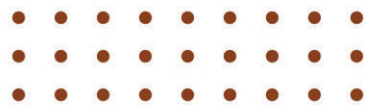




LITERACY & EVANGELISM, GHANA
"Sharing the gift of Christ through reading"



ANNUAL REPORT

2024





Bless the LORD, O my soul: And all that is within me, bless his holy name. -Psalm 103:1

COUNTRY DIRECTOR'S OPENING REMARKS

All too soon another year has elapsed with the duty laid on us to account for our stewardship. We are excited to show case the blessings, gifting and talents our God lavished on us through literacy ministry in Ghana and beyond. We did not take for granted the grace, favor and mercies enjoyed from our God doing authentic literacy ministry in this part of the globe.

It has not been easy. With relatively limited resource at our disposal, we have been able to deliver on our mandate; constructing primers, printing, running training workshops, supervising classes and organizing programs, among others. We do these with confidence both locally and international, blessing non-readers with the gift of reading, in order to encounter the **living Lord in the pages of His Book**. Our success stories and testimonies depict this fact.

It is the doing of the Lord, and it is marvelous in our sight!

As you read this edition of our report/story for 2024, please take some time to thank the Lord with us and pray for grace in abundance to do more.

We are hopeful that, as a formidable para-church, non-for-profit institution in Ghana, we would be adequately equipped to continue performing our catalyst role, empowering the Body of Christ, in fulfilment of the Great Commission. Blessings!



Country Director,
Rev. Samuel B. Lawerteh

TEACHER TRAINING WORKSHOPS

Feb. 19-22: we undertook a Teacher Training Workshop at Odumase for 18 Volunteer teachers for churches and organizations in the Odumase area. Others joined from Accra and Cape Coast. 2 were observers and 16 wrote exams and passed. They were tasked to quickly form literacy classes to put their skills to use.





May 26 – 31: We partnered the Bible Society of Ghana to run a Teacher Training Workshop (TTW) in Wa for the Dagaare speaking people. We are glad to learn the joint primer we did with Bible Society is being used widely to learn the Dagaare language. One of the conclusions of the TTW is that the Dagaare Primer now needs to be reviewed and updated for more effect. It was agreed by BSG and LE, GH that preparations are made for the **Primer revision workshop to happen as soon as possible.**



AFRICA LITERACY TRAINING INSTITUTE (ALTI 2024)

In March 2024 we swung into action, (as part of the planning committee formed at the Member Nations Gathering in Brazil by the African Caucus), for the planning of the Africa LTI 2024 Training Program in Nairobi, Kenya from 16 to 30 October 2024. We knew a number of African countries and Member nations needed training badly and we prayed that we can all raise funds to partake in the training. The Brochure for the event was designed by our own Aaron Lawerteh. Kudos!



October: After months of feverish fund raising and preparations, on October 14, 2024, a five-member team of LE Ghana made up of Rev Samuel Lawerteh Country Director, Mr. Nat. Nunoo (Programs Director) and Mrs. Rosemary Sackey (Resource and Mobilization Manager), left for Nairobi, Kenya to take part in the Africa Regional Literacy Training Institute as facilitators.

The others Miss. Emmanuella Kpeli and Mr. Wilberforce Martey Obiri (both past Administrative Assistants) who were part of the Ghana team, attended as participants. Mrs. Ellen Adjetey-Sowah joined the team later as the main resource person for the second part of training Member Nations leaders in Africa.



PRIMER/LANGUAGE TEXTBOOK CONSTRUCTION, REVISION WORKSHOPS & ACTIVITIES:

FULANI PRIMER: In January Torchbearers informed us they were ready to partner with LE, GH to prepare a primer for Fulani. We swung into action together and we made contact with LE, Burkina Faso who expressed interest to join us since the Fulani dialect we are targeting is common to the two (2) countries. We proceeded to look for local experts and work on preparatory materials and discuss suitable dates and venues for the workshop. The Primer Construction Workshop is scheduled for 2025. We look forward to making this primer available for the many Fulani speakers in Ghana and Burkina Faso.

New Teaching Guide and Workbook for all Primers: We worked with our local experts to assiduously work to translate our new Teaching guide (more pictorial and easier to use by teachers) in a number of languages. We also worked to complete language workbooks pending to assist our learners.

After some preparation, Recording for the proposed Asante primer e-book came off at the Maregold studios at Kpong in the Eastern Region from August 22 – 25 2024. Mr. Charles Dickens Adjei, also known as Owura Adjei, the lead translator during the Asante primer construction played a leading role in the recording of the e-book also.



Rev. Samuel Lawerteh supervised the recording project at Kpong. After the recording, Owura Adjei intimated that when the e-book is finally completed, it will give many more Asante speakers, at home and abroad, who have access to android phones to become literate in their mother tongue. Editing of the E-book recordings are ongoing. Upon completion, it will be passed on to the Benin team to continue with the E-book.



