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Christmas In Burkina Faso

In Burkina-Faso they celebrate Christmas much like we do in America. They have their own celebrations and traditions. And like in America there is a high expectation to deliver presents to celebrate the birth of Christ. Many families do not have the money to buy gifts and the children feel left out of the excitement of the season. It is very hard for a child when the whole world is getting and giving gifts and they are not able to. KII wants to make sure that all the families we work with are able to celebrate and not feel left out. Many who sponsor children sent extra gifts and money so that the children had something to open at our Christmas celebration. And we at KII sent extra money to be able to provide a meal for everyone that came to our celebration and even had an extra treat for the children. Each child received popcorn and a can of pop, which is a rare treat. We are working to put smiles on all their faces and make sure they went home with full bellies. It may not seem much to Americans, but that was an extravagance that they so rarely see. God calls us to give him our best, and to give our fellow neighbors a helping hand even if they are around the world from us. We would like to say a special thanks to our donors who gave a little extra this Christmas and thank God for giving us the ability to bestow a little extravagance on the children of Burkina-Faso.



Spotlight Child

Each month we would like to highlight a child that is awaiting sponsorship. This month is Kanazoe Fadilatou. She just celebrated her 12th birthday and is working hard in the 6th grade. She lives with her father, mother, two brothers, and one sister. She is looking for a sponsor and friend. Please contact us if you would like to make a difference in her life.



Child Sponsorships

With Kingdom Investment International a child sponsorship is not just about sending the requested amount every month. The money is very appreciated and goes far in helping take care of the basic needs of that child. But money can only do so much. We would like to encourage everyone to have a relationship with their child. There is a long list of benefits children receive from being pen pals. Your letters will foster a love of reading and writing as well as helps to develop their social skills. Thinking of what to write to them is easy. Share the Lords word, share news from your family, ask them about their schooling. There are countless things to talk about with a child eager to learn about another life so far away from where they are.

Micro Finance

We are embarking on a new project with in our micro finance program. We are working to start providing invaluable workforce training to those who are interested. We will be working with local churches in Burkina-Faso to build committees to find men and women to enter the program. We will then pair them up with a sponsor that will cover the cost of sending them to a trade school. This will increase our chances of providing training to those without jobs but will also open the door for our staff and those at the church to evangelize and spread the word of Christ to more people. Our hope is that this will help to increase the ability of local families to provide for themselves. We are looking for ways to get necessary training to those who qualify and may even be able to help support those interested in receiving their driver's license. A driver's license is a valuable tool there because chauffeurs and delivery drivers are in high demand. If you are interested in donating to this program please contact us. We are in the very beginning stages of planning and welcome your prayers. Look for updates on the development of this program in our upcoming newsletters.





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Christmas Party

We were very blessed again this year to be able to give our sponsored children and their families time to celebrate the birth of Christ together and break bread as a family at the annual Christmas party. Everyone got together to have a feast and even enjoyed some singing and dancing by the children. We were able to provide a real treat, popcorn and a can of pop for each child, which they enjoyed very much. They also got to hear from a guest speaker, Beatrice who has been so successful in our micro-finance program and that we mentioned in last month's newsletter. Yannick, a resident of a local church was also their to pray with those who requested it. The children whose sponsor sent presents or money for gifts gathered early to receive them. Owoicho, one of our representatives in Burkina-Faso, said that the event brought many smiles to the faces of the children and their families. Below are some pictures from the event.



Celebrations

We have much to celebrate as we start off 2013. We have raised the funds needed to buy the moped that our staff so desperately needed. This will help them get to the families more and be able to provide support, both financial and moral, as well as continue to share the word of God with them. We want to thank the continued generosity of all those who donated. We are only able to accomplish so much and improve the lives of the children and families because you continue to share God's wealth. We thank you!

Praise and Prayer Requests

- We have nothing but praise for God to be able to provide a wonderful Christmas party for all our sponsored children and their families. It was a truly blessed event.
- We ask for prayers as we work to develop our micro-finance program to include practical workforce training.
- We ask that God continue to bless all those who have helped us in our mission to serve God.
- We would like to praise God for all the generosity we have received over the past two months from our sponsors. We have two more children who found sponsors and are much closer to obtaining a motor bike that would be so beneficial to our employees and families.
- We want to say a special 'Thank You' to all who gave extra to their sponsored children to make their Christmas more joyful.

News from Western Africa

War has broken out in Mali, a country bordering Burkina-Faso on the north-east side. Islamist terrorists have taken over much of the country including the capital Gao. French military are helping the local military to seize control and are making progress. Just this week the French and local military were able to gain back control of Gao. The United States is not able to directly help the fight due to political reasons but they are helping by aiding the French military by aiding in transportation and refueling their plans. Because Mali borders Burkina-Faso, this conflict can and does have a major effect of Burkina-Faso and it's citizens. We want to make sure all our supports in America know of the struggle they are having and ask everyone to pray and keep the people of Burkina-Faso in their hearts as the French and American governments help to diffuse the situation.



Spiritual Thought

Just a thought for the next few months that everyone of us that believes in God almighty are the church, it is not a building or a place of worship. It is in our hearts and our breathing bodies. So share church with those that you come across in your daily lives. Be an evangelist in your own city.