

## A Word from the Director of H\*VMI Ghana

I saw a need and attempted to do something. As a country preacher, I saw neglected needs of people with disabilities, such as accessible housing, education, job opportunities, recreation and spiritual growth. I began praying and working to see how God would want to use me to help meet these needs. God brought me in contact with H\*VMI USA.

H\*VMI – Ghana is the beginning of the journey of serving people with disabilities. I invite you to join us in the journey ahead – a journey that will impact the lives of this special group of children and adults as well as the entire continent of Africa.

Your commitment to our mission and those we serve is deeply appreciated.

*Larry Lamina*



## Rehabilitation Center

The Rehabilitation Center is a home for children who have been abandoned, orphaned or who are street children. The Center provides food, shelter, a healthy lifestyle, education and spiritual training. We also equip the children with life skills and vocational training to enable them to become self-sufficient. When the children are prepared, we help them to reintegrate into the community.

Hope Community Chapel is located at the Rehabilitation Center. The Chapel has the attitude that “Everybody is handicapped” so all are welcome to worship here, including those with physical, mental and emotional disabilities.

Children from the Center participate in Sunday morning and evening services, Tuesday Bible study, Wednesday prayer meeting, and Thursday youth group at Hope Community Chapel. The Chapel also provides an exciting Bible club ministry for children.



## About H\*VMI

Our Mission Statement: *Handi\*Vangelism Ministries International is a faith-based mission that exists to share the love of the Lord Jesus Christ and to equip the Church to share His love with people around the world who have disabilities, medical or mental health challenges or broken hearts, so that they may become growing and serving members of the body of Christ.*

## About H\*VMI GHANA

H\*VMI Ghana, West Africa, is a growing ministry which includes: camps for deaf and for the visually impaired; residential, educational and vocational training facilities for people who have disabilities and for children who live on the street; ministries to children in refugee camps; programs for individuals with disabilities who live on the streets of Accra, the capital of Ghana; and wheelchair distribution throughout the country.

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## Refugee Program

Churches located near the refugee camp permit H\*VMI Ghana to use their facilities to conduct weekly Christian education classes for children at the camp. Our desire is to provide Christian character development for the children.

Oftentimes refugee families submit their children to child labor in unsafe conditions in order to assist with family needs, rather than allowing them to attend school. In conjunction with the Department of Ghana Education Service, H\*VMI is permitted to identify at-risk children, place them with foster parents and enroll them in a school. We also provide them with books, shoes and clothing. H\*VMI monitors the children's progress through contacts with the foster families, teachers and the children themselves. In addition, the children's foster families receive training about the dangers of child labor and the importance of continuing the children's education.

## Wheelchair Distribution

There are many people with disabilities in Ghana who need wheelchairs. H\*VMI Ghana works with *Free Wheelchairs Mission* to distribute donated wheelchairs to people all over the country. We coordinate our efforts with rehabilitation centers which work with people who are disabled.



## Street Ministry

Every Sunday, H\*VMI Ghana holds church right on the street. There's lots of good singing, encouraging testimonies and a Gospel message.

H\*VMI Ghana makes itself available to participants who may be in need of emergency assistance including food, medical and legal support.

We also seek to identify people with disabilities who live on the street and could benefit from the life skills and vocational training programs at Echoing Hills Village. If an individual is interested, we provide a thorough evaluation and counseling process. After careful screening of each client, he/she may be invited for placement at Echoing Hills Village.

## Echoing Hills Village

Echoing Hills Village is a residential facility serving people who have physical and/or mental disabilities who have previously lived on the street. The ministry focuses on rehabilitation and reintegration into the community. It also provides support and training for families of the residents. Some of the activities conducted at the Village are:

Daily living activities skills workshops, in partnership with Department of Ghana Education Service

Occupational skills training including:

- Dressmaking/Sewing
- Bread baking
- Broom manufacturing
- Woodworking/Crafts
- Agriculture – both animals and crops

Job placement opportunities are provided for the residents in conjunction with Department of Ghana Social Welfare, enabling them to become productive members of society.

Echoing Hills Village also provides camps and retreats for the Deaf and people who are blind. Camping provides fellowship and an opportunity for campers to have a vital relationship with the Lord.



## Partnership Opportunities

We appreciate your prayerful and financial support for these vital ministries in Ghana, West Africa.

**If you are interested in a short-term mission trip to assist in the H\*VMI Ghana programs, please contact H\*VMI USA at the Akron, PA address.**

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