

SUMMER BITS

HCCF'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER DESIGNED TO KEEP YOU INFORMED AND CURIOUS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS

CEPE AND THE GLOBAL INNOVATION CHALLENGE

'Christ himself cared enough about our problems'

Team Plastic-Blocks from Heritage Christian College, Accra, Ghana made it to the Top 10 Finalists in the 2019 Global Social Innovation Challenge at the University of San Diego. Team Plastic-Blocks has just finished their first presentation at the group stages. Their project is focused on using disposed plastic material for pavement blocks.

"Whatever program that you are doing, whatever curriculum you are following here at HCC, whether you are doing theology, whether you are doing business, or you are doing information technology, we interact with you from the CEPE (Center for Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy, and Ethics). We integrate practice on entrepreneurship,

Christ himself cared enough about our problems; he came to die. We want to build a young generation of Africans who care sufficiently about the African problem and the

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world problem...to make a significant contribution in solving those problems. To have many Christians who are well trained with sufficient capacity to do things for themselves, really to push the frontiers of Christianity further. That's what we are doing here."

Dr. Williams Atuilik, Provost, Heritage Christian College and Center for Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy, and Ethics

MEET DENNIS ABBEY

IN HIS WORDS-DENNIS ABBEY

"I am Dennis, a 20-year old from a broken home with three children between my parents. My parents divorced some years ago while I was growing up and this has really affected my education. My dad is now in his old age and does not work due to illness. My mother, on the other hand, is involved in buying and selling of foodstuffs just on a table top. As the only parent providing our needs both at home and at school, my mother finds it really difficult to cater for our needs.



I really struggled through school and was always indebted. Though I am a bright student, I always have financial strain dragging me back. I was the Head Prefect at my High School and currently making giant leaps in my education at the Heritage Christian College reading Marketing and Journalism. I want to be a sports journalist and marketing consultant. I was recently among the top 3 young sports presenters in a nation-wide reality show, Asempa Star.

HCC has really been of great benefit to me and I am proud to say that I was one of the initial 22 students given start-up funding to begin our businesses. Together with 2 colleagues of mine, we were given \$2,000 to start a Barbering Shop. That is one of the admirable things I cherish about HCC."

Regarding my faith, I was born to a mother who attended Musama Church and a dad who claimed to be an Anglican, but I never saw him go to church all the years I stayed with him. I used to follow my mother to church, but I didn't find fulfillment there. Through circumstances that I know God Himself directed, I came to Heritage Christian College. In this Christian environment, my faith is being formed and stabilized due to the activities and teachings at the Daily Chapel Sessions and the College church of Christ. Realizing what I needed to do to be saved, in 2019 I gave myself up for baptism and I am excited I took that step of faith. I am happy about the counseling and lessons that we are given to help me grow in the faith and direct my steps in life.

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