LEARNER CLASSES, PROGRESS AND GRADUATIONS

Feb 16-18th we collaborated with Bible Society of Ghana, led by our Uncle Nat, to conduct research on the **Gurune literacy project** in the Upper East Region including towns like Sherigo.

Women and children were observed striving hard in literacy classes to learn. We are grateful to God for their lives and their perseverance. We learn that the New Apostolic church in one of the literacy classes, bought Gurune New Testament for each child. Kudos!

September: Visitation to **Tema, Full Gospel International Men's Fellowship** class

We visited the Asante Twi and English classes to assess if they were ready to take exams for graduation. The market women were striving hard with their lessons.

We were encouraged with progress made. Thanks to the hard work of Teachers Eva and Gideon Osei Numo, we are hopeful they can graduate in 2025.

COP Literacy Project Updates: Throughout the year, we assisted Church of Pentecost Areas and Districts to conduct Teacher Training Workshops to train teachers, mark their scripts after the training and guide them in managing their literacy classes.

As resources become available, we plan more in person visits to as many of these literacy classes all over the country to encourage and assist where necessary.

We were glad to end **June** with a **graduation ceremony** from the **Konongo area**. Sixteen (16) Asante Twi Learners, Six (6) English Learners as well as Five (5) Trainer of Trainers and Four (4) Teachers were all graduated on **30th June, 2024**.





To the Glory of God, Graduation of eleven (11) learners and five (5) teachers of the literacy class of the Church of Pentecost, Takoradi Area, took place at the Church of Pentecost Takoradi Central, on Sunday, August 11, 2024. The five teachers took part in the Trainer of Trainers course held at the Pentecost Convention Center at Gomoa Feteh from October 18 – 29, 2021.

Out of the 11 Learners who graduated, Eight (8) learnt to read and write in the Mfantse language and Three (3) learnt to read and write in English. The Five (5) trained teachers were informed that apart from passing their final exams, they would receive their certificates at the graduation of a literacy class they had taught for at least nine months. Hence, the teachers graduated and certified, with their students at the same ceremony.

Rev. Reuben Mensah Adrakpanya (Rtd) of the COP who is also the L&E Ghana's Assistant Manager, Monitoring and Evaluation, represented L&E Ghana at the function and handed out certificates to the deserving graduands. Each graduate received a Bible in the language he/she studied and a Bible study material. Bibles were donated by courtesy of Bible Society & LE, Ghana and Bible Study materials by the Church of Pentecost.

We are exceedingly grateful to God for these fruits. The 6th COP Graduation after Anya Ablekuma Area, Kaneshie Area, Dansoman Area, Afram Plains Area, Konongo Area. We are eagerly praying and looking forward to other graduations from Learning centres.





PROJECTS & FUND RAISING

The highlight of May was our **Maiden Fundraising Breakfast Meeting** held on **25 May 2024** at the SSNIT Guest House in Osu. The program was nearly rained off but for the Lord's intervention and his prompting to push ahead. We were glad, a number braved the rains to come and support and it was wonderful the Lord's work through us all.

We raised funds to (1) print Gonja workbooks and train teachers to intensify literacy ministry for Gonja settlers in the South and Northern Indigenes and (2) Ga Literacy ministries in the fishing community of Abola in the Ga Mashie Area. We plan to train teachers and assist them to organize Literacy classes in these communities. We say thank you to all our Donors and supporters.



VOLUNTEER & STAFF NEWS

We thank God for Miss. Emmanuella Kpeli and Mr. Wilberforce Martey Obiri (both past Administrative Assistants) who feverishly and diligently raised funds to attend the Regional ILTI to be certified Trainers and support LE, Ghana's work. We doff our hats for them and look forward to their input to the team in Ghana for the service of the Lord.



We welcomed our new volunteer team member, Mrs. Grace Commodore, a Lay Preacher with the Methodist Church Ghana, a Chartered Accountant, with years of working experience with the Bible Society of Ghana and Challenge Enterprises of Ghana. Now retired from active service, she is very happy to continue to serve the Lord through Literacy and Evangelism Ghana. She is currently undergoing training.





ITEMS FOR PRAYER & PRAISE

Praise

- 1 We thank God for a peaceful election in Ghana and transition of power. We pray that the economy will pick up.
- 2 We thank God for His saving grace for Pastor Reuben and for traveling mercies throughout the year for all of us.
- 3 We are grateful for all our graduates who strived hard.
- 4 Exceedingly grateful that our first Maiden Breakfast Meeting came off successfully.
- 5 We thank God for faithful donors and hardworking volunteers. God richly bless you.

