



We have concluded the 2012-2013 school year with a bang!

- The students have passed their exams displaying a new found love of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) education via our NGO.
- The classroom was renovated during the Spring Break and we are blessed with a wonderful environment to teach the children.
- We have a new ICT teacher who is 125% experience with ICT and the local dialect!
- Lastly, the Ghanaian government has given us the official license for the project (plus a new name!) and now we are waiting on the Department of Social Welfare to give us the tax-exempt status.
- Wireless hotspot project fundraiser on Indiegogo.com. We need your support! (<http://igg.me/at/wifi-hotspot-4-central-ghana/x/597031>)



In mid-July, our 100 students were tested over the lessons we have taught them since October 2012. The results from the first test in December were not very promising but I figure it was because they were so excited to be in a room full of computers that they couldn't focus as much on the lessons. So when we tested them in July the results were a lot better. I am very proud of them! Over 85% of the students passed the final exam with excellent scores and the remaining students will be offered computer classes during the summer break!

Our previous classroom was boring and dull but decent for sure. However, we decided to spice it up a little bit for the students! The walls went from white to royal blue by the help of our students, a few parents and volunteers. Windows with brown security bars were nicely covered with white paint to brighten the room and atmosphere. Lastly, the concrete floor was covered with red floor paint giving the classroom a very warm feeling. When the students returned from the Spring Break,

they were quite busy checking out the new classroom and their facial expressions was the only thank you we needed.

ECTC has welcomed a new ICT teacher to our project. The Abraham decided it was time for him to focus on his pastoral ministry 100%. And of course, I could not stand in his way and gave a telephone call to a young man who volunteered for us in 2012. He was quick to reply and happy about the chance to return as the main teacher. Ebenezer Ahrin has multiple degrees in Information and Communication Technology which has made my life more focused on raising funds and administration. We are blessed to have him aboard!

The Ghanaian government was not at all quick about giving the official right to start a business, for-profit or not-for-profit, to foreigners. However, I didn't lose my patience nor determination and the licenses were awarded to us 3 months later, in June. At the same time, they changed our name to Excellence Computer Technology Foundation (ECTF)!!! I hope you all like it...

Last Friday, I ask for the tax-exempt status from the Department of Social Welfare. They came to the center to make sure the classroom is up to standards and prayerfully recommend us to the Metro Assembly. The representative was very happy with our progress and fully recommends that we receive the tax-exempt status. He also stated that I could import a bus from the US import-free once the paper work is completed! Another assumed benefit is that I will be allowed to ask for a resident permit.

Our expenses are increasing each and every day. I am thankful to all the donations received from my family, friends and my church! I believe it's time to try an income-generating project to make us self-sufficient. God has placed the idea of opening a wireless (wifi) hotspot in the small neighboring towns and so the fundraising has started. Please take a moment to check out our Indiegogo fundraising page, donate as you are led and pass the page to your family and friends. 100% of the proceeds from the wifi hotspot will be reinvested into ECTF.

You can donate at <http://igg.me/at/wifi-hotspot-4-central-ghana/x/597031>.

May God bless you will a very excellent summer!

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