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Thank You for a GREAT 2017!

We are thrilled to share that 2017 was a year of success and growth for HCC. We welcomed 74 new students, boosting total enrollment to 183. However, with a growing student body comes a growing need to expand campus facilities to accommodate the growth. Funding these expansion projects is a top priority for 2018 and beyond. Our year end goal for 2017, from Giving Tuesday (November 28th) to December 31, was to raise \$50,000. Keep reading to see how we did!

Giving Tuesday

With the help and support of our generous donors, we were able to raise **\$7,117** for HCC on #GivingTuesday alone! We were pleasantly surprised to have received a \$250 match from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's Facebook matching campaign as well.

And still, our community of donors did not stop there. Although Giving Tuesday came to an end, the donations did not! We managed to raise a total of **\$25,397** by the end of November!

December

By the end of December we raised an additional **\$14,580**, which brought us to a total of **\$47,414** raised through year's end! We are beyond pleased and thankful to our donors for helping us reach nearly 95% of our goal.

Thank you for generously giving and for sharing the love of Jesus with young people in Ghana!



Prayer Requests for 2018

- ★ Pray for our students (both new and returning).
- ★ Pray for continued enrollments – As of 2/1/18, 42 additional new students have registered; we are still admitting new applicants and will update with the final count once enrollments are finalized.
- ★ Pray for facilities funding to begin and ideally complete needed Multi-Purpose Building. Total project cost will be \$2.4M.
- ★ Pray for HCC's President, faculty & staff for health and endurance (they're working very hard), and for their impact with students.

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HBI Holds 18th Graduation and Commissioning Ceremony

Twenty-three (23) preacher-trainees and 2 women leaders were honored at the 18th Graduation Ceremony of Heritage Bible Institute, a division of Heritage Christian College which trains preachers and church leaders for the churches of Christ. At the joyful but solemn ceremony, the graduating students were charged to live the mission of preaching the gospel to a world sinking deep in sin. The guest speaker for the ceremony was Mr. Ben Adkins, the Director of World Radio, Louisiana, USA, who spoke on the theme "Living the Mission." Certificates in Foundations of Biblical Studies, Intermediate Studies in Ministry and Advanced Studies in Christian Ministry were awarded to the graduates.



Sharpener's Conference 2017

The 4th edition of Sharpener's Conference, an annual leadership development seminar by Heritage Christian College concluded the events calendar of the university for 2017. The conference brought together close to 200 elders, deacons, preachers, Bible class teachers, committee, youth and women leaders from various congregations of the churches of Christ in Ghana and beyond for two days of lectureships and workshops to build their capacities. The event was held under the theme: "Deeper Teaching and Preaching: Engaging your Audience for Transformed Life and Service." The event was graced by singing groups - His Praise Chorale, from various churches of Christ in Accra and Echoes of Glory from University of Cape Coast church of Christ. Thank you to all who attended. We hope you will plan to join us for the next edition.



HCC Hosts Former General Counsel of Ecobank Group, Samuel K. Ayim

As part of the lineup for the Sharpener's Conference, HCC was honored to host Mr. Samuel K. Ayim, lawyer, leadership and personal development coach, entrepreneur and motivational speaker who is also a Council Member of HCC. In his session on "Time with an Achiever" Mr. Ayim shared his personal life story with the students of HCC. In a sterling narration of family and personal struggles dotted with enviable successes, Mr. Ayim challenged the students not to let their family problems be constraints on their paths to achievement and greatness but rather use them as stepping stones to realize their dreams. He taught the students how to do away with negative thinking and replace such thoughts with positive and transformational thinking that would 'awaken the giants' in them. We are grateful to Mr. Ayim for sharing his story and for devoting his time to help strengthen and encourage the students of HCC.



Center for Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy, and Ethics (CEPE) Inaugurates Board

A seven-member Governing Board for the Center for Entrepreneurship, Philanthropy, and Ethics (CEPE), a unit of Heritage Christian College (HCC) has been inaugurated. The Board is to steer the affairs of the Center which is a "Business Incubator" for students of HCC. The non-profit Center supports students, faculty, other employees of HCC and the entire HCC Community with entrepreneurial skills and financial assistance to undertake viable entrepreneurial ventures. It aims at developing and nurturing ethical entrepreneurs with the spirit of philanthropy.

The 7-member Board is made up of successful entrepreneurs and is chaired by Mr. Samuel Kumi Ayim, a former General Counsel of Ecobank Transnational and HCC Council Member. The members of the Governing Board are: Mr. Henry Kwadwo Frimpong, a Chartered Accountant; Mrs. Doris Asimeng; Mrs. Ramatu Ude Umanta, Director of Finance at the Ghana Health Service; Madam Eugenia Bulley, a Chartered Accountant; Dr. Victor Boadu, Head of Business Administration Department at HCC and Minister of the Gospel; and Dr. Williams Abayaawien Atuilik, Provost of HCC and Director of the Center.

The Board will formulate policies for the Center and establish appropriate structures for the effective and efficient execution of the objectives of the CEPE. It has the mandate to review and approve business plans and ideas of students, faculty and other employees of HCC without bias. The Board also raises funds for the programs of the Center and will establish and maintain effective internal control systems to ensure judicious use of funds.



Dr. Williams A. Atuilik Appointed Provost of Heritage Christian College

Dr. Williams Abayaawien Atuilik has been appointed Provost (Vice-President) of Heritage Christian College. Dr. Atuilik brings experience in university governance and administration, academic expertise, professional competence in public and private enterprise management and leadership. He is a Chartered Accountant, Barrister at Law, Tax Consultant, Chartered Banker and Chartered Economist. He is the Managing Consultant of Massim Consult, a Consulting firm that provides consulting & business advisory services, audit and assurance services, research services and training services. He is also a Partner of Akanbek, Atuilik & Associates, a firm of barristers, solicitors, and tax consultants. Dr. Williams Atuilik is a member of the Dansoman Church of Christ and is married. He and his wife have three daughters. We are pleased to welcome him in this new role at HCC.



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