



YOUTH FOR CHRIST GHANA MINISTRY REPORT 2022



PREAMBLE

We give glory and praise to God for a great harvest and successful ministry in 2022. Despite several challenges in the year, the Lord of the harvest rewarded our collective efforts with an overflow of results that exceeded our strategic targets. On behalf of the National Board Chairperson, I extend sincere appreciation to all Board members, staff, volunteers and our committed Alumni, for their prayers and sacrifices towards youth evangelism and discipleship, in the year under review. Thank you and God bless you and your families.

We also appreciate the immense support of YFCI/FFTN, Sam Rowland, Biblica Ghana and West Africa, OneHope/414 movement, YFCI-Africa Area and many other partners.

This report covers a summary of Ministry update on National and Regional Activities for 2022.



Jackson Mensah – National Dir. - with Grt Accra Coordinator

TESTIMONY

“I am grateful for what the Lord has done through Ghana YFC. I am now born again and attend Bible studies at YFC Girls club. YFC has offered me dressmaking skills and sewing machine. I dropped from school because I was not doing well academically, and it was difficult for mum to raise Ghc3,000 with new sewing machine to enroll me in dressmaking apprenticeship. YFC reached out with love and rescued me from street and wayward life. It is not easy with my family but I trust God’s plan for my life. Glory to God!” **PORTIA**



SCHOOL OUTREACH

With the support of Foundation for the Nation (YFCI) we intensified our weekly school worship program in 7 Ministry Regions, including Ashanti, Central, Volta, Eastern, Greater Accra and Tema.



Ascension Presby JHS, Koforidua

Over 19,018 young people were evangelized in Junior and Senior high Schools, and 4,560 responded by accepting the Lordship of Christ. 13,005 students were reached for the first time with the Gospel in 27 new Schools. YFC adopted discipleship content in the Reach4Life Bible for our weekly school worship programs in all 7 Regions. We are proud to testify of the improved spiritual and academic life in most of the schools. A national interactive platform has been created for all volunteers and chaplains to share weekly update and ideas for effective ministry and monitoring.

TESTIMONY

“Since YFC reached out to Akoefe JHS 2 years ago with counseling and devotional programs, there has been significant upgrade in my student’s academic and moral life. Your volunteer and school chaplain, **Francis Kodzi**, has been amazing. He is consistent, passionate and selfless. He devoted his time to teach my final year students in social science, and they performed very well. We have witnessed transformation in our kids through Francis and YFC. I recommend YFC Club meeting and school worship programs to all basic schools in Akoefe community” **Madam Precious Adade- Headmistress**



PARTNERSHIPS

As part of our strategic plan, we entered into a new partnership with FIRST PRIORITY GLOBAL MOVEMENT through its Africa Area office. The National Director participated in FIRST Priority Global conference in Kenya and we subsequently launched **YFC/FIRST PRIORITY GHANA** on 7th October. 65 Youth Pastors, church leaders, YFC Staff and volunteers and students attended a 2-day FIRST PRIORITY Discipleship conference, from the 6th -7th October, in Accra. FIRST PRIORITY GLOBAL MOVEMENT will provide access to their wealth of Discipleship contents for young people and provide capacity building for leaders and facilitators.



BIBLICA GHANA

Biblica Ghana donated additional 5,000 N.T Reach for Life Bibles for our school worship program. Distribution of the devotional Bibles opened doors to 27 new schools for ministry. Biblica also donated GH2,000 at the Climax of our 55 Anniversary. We are grateful to God for the partnership relationship that has greatly deepened our discipleship and outreach work.

ONE-HOPE/414 MOVEMENT

Over 30,000 copies of discipleship materials were donated by OneHOPE, Mail box club and 414 movement in 2022. Most of these books were donated to institutions like S.U, CEF, Churches and schools in the Central Region. The books include LEAD-TODAY by John Maxwell and the UNSTOPPABLE By Joyce Meyer and Explorers series. YFC has adopted LEAD-TODAY as a training work book for our prefect leadership training program.



NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM RETREAT

National staff, leaders and Regional Coordinators held several NLT Meetings for strategic planning, prayers and review of National and local programs. The last session was held on 19th November at Ho. We were privileged to have Mrs Tilly Hammond (Board Chairperson) and Pastor John Avorgah (YFC National Curriculum Consultant) sharing quality mentoring time with us. We appreciate support of the Volta Board Chairman and his team for a successful host and also sharing fellowship with us.



Rev. Avorgah sharing



Rev. Dzokoto (Ho Board Chairman)

GRADUATION OF 24 TRAINEES

The National Director performed graduation service for 24 Adolescent girls who successfully completed one year dressmaking training at the National employable skill Centre, Tema, on 16th October. Sewing machines were donated to beneficiaries, who are now members of YFC Girls' club in Tema Manhean. The Awudum Assembly member and National Youth Authority Coordinator (Tema) were amazed at the quality of work and commended YFC for the life transforming investments in the community. The FFTN funded project has impacted the lives of over 100 girls directly through weekend club and community outreach activities. The second batch of 16 beneficiaries are currently receiving training at the Centre, and will hopefully graduate in December 2023.



55TH ANNIVERSARY

The National Celebration of our 55th Anniversary begun with a special prayer conference to launch the year-long celebrations. All the 7 Regional branches were represented at the Osu Presby Church on 18th January 2022.



ANNIVERSARY BREAKFAST MEETING

YFC family from 5 Regions met in Accra for the 55th Anniversary Breakfast on 18th June. The meeting was spiced with love fellowship between the young and old, and graced by old and new board members, staff, volunteers and young people. Speakers included Paul Mante (main speaker), Samuel Ayisi, Rev. John Avorgah and Emmanuel Lamptey. Members shared ideas to move the Ministry to the next level. Dinner tickets were sold for GHC100 per person. The National office and some Alumni sponsored tickets for key staff, volunteers and young people.



ANNIVERSARY DONATION



We donated 100 bags of cement and 5 buckets of Paint to Ankaful Psychiatric Hospital in Cape Coast, on 22nd October. The special presentation was part of our 55th National Anniversary celebrations. Jackson Mensah, National Director and head office staff joined leaders from Central Region chapter for the exercise. Receiving the donation, Madam Kate Quarshie, the administrator of APH, expressed appreciation for the kind gesture and promised to use the materials as intended. The institution specifically requested for building materials as their priority need. We bless the Lord for the opportunity to share the love of God with our less privileged and deprived brothers and sisters. The donation was sponsored by YFC Alumni and facilitated by Mrs Nancy Nartey, Board chair of Central Region and her team of Board members and volunteers.

BECE PRAYER CONFERENCE

Five Regional chapters organized a special prayer session for 2,023 JHS 3 BECE candidates, prior to their final exams in October. In Cape coast and Ho, the prayer Bonanza attracted students from two schools we intend to start weekly chaplaincy program. Most of the participating students were mobilized from schools we hold regular devotion program and discipleship club meeting. Students prayed their hearts out for God's intervention in the exams. Resource persons seized the opportunity to inspire and guide them on exams tips. They were challenged to keep away from immoral activities after graduation. Participants were introduced to YFC out of school programs and opportunities.



SAM ROWLAND OUTREACH



Evangelist Sam Rowland from Canada YFC Collaborated with YFC Ghana for 2 weeks Gospel outreach in 6 Cities, including Kumasi, Koforidua, Cape Coast, Accra, Ho and Tema.

6,275 students were inspired through his unique preaching and Musical concert, and 1,567 surrendered their lives to Christ. In addition to the donation of 5,000 books, Sam generously presented cash and other gift items to schools and prisons. He was supported by Brian, sound engineer



Sam Rowland donated most of the outreach equipments to YFC Ghana, including a new mixer, pair of speakers and microphones.

The National Board Chairperson welcomed our outreach partners at the Head office and commended them for their collaboration and support. We presented Citation of appreciation and a special African wear with Kente-customized T-shirts to Brian and Sam.



HUMANITARIAN DONATIONS



YFC Ghana received a Donation of 40ft container full of humanitarian gifts from our partners, including Dave Peacock-(YFC Victoria Canada), Compassionate Resource Warehouse, Giving Hands, Prof. Dr. Christine Schirmmacher and Dr. Thomas Schirmmacher.

