

Father's Home news, June 2014

Dear family members and friends, here are some news from Ghana !

Life at Anto, children's home

*Life at Anto was tragically darkened by **the death of Esther and Clement's first new-born child**. They lost their baby boy in April in very painful and difficult circumstances. In the midst of their grieving process, they are taking care of their group of children as before.

The other staff couple, Franziska and Emmanel, has a **baby boy of 7 months called Kojo Emmanuel**.

***There are currently 14 children in the home, aged between 2 and 12 years.** They all go to public school by bus.

***A new little 2 year old girl has joined the home.** She is Vanessa, the half-sister of Ezekiel, 9 months old. The mother of Vanessa is a teenager who has had four pregnancies and lost two of her kids. The social service of the city is working on her reintegration in the society for her to be able to stay with her children in the future.

***The chicken farm is now full on.**

The **200 broilers** bought last year October have been sold during the Christmas season 2013 as well as **270 cockerels** since the beginning of this year. **More than 1000 eggs are sold each week thanks to the 200 layers.** The demand is big and promising for the future!



Vanessa



The new chicken farm under construction

***A second chicken farm is being built** next to the first one. Its size is 90 x 30 feet; it is supposed to contain up to 1000 brown and black layers in the future.

The building is planned to be finished this year.

We would like to take the opportunity to **thank all those of you who sponsor this project** which should lead to raise some

local revenue for the general running of the 2 homes!



Vincent collecting laid eggs

Life at Butumagyebu, Youth Development Centre



***At the moment, 22 teenagers and young adults are staying at BU.**

Six of them just finished gymnasium and are waiting to enter into various tertiary institutions or apprenticeships. Seven of them are at gymnasium; five of them are attending secondary school.

***22 non resident youth are supported by FH in their studies.**

Some youth at BU with Emily and Ezekiel

In all, more than 40 youth benefit from a precious help and foresee their future with hope!

***A little girl of about 2 years, Emily, has been welcomed into the home** last December. She was found in the street, abandoned. The local police continue their investigations to find any close or distant family member. Emily lives at BU, because the families in Anto are already well occupied.



***Presently, we have two dependent babies.**

The boy is waiting to be adopted; the future of the girl is uncertain.

This task represents a lot of time and energy investment for the staff.

The social services of the city regularly bring very young children, often for an undefined time which varies between a few days and several months.

The reception facilities in the region are poor and we inherit of a big number of needy!



We therefore appreciate your help all the more; it is the reason why we are so grateful to have you at our side!

Receive our dearest and warmest greetings,
The parents and children of Father's Home

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