

GANTA UNITED METHODIST MISSION STATION

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Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures forever (Psalm 106:1).

Greetings to our friends and family, it been a long time since we sent out our newsletter. it was due to our overly engagements since our returned in October 2022. We are grateful to you all who have kept in touch with us through emails and social media.

The Academic year 2022/2023 came to a successful end and students were promoted, among some of the schools are: The Ganta United Methodist school closed on July 28, graduating 12 students from the kindergarten to first grade. Mitch Dahn and Mexitline Salliah, were first and second Dux respectively



Graduating Class, 2023

1st DUX Mitch Dahn & 2nd DUX Mexitline Salliah



Speaking on the “The Importance of Education” The school proprietress, Mrs. Margaret K. Korkpor says, “the school was established in 2019 with the mandate to provide top quality instructional and learning conditions in all aspects of professional education that will effectively promote the interest, growth, and improvement of the beneficiaries of the institution”.

The 2nd Kindergarten Graduation Program of Nation Builders International



The graduating Class! Congratulations, to the Valedictorian, Priscilla Dolopi

Gipo Vocational Training Institute, Instructional Staff



The Graduating class/ Meet the DUX, Grace Wilfan, 1st DUX, 7TH grade & Otis Zangbay 2nd Dux,

The Gipo Vocational Training Institute, Academic section first Kindergarten Graduation, the institution graduated 15 students. Meanwhile, the academic enrollment for 2023 was two hundred forty-two (242) but due to the economic crisis and poverty rate led to the dropped out of 54 students; while, the school was left with one hundred eighty-eight (188) students who completed the year.

From six grade to eight grade students are encouraged to select their choice from the five (5) vocational areas of study. These are the vocational or trade provided for study Auto-Mechanic, Building Construction, electricity, Home Economics, and agriculture. The goal is to provide and equip students with vocational skills alongside with academic from six (6) grade to 9th grade upon completion. Scholarship students work two hours in a week in the school agriculture farm.

On December 10th, 2022 Pig Farmers formed the Cooperative that have about 30 members. The dreamed about building a slaughter house was finally achieved through the generosity of our partners from the North Carolina Conference, who donated \$14,000 USD toward the construction of slaughter house for pig farmers, seven (7-team members) headed by Rev. William A. Haddock came on April 7-18, 2023, and helped to construct the foundation of the slaughter's house; furthermore, a container with supplies for school, hospital, cold-room, tailor, and other materials for the slaughter's house was shipped upon their arrival to Liberia.

Thanks to the North Carlina Conference for the funds donated for the construction for the pig slaughter house and to the Elizabeth Lee UMC, in Georgia who also raised \$2, 600USD for the steel doors, windows and concrete floor of the slaughter's house.

The Nimba County Pig Farmers Cooperative (NCPFC)



The pig farmers parading the principal street of Ganta

on July 26, 2023 the slaughter was officially opened and the occasion was graced by Bishop Samuel J. Quire Jr. of the Liberia Annual Conference.



Farmers expressing their gratitude to bishop Samuel Quire for the support of their partners through UMC, and farmers demonstrate how the slaughter house operates.

Charles spoke a prophetic word during his visit in April 2023” I would like the pig farmers to make Nimba County the pig capital of Liberia in three years”. Less than one year those words came to pass.

Thank you, Charles for being passionate about families supporting themselves through raising pigs in Liberia.



From July 22-25, seven pigs were slaughtered and meat sold at the slaughter’s house.

The Goodnews is that the people came to the slaughter’s house to buy meat, there is a high demand for fresh pork meat. I am afraid the pig farmers may not be able to meet up with the high public demand for fresh meat on a daily basic. The farmers are forced to reduce the days for selling to three days in the week Mondays, Fridays & Saturdays.