The humanitarian items include, sewing machines and accessories, clothing, Hospital equipments, Nursing and surgery accessories, Teaching and learning materials, household accessories, Beddings, student mattresses, Technical and vocational machines, variety of footwears, Laptops, children wears and toys, Bicycles and many more. Our partners mobilized the gifts from churches and individuals and also funded the full cost of packaging, shipment, customs and distribution transportation. About 10,000 people have so far benefited from the donation, since May 2022. Beneficiaries in 7 Regions include Schools, Hospitals, Orphanages, Churches, YFC staff and volunteers, YFC Training Centres at Kokrobite and Tema.



ZONGO COMMUNITY OUTREACH



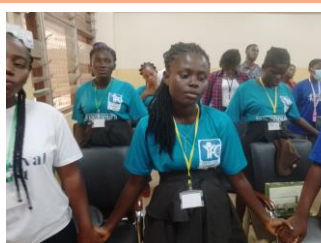
Over 500 hundred young people were reached and engaged with variety of discipleship, games and fun activities, in December 2022. The outreach campaign was held in Koforidua Muslim Zongo community, with the theme: **The Greatest Gift Campaign**. By the grace of God, 107 Muslim youth were introduced to Christ and received Reach4Life Bibles. The Greatest Gift Outreach was organized in collaboration with RDE with 32 volunteers from YFC, RDE and other partners.



YOUTH TRANSFORMATION CAMPMEETING

18 young leaders from Accra, Tema, Ho and Koforidua, participated in Samaritan strategy wholistic transformation camp, from 6th to 9th September. The training camp was held at the Pentecost University under the theme "Addressing Culture and Worldviews-The Role of the Youth"

Campers were exposed to relevant information and empowered with tools to confront the culture of lies and post-modernism. They also experienced quality time of fasting, prayers, worship, Bible studies, Games and talent exhibition.



SCHOOL PREFECTS TRAINING

Over 300 JHS Prefects participated in our maiden leadership training for student leaders. The training is part of FFTN funded chaplaincy project in all regional branches. Prefects in Accra, Koforidua, Paga and Ho, have been empowered with basic godly and servant leadership skills. We also introduced participants to YFC activities and volunteer opportunities.



YOUNG CATALYSTS TRAINING

20 young leaders in Tema, Ho and Accra participated in our National young catalyst development training. The monthly training and mentoring sessions were designed to prepare young people for YFC leadership and volunteering roles. Volta and Greater Accra Regional Coordinators, participated in the Africa Area young catalyst training and graduated in December 2022. Most of our young leaders are currently serving as volunteers and actively serving in their local church.

YOUTH WORKERS TRAINING

We organized a leadership training for children and youth workers in collaboration with 414 Movement at Winners chapel-Accra, in March 2022. Our National Director facilitated the youth session. Participants from various churches in Accra, including YFC staff, were provided with materials for their church youth groups.



SCHOOL CLUB



30 YFC Club members were engaged weekly for discipleship and fellowship. St Theresa JHS school club is one of three clubs currently active in the Upper East Region. Clubbers also enjoy our monthly leadership series, facilitated by the Regional Coordinator and school chaplain

HUMANITARIAN DONATION

Six JHS Schools received assorted gift items from our ministry at Paga. They include Kayolo JHS, Kajalo JHS, Paga A & B JHS and Tedam A & B JHS. The items include football, clothes, teaching and learning materials. The Regional Coordinator and his interim management committee also presented medical items to Nakolo community Health centre. Nakolo football club also received a set of jerseys in May 2022.



VOLUNTEERS TRAINING



25 volunteers and leaders in Upper East received staff credentialling -orientation and chaplaincy training in July. 20 new volunteers from Bolgatanga and Navrongo pledged their commitment to the expansion of evangelism and discipleship in Upper East Region. They were exposed to YFC ministry strategies and empowered with our school outreach and discipleship tools. The training was sponsored by National office and facilitated by the National Training Director.



