## **GHANA**

May 21, 2018



## Dear Friend of Team Ghana,

We thank the Lord for our church's recent growth. Our average morning attendance is 693, which is up 74 from a year ago. We are averaging 183 in our evening services, which is an increase of 22.

**Visitors:** Every March and September, our church emphasizes bringing visitors. We give away a small gift to each first-time visitor and to the person who brought the visitor. From January through March of this year, God blessed our church with 321 first-time visitors, 210 of whom came for the first time in March.

**Follow-Up:** In addition to our visitor months in March and September, we have "Visitor Follow-Up" months in April and October. During our "follow-up" month, we encourage our visitors to do four things: (1) meet the pastor, (2) come to Sunday school on time three times, (3) complete our salvation tract/workbook, and (4) attend an evening service, prayer meeting, or soul-winning meeting. Visitors who do these four things are invited to attend a special luncheon; the person who brought the visitor earns the luncheon as well. Forty-five visitors and thirty-eight different visitor-bringers qualified for the luncheon!

**Testimonies:** I thank God for these visitors and for those in our church who are reaching others for Christ. Here are a few of their testimonies:

- Micah and Abbie Christiansen invited a young girl named Kezia from their neighborhood. After Kezia came, her mother Selena soon started coming with the rest of her children. Then Selena brought her sister **Ama Osei Tutu**. Ama completed the April program, was baptized on May 13, and joined the church yesterday!
- Emmanuela Appiah is a faithful teen in our church, and she attends our Christian school. Last year she brought her friend Blessing to church. Then earlier this year, Blessing brought her mother, **Lucy Takyi**, to church. Lucy ended up joining our church in April and completing the April program.
- Brother Mike Sarver invited a shopkeeper named **Grace Appiah** to church. She came the last Sunday in March. She came again and brought her son Samuel and her friend, **Victoria Smith**; Victoria brought her son (*pictured below*). The next Sunday, their sons walked the aisle, trusted Christ, and were baptized!
- A lady asked our staff member, Kingsley Addai Gyasi, to witness to her husband, **Emmanuel Addai Boahene**. This was back in January. Kingsley set up an appointment to preach the Gospel to Emmanuel. He trusted Christ, came to our church for the first time on January 7, and has not missed a Sunday since!

**Team Family:** This month's featured prayer letter is from the Halls: <u>tinyurl.com/FBMI-Hall-Letters</u>. Please pray for this good family as they reach the Deaf for Christ here in Ghana.

Yours for souls,

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