

*Equipping Leaders to Train **More Leaders***



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### SHEFFLER UPDATE - MARCH 2022

## IVORY COAST



Godfred Mintah, Administrative Director of the Christian Leadership Training Institute, conducted a **graduation ceremony** on February 27 for five students who completed all 18 courses and received a Vocational Diploma in Christian Ministry. This has been a long time coming because Covid restrictions slowed down the completion of classes and

delayed the scheduling of the ceremony. One of the graduates is planting his second church near the border between Ivory Coast and Ghana. We thank God for the hard work of Elder George Quicoe who teaches many of the classes and Roujee and Juliet Morris who supervise the training program. We thank God for the successful travels of Director Godfred from Accra, Ghana to Abidjan, Ivory Coast and back home. He traveled over land using public transportation.

While there Godfred held a two-day seminar for 25 church leaders on the topic of **Leadership Relationships, Accountability and Strategy**. Participants learned that good relationships on all levels (family, peers, members and community) are necessary for success. Accountability must be on all levels including financial. Leaders were encouraged to form accountability groups. Strategy focused on

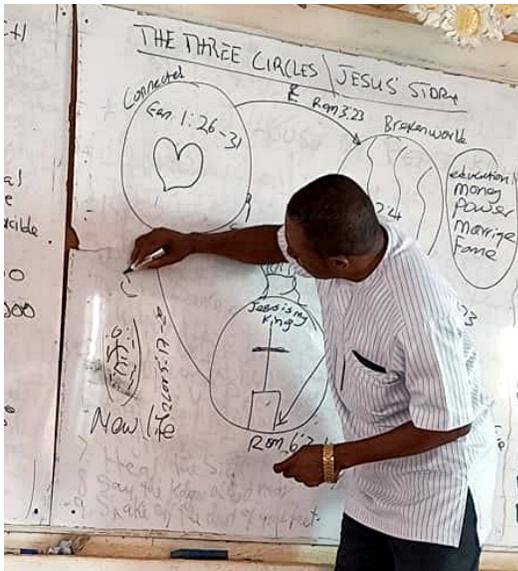
being a servant-leader, manager, problem-solver and builder like Nehemiah. Participants asked Godfred to return every year to teach and encourage them.

**Please keep Roujee Morris in your prayers.** He recently had an adverse reaction to a new medication which put him in the hospital.

## LIBERIA

**Fifteen converts were baptized** at Gbah Town Christian Church on March 20. The Easter convention will be held at Bold Dollar Town this year.

## GHANA



Supervisor Afrifa-Konadu gave special three-day **training in church planting strategy** to ninety-two extension students at five locations in the Oti and Northern Regions. The strategy involves four phases: First is the discovery of the open field where seed for the Gospel may be sown. This is discovered by looking for a man of peace (Luke 10:1-11). The next phase is to sow the seed through the man of peace and those with whom he has influence. The third phase is to cultivate the seed

through teaching that leads to conversion, commitment and then leadership development. This is the phase where our extension classes are very beneficial. The fourth phase is the harvest where new converts are baptized and mature Christians become disciple makers who grow the church and start more churches using the four phase strategy. A WhatsApp platform is being created to follow up on the training.

While on the fifteen day journey, Afrifa-Konadu experienced some health issues that were later **diagnosed as a heart problem**. He is on medication that will hopefully increase the blood flow in his heart and reduce the size of his heart.

Plans are being made to train more group leaders for the extension classes in April and to conduct the annual Women Enrichment Seminars in May and June.

## **NIGERIA**

The **Bible college students are on field assignment** in Ogoja and Obudu Local Government Areas (counties). The annual youth week held March 21-27 included practical activities such as **voluntary service, prison visitation and evangelism**. A seminar for the wives of pastors and leaders was held March 24-26.



Roofing for the second floor of the Faith-Way school is delayed as they wait on materials to arrive. The roof for the Afrekpe Christian Church is completed and half of the roof for the Anong Christian Church. The Ikom congregation is meeting under a shelter built on rented land. Land has been purchased for the Akamkpa and Oyadama churches. Faith-Way

Global Outreach Ministries is very thankful for the faithful prayers and support. They humbly ask you to pray for them to be firmly established in the truth and for grace to discharge their duties as servants of God.

## **PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

1. Thank God for the successful graduation and training seminar in Abidjan, Ivory Coast.
2. Thank God for the successful training of Ghanaian church leaders in the four phases of church planting and multiplication.
3. Thank God for the fifteen baptisms in Liberia.
4. Thank God for the spiritual growth in Nigeria through teaching and practical assignments.
5. Pray for the health of Roujee Morris in Ivory Coast and Afrifa-Konadu in Ghana.
6. Pray for the development of effective leaders in western Africa.
7. Pray for the Women Enrichment seminars to be held in May and June.