



## INTERNATIONAL NEEDS GHANA

**I**nternational Needs Ghana (INGH) is a Christian, Development not-for-profit organization registered in Ghana in 1987. INGH is part of a worldwide partnership of Christian organizations, fulfilling the commission of Jesus Christ and supporting each other to see transformed lives, families and communities. The organization works in five integrated thematic areas: Child Rights, Education, Health, Gender & Empowerment and Christian Witness. INGH has in the past three decades worked in over 30 Metropolitan/Municipal Areas and Districts across 7 regions of Ghana.

INGH's interventions have brought hope to thousands of vulnerable children in deprived communities. Through the International Needs Child Assistance Programme (INCAP), needy children receive access to quality education enabling them to reach their full potential. Each year, over 2,000 children in our partner schools receive formal education on account of INCAP. The education programme has five integrated outcome areas which ensure the holistic development of children. In the past few years INGH has introduced a systematic programme of inculcating Christ Centered Education into the curriculum of students of its two model schools Amrahia and Kpogede Community Schools. The two schools are geared towards becoming the reference point of Christ Centered Education in Ghana.

The Child Rights programme, empowers communities to champion the protection of children while these children have also been equipped with information and various skills to enhance their lives and making them champions of their own empowerment. These have been achieved through engagements with community structures and community members on child and adolescent protection issues as well as supporting them to excel in these areas. Through its anti-child trafficking projects children have been prevented from being trafficked while families have been empowered to voluntarily ensure the return of these trafficked children. These families

have also been supported to be resilient and be economically able to support their children.

Over the past two decades, INGH has brought medical care to the doorsteps of the most vulnerable through preventive health programmes and medical outreaches under its health programme. The Health programme has also seen the provision of potable water to very deprived communities, bringing life to despaired situations. Promotion of Water, Sanitation and Health (WASH) has also been an area of focus for education in our schools and project communities.

INGH's Gender and Empowerment programme has created various opportunities for vulnerable women and girls. Since 1990, INGH's Centre for Empowerment and Enterprise Development (CEED) in Adidome, has provided young women a congenial environment for unique technical and vocational training, with thousands of women and girls now economically independent. CEED continues to provide skills training in fashion, hospitality and cosmetology. CEED graduates are eligible to sit for various levels of the National Vocational Training Institute examination which gives them the opportunity to progress further to institutions of Higher learning such as the technical Universities. CEED has also received accreditation from the Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (COTVET) for the provision of competency-based training for master craftsmen and artisans under the Ghana TVET Voucher programme.

INGH is also committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and nurturing persons who make a decision for Christ to grow in Him. INGH has also been involved in church planting in deprived communities. Over 30 fellowships arising out of the gospel outreaches have been transformed into the Evangelical Family Church with branches in the Volta and Greater Accra Regions. Additionally, The Christian Witness programme sees to the spiritual development of staff and children in its partner schools. This is aimed at building the character of

children who enroll in INGH schools. Since 1998 INGH has embarked upon a programme to reach out to the Challas and Kotokolis, two Least Reached People Groups in the Nkwanta Municipality. Under a project dubbed “My life My All” INGH is touching the lives of the indigenes through evangelism, medical outreaches as well as literacy classes in the Challa language.

Our core values are:

- Commitment to Christian Values
- Commitment to Non- discrimination
- Commitment to Christian Values
- Commitment to Holistic development

We are members of the Ghana NGO Coalition on the Rights of the Child (GNCRC), Coalition of NGOs Against Child Trafficking (CNAT), The Network for Women's Rights in Ghana (NETRIGHT) as well as the social mobilization drive dubbed the Ghanaian Against Child Abuse (GACA)

INGH is also an accredited member of the African Council for Accreditation and Accountability (AfCAA), a Pan –African accreditation body that seeks to enhance public trust in Christ-Centered Institutions (Churches in Africa, Christian non-profits and Christian owned Business) through Awareness, Advocacy and Accreditation in compliance with Biblical Standards.

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