



# 2013 Annual Report



Dear Friends,

In the past four years, M.O.P. has transformed a group of orphaned, disadvantaged youth into a family of sixty students. Students who were once living lives of hopeless despair are now filled with dreams of bright futures thanks to education.

Education is the primary focus of Mawuvio's Outreach Programme. We believe that education is the key to ending the cycle of poverty; poverty that is rampant throughout Ghana. The majority of our students are the first in their families to attend school and learn how to read, write and make sense of numbers. This year we provided sixty youth, 27 males and 33 females with a basic Kindergarten thru Primary 4 education at our outdoor temporary facility. Gaining basic literacy skills has given youth more self-confidence, self-determination and desire to continue their education journey.

All youth also participated in one or more after school programme during the year. After school programming was designed to expose youth to additional learning in the forms of arts, music, culture and sports. Participation in these programmes provided students with a strengthened sense of community with one another, opportunity to acquire skills which can be useful to them in their futures and further exposure to the world at large.

Looking forward, we will be continuing construction on our permanent boarding school facility in Ayikuma, Ghana with an approximate move in date set for September 2014. Moving into a permanent facility will allow us to outreach to more orphaned and disadvantaged youth as well as better provide stability and safety to our current youth.

Yours Faithfully,

Eric Kwame Agoe

Renee Farwell

Founder & Director

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## Board of Directors

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## Our Mission and Vision



**Mission** Provide free education, shelter and care for at-risk youth across the globe regardless of sex, age, race or tribal origin.

**Vision** Reorient education towards sustainable development meeting the outcry of all children. Provide education, art, career and cultural programs to encourage children to succeed in our local community and extend support to vulnerable children in the future.

- **The right to quality basic education.**
- **Building community through educational, creative and vocational programming.**
- **Diversity in age, race, gender or tribal origin differences does not affect an individual's right to receive services.**
- **Support all members with respect, proper communication and relationship building.**

# Programmes and Services

Mawuvio's Outreach Programmes have consistently provided youth with educational, vocational and creative avenues in which to learn. Each programme strives to equip youth the insight and tools they need to develop into contributing and successful members of society; breaking the cycle of poverty.

## Educational Programmes

Educational programming is the core focus of Mawuvio's Outreach believing that education is key to lifting impoverished youth out of their present situations onto better, brighter and more promising futures. Education takes on many faces as youth are taught academics, culture, expression and creativity through our programmes.

### Mawuvio's School

Mawuvio's Outreach Programme operates a Ghana Education Service approved Primary School (nursery – primary 6) for sixty orphaned and disadvantaged youth whose parent/guardians do not have the means to pay the fees required to attend Ghanaian public schools.

Mawuvio's School curriculum English, Mathematics, Science, Environmental Studies, Religious and Moral Studies, Information Communication Technology and Creative Arts classes as required by the Ghana Education Service

Mawuvio's School operates between the hours of 8:00am-3:00pm Monday thru Friday

### Free Lunch Programme

The sixty youth attending Mawuvio's School receive a nutritious meal every operating school day as part of the free lunch programme. The students focus and concentration on learning is greatly improved due to receiving daily lunch.

### Football Club

Twenty of Mawuvio's School youth participate in the school's football club. Male and female students train weekly and participate in organized matches against neighbouring schools. Youth are learning many values such as teamwork, importance of exercise and communication due to their participation in the schools club.

## **Jewelry Making**

Twenty five Mawuvio's School youth learn the craft of local jewelry making. Traditional Krobo beads are purchased and then students and staff of Mawuvio's School craft the beads into bracelets, necklaces and earrings which are then sold worldwide to raise funds for the organization. Youth are learning the values of craft, hardwork and contributing to the organization they belong to.

## **Music, Dance and Culture**

All Mawuvio's School students participate in music, dance and culture programmes. Youth learn how to play both local and foreign musical instruments, sing local and foreign songs, dance local and foreign dance and how to sing and dance their local borbobor culture. Youth have been invited to perform at different events and participation in this programme provides them with worldly knowledge, opportunity and discipline.

