



## Electricity and Plumbing Reaches Ayikuma



Workers from Ghana Electricity company install light poles and connect wires at MOP building site

Progress at the building site of MOP's future home and school is continuing and will make great strides this month. MOP Director Eric Kwame Agoe spends most of the weekday overseeing work at the site of the new school. This month, aside from construction on the building itself, MOP will connect electricity to the school, drill a well, and connect plumbing into the building.

Workers from the Ghana Electricity Company (GEC) visited the site in late November and instructed directors to purchase 2 electricity poles needed to connect light from the main



Workers test different areas on MOP land to determine the best place to drill the well

road. Due to the size of the building, MOP will have 3 wires (faces) of electricity running into the building. GEC workers expect electricity to be connected and working in the building by the middle of this month.

Another major work MOP will undertake this month is the drilling of a well on their land. Funding to drill the well was donated by Tom Hansen of eastern Iowa. MOP board member Lawrence Dzegdey is leading the well work as he is an experienced well-driller. In late November Dzegdey visited the site and tested the land for the best place to drill the well. MOP directors have reviewed the results with Dzedgey. Although Ayikuma is a water-logged area, the reports could not promise clean drinking water for the buildings Ghanaian residents. Directors plan to drill the well this month and, after the well is drilled, will connect plumbing into the building providing running water, flushing toilets and showers, and possibly drinking water.

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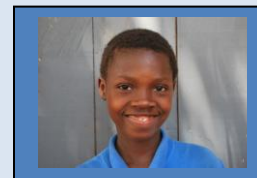
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### **Happy Birthday!**

Mawuvio's Outreach December Birthdays:

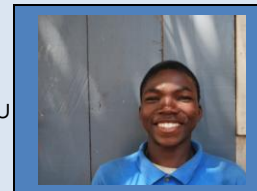
**Dec. 2**

Felicia  
Afla  
13 years



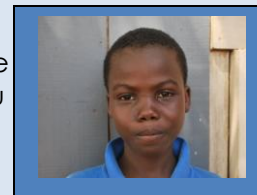
**Dec. 12**

Ben  
Gborwosu  
16 years



**Dec. 14**

Josephine  
Adziwonu  
8 years



**Dec. 22**

Elias  
Afed  
8 years



**Dec. 28**

Patricia  
Domevenu  
7 years



# Mawuvio's Outreach Beads Sold Across the U.S.

What started as a simple suggestion by MOP treasurer Barb Farwell has grown into a major fundraiser for the expansion Mawuvio's Outreach. When Renee brought a few bracelets back to her mother and other friends and family, B. Farwell suggested using bracelets as a fundraiser and the bead business took off. Bracelets are made by the students and staff of Mawuvio's Outreach and brought to the U.S. to be sold as a fundraiser.

Before 2012, beads were just being sold by B. Farwell in eastern Iowa however recently sales have expanded to Wisconsin and Georgia. MOP supporters in both states are selling them personally and at local businesses to raise funds for the organization.



bead molds being fired in local kiln



The MOP bead table at a craft fair in DeWitt, IA during November

During the spring, summer and early fall months, B. Farwell spends time at one to two day craft fairs around eastern Iowa selling the beads.

As the Christmas season is approaching, MOP expects to see an increase of bead sales, especially at the businesses that carry MOP jewelry.

The jewelry is currently being sold at Cookies Gym: Preston, IA. The YWCA: Clinton, IA. The coffee shop in Clintonville, WI, and also online at etsy.com. Beaded rosaries are also being sold at the Cathedral bookstore in Atlanta, GA.

All funding from bead sales goes directly to MOP and its expansion efforts to give all children access to quality education and care.

## **Building Progress Report:**

Construction at the Ayikuma building site continues throughout this month. During December the remaining half of the building's ceiling will be cast. The wood and irons are being set so casting will begin in early to mid December. Aside from the casting work, MOP is also preparing the inside of the boy's dormitory



and 3 classrooms which already have a ceiling. Window and door frames will be set in the rooms so that doors and windows can be purchased and set in place. The walls are also being plastered making them paint ready by December.

pictured (left) view of the second half of building's iron being laid (right) view of window and door frames for the classrooms and boys dormitory.



## MOP Essay by Class 2 students: "If I Had a Pet"

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

11 MOP students begin the exam period

19 MOP school on inter-term break

Tuesdays & Thursdays:  
MOP after school Music Programme

Ongoing bead sales on [etsy.com](http://etsy.com) and local representatives

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### My Pet by: Paul Addah

The name of my pet is Red. It is a monkey. It likes eating banana. My pet likes playing with me. I feel so happy. My pet is special because it wakes me up. I love my pet.



### My Pet by: Josephine Adziwonu



The name of my pet is White. My pet is a dog. My pet likes eating bones and stew. My pet likes jumping. I feel happy. My pet is special because it is nice. I love my pet because it can keep me and my family safe.

### My Pet by: Charles Frimpong

The name of my pet is M.C. It is a dog. It likes eating apple. My pet likes running. It feel very happy when it is running. I love my pet because it is so special.



### My Pet by: Matilda Doe



The name of my pet is Ready. It is a cat. My pet likes to eat rice and stew. My pet likes running with me. I feel happy. I love my pet because it loves me to. My pet can wake me up when I am sleeping.

### My Pet by: Belina Afedi

The name of my pet is Ama. It is a dog. My pet likes eating fish. My pet likes running. I feel so very happy when I am running with my pet. My pet is special because if I sleep it wakes me up. I love my pet because it can also do work for me.



## Student Spotlight



Name: ~~Angela Ayiteh~~  
Age: 7  
Class: KG 2  
Best Game: ~~Ampe~~  
Best Food: Rice & Stew

What do you want to be when you grow up?  
Police woman



Name: Joshua Futri  
Age: 7  
Class: Primary 1  
Best Game: Football  
Best Food: Fried Rice

What do you want to be when you grow up?  
Soldier