

## Oct 2010 Team Daily Updates

### Tuesday

Dear Friends & Family,

The Crusades for Christ team arrived safely here today☺ cheers..... Thanks all for your many prayers..... It was a very long night esp. when we arrived here in Ghana and they are four hours ahead.... So we got here at 8:00 a.m. and it was 4:00 a.m. in the states... So today we were all a little tired..... Ron's family picked us up at the airport and we went to directly to the Accra mall to get our yellow fever shots. Then we came to Ron's house to have orientation and to unpack everything. Then we had some time to freshen up and sleep a little. We left for the crusades around 3:00 and it started raining really hard. We have a 2 hour drive so we were hoping the rain would stop..... but guess what... it started pouring when we got there... So we waited around and the guys had a prayer time☺ But the rain didn't stop... So some of the men set up the stage for tomorrow's night service. Then we drove 2 hours back home... We were all disappointed that we couldn't have the service, but God knows best☺. When we got back, Audrey and her mother prepared a delicious supper..... We were all really hungry☺.....

This afternoon the electricity went out..... the ladies got the generator hooked up but then that stopped working... so we are hanging out in the dark with lots of candles☺..... we are in for a real African experience- which makes it all really fun and exciting.....

The natives are really friendly. The roads are dusty and have lots of pot holes which makes driving very interesting☺

Tomorrow morning we head out around 12 to the medical clinics and then our first evening of the crusades.... Please pray that God will do a mighty work in the hearts of the people here in Ghana.....

Thank you all for your prayers,  
God Bless you all.....

Bethany the scribe.....  
And the Crusades for Christ team☺

### Wednesday

Today was a full day with lots of great experiences. We saw God's hand at work during the medical clinic as well as during the crusade this evening. We drove almost two hours to the village where we were planning to have the crusade last night. We used a school there for the medical clinic. When we got there, the children had just gotten out of school and swarmed around our bus. They were very friendly and loved our attention.

We had three stations the people could go through. The one tested their vision and gave eye glasses out. The other was for medical exams. They gave out Tylenol, ibuprofen, antibacterial creams, and various other medications. Then the people were directed to the counseling station where the guys on the team talked and prayed with them. We talked to many people and our time passed quickly. There were about ninety people that came to the clinic.

In the evening we had the crusade which was a new experience for some! Loud music and dancing were a big part of their service. Some of the team was brave and joined in the dancing☺ Pastor John King (our group leader) gave the message, and many responded to the invitation. Pastor Joseph,

who lives in the village, received about 26 names of those who prayed and received Jesus. Praise the Lord!

The two hour ride home went by quickly, thanks to our in depth discussions☺ We arrived back at the compound around 11:30pm for a great meal. Looking forward to a good night's sleep and a good day tomorrow!

Thank you for your prayers. We need every one as we are on battle grounds. God is good and showing His power!

Good Night!

Jodi

### **Thursday**

Greetings from Ghana! Today was another wonderful day. We went to a different village today called Adawukwao! This village seemed much different than the one we had been yesterday! It was more remote and we found that there seemed to be more serious cases of health problems. The people were very friendly and like usual they were intrigued by us. The girls were able to experience the Ghanaian style of carrying babies with a cloth and the baby wrapped on their backs!

The crusade this evening went very well, again we got to experience worship the Ghanaian way (lots of dancing, clapping and singing ☺) Pastor Ron had the message and talked about being ready for the great wedding feast! We had a good turn out tonight. There was a group of about six Ghanaian girls who sang in the service this evening, it sounded so pretty! We took those girls home after the service and they enjoyed singing to us on the bus ride. On our way back we passed our time by again having discussions, some more serious and others rather pointless but quite interesting. It is obvious that God's mighty hand is at work here, and it is so amazing to know that our God is the same here as he is in the states! We can feel your prayers and we thank you for them! Please continue to pray for the team as well as the people of Ghana.

I think this was written by Ashley ? ☺

Ron here – It truly has been great to have the team here! There is a lot of energy that needs to be spent with these young people and what better way than to get them involved in evangelism in Ghana! The team has truly exemplified good maturity and the personalities seem to have meshed together well so far. They have been very ready to take initiative and get involved with responsibilities that develop along the way! Sorry – I am simply too sleepy to finish writing what was on my mind – I'll have to try again later.

Please continue to pray for us.

### **Friday**

Greetings from Ghana☺

Today is Friday already!!!! This week is flying by....

