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PUPILS ATTEND 2016 SCRIPTURE UNION (SU) CAMP

Scripture Union (SU) camp is an interdenominational evangelical youth outreach program organized regionally during school vacations in Ghana. The program where young people from different backgrounds are camped together for a week is geared towards forming young people to develop their Christian, Social and intellectual life. This year CRAN Freundeskreis supported twenty nine (29) of the CESS beneficiaries in Volta Region for the SU camp this year. A donor who wants to remain anonymous also sponsored 11 pupils in Abakam for the SU camp in Cape Coast. The program was a huge success as participants gave testimonies of the things they learned from scripture, academic work and their

interactions
with other
participants.
The CESS beneficiaries
express their
gratitude to
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Fruendeskreis and the generous donor who sponsored their SU camp this year.



STAFF ATTEND THIRD QUARTER STAFF MEETING

The third quarter staff meeting was held on the 25th of August 2016 at the CRAN head office conference room. Highlighted among the discussion was the Rice Sector Support Project (RSSP) project in the Volta Region due to be completed by the end of the year which has caused the development of over 500 hectares of lowlands for rice cultivation. The Cassava and Corn processing Center project in Central Region geared towards providing economic empowerment for the inhabitants of Ndaseman village is also due to be completed before the end of the year. Staff also deliberated on possible new projects to replace outgoing ones.



The Executive Director of CRAN (with arrow) and CRAN staff seated at the meeting

SUCCESS STORIES FOR THE SEASON

The Competitive African Rice Initiative (CARI) project supervised in Ghana by Techno-Serve and sponsored by GIZ is making tremendous impact in its target communities. CRAN is implementing CARI in the Volta Region of Ghana with targets of training and assisting four thousand farmers in efficient production and marketing .

Currently, more than three thousand eight hundred people have benefitted from the project. The project which started in the last quarter of 2015 will end in the first quarter of 2017. Initially people in the target areas did not understand the project hence it was a challenge bringing them on board, however with

time, more farmers are trooping to the CRAN office for an opportunity to participate in the programme.

A total of about 693 hectares of land has been developed for rice cultivation.

Mrs. Enyo Dakatse a beneficiary of CARI who used to produce only half an acre of rice has now been able to plant more than two acres of rice this year and had a good yield. Mrs Alice Awoho another beneficiary has been able to increase her yield this year from 1.5MTs to 3.21MT. It has also been a great delight of CRAN to see many young people getting interested in rice cultivation and farming in general in the cause of the project.



A female rice farmer using the power tiller on her farm

HEAD OF OPERATIONS CRAN MF ENSTOOLED AS CHIEF

The Head of Operations of CRAN MF Simon Kudjoe Atiartorme has been enstooled as the paramount chief of Alakple traditional area in the southern part of the Volta Region. His enstoolment took place on the 10th of September 2016 at Alakple, Mr. Atiartorme's stool name is Togbi Amey Zegu II.

Staff of CRAN were present to witness the event. The entire CRAN family wishes to congratulate Mr. Atiartorme on his enstoolment.



Togbi Amey Zegu II (arrowed) with his assistant and wife going to the durbar ground for the ceremony.

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