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HCC students preparing for final exams

The Greatest Gift: Food for Thought

At HCC & HBI, we count our students among our greatest blessings. We are so grateful that they've come to us with a hunger for knowledge and a thirst for truth. We rejoice to see them working hard to achieve their dreams and goals, yet we know that for some, that work becomes a challenge as their hunger for food is a reality against which hunger for knowledge can hardly compete.

We can all relate to the difficulty of trying to concentrate on an empty stomach. Imagine our students having to sit for final examinations with a hungry belly. With your help, we can feed their bodies so their thoughts will be free to focus on learning.

Final Exam Meal Drive

From June 6-17 our students will be completing their final examinations. Our goal is to provide each student with at least ONE square meal per day during the 10-day exam period. At just \$5 per meal, the total cost to feed one student for the final exam period is only \$50.

We have a **great goal of raising \$2500** to feed all 50 of our students. Would you consider supporting a single student for \$50, or even a single meal for just \$5 today? Any size gift will help provide for our students' most basic needs during this critical point in their studies.

To make a secure donation online, visit our website: www.hccf-usa.org and click the *Donate Online* button. Checks with "Meal Drive Donation" noted in the memo line can be mailed to HCCF at the address on the back of this newsletter. All donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Thank you for blessing our students!

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Some of the Students, HCC Faculty and KNUST representatives at matriculation ceremony

First Matriculation Ceremony

In March, dignitaries and staff gathered to welcome Lour inaugural class of incoming students at HCC. the student's life as it signifies their official status In our first Matriculation Ceremony, we welcomed 46 new students. Although many had started their recite an oath or pledge to uphold the ethical, studies in September 2015, due to scheduling issues moral and core values of the university. We have with our affiliate, Kwameh Nkrumah University high expectations of these students and they of us of Science and Technology and with government – a mutual desire to be influential Christian leaders representatives, the induction was delayed, which - which their preparation at HCC will help them allowed January start students to participate as well. prepare to be.

Matriculation in Ghana is a major highlight in as university students. During the ceremony, they

HCC Construction Update

\hat{s} HCC continues to grow, ue to be a part of daily life on campus. We currently have several projects in the works, but the biggest item this year is adding the 3rd floor to our classroom building. The building of this facility is mandatory according to our government accreditation agency (Ghanaian National Accreditation Board - NAB) and they want it in place by 2017.

The planning for the 3rd floor was conducted back in 2012 when Engineering Ministries International (eMi) brought a team of US based engineers and architects to team with Ghanaian volunteers to complete the master plan for the

campus. Since that time, the struc- viewed it in detail and the estimate **A**construction phases will contin-tural drawings and Bill of Quantities for construction has been agreed to. have been created by the Ghanaian It is approximately \$300,000. The architects.



The Bill of Quantities is the basis of estimates as it details all items required for construction. The builder has re- these students will be provided.

HCC Board has begun a campaign in Ghana to raise at least \$150,000 of the required funds and the fundraising effort is well underway. The HCC Foundation (HCCF) will provide the remaining funds. To do so, we need donations to help fund this long term asset which will help us teach more students effectively. The requirement for this building grows out of the NAB's expectation that we will have increased student enrollments which means more classroom space. We pray that future enrollments will exceed our expectations and that the funding needed to accommodate



Preparing Future **Preachers**

t HBI, we believe in preparing the next generation A of preachers both spiritually and academically. Students can choose a 2-year non-residential certificate program, a 2-year full-time diploma program, a 3-year non-residential diploma program or a 4-year advanced level program, each offering Bible, History, Mission and Ministry emphasis. In addition to regular classroom learning, HBI students embark on fieldwork assignments known as Supervised Practical Ministry (SPM) where they are sent out to mission fields to experience real situations that confront ministry and mission workers.

Over the past three years, HBI has sent students to places such as Yendi, Kpasa, Salaga, Kpandai in northern Ghana; to all the three Assin districts and to Winneba in the Central region; and to many places in the Greater Accra region. Remarkably, during their tenure at HBI, these students helped establish 13 congregations in the Greater Accra region alone. Some of our students are currently serving as ministers in these congregations. It is notable that some of our students in Accra minister for more than one congregation; some preach for as many as three. With the quest for our students to plant churches, HBI insists that no single graduate should embark on establishing a congregation alone. We believe church planting should be done with an existing congregation for accountability and unity within the body of Christ.

In addition to church planting, our students were also introduced to prison evangelism. Currently, three HBI graduates are actively involved in prison ministry at the Nsawam Medium Security Prisons. The training and experience offered at HBI prepares our students to transform the world for Christ!



Engaged in a classroom lecture led by Dr. Twumasi-Ankrah

HBI Faculty + Resources = Student Success!

↑ Il HBI students are offered intensive classroom A and practicum preparations as part of their training, but in addition, the faculty are also well resourced and have contributed immensely toward the preparation and future success of our students. Academically, HBI has faculty that possess PhDs and Masters in various disciplines and they ensure quality teaching and learning activities. As a division of Heritage Christian College (HCC) which is accredited by the National Accreditation Board and affiliated with Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology to offer tertiary education, HBI enjoys every learning facility that HCC has, such as 24-hour internet connectivity, a well-resourced library including e-library and a serene learning environment.

It's because of the holistic training that HBI offers that the institute has for the past thirty-three years produced a total of 424 students as workforce for the kingdom of God. God in his own providence is using HBI graduates in a variety of ministries across the continent of Africa. Nearly 93% of HBI trained graduates are involved in full-time or part-time ministry.

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