Today was more of a laid back day..... this morning concluded with breakfast and devotions and then we worked around Ron's house. The guys were making some benches and working on the generators. And us girls were dividing out medication for tomorrow's medical clinic. We left for the for the same village we had been in yesterday around 2:30. Once we arrived we split into small groups and walked through the villages handing out tracts and inviting people to the crusade. We saw many very poor living conditions and there was a funeral in the village, they had very loud music playing. We learned that they often go in debt for the funerals. Funerals are more important than weddings to them. All of us saw so many things that shocked us. Their houses consisted of small huts built with mud and sticks. Women were cooking over open fires while children walked around with nothing more than underwear. Many were very thankful for the tracts they received and said they would be at the crusade in the evening. Many showed up for the sermon by Jon Sauder. It was a very good message and many responded to the call. John King said there were many children wanting to be anointed with oil. It was a very good day. We drove the two hours home to a great meal but all of us are feeling very tired. Thanks again for your prayers and God bless you all!

Ashley

Hello-Audrey here. I would like to jot a few things down about the day. My dear mother said that she would watch the kids if I wanted to go to the crusade. So I quickly got a few loads of laundry done, made Biscuits and Gravy for breakfast, and got to go with the group for the first time! When we got to the village; Sheryl, Carter and I went to the pastor's place and went with his wife to pass out tracts. The view from their place was awesome! The hills and the rows of pineapple fields were beautiful against the setting sun. This village is a farming village. The people were friendly and said they would come to the crusade. Sheryl handed out toffee(candy) to the children along the way. The children loved the white people. ☺ The crusade started with the chairs filled with children! I was a little worried that no adults were going to come. The singing continued and as it got dark the people started coming. Many of them stood around the outskirts the whole time. Jon Sauder preached a salvation message which was good and clear ending with eternal life in Christ Jesus. As the group sang "Just As I Am" many walked forward to receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior. It was so good for me to go and remember what first drew me to Ghana in the first place. The hunger for Jesus I see in the people and the wonderful experience of a crusade as many find true peace in Christ. We came home to mom having a wonderful supper waiting for us and the kids in bed! She said things went well and they even had their own crusade in the kitchen with Arielle being the preacher. Her microphone was a pencil that she tapped and said "Is this thing on?" and that she was preaching out of the book of Robert! I think she is missing her grandpa! LOL What a blessing and a great help my mom has been to me! I am now going to bed!

~Audrey Bontrager~

OK – now it's my turn ☺ (Ron here). As Ashley said, today was a bit more relaxed due to us not having a health clinic and afternoon evangelism instead. This morning I went to pick up the generator that was repaired and also to get a few more meds for the health clinic on Monday. After I got back I realized I nearly missed a wonderful breakfast prepared by my wife and her mom. Biscuits and gravy, wow that was good! Anthony Sensenig shared for our devotional time and talked of honoring and valuing other people. It reminded me how often I tend to overlook such an important ingredient in my relationships. Anthony did a very good job at reminding us of how important it is to value each other and tell them so. Many of the team wanted to change \$\$ so I got quite involved in that as well as knowing in the back of my mind these benches need to be assembled. The guys helped gather the parts to the benches I cut out months earlier and brought them to the front porch for assembly, only to find the "pro" parts cutter

didn't do such a professional job on the braces! All of them needed to be re-cut because they were too long. Needless to say the bench project is getting drug into Saturdays schedule.

Tonight we spent our second time in Adawukwao where Pastor Frank is planting a church. Jon Sauder did a very good job with preaching tonight and it was wonderful to see the response of people to pray the sinners prayer. It was interesting to see a particular small boy come to be anointed and prayer for. I did notice his hair was quite different, it had many twists in it if you can imagine with me here a bit. After asking Pas. Felix some questions about it, he said the child was dedicated as a shrine boy for idol worship. Faustina, Pas. Foster's wife then gave us a few more details about the hair. She said the father is an idol worshiper and they would take raw egg and other things to make some kind of concoction and smear it in the hair and then make these twists. Here, this small boy at a very young age has been dedicated for idol worship at a shrine, which in and of itself is a curse on the boy. Unless this small boy comes to understand the Gospel of Jesus Christ, he will be bound by this dedication which was done on his behalf. This small boy is now recognized as an idol child by his family and others. How sad. My heart is burdened for him tonight. Would you pray with me/us for this small boy? It could make a difference of where he will spend eternity.

Have a good day in Jesus!