Frank Ebo Mensah – National Training Director (Middle)

TESTIMONY

“ I didn’t know so much about the bible before I joined YFC School club, but now I understand the bible more and even memorize a lot of verses. Secondly, my life has really changed after joining YFC, especially in my spiritual life. I now have confidence and leadership skills to lead my peers in worship and Bible studies. Everyone knew me to be very shy and disconnected from religious activities, but the story of my life has changed now. You can even ask my teachers and class mates. I thank God and YFC for the great change in my life”

Telshia Ajore, St Theresa JHS



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Team in Koforidua held weekly community, market and street evangelism in 2022. Volunteers consistently reached out through dawn broadcast, house to house and shop to shop, with the Gospel. In addition to propagating the good news of Christ and winning souls, YFC brand has been graciously promoted through aggressive community outreach. Many souls were attracted to the Lord and subsequently directed to a local church and YFC Club. Crusades and Gospel campaigns were held in Rural areas including Begoro.



MINISTRY TO APPRENTICES

Three dressmaking centres were reached with regular devotion and fellowship in 2023. Chaplaincy program for young girls in dressmaking centres is a new outreach ministry adopted by Eastern YFC.



COMMUNITY CLUBS

Three junior clubs were active for discipleship classes in 2022. Some parents follow their children to participate in prayer and teaching sessions. Our children are excited to be YFC club members and desire to know more about the person and teachings of Christ.



SPECIAL DONATION

YFC Eastern Region regularly visit needy and vulnerable groups are for fellowship and donation of gifts. It is one of our social involvement program. We donated food and other items to **Eye of the Lord orphanage** in Nsawam Adoagyiri on 9th April.



GRADUATION QUIZ

Volta YFC held a special quiz for JHS 3 students in Akoefe Basic school, Ho. After going through our discipleship lessons for more than a year and getting ready to graduate from school, YFC organized a special quiz and graduation service to award them with certificates. The Regional Coordinator encouraged them to deepen their relationship with God and personal devotion. They were introduced to YFC out of school activities and opportunities.



FUN GAMES



Volta YFC organized two separate Fun games for Akoefe Avenui JHS and a local community club. YFC teens and children enjoyed a variety of games, including, pick and act, musical chair, dancing competition, picking paper with straw and many others. Many adolescents were attracted to our club and our holistic nurturing objective was achieved.



INTER SCHOOLS QUIZ CONTEST

As part of our 55th Anniversary celebration, Volta Region chapter organized a special Bible quiz competition between 5 Basic schools in Ho. This event took place on the 18th of November, 2022 at the SSNIT Flats Global Evangelical Church, and was witnessed by the national leadership team. This is the first ever Bible contest held after the ministry was re-launched. We hope that this becomes an annual program in the Region as a way of encouraging young people to study the bible and confidently share their faith.



Mrs Tilly Hammond – Board Chairperson-presenting awards to winners

DONATION TO VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers and some young leaders in Volta YFC were motivated with gift items, including Bicycles, clothes and educational materials.



VACATION RETREAT



The Board chairperson and other leaders in Central Region, spent a full day with school and community club members for their annual vacation Retreat. Young people were exposed to the person and power of the Holy spirit as they participated in worship, Bible studies, extended prayer and love feast.



Other topics treated includes sexual purity, personal devotional time, the Christian and the media. 150 teens from Ayensudo and Cape coast clubs participated in the Retreat at Mempeasem.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Central Region initiated a special community outreach to younger people in Elmina. Pastor Thomas, our volunteer in the area, mobilized a team to reach many unchurched children for Christ. Street campaigns were held in 3 communities and a community club has been established at Ayensudo. The National Office is providing support towards motivating volunteers to expand outreach in the Region. We see an opportunity to reach parents and more young people in these communities, especially in Enyinase village.



DISTRIBUTION OF BOOKS

Central Region YFC donated over 60,000 discipleship books and 6,000 N.T Bibles in 2022. YFC is the distribution partners for 414 Movement, Bible society of Ghana and Mail Box Bible Club.



Beneficiaries of our book distribution includes, churches, schools and groups like S.U, CEF, Compassion international and others.