## **Baseball Club**

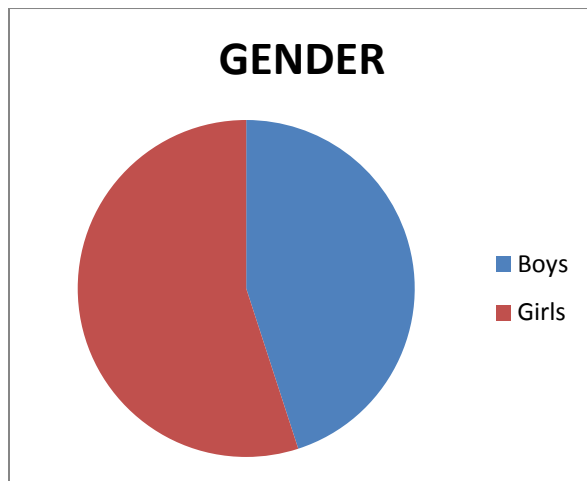
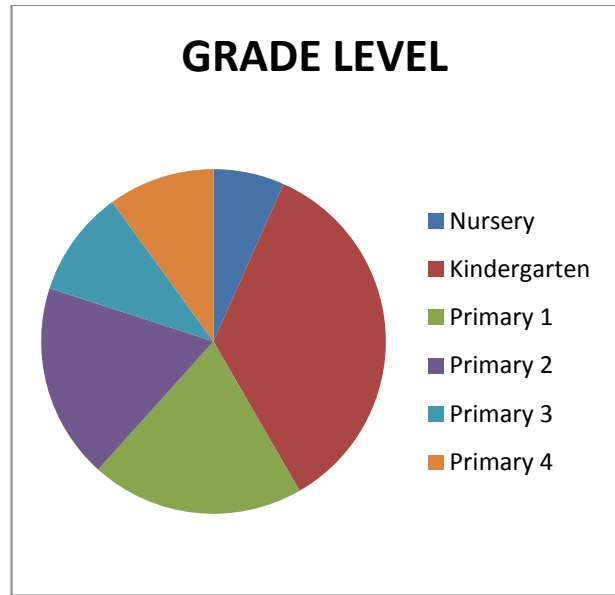
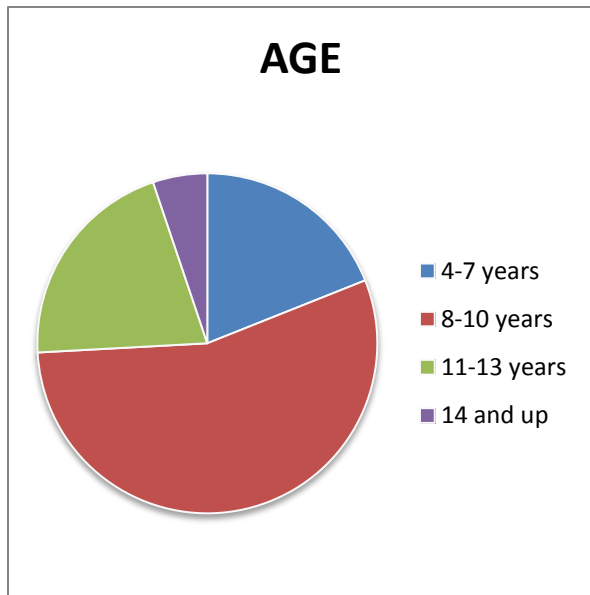
Twenty Mawuvio's School youth participate in the baseball club. Youth both male and female train weekly. Baseball provides youth with a new sport avenue, coordination, discipline and teamwork.

## **Care Services**

Mawuvio's School Youth are provided with basic care services. As a social welfare organization, it is our duty to provide youth with any toiletry, clothing, first aid or other need they may have that directly affects their well being.

## **Health Services**

Mawuvio's School strives to provide its youth with basic health care services while youth are in their care. Youth who are sick or injured are taken to the hospital and ensured proper care is given until the youth are healed. Mawuvio's School is currently trying to get all members registered into the National Health Insurance Scheme providing all students and staff with Ghana Health Insurance.



## The Youth of Mawuvio's Outreach



21% are on track to graduate SHS by age 18



89% passed to the next grade level



77% participate in one or more after school programmes



29% live with 1 or both biological parents



## OUR IMPACTS in Fiscal Year 2013

**60** students attended Mawuvio's Outreach Programme School making progress on language and literacy skills.

**53** students were promoted to the next class level at the beginning of the academic year

**5** new students enrolled at Mawuvio's Outreach Programme School

**1** new after school programme, Baseball Club, was implemented to Mawuvio's Outreach students

*"It is the lack of education keeping the cycle of poverty alive."  
- Eric Kwame Agoe Co-Founder & Director*

*"I come to school so that I can become a great man in my future."  
- Ben Gborwosu class 4*

## OUR SUPPORTERS in Fiscal Year 2013

**18** foreign volunteers and visitors came to Mawuvio's Outreach Programme School from the U.S., Austria and Germany

**33** sponsors supporting the financial stability of Mawuvio's Outreach Programme by donating either monthly or annually

**6** students were sponsored via The School Fund ([theschoolfund.org](http://theschoolfund.org)) online community giving programme