*Rox Bontrager* - CFCI Field Director, Ghana

## **Saturday**

Good evening to everyone once again!! We are finally back to the base after a long bus ride from handing out tracts and doing some bartering in the market in Accra. This morning some of the guys got up early and finished making some benches that we had started yesterday. They are for the new church in the village of Adawukwao that Pastor Frank is starting where we were the last 2 evenings. After we had breakfast we all got together for devotions and prayer time. Today we did not go to a village but instead we spent our afternoon at Accra handing out tracts in Central market. That was a lot of good times. The people there were fairly responsive and most of the people saw we were handing something out for free and soon there were people all wanting to see what we were giving out. A lot of people were very glad for us and asked a lot of questions about what this little book is all about and who God is and all that. Other people came and saw that we were just giving out tracts and kept asking us for money. It gave us lots of opportunities to tell them about the only God out there that can save their souls!!

We were at the market for around an hour and from there we headed to another market to do some bartering/shopping. That was very interesting!! Imagine the next time you go to the hardware store and want to buy a rope.... You ask how much is this rope and he tells you 50 dollars. Now 50 dollars is way too much for that so you offer him 25 dollars. Then he mumbles and grumbles and tells you that you are such a good friend and that friends help each other out and on and on and on. After bartering and walking around you finally end up getting the rope for 30 dollars. That is how it was in the market with everything, it's a lot of fun but sometimes it makes you feel like you are being rude to them but it's just how they do it so you can't feel bad. Several of the guys got drums and the some of the girls found some nice skirts and dresses that they were very pleased with so it was a good afternoon learning the culture of Ghana and just being out in the streets and markets. Onourwayhomewestoppedatapizzaplaceto eat!!thatwasverygood.wehaventhadanyrichgreasyamericanfo

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ThankGodthatweareallhealthyandfeelinggoodyet.itsablessingfromGodthatnoonegetsickyet!  
Sorry for the no spaces there my thumbs weren't functioning correctly at the moment....

Tomorrow we are having a joint service with 3 other CFC churches in the area so that will be  
great meeting all the other missionaries in the area. Continue praying for our group and that God will  
keep working in our lives and that we will be able to spread Gods word to many more people!!

Written by Bethany & Mike

## Sunday

Hello Everyone☺

It was another really hot day today..... and then by mid afternoon it gave a huge rain shower  
which really cooled things off... that was a huge blessing.....

We had a joint service with 3 of the CFC churches. There were about 150 people including  
children. We gathered under a small tin roof plus 2 tents. Their African services are quite different from  
us mennonites☺ lol..... They were in the midst of their Sunday school and then we came they stopped  
and welcomed us and then started their Sunday school again☺ they are so nice..... We had an  
interperter the whole time so that is really nice. The service takes longer because they have to say the  
same thing twice. Then they have their praise and worship time which consists of dancing, singing at the  
top of their lungs, pounding on the drums and anything else that makes noise☺ It is quite fun. They have  
it a couple of times during their service..... Then Pastor John gave the message and he talked about the  
second coming of Jesus..... Then after the service they handed out minerals (soda) and crackers and  
pumpkin bread. We got home around 1:30 and then prepared lunch.

We were just here around the house watching the rain☺ which was so refreshing. Then we all  
got in the bus and went over to Pastor Felix's church. It was in the mountains. It is a huge concrete  
building with lots of room for their school. The building is in progress and it ½ way done. But they still  
meet their for church. He was really blessed by us coming to see the church.

Then we came back and had supper and played a few group games. There was lots of  
laughter☺ We have a really fun group.  
We ended the evening with prayer time.

Now we need lots of sleep for our big day tommorrow. We have our last medical clinic and  
then the crusade in the evening. So please pray that many souls would be touched.

Thank you for praying and God bless you,

The Crusades for Christ team

## Monday

Hello Everyone!

We just got back from the crusade a few minutes ago and now we are all enjoying an amazing meal. We  
were very hungry and the haystacks hit the spot!! We are all thankful for Audrey and Lily who stay back  
to cook for us☺

Today we again had a medical clinic followed by a crusade. We drove about an hour and a half to a  
village called Bawjiase. It is the village where Pastor Foster has a church. When we arrived, there already  
was a line waiting. We used the school (where they also have church) for the clinic. We worked hard,

and a lot of people received medication and the chance to pray with one of the counselors. It was the busiest clinic we had, and also the last for our trip.

