



ALABASTER PROJECT MINISTRIES

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Alabaster Project Ministries

Overview

- The Alabaster Project is a 501(c)3 incorporated in the US.
- The operational headquarters is in Northern Ghana. We operate in the “unreached” West and North African countries.
- Alabaster Project is involved in compassionate care ministries through the dental, eye and medical outreach programs.



Vision Statement

The Alabaster Project is a God-given mandate to extravagantly pour out our lives in service to our God (Mal 3:17-18).

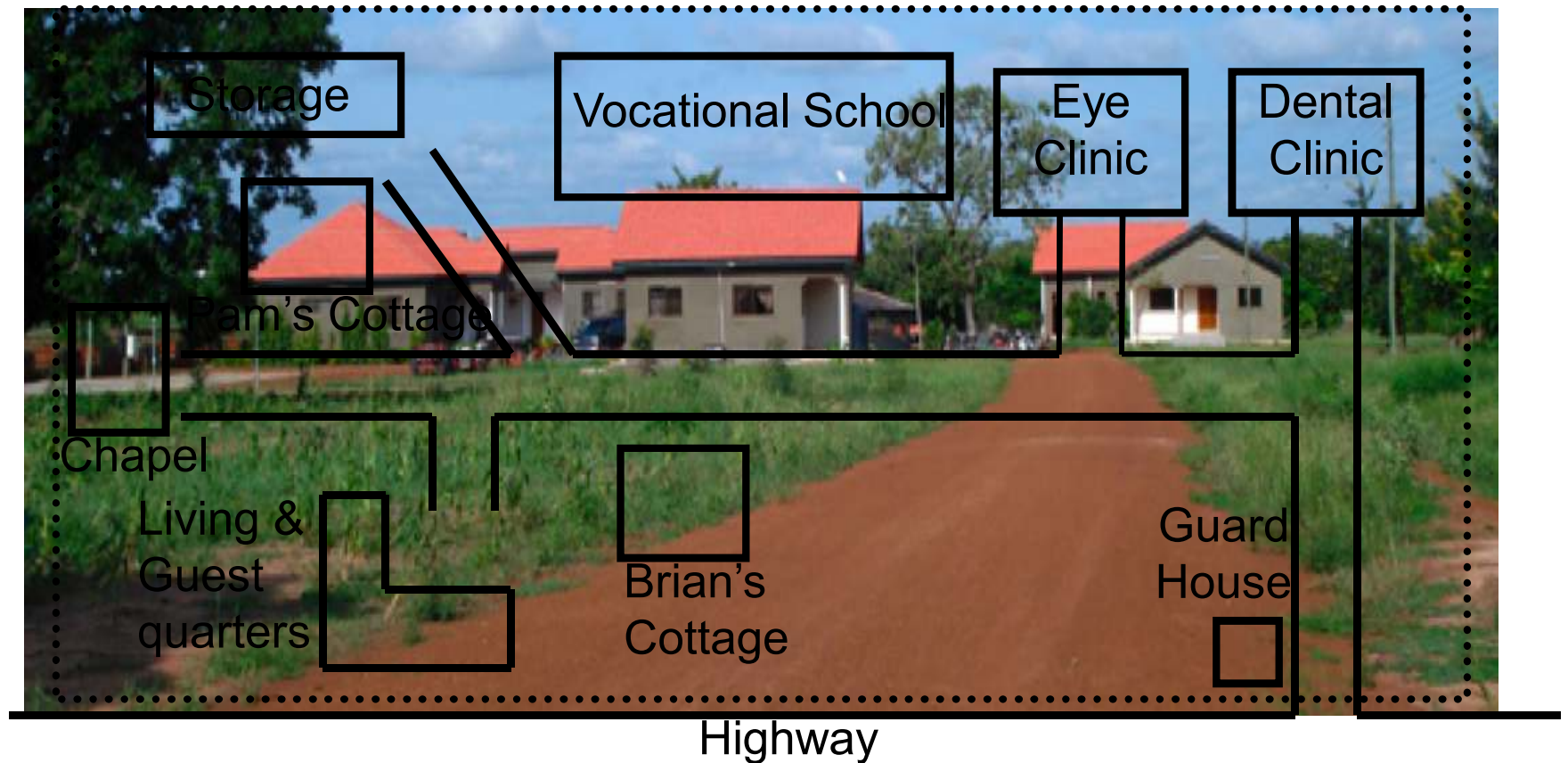
Mission Statement

The Alabaster Project exists to fulfill the great commission of our Lord Jesus Christ – Matthew 28:18-20. (We have been called to do more than is necessary, and go beyond the call of duty -Matthew 26:6-8).