SCHOOL MINISTRY

Central Region YFC held weekly worship and discipleship sessions in 5 Schools, including Joy Preparatory, EKON M/A JHS A & B and



Rev. Stephen Otoo (middle-YFC Volunteer)

SCHOOL MINISTRY

YFC Ashanti Region held regular worship service with senior high schools. About 8,000 students in 5 senior high schools were engaged for church in the Region. They include Kumasi Girls SHS, Methodist Girls vocational training at Kwadaso, Antoa and Ofoase Kokobe Senior High Schools.



About 850 girls at Kumasi girls SHS were reached with a special school Mission program, in collaboration with S.U Kumasi Area. Over 100 students accepted Christ.

KNUST FELLOWSHIP

YFC Campus chapter at KNUST held monthly fellowship under the leadership of Coordinator Felix. Regular speakers and counsellors include Mrs Theodosia Jackson and Pastor Samuel Frans (Regional Board member)



PRAYER CONFERENCE

A special prayer conference was organized for BECE Candidates at Weweso JHS, in October. Thousands of students in the cluster of schools participated in extended prayer session. JHS 3 students were educated on examination etiquettes, personal relationship with Christ and sexual purity.



MANCEL COLLEGE MISSION

Ashanti YFC November embarked on special outreach at Mancel College in November. New Creation music group joined our team to minister to a population of about 150 students, and 45 accepted Christ as their Lord.



TEMA-HUMANITARIAN DONATION

Tema Regional Board and volunteers donated household, learning and teaching materials to Schools, young leaders, YFC members and other institutions. Two hospitals and 10 schools received medical and educational materials and equipments.



Tema Regional Hospital



Manhean Anglican JHS



National Skills Training Centre-Tema

TESTIMONY

"Our students have never seen and worked with some industrial machines, even though they are being trained as carpentry technicians. It was a great joy in our Technical and vocational school, when we installed and started using the industrial and technical machines YFC donated. We are very grateful for the great demonstration of love and kindness to our school. It would have taken us decades to procure all these machines and accessories. Thank you and come again"

Mr Tagoe, head of Department and Chaplain



Tema Industrial Mission Vocational School



GIRLS CLUB

As part of the adolescent health intervention for pregnant girls and adolescent mothers in Tema Manhean, a community club was established in 2020 to provide fellowship, discipleship and counseling. Regular meetings were held on Saturdays and more girls were attracted to the club



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Three Gospel campaigns were held in Awudum, Bankuman and market communities. Volunteers mobilized young people in the communities and shared the Gospel through musical and film shows. Many boys and girls accepted Christ and joined our community club at the skills training centre.



TUOBODOM OUTREACH

Tema YFC held a special outreach party for young people at the Zongo ghetto at Community 12 - Tuobodom. Clothings and food were shared together with the Gospel. Many received Christ and a new club was established in December.



EASTER FUN RALLY

Accra YFC organized a special Easter fun rally for about 300 young people at Kasoa iron city, on April 18. Activities included games, film show, Gospel challenge and interaction with YFC leaders. It was sponsored by partners including Nii Amar Amarfo Foundation, courtesy Auntie Eva (Accra YFC Alumnus) A community club has been established for young people in the area to benefit from our counseling, discipleship and recreational activities.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

225 JHS 3 leavers from 12 schools participated in a special graduation thanksgiving service on 22nd October. YFC Alumni and other speakers made presentations on soap making, time management and LGBTQ+. Gifts were presented to all schools.



SAM ROWLAND OUTREACH



About 876 young people were reached through the ministry of Sam Rowland at Forces JHS, Ablekuma Assemblies of God and Akotolante Baptist church. 105 students accepted Christ as Lord.



WHAT HAS CHANGED – IMPACT STORY

Adolescent girls at our National employable skills Training Centre in Tema Newtown, celebrated their transformed life since they joined YFC. We are excited to share **Diana's** testimony with you.

"I had a terrible attitude and shameful anger which earned me a bad name in the community. I hated myself for getting pregnant and lived with guilt and shame, but that story changed ever since I joined YFC and accepted Christ. The leaders accepted me and my child without any condemnation and I can now stand before my peers to lead worship and teach Bible lessons"