Overview of farmers who sold pigs

- Peter Dolopei--- One (1) pig weigh 75LBS sold \$11,180LD
- Andy Guandose----- One (1) pig 42LBs sold \$9,840 LD
- Morris Sayemie----- One (1) pig weight 35LBS 7,700LD
- Gipo vocational Institute -----Two (2) pigs’ weight 185lbs sold for LD29,340
- Johnson Domah -----One (1) pig weight 141LBS-sold \$25,280LD
- Mission station -----One (1) pig weight 90LBs sold \$22,500LD

The pig framers are very excited and grateful to our partners, mostly to the North Carolina (NC) and Elizabeth Lee for their extraordinary partnership on this meaningful and sustainable project to impact the lives of our farmers and their families. Thanks for your generosity and support, you made our dream come to be accomplished. The farmers need your prayers and support as they continue to manage the slaughter’s house as good stewards, as to what you and God have entrusted in our care.

Staff of the slaughterhouse:

Three farmers as volunteer slaughters, they were trained by Bill and his team. An Accountant and three securities guard for both day and night, need to be employed. There is a need for an operational budget for monthly salary payment for these employees. The farmers are seeking donations from our friends and partners to the operation budget. In 2025, the cooperative will be financially able to take care of its operational budget. On August 28, 2023, the farmers are looking forward to seeing Rev. William A.

Haddock and his five (5) members team coming back to help with the electrical wiring of the slaughter house, it is very necessary to have constant current in the building.

New Ministry/ Skills Training Camp:

During this August school break there was a need to keep students busy and focused, so we created a one-month self-help skills training camp.

It is amazing to see the excitement and enthusiasm of students, teachers, local women, and men taking advantage of the opportunity to learn new skills. It was a just a though to provide skills trading to few students but never though it will run wide. This shows that young people and local people are thirsty for new skills and knowledge to sustain themselves.

There are four areas of training for the camp, building trade, tailoring, motorcycle repairs and soap making. The hottest cake is the soap making, there are 76 participants, the trainers were forced to divide the class into four groups and still put people on waiting list for September, 2023. The training runs from 8-12noon and 1-34pm.

Soap Making Students



Group 1, mixing liquids for laundry soap and production

Scholarship: The students and parents are thankful to all those sponsors, who graciously have provided funds to keep them in school, thanks for your generosity let the Lord replenish what you have given.

Sponsors:

- Robert Frank and St John UMC from Illinois - sponsored 35 students
- Cross Winds, UMC, Minnesota Conference-- -----4 students
- Ann & Jay Anderson----- 4students
- Ada Beah -----2student
- First Normal, UMC-----1 student
- Elizabeth Lee UMC, GA, Charlie & Betts Berry-----2 students
- Charles and Janice Gallaher 2 Grade students 1 College Student
- Yei Legay- Gorgor-----10 students (GA)
- Felicita M. Jaiah-----1 students (DC)
- Druscilla B. Jaiah-----1 students (AG)

All the students are not on scholarship only few as you can see. We know that those who received scholarship are only able to be here because of the generous gifts of many who will experience the excitement of helping and equipping the students with vocational skills to make them help themselves and get quality education from our grade schools. We are appealing and making special request for sponsorship for many of our needed students to enable them attend school for this coming academic 2023-2024. The school will commence on September 4, 2023, your donation for scholarship will make it possible for children who parents can afford to pay school fees, your sponsorship will keep them in school, what a incredible difference you are making in the lives of God's children, changing and imparting lives. Thanks to our partners and friends for making it possible for our ministry and mission to continue through your prayers and financial gifts. (The school fess for 1st-7th grade, \$200, 7th -9th \$250 & 10-12th, \$350.00 this is USD for the whole year.) Your donation will be helping to educate a child and empowering that child for life.

Ministries and Mission Opportunities:

1. Scholarships: We are asking for sponsors to donate funds to help our needed students who would otherwise not have the opportunity to be in school 2023/2024
2. Short and long team volunteers and work teams:
 - A. Health/ medical personnel- Ganta United Methodist Hospital
 - B. Education – grade School/workshop for teacher
 - C. Vacation Bible School/ Camp
 - D. Dormitory Construction

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