Bethany Village

APM Operational Center

- 6 acre compound near Tamale, Ghana
- Contains the clinics, vocational school, resident and guest living quarters, ministry buildings, and chapel.



Compassionate Care Ministry

Medical Care

- Alabaster Project is involved in compassionate care ministry through the dental, eye and medical outreach programs.
- We have built an eye clinic complete with a fully equipped surgical unit. We have eye examination equipment (slit lamp, phoropter and auto-refractor), which helps us dispense our large inventory of refurbished eye glasses.
- Between the two clinics we service about 100 first time patients weekly. This part of the ministry is growing at about 10% annually.
- We have a dental/medical clinic which has been in operation since 2004, over 30,000 patients have been served at this clinic
- The eye clinic has been in operation since 2007.



Eyecare Ministry

Need

- According to the United Nations, northern Ghana has one of the worst cases of eye diseases, such as trachoma, pterygia, glaucouma, onchocerciasis and cataracts.
- Up to recently, there was not even an eye care unit at the regional hospital that serves the whole city, of about 400,000 people.



Eyecare Ministry

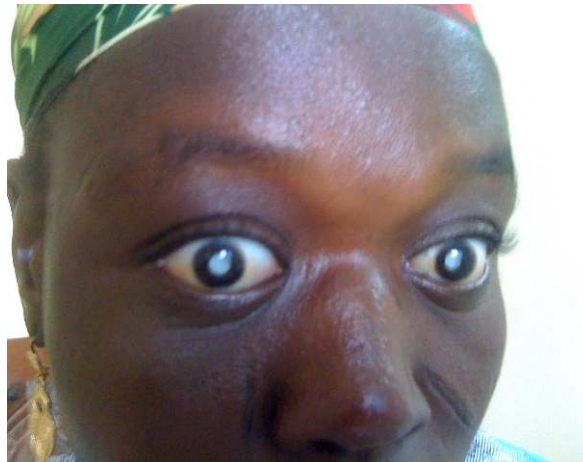
Ministry

- Our eye clinic includes a fully equipped operating theater. Surgeries are regularly performed by visiting ophthalmologists. Thousands of patients have being examined and about one hundred eye surgical procedures has been performed at the eye clinic.
- We also prescribe reading glasses using an auto refractor connected to a computer to identify the best match from the over 15,000 pairs of refurbished prescription glasses we have in stock.



Patients in Need of Care

Patients with Eye Problems requiring immediate attention



Vision

Plans

- Modernize and improve our surgical equipment
- Obtain regular sources of supplies and medications
- Find ophthalmologists and assistants willing to come to Ghana and perform eye surgery
- Train local staff to perform lay functions in eye care
- Develop methods to provide eye care in remote locations in Ghana and other regions of West and North Africa (Mali and Chad).



Impact of Ministry

- The people to whom we are called are made up of over 97% Muslims the rest are pagans or animists with less than 1% believers.
- We have built a dental and eye clinics which we use as tools for evangelism.
- Before we see any patient we give them the gospel and allow them to make a decision.
- We treat them whether they accept the gospel or not; however, we give them the opportunity.
- Often times several accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior and then we begin to disciple them.



Challenges of the Ministry

- We are called to minister to the unreached people groups, this presents certain unique challenges. As it was in the first century of the Christian faith, we are building Christian communities instead of institutions (Philem 2).
- This means we need to get sizeable land to build accommodations for the persecuted new believers to come and live with us in a community.
- We need to teach them new skills because some of those who accept Christ lose their families and means of livelihood. In short, we have to build a complete new community to receive, train and disciple the new believers who have lost their families and means of livelihood.
- With the produce from our farm we minister to the widows and orphans in the villages where we have our discipleship meetings. We also supply them with goats to raise to help meet their financial needs (James 1:27).
- Because in Islam a man can marry up to four wives, when one dies he leaves several widows and orphans behind, this is a challenge.

Ministries of the Alabaster Project

Caring and Compassion

- Dental/eye care
- Food for the poor (House of Joseph)
- City of Refuge
- Missionary Retreats

Enriