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NIGERIA

The annual Children's Day was observed by the churches on February 20. **The theme for the day was "The Path of a Diligent Child" based on Proverbs 13:4.** Children are the succeeding generation for the Church; therefore the churches are deliberate in their effort in ensuring the children grow well both spiritually and physically to fill the gap.



Bible college students have resumed their classes. The extension classes are continuing in the various churches to train leaders for the local congregations. Classes continue in the Faithway School while construction continues on the second floor of the building. Funds are needed to complete the roof. **The school presently has 70 students in nine classes from the ages of 18 months to 8 years.** Some of the classes are currently meeting in the church building until the second

floor of the school is finished. Next year they will add a class for ages 8 to 9 years old.

An Elder of the Calabar Church was appointed the governing Council Chairman of the Federal Technical College in Yobe in northeastern Nigeria. A celebration of his appointment was held at the church on February 13. Management and council members of the institute came all the way from the north to participate in the celebration. Some were Muslims. All came forward during the service when invited to receive prayer from the church. Yobe is in the area of Nigeria where the Boko Haram has been persecuting Christians.

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Godfred Mintah, Director of the Christian Leadership Training Institute, lives in Ghana and directs the institute from the central office near Accra. He went to Ivory Coast to conduct a graduation ceremony for students of the extension courses in the federal capital of Abidjan. **A seminar for the students will be held on February 25-26 and the graduation ceremony will be held on Sunday, February 27.** Pray that all will go well including Godfred's travels to and from Ivory Coast.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Thank God for the successful Children's day held by the churches in Nigeria.
2. Thank God for those who are willing to be leaders in the Kingdom of God in western Africa and seek training to serve Him better.
3. Pray for the training of leaders in Nigeria, starting with the children all the way through to the church leaders and their preachers.
4. Pray for peace in the northeastern part of Nigeria.
5. Pray for the seminar and the graduation ceremony in Ivory Coast.
6. Pray for safe travels for Godfred Mintah.
7. Pray for the Christians in Ukraine.