Ashley, Bethany and I had the opportunity to see Pastor Foster and his wife Faustina's house. They live better than a lot of people here in Ghana, but we were still surprised how little they had. Only two rooms and we had an interesting time figuring out how we were supposed to use the toilet, which was a hole on a raised block of cement. Fun fun 😊

The kids in the village were very sweet. Many of them just wanted to feel our love and huddled around us. They asked when we will come back to see them.

When it was time to begin the crusade, it seemed like the only people there was our team and some children. We didn't know if anyone would really show up. But after the drums had been pounding for a little, people wandered in. Some hung around in the back where we could barely see them, they didn't want to come too close. Jon Sauder did a great job with the message, and five people received Christ. We could tell they were very sincere. Compared to some of the other crusades, it wasn't very many people that responded. But this was definitely the smallest crusade. After packing up the stage we headed back to Ron and Audrey's and our delicious haystacks 😊

God Bless you all, and again, thanks for your prayers...they really do make a difference.

Jodi

It was another good day – (Ron here) the team here is amazing! The spirit that is being displayed is very good and for that I thank our Father in Heaven! This morning John King and I had a meeting with some of the pastors and it was only a short time later a lady and her mother (Balinda & Mabel) came to pay Audrey a visit. Soon most of the ladies were on the front porch visiting and laughing, I believe having a good time 😊. Later I seen most of them standing and heard them praying for these 2 ladies and I was blessed once again.

As Jodi mentioned, the crusade was small in terms of number and response to the invitation. Jon Sauder rode with me in the van to and from Bawjiase which gave us time to talk and share together. Jon mentioned to me and asked how I felt of the seemingly little response tonight. I told him that in many ways, it was a direct answer to prayer. You see, the church in Bawjiase consists of mostly women and children and a few (very few) men. Tonight, there were 4 men who gave their hearts to Jesus. I remember many times crying out to God to raise up godly men in the church. I believe by faith, that tonight that prayer was answered. I talked with Pas. Foster about the 4 men and he replied "by faith they will come, they will be members of the church". I felt so blessed. I guess we should feel blessed when our Father in heaven answers our prayers!

I am sure these men will need a lot of instruction concerning the things of God. And they will need to surrender all of their lives to HIM. But I also know that HE is more than able to keep them from the snare of the enemy of our souls. Would you join me in praying for these 4 men? Lets entrust them to our Father.

Pas. Frank and his wife Justina also joined us for the afternoon health clinic and evening crusade. Frank brought 2 of his new converts with him. It was good to hear the excitement in Franks voice as he shared with me concerning the new believers! What a testimony of the faithfulness of our God!

Time to sign off – time for some zzzzzzz's :-)

## Tuesday

Hello to all of you...we all had a good day here in Ghana. An interesting experience for all of us was to hear Pastor Isaac's testimony this morning for devotions. For an hour, he talked about his life. He grew up Muslim. But after receiving three dreams, he accepted Christ. But when his family found out, they gave him the option of a good job and a home, or leaving with nothing. He had a week to decide. He said it was a difficult decision, but he felt peace only in Christ, and not in his Muslim religion. He left, and God has really used his life to touch many.

After devotions, we had a few hours of free time. People slept, talked, or played rook. Then around 3:30, we boarded the bus to go to Pastor Isaac's village. For about an hour, we handed out tracks and invited people in the areas around the village to come to the crusade.

The crusade went well. It was different from any other one we have had. The youth of the church performed a play. They didn't have an interpreter for us, so we were a bit lost. But everyone around us was laughing and really enjoying it. It seemed like people were curious about it and then came for the service. John King had the message and spoke about God's love. Towards the end of it, it began to rain, and everyone dashed for cover. Because of the rain, Pastor Felix invited people to pray from their seats rather than having them come forward. It seemed like a good number of people learned about God's love for them.

God Bless You ALL!!

Jodi

Thank you Jodi for the update today ☺. Today I (Ron here) got a fairly late start due to being up very late last evening. I went to the local "lumber yard" and ordered lumber for our work project on the school building Thursday and Friday. Needless to say, I discovered there was a shortage of lumber at the moment and we went to quite a few other vendors until we found some that would be quality for the roofing structure. O for a building supply "American style" as we might say! I got home just in time to get my breakfast which was fast disappearing by the time I got there! This afternoon Jon Sauder and I went walking through the neighborhood sightseeing. It was somewhat interesting, I walked down some streets for the first time. I must say I am quite pleased with the location of our house and the neighborhood we enjoy.