Prayer

- 1 Successful Primer Construction Workshops planned for new language primers: Okere, Ewutu, Fulani and others.
- 2 Primer Construction Training Workshop scheduled for Oct. 25.
- 3 Faithful teachers to continue striving despite the odds, to teach and share God's word.
- 4 Literacy Volunteers and leaders all ready and determined to strive for the Lord's Kingdom and the tasks assigned.
- 5 We pray for funds to continue to print books cheaply for non-readers, and also produce digital versions for e-learning for those who can use smart phones.

STATISTICS 2024

● New Teachers Trained	127
● Learners Graduated	27
● Primer Workbooks completed	4
● New Language Teaching Guides in Translation	4
● Prep Material Ready for New Languages	3
● Language Primers in our Library so far	17

FINANCIALS

FINANCIAL REPORT 2024 (PROVISIONAL) GHS		FINANCIAL REPORT 2023 GHS	
General Income	178,411	General Income	67,592
Project Income	148,303	Project Income	66,270
Sales Income	30,209	Sales Income	38,114
Total Income	356,922	Total Income	171,976
Direct Expenses	163,876	Direct Expenses	117,704
General Expenses	104,370	General Expenses	149,684
Reserves	88,676	Reserves	(95,412)
Total Expenses	356,922	Total Expenses	171,976



OBITUARIES & CELEBRATIONS

Loss: We ended the last day of March on the sad note of the demise of **Mr. Daniel Akornor**, our Landlord, founder of Rudan Engineering Ltd, and father of our Sister Ellen Adjetey-Sowah (nee Akornor). May his gentle soul rest in the Lord till we meet again! Our condolence went to the family.

Catechist Nathaniel Alipue-Tetteh Passing on

Alipue, we were glad to recognize your hard work as a galant teacher before you passed on to your maker sadly on 25th September, 2024. Rest in Peace our brother.

Rev. Reuben's accident and God's saving hand

We are grateful to God for his saving grace in that fatal road accident on October 3rd, 2024. we thank God for your life Pastor Reuben, our Class Monitoring Manager.



Uncle Nat Visit with Carey Jo

In July 2025 it was a pleasure for Rev. Carey Jo and her husband Rev Johnston to drive from Canada to meet Nathaniel Nunoo and Angie Crabbe in Philadelphia, USA whiles they were there on a private visit. Ms. Penny Feters, another LEI missionary based in Florida and a member of the LEI online courses faculty joined them. The fellowship was awesome, the ministry discussions fruitful!





L&E Ghana observed the **International Literacy Day on September 8**, at the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, Bethel Congregation, Kpong. At the ceremony we took opportunity to give out certificates to learners who missed out on graduations. We also offered thank you stipends and citations to 6 of our teachers in the Dangme Areas i.e Odumase and Ada. Two of them Mr. Bodua, and Mr. Alipue received honorary citations for serving as teachers for over 10 years.

A number of the learners in the area also graced the occasion and we took the opportunity to encourage them in their learning so they will also be graduated soon. It was indeed a joyous occasion. We ended it all with some fund raising to push literacy work.



December: This year 2024, we had our Management and program planning retreat at the William Ofori-Atta Memorial Center at Mampong-Akwapim, from December 4 – 5. Fellowship was awesome!



We had our final Board meeting for 2024 on December 17, 2024. It was a pleasure to celebrate Auntie Clara on her 70th Birthday. Just grateful to God for all of our lives and His leading throughout the year.





TESTIMONIALS

I'm Elizabeth Kabukie, a Ga by tribe. After joining a literacy class at The Church of Pentecost Latebiokorshie District, I can now read and write in Ga, which I couldn't do before despite speaking it fluently.

I'm proud that I can now read the Bible in my native language Ga. I'm grateful to my teacher Mr. Emmanuel Laryea.



I'm Vida Tetteh, a determined learner. I joined a literacy class at Kpong Bethel Congregation Presby Church to master reading and writing in Dangme, with the goal to read the Bible. Despite challenges like power outages, I persevered and made it happen. I'm proud of my progress and grateful for the opportunity to connect with my language. I'm grateful to my teacher Rev. S.B Lawerteh.



Upcoming Programs!

- 1 Primer Construction for Okere, Ewutu and Fulani
- 2 3 weeks Hands-on Primer Construction Training in Ghana in October, 2025
- 3 Sept 8th International Literacy Day Celebration
- 4 Breakfast Fundraising Meeting in August, 2025
- 5 A number of Teacher Training Workshops, check out our website and social media handles for dates
- 6 International Online Training Schedule
- 7 Launch of Asante Mobile App





Our Mission

We exist to equip the church and communities to share the message of Christ through reading. This we do, by training Teachers, to run literacy classes and preparing or construction primers (teaching text books) in various languages for our learners.

Language Primers In Our Library

Akwapem Twi , Asante Twi, Bono, Dagaare, Dangme, Esahie (Sefwi), Ewe, Ga, Gonja, Gurune, Hausa, Kokomba, Mfantse, Nafaanra, Nzema, Tangale (Nigeria) and English Language.

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