank Dr. Rick Paine and his church in Cartersville, GA who provided funds for these cataract surgeries.

**Cost of surgery and medication to remove one cataract = \$150**

*Visiting Americans*

Florida group amazed by needs

May 7-20 GCM and Chana Christian College co-hosted three students and one teacher from Florida Christian College in Orlando, FL. Dr. Bob Smith, elder at Southside Christian Church in Orlando, led the team.

They spent time seeing the work of the college in Accra and also traveled to northern Ghana to see our work among the Mamprusi people group.

One student who went on the trip said, "I think God led me there so he could work on me. I was able to see things that most American Christians aren't able to see and now I can't forget about it.

"I thought I was prepared, but I think God intentionally made me

think I was prepared so that I would be shocked when I got to Ghana. I was definitely shocked! God has laid an even bigger burden on my heart for missions."

Another reminisces, "When I first arrived in Ghana I was amazed at how little the people had. I knew it was classified as a third world country, but honestly I didn't know what to expect.

"We started our trip in Accra, in the southern part of Ghana. It was here that I first encountered the northern tribes had even less of everything than those in the south. Many of the kids in the villages up north had how they could survive the way they do.

"Overall I was struck by the great needs that exist in the north. The people seem to need most everything you could think of-- food, clothes, medical treatment. GCM is doing great work and the future promises even more opportunities to further God's kingdom."

Other visitors and short-term partners for this summer include Adam and Susan Jabloski and Matthew Herron who are all first year students of Ohio Medical College; Scott Sanborn and Emily Ward of DePauw University; and Clark Cayton of Johnson Bible College.

We are grateful for all who visit and encourage us.

**PRAISE**  
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*Petition*

**Requests:**

- 1. Continued faithfulness and focus of evangelists and health workers
- 2. New supporting individuals and churches

**Rejoices:**

- 1. 76 baptized by Francis Addae in May and June
- 2. Strong witness by visiting American teams and growing understanding and unity in the Ghana-American partnership
- 3. Safe delivery of a baby girl to the Haruna family at Yezesi in May
- 4. Faithful supporters and workers in the GCM team; especially for generous donations to the truck fund

**URGENT**  
*need*

**Funds raised for truck purchase**

We thank all who have donated to the truck fund. We will be able to purchase one in August. It will be used by Enoch in supporting the clinics and churches throughout Ghana. We are collecting funds to purchase one more, to be used by Francis Addae in Salaga.

To borrow a GCM display or schedule a representative to address your church group or missions team, contact  
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**Accra-North, Ghana, West Africa**  
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