



Mawuvio's Outreach Programme *January 2015*

Meet Randolph Adjonor

Randolf Adjonor is 16 years old, one of Mawuvio's Outreach oldest pupils. He has been attending Mawuvio's Outreach shortly after it was established in August of 2009. Randolph and his brother Reuben are the only deaf students attending MOP. Randolph comes from a family of 9 siblings, 3 of whom are deaf. His family has enough money to send his older brother Gabriel to a deaf school in Ghana however there is not enough money for him to also attend. Armed with their sign language dictionary, Randolph, Reuben and their teacher Sir Francis break communication barriers in order for them to learn amongst their speaking and hearing colleagues. Randolph has gone from illiterate to learning his letters, numbers, being able to read, write and learn all core subjects. Randolph is one of the leaders amongst the student body at MOP. Because of him, most MOP students are fluent in basic sign language. Younger students look up to him and you will often see him giving orders and directing students in class and at home in their dormitories. Randolph loves learning and living at MOP. His favorite past time is drawing pictures for friends. He aspires to become a sign language teacher for children like himself once he grows up. Keep up the great work Randolph!



Ghana My Country, My Culture

Below is an essay written by Class 5 student on the many different aspects of Ghanaian culture with the purpose of educating foreigners.....ENJOY!

There are various aspects of cultural traditions in my country and region which is Ghana in the West African sub-region. The people of Ghana are very friendly and welcoming due to the cultural values and tradition that have been instilled in us as a people. Right from our forefathers, culture has played a large role and is still playing a positive role in our lives as a people.

The aspect of culture that I take pride in is in our mode of worship. Ghanaians are a very religious people. There are three types of the main religions practiced among us Ghanaians.

Worshiping God is a belief system that brings people of various backgrounds together, united with a common act which is religion.

In Ghana, in our culture some people worship other Gods, like the Christians worship God and the traditionalists worship Gods in our culture. We celebrate Easter and New Year. During the Easter and the New Year time people give gifts to their friends or their families and also families cook a lot and people visit their friends or who ever they know. We also celebrate Christmas time to remember the death of Jesus Christ our savior, who took all our sins away. If not him we have been dead now and during that time Christians walk around the community and they hold palm nut leave and they will be saying "Hosanna, hosanna".

Whether traditionalism, Christianity or Islam, we respect people in our community. We learn from other people. We Christians go to church every Sunday. We teach people the word of God and treat people in good ways. In our culture we live in the same compound all together with our families and we join hands and eat from the same bowl.

In our culture the dance the Ewes, the Ga, the Frafra and other ethnic groups dance called "Agbajah" and the music we sing is called "Bobobo". We the Ewes do not like wearing dresses like other ethnic groups in Ghana. And the food we like best to eat is called Akpele and Okro Soup and the drink the Ewes like is called palm wine.

We celebrate our culture in our dances, music and food. It makes people come together from different parts of the world. Through our music, dances and festivals we expose our culture to other people of the world. This helps our economy to grow. Through the aspects of culture, developments such as schools, hospitals, markets and roads have been built for people, who did not have such things in their communities. This helps people who need help from other people, like we students need help from the teachers, so that we can grow to become great people in future.

We also need help from our grandparents, like they help us to become a good boy and a good girl. They tell us many stories and teach us how to be obedient children and knock before we enter into someone's room. We also must greet when we see our elders and we must always be a good child to other people. We live happily with our friends and play with them.



Teacher Spotlight: Sir Austine Gabo Tettey

Where do you come from?
Volta Region, Ghana

Where did you attend school?
Best Hands Standard College Lagos, Nigeria

How long have you taught at MOP?
3 years

Why do you like Teaching?
I love teaching due to the following reasons: it has made me an open – minded individual, which has now

made me a deep thinker. It is one of the ways that has made learning easier for me. It has afforded me the opportunity to be a molder of future leaders.

What do you like best about teaching?
Teaching makes you understand what it means to be a “caregiver” it’s like another concept of parenting.

What is difficult about teaching?
The act or process of making children understand an idea or message in a particular subject matter or topic.

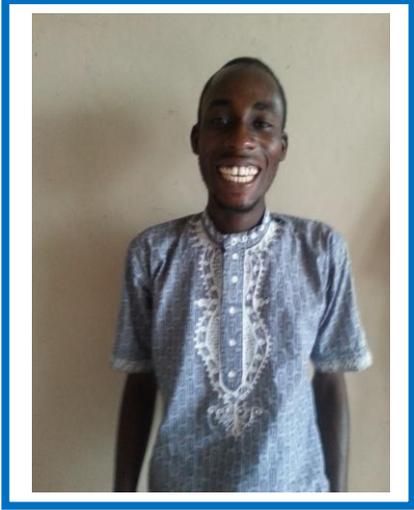
Why do you like teaching at MOP?
Teaching at MOP is my own little way of giving back to the less privileged in society.

What do you hope your students will say about you, their teacher, 10 years from now?
That I had a very positive influence in their lives and I made them believe in themselves and in their own dreams.

Where do you hope your students are 10-20 years from now?
Ten years from now I see them in the best Universities in the world studying their dream courses and in twenty years from now, I want to see them well established in their various dream careers.

What do you hope to be doing 10 years from now?
I should be doing ministry work to be a preacher of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

What do you do at MOP aside from teaching in the classroom?
Aside from teaching in the classroom, I also teach dance and choreography as well as organize and host quiz competition programs.



Why are you Important?

by the students of M.O.P.

I am important because God created me to become a police in the future. I will help people. I want to help people if bad people come to steal things from them. I want them to love each other. If they are taking things from each other they will not love each other they will hate each other and become a bad person. I am important because God brought me into this world to help everybody.

~Morde Bedi age 13

I am important because God made me. I am important because I can do good things and help others. I am important because I want to become successful in my future.

~Selina Afeteti age 10

I am important because God helps me. God helps me attend this school. This school is so good to me. I will become a great person in the future.

~Kwame Ametonu age 13

I am important because I learned how to read and write and now I can read and write.

~Michael Logoh age 11

Mawuvio's Jewelry on Etsy.com

Help support Mawuvio's Outreach by purchasing our handmade jewelry. All jewelry is made out of recycled glass Krobo beads and made by the students and staff at MOP. 100% of proceeds go to support the feeding programme for Mawuvio's students!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Mark is **10** this month!

His favorite subject is English (Reading) and Mark wants to be a teacher when he grows up.



Mary Ama is **9** this month!

Her favorite subject is R.M.E. and Math. Mary wants to be a doctor when she grows up.



Adzo is **14** this month!

Her favorite subject is Citizenship Education and English. Adzo wants to be a lawyer when she grows up.



Matilda is **11** this month!

Her favorite subject is Science and Creative Arts. Matilda wants to be a journalist when she grows up.



Selina is **10** this month!

Her favorite subjects are English and Creative Arts. Selina wants to be a doctor when she grows up.



Godsway is **10** this month!

His favorite subject is Math and Environmental Studies. Godsway wants to be a pilot when he grows up.



Faustina is **12** this month!

Her favorite subject is English and R.M.E. Faustina wants to be a teacher when she grows up.



Abil is **10** this month!

Her favorite subject is Math and English. Abil wants to be a nurse when she grows up.