

Blue Horizon Aid

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ENSAAM WOODWORKS

Carpentry

In this chapter Blue Horizon Aid's Vocational Training Development Skills presents a promising innovative training program related to Carpentry for the youth.

The beauty of carpentry training is that it is practical oriented whereby you get to use your mind and hands to design and produce a particular object or product and bring it to life. To begin with, it is believed that there is more to carpentry than just sawing and nailing wood.

Carpentry is a skilled trade and a craft in which the primary work performed is cutting, shaping and installation of building materials during the construction of buildings, ships, timber bridges, concrete and framework, etc.



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A WORKER DILLIGENTLY WORKING ON WOOD IN THE WORKSHOP

BHA Partners Ensaam Woodworks

BHA made a trip to Timber market to partner Ensaam Woodworks to deliver vocational and technical education that will create employment opportunities for the jobless, out of school, youth in and around the surrounding areas of the Ashaiman municipality. This is a well-known settlement population, estimated to number between some hundred thousand up to over one million people. It has grown to become one of the viable destinations for business because of the population that lives within the constituency.

BHA is willing to offer vocational training for the youth with the help of Ensaam Woodworks to help them create self-employment.

The trade could be used to generate income and could be used to support themselves in a tertiary institution, perhaps help parents and other siblings or even serve as a source of funding for one's business in the future if they decide to build a career from such skills.

This great endeavor is likely to provide jobs for over 1000 youth.



BHA TEAM WITH OWNER MR EMMANUEL ADJEI NYANU-LEFT AND WORKERS

A career in carpentry is a stable, rewarding and challenging way to earn a good living in Ashaiman. Many of its inhabitants are school drop outs and are known to engage in extremely bad vices.

The underlying goal for this partnership program is to help young people obtain the resources they need to exit joblessness permanently. Blue Horizon Aid's

Technical and Vocational Training Development Skills is an engaging program in which students will be assisted in learning to acquire skills and knowledge related to the trades.

It will aid students to gain valuable hands-on experience in important trades. In addition, it is to empower and to assist them build knowledge and develop entrepreneurial skills.



BHA TEAM WITH OWNER OF THE WORKSHOP, MR EMMANUEL ADJEI NYANU-LEFT

Mr Emmanuel Adjei Nyanu who is the owner of Ensaam Woodworks and has been working in the field for over 30 years. His workshop is located in Timber market in Ashaiman. He believes that it is a skill that can be learned through gaining work experience, which is by being employed through an apprenticeship training. It is believed by many that apprenticeships are the best way to learn the skill of carpentry, he said. He also mentioned that he had witnessed many vices involving the youth and it has been a dream to help them. He is overjoyed for the opportunity and honored to be partnering BHA to realize this dream of supporting vocational and technical education among the youth of Ashaiman.





BHA TEAM INSPECTING SOME FINISHED WORK IN THE WORKSHOP

Mr Benjamin Turkson, Executive Director of BHA added that, when you acquire vocational skills, you are actually setting yourself up for being a change agent in the society.

You stand the chance of adding positive value to the lives of people both within and outside your community.

An idle mind, is the devil's workshop so, being an agent of positive change by learning and producing products and services through vocational training will ultimately reduce the rate of crime and social vices that are performed by idle teenagers.



BHA'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH OWNER OF CARPENTRY SHOP

BHA is willing to offer an opportunity to develop life skills and lessons such as humility, respect for elders, self-control, teamwork, diligence, determination, problem-solving skills, time management skills, communication skills and negotiation skills. These will go a long way to positively shape their outlook about life.





THE LORD HAS DONE WONDERFUL THINGS FOR ME

Scripture Reading: -Psalm 40

Many, O Lord my God, are
Your wonderful works
Which You have done; And
Your thoughts toward us
cannot be recounted to
You in order; If I would
declare and speak of them,
They are more than can be
numbered. Psalm 40:5.
When we look back on our
lives we cannot begin to
list all the great things
God has done for us.



Like us, Israel's history was
filled with God's wonderful
works and wonders. The
Lord had performed
extraordinary deeds for
them throughout their
history. As David sang his
new song of God's
deliverance, he
remembered God's
miraculous deeds for His
chosen people in the past
and in the present.

Prayer:

*Heavenly Father, you have marked my life with
your wonderful works. With you, every moment
is a miracle. In Jesus' name,
Amen.*

The Lord thinks of us. This is where all things begin. They begin with the thoughts that the Lord thinks towards us. He thinks good thoughts towards us. It is because the Lord has favourable considerations of us that He inclines to us when we call on Him.

Though we may have to sometimes wait patiently for the Lord to do something for us, we must always rest assured that He thinks well of us, His children. The Lord does wonderful things for us. The Lord does not stop at having good thoughts about us.

He follows up with doing good things for us. What He does for us is always wonderful. Something is wonderful when it fills you with wonder and admiration. When the Lord comes through for us, His works fill us with wonder. We wonder how He got us through a bad situation; or how He turned an impossible situation around. Then we come to one conclusion that only God could have done that.

The Lord's works cannot be numbered. God's wonderful deeds are not rare. They are abundant. From the moment of our conception to our birth, throughout our lives, we see God's fingerprints on us. He has marked our existence with His acts. May we never be in want of seeing and telling of all that the Lord has done for us.





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BHA'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH GFK TEAM AT THE AIRPORT IN ACCRA

Akwaaba GFK!

We are proud to announce the safe arrival of the GFK team made up of four members, namely: Rolf Augenstein, Gerd Eibach, Daniel Knautz & Julia Eibach who touched down in Ghana on Thursday 4th August 2022.

They have come to Ghana for a 3-week holiday to visit and indulge in ongoing projects and get themselves acquainted with the Blue Horizon Aid team.

GFK will also visit all EDS Beneficiaries as well as all the schools they have supported over the years.

A hearty warm welcome to you Ghana Freundeskreis!



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GHANA FREUNDESKREIS TEAM



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF BHA WITH GFK AND BHA TEAM IN HIS PRIVATE HOME

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE TO READERS



"Instead of letting your hardships and failures discourage or exhaust you, let them inspire you. Let them make you even hungrier to succeed."

— Michelle Obama

Nehemiah: a story about the power of hard work.

After Ezra had successfully rebuilt the temple and restored the worship of God, Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem to rebuild the city walls.

Together they were a formable team that restored the political and spiritual state of Israel.

Nehemiah knew that despite the hardships and difficulties that stood before him, the God of heaven was with him. The people were determined and had a mind to work (Neh. 4:6) and this reinforces our lesson.

When we trust in the God of heaven, put our hands to the plow, and push through the hardships; there is nothing we cannot accomplish.

If you give people tools, and they use their natural abilities and their curiosity, they will develop things in ways that will surprise you beyond what you might have expected.

With everyone's help we will keep pushing through to realize our dream of helping the needy and bringing hope to the hopeless hearts of many!

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"WE WILL STRIVE TO BE THE BEST OF THE BEST IN OUR SERVICE DELIVERY. EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS WILL BE OUR HALLMARK."

CREDIBILITY

"TRUSTWORTHINESS, TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, INTEGRITY TOWARDS ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS."

BELIEF IN GOD

WE PROCLAIM THAT JESUS IS LORD AND THAT GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD."

RESPECT

"EVERYONE HAS EQUAL VALUE. WE WILL TREAT EVERYONE WITH EQUAL RESPECT"