

PRAISE NEWS



Welcome to the 29th edition of “Praise News,” the Children of the Light (CotL) newsletter. This year, our annual reading month—held in June—was fantastic. Many volunteers came throughout the month to read to the children or listen to the children read. This year, we were blessed once again to have the Australian High Commissioner to Ghana, Joanna Adamson, and her husband, Geoffrey Randal, read stories to the children. This wonderful couple has come for the past several years. We are so grateful for their support. Special thanks also to Miraaj Yousif from England, Patrick Kiernan from the US, and all our volunteers from Ashesi University - Ghana: Alieu Jallow, Jennifer Saarkwah, Beatrice Appiah, Joseph Akyin, Martey Laari, Ruth Karimi, Yvette Umutari, and Mercy Asante. They all helped us at different times during the month. Because of their extra support, many children received the help they needed.

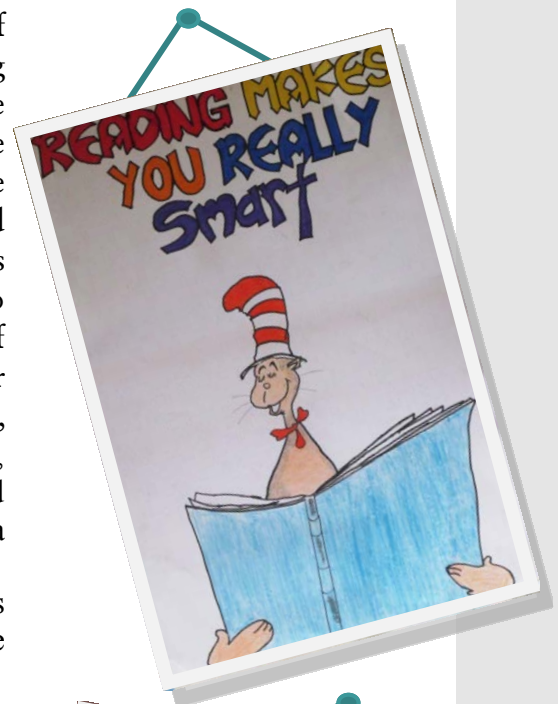
Our finale—held on 4th July—went very well. The weather was great, the food was delicious, and we had great prizes for the winners and gift packs for every child who participated. Our sponsors—Shoprite, Indomie, and Britanica—made this possible. We so much appreciate their on-going support. Thank you also to Oshomah Ajoke for the beautiful bicycle that she donated to CotL. We gave it to our first-prize winner in Group One. What a joy to hear the children cheer and see the smiles on the winners’ faces after they received their beautiful prizes. All the children who worked so hard received wonderful story books given to us from Ducere Foundation, and among the books was one filled with stories written by the children of CotL. We used the finale to present the books to these young, brilliant, aspiring CotL writers.



Thank you to all who helped us make this reading program a great success.

God bless,
Jeanette Brown Opoku
FOUNDER/Director

Joanna Adamson the Australian High Commissioner to Ghana, reading to the children during reading month.





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thanks to Kelly Rayamah @ <http://webrockdevelopment.com/> for the great design!!!



Our teacher, Patience Akunduo, is off on another trip to the Upper East Region in Northern Ghana.

Patience will distribute clothes, books (including books from Ducere Foundation), school supplies, soap parcels, and foodstuffs.

She will also spend time helping in a local school in which she

will share her teaching skills with teachers and students. Special thanks to Springforth International School - Ghana, Dūcere Foundation, Indomie, Britanica and all who donated.

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May 28th was International Day at CotL. The children crafted projects about various countries, and they shared with us all that they learned. Afterward, we all enjoyed tasty treats, one being the famous Brazilian Brigaderios.



BUILDING UPDATE

The carpenters have done a fantastic job on the roofing woodwork. They are now working on the ceiling joints.

NEXT: THE SHEETS!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ♦ **July:** Road safety, Sports, Home Economics
 - ♦ **August:** African Proverbs and Folktales, Community Clean-up, Recycling Competition and ...
- A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION - CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT WILL BE 10 ON 7 AUGUST, 2015!**
- HIP, HIP, HIP, HOORAY!!**
- ♦ **September:** Story Writing, Spelling Bee, Bible Verse Competition



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