

**MINISTRY NEWSLETTER FROM REV. PRISCILLA LEGAY- JAIAH**  
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Greetings to our beloved partners from Ganta Mission Station, Liberia!

This is a great joyful moment for us in Liberia as we have been declared Ebola free. Please join us as we celebrate Liberia's challenging victory over Ebola and as we give thanks to the almighty God for his healing power. Thanks for your collective efforts through the difficult times we faced you stood by us with by supporting us through your prayers and financial gifts and donations as we responded to the Ebola crisis.

In our April newsletter we spoke about revitalizing our mission station programs like the carpentry shop and the agriculture program. We are grateful to our partners in the North Carolina Beacon District who provided funds to accomplish this goal. The funds were used to purchase cows and chickens.

The vegetables have been planted: beans, tomatoes, corn, eggplant, and lettuce. The pig farm is still going on. 400 chickens (broilers) were purchased in Abidjan, Ivory Coast and transported by road from Abidjan to Ganta. We had to pay transport fees and border crossing fees. The chicks finally arrived the Mission Station on March 27, 2015. 200 of the broilers chickens have been sold to local framers and individuals at \$2.00 each. This is to enable them raise chickens for meat and income for the family. In addition seven (7) cows were added to the agriculture far. The agriculture program is one of our greater sustainability plans for the mission station and our goal is to make it into a larger farm

The crops provide funds for our operational budget. The poultry project provides chickens for local farmers (desiring to raise same) and quality and safe meat for the market. There is a proliferation of unsafe poultry and pork products on the local market. These are sent to poor countries like Liberia and sold at very cheap prices to the public. These pats are sometimes contaminated and have not passed and inspections.

Our cows will be slaughtered and sold in the markets. We will also sell the off spring to local farmers desiring to raise cows. Guess what? One of our cows is pregnant!! With the freezer the Beacon District donated, we will be able to freeze the meat and sell as the public desire to purchase. Before the freezer, we would have needed to slaughter the cow and sell all of it within a 24 hour period! We desire to offer safe alternatives for our local consumption. Therefore, we will love to continue and develop this project. A One day old chick is sold at \$1.00; and \$20.00 will provide medication for 400 chicks at three months.



Chickens sold to framers at Flompa Town local Market, the cow eating grass

Our bee hives are thriving! We have harvested 6 hives and honey is sold to local market. We are thankful to our partners in Illinois Great River, through the local church of Robert Frank St. John United Methodist Church for partnering with us in our honey production. We also assist local farmers develop and market their own hives and honey.

On behalf of the Ganta Mission Station family we express our thanks to the administration of Farm Credit of Illinois for the donating their Corporate T-shirts and clothing to be used by students and staff at the mission Station. The staff and students are very appreciative for the gifts which came on time as the rainy season begins to keep them warm. The amazing thing about this gift it is useful in multiple ways: the mission station security is using it as uniform and also the jackets to keep them warm as they guard our homes and offices at night. The colorful T-shirts has brighten and put

smile on our staff faces- Thanks Farm Credit



T-shirts donated by Farm Credit of Illinois, the security their T-shirts as uniform

The Vocational High School in the community of Gipo (located about 30 miles from Ganta) which started in February 2015 is now 90% is to completion. Hopefully the vocational portion will commence in September 2015. This is being supported by three churches in the Minnesota Conference: Brooklyn UMC, Crosswind and North UMC.

The goal is equipping the young people to possess marketable vocational skills that can serve as a source of income generation as they decide to continue their education and training beyond the Gipo Vocational Technical School. The school will also provide extension training and technical support to traditional local framers and women groups, for surrounding villages in agriculture program. The focus is: Auto-Mechanics, Construction, Electricity, Plumbing, Domestic Science and Agriculture program and good high school education. As the children graduate from the school with these vocational skills and begin being self-employed through developing local businesses, building construction, mechanic shops and etc. The economy of the community will improve and the human resource will also stay within the community. This will bring about development. As we draw closer to the completion of the Gipo village school project, our hearts leap for joy.



*A New Mission field, Vocation al School under construction for 12 villages in the Gbannah Clan, in Nimba County!*

There are items still needed to complete the school such as: school desks and chairs, cafeteria, woodwork shop for practical work and six room's toilet for students. Therefore we are making an appeal to our friends and partners to please select any item to support financially.

Without the gifts of book bags and school supplies our students who returned to school after the end of the Ebola virus would be without the basic school supplies because most parents were not able to buy these items for two to four kids. Thanks for your continue support through your gifts and scholarship sponsorship for our needed students.



Donated school book bags distributed by teachers with students at GUMS& A commuinity school in Flompa Town.

There is no better gift then these and the one I received from the United Methods women and friends.

My Birthday and Christmas greetings cards for December10, 2015, were received May 23, sixteen birthday cards were on May 23, 2015. It was uplifting and refreshing to have opened my cards this night after a long day at the Gipo school project site. I was a little frustrated after a long day and delayed work. But opening my sixteen Cards and reading words like- *take courage*, I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress, my God; in Him will I trust, cherish every moment, let us hear Christ's message of hope, let us spread Christ's message of peace, to cheer you, and you are in prayers. These are very comforting words and I am feeling loved by God's people call United Methodists Women who faithfully send us cards.

We cannot end this newsletter without thanking all of our supporting churches *and those who donated to the Ebola* response and our three major scholarship providers who sponsored our students during the Ebola Crisis. Words are inadequate to express the level of gratitude the Ganta Mission Station Family hold for these great servants of God. We value this partnership dearly and say a big thank you to the Frist UMC Mansfield, Goshen UMC, Indiana and St. John UMC, Illinois through Bob Frank for remaining connected to us as a family through your support and prayers.

**Please Support our Mission Work**

We are thankful for partners like you who are helping to strengthen our local efforts to continue and develop our ministry areas. We invite you to consider below which areas you might be able to assist with:

**A 10 room school for 12 nearby villages' children who have to walk 1-2 hours to attend an elementary school in a distant village School desks and chairs, cafeteria, woodwork shop for practical work  
6 room's toilet for students, agriculture program and scholarship sponsorship!**

*To send donations to, your conference office, write "for Priscilla L. Jaiah, Advance #30359Z" Salary support. To assist with my project support and to donate to my mission work writes the project, Ganta Mission Station support, Advance #14369T on the memo line.*

Thank you for being our partners in mission and ministry in Liberia and May the good Lord bless all of you!!

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