Tonight marked the last of the evening crusades. Our prayer is that all those that heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ preached would someday surrender their lives to Jesus and make HIM lord of their life. Tomorrow (Wed) we go to Cape Coast to tour the castle remembering the slave trade and some may possibly enjoy the Kokum National park.

God bless each of you as you serve HIM as HE has called you to.

## Wednesday

Well, well, another day has passed here in Ghana. Today was our day of touring/sight-seeing/traveling and just taking a break for our normal activities. Oh and huge discussions on the back of the bus on our way to where we were going! We all hopped in the small bus and good old faithful Joseph drove us around Ghana.

We all got up fairly early and were on the road at 6:45am which is really early for us but we were on our way to Cape Coast. It was about a 4 hour drive on these roads which consisted of some city driving, some pure mud roads with many, many pot-holes and also some decent paved road driving until we finally got there. When we arrived we had a choice of either going to the Slave Castle or go to the Rain Forest Park. I was one of the people that chose to go to the park, so me (Mike), Bethany, Ashley

and Jodie hopped in a taxi and took another 45 minute drive to get there. Since I was not at the Slave Castle I cannot describe it to you but I will tell you all about the Rain Forest Park we went to.

In Ghana there are still a few rain forests around but not too many left. Basically a rain forest is a very dense forest that is pretty much impossible to just walk through without being on a trail or such. There are vines, small bushes, huge trees, massive roots sticking out of the ground, groves of bamboo that you could never get through, all over the place. Well we finally got there with our faithful taxi man that by conversation found out was a Muslim. He was very stuck in his ways and beliefs that Christ was only a "good prophet" and that he didn't die for us and our sins and that Mohammed was another good prophet that spoke of God's son that is yet to come but hasn't yet gotten here. Anyway that was stretching in talking to him and finding out what Muslims believe and the difference between that and Christianity, and trying to convince him that the Bible is ALL true and not just some of it. But he knew what he believed and wasn't planning on changing his ways anytime soon. So, the rain forest, we got there and had to wait about a half hour before the next group was ready to go into the forest. We had a tour guide and he told us of all the animals that lived in the forest. I don't remember near all of them but he said there were monkeys, snakes, all kinds of birds, and leopards so with knowing that I was all ready for a big animal show of some sorts. The main attraction to this park is what they call the swinging bridges. Very simply they are bridges, and by a bridge I mean, in this instance, a one board wide walkway that is suspended by ropes and cables. It's on only about a foot wide at the bottom where the board is and then there is a net that goes from both sides of the walkway up about shoulder height and is fastened to large ropes and cables that stretch from tree to tree. It just hangs there, suspended there, swaying from people walking on it and bouncing up and down about 50-100 feet above the bottom of the rainforest. A little freaky I got to say. The bridges start on the side of a hill and go from tree to tree kind of in a big circle around part of the rainforest so that you can look out over the top of all the vegetation and hopefully spot some animals. On top of the rainforest was very interesting. It had the look of a big green blanket as far as you could see, plus a little farther I do believe. It was very beautiful!! Two of the girls got to see a monkey or at least part of it but I wasn't so lucky.... The main thrill was walking on the suspended bridges going from small platform to small platform high above a thing called solid ground. ☺ The tour took about an hour until we got back out again then we had the drive back to Cape Coast with our new Muslim friend to meet up with the others who had been touring the Slave Castle. I will let Jared tell you about the Slave Castle and some of the things I hope he learned or remembered from it.

The slave castle was another good reminder of where we as the human race have been and that it is possible to change things that are wrong or inhumane. The tour begins by walking down a slanted tunnel into the dark holding area for the male captives. They crammed up to 1000 men into a small area where the only light would have been from tiny holes near the top of the cave. Try and put yourself in their position; it would have been dark, very muggy with little air flow, the stench would have been overwhelming as they showed us a line on the wall at about three feet high where they calculate the human excrement would have risen to. Only fed twice a day. The irony of the situation is that church for the workers at the castle was held directly above the dungeon. There is a huge contrast to their reason for being in Ghana and our groups reason for Ghana. Another part of the castle that stuck out to me on this visit was the dungeon for the unruly captives, up to 30 at a time. This room was quite a bit smaller, had no windows, and the captives were kept here until everyone had died. Today in Ghana, it was much cooler than normal and this room, with the door open, was still very warm. So imagine being one of the last to die, sweltering heat, stench of feces and rotting bodies. There are literally scratches in the stone from prisoners trying to escape from the insanity. So many played a part in the trafficking of the slaves. Starting with the rival tribes capturing their enemies and marching them to the castle in exchange for guns, to the Europeans who ran the castle to those in Europe and the Americas who used the slaves for cheap labor.

