

Recent Activities

Hello Friends of HCH! Before we get into January's activities, we'd like to update you on the after Christmas Christmas party that was held on the orphanage grounds.

As we mentioned last month, the children attended a Christmas party in Belo that was held before Christmas.

Thanks to donations received from the local community, Zion Hill Baptist Church (in Atlanta, GA), and Mercy Nkansah; the children were able to have a great Christmas party at HCH as well!



Update on Evet: Her operation went very well and she is now recovering and receiving therapy on her leg so that she will be able to use it again normally. She should be in the hospital for another week or so. Please continue to pray for complete healing and for her to be able to walk again without issues.

Also in January, we brought 2 more children into our family! While the director was at one of the conferences he attended over the last couple of months, the plight of these children was brought to his attention. These boys are cousins and have been living with their grandmother who is a widow. They seem to be adjusting well to living at HCH. They are Mildrem Afumbom, 4 years old, and Queenswill Animbom, 3 years old. Please pray for them both to adjust well to their new home.



Prayer Needs:

- ❖ Praise God for the donations received to help with the initial costs of Evet's surgery!!
- ❖ Praise God for the money received from the Cameroonian government for support of HCH!! This is a great step in building a closer relationship with the government and the community!
- ❖ Praise God for the financial donation that allowed Clovis to purchase much needed items to help with his seminary studies and protect his eyes and skin from the sun! (Clovis also did very well in his 1st semester at BIST, the seminary!)
- ❖ For Emmanuel Ful's mother-in-law who recently had a stroke and is paralyzed on one side; please pray for his wife, Charity, as well (recall her father passed away in December)
- ❖ For wisdom and guidance on finding a new matron – one who has a mother's heart for the kids and will work to bring improvements to HCH
- ❖ For peace, harmony, unity and willing spirits among the staff to work together as a close knit team serving the Lord
- ❖ For the staff and children to truly live according to God's will for their lives

Financial SnapShot:

December Balance (\$3976.60) +
January Income (\$889.80) minus
January Expenses (\$1802.73) =
January Balance (\$3063.67)



Mission Trips 2012:

It is that time again - time to begin planning for our 2012 Mission Trips! We are planning many different types of projects for our trips this year – see below... Soon, we will be sorting through the interested volunteers and matching them with projects and groups. Tell your church, small groups and friends about the opportunities, and let us know of anyone that may be interested in participating in some way. All trips will have an experienced leader to help them navigate Cameroon and HCH, and all trips are open at this time. Here's what's in the works for this year:

1) Construction and Repairs - Raise money to finish the new kitchen building and work on repairs needed around the campus (all the while interacting with the children). Good for carpenters, college students and manual labor minded volunteers.



2) General projects and training – HCH/community projects such as: Bible studies, abstinence training, nutrition, medical, ladies meetings, mentoring, staff training, IT/computers, farming, chicken/goat farming, and other "specialized" types of projects. Great for all ages of volunteers.

3) Administrative - Assessments, community/government/church relationship building, and info gathering. Good for new or experienced volunteers. We are working on involving a board member as well.

4) Conferences - Pastors, leaders, women's, youth, and other training groups for the community. A group of returning volunteers wants to continue this conference ministry and we would love to be able to send an additional group to put on some of these types of conferences.



No exact dates have been scheduled yet, nor have the teams been finalized. A college group that has raised money for the construction projects hopes to go in May. Other possible trip times are late Spring or early/mid Summer and possibly a Christmas trip. As always, we encourage you to not make your decision based on finances. Pray for clear guidance and purpose from the Lord in your desire to minister with us in Cameroon. Every volunteer has been able to raise the amount they need - plus often times more! If you can't go to Cameroon, we have many opportunities in the U.S. to support all these projects. Please contact Christi Delgatty, Director of Volunteer Programs and Mission Trips (719.761.5145 or cdelgatty@crycameroon.org), if you're interested in participating, supporting particular projects, or giving financial gifts to support the trips. Don't forget to submit your application if you want to participate and have not done so already.

Please feel free to forward this newsletter (and any future newsletters) to anyone you may feel would be interested in supporting HCH – either prayerfully or financially. Look for updates or donate online at www.harvestchildrenshomes.org.