After joining up again with those that went to the rainforest, we drove back to Accra for supper at a restaurant. We had choice of roasted or fried chicken and fried rice or French fries. A very tasty and filling meal that was enjoyed by all! Then back to Ron's with full bellies and tired bodies after a day travelling, ready to rest up for two work days. Today was unusually cool for Ghana, 73 is just two degrees off the lowest Ron has seen in Ghana. Pray for continued coolness the next two days as we work on the building at the land site. God bless!

## **Thursday**

Hello everyone, Audrey here once again. We woke to a beautiful day, the sun was behind the clouds which made it perfect for a work day outside. We had a breakfast of French toast, eggs, and fruit slush. Then the guys headed to the land site and the girls stayed here at the house. They washed windows, screens, fans, lights and floors. They did a terrific job! The air feels cleaner to breathe. ☺ Mom and I took lunch up to the guys. We had tuna salad sandwiches, popcorn, cookies and poppyseed cake. There was not a crumb left! They started the roofing structure and worked very hard pounding nails, lifting boards, and moving block. They all came back with some color, some red and some brown. After the ladies were done with their cleaning the 3 younger girls wanted the experience of having their hair braided. So I took them up to my friend Belinda's hair salon and after some waiting, like over an hour she finally came and then the braiding began. They all liked the experience and were glad they did it but it took convincing for some of them to leave it in. They looked very beautiful and my friend was delighted to have white ladies at her shop for good business. ☺ Also at around 11am Pastors Frank's wife came for the day. She brought the Nktomere for stew she made for the group. It was the first time she was here and she enjoyed her time with us. I want to say a HUGE thank you to all the ladies for the great job that they did on the cleaning.

We wrapped up the day with a delicious meal of Banku & pepper, rice & Nktomere (sp?) stew, fried rice, fish, cole slaw, watermelon and bar! Wow! Was there every plenty of food for all to enjoy! All the local food was made by close friends of ours, a mother and daughter. We were even able to send plenty of food home with them for their family – I believe they were delighted ☺.

Everyone seems tired, the guys worked very hard and all were pleased with the work accomplished! There were many Ghanaians who would watch all these white people doing this work and probably wondering about all of the concepts that were implemented! Anthony and Allen put their minds to work and in short order lumber was standing and swinging around at the roof peak!

Jeff here, one blessing from the guys work day was one of the guys plugged in the chargers for the cordless drills into a 220 outlet, both should have blown but God protected them. They are only able to be plugged into 110 outlets, but the 220 outlet did not destroy them. Praise God our day would have been much more difficult without the cordless drills.

Blessings to all of you!

## **Friday**

Good evening!

Tonight is our last night in Ghana! Our time here has passed quickly but all of us have enjoyed our trip! It has been a wonderful trip and the many prayers have been a blessing! Today we started pretty early,

the guys got a lot done with the bible school building project. All the rafters are up, and thankfully no one got hurt....other than sun burnt! ☺ Ron said he was pleased with how much they got accomplished! As for us girls, we cleaned Gary and Joy's place, it didn't take us very long but we got all the windows, floors, kitchen and bathrooms clean! We took lunch to the men at the work site. After lunch some of the group wanted to do more shopping so Audrey took a bunch to a shopping center about an hour away. The others continued to work and the girls who didn't go shopping got to get a refreshing nap in!

We had an interesting experience over lunch time today. One of the girls fainted from drinking too much cold water after being in the hot sun. Thankfully it wasn't worse and with a little help from our EMT (Allan), she soon felt better! Praise God! It is interesting that we started the trip off with a team member fainting and ended with another one fainting! ☺

So this evening we had another amazing meal and some of Ron and Audrey's friends from the Charity mission were able to join us. Tonight we will wrap up and pack our things. Our plans are to head to the airport around 5:00 in the morning! Those on the trip who are from Indiana and Iowa will arrive home around 3:00 am Sunday. The PA people will be back at weavers store around 9:30 or so!

Thank you all again for your prayers, they have made a difference and by Gods grace many have accepted Jesus. This trip has been truly worth it! The team is looking forward to being back in the states but we have made many good memories here in Ghana! Good night everyone.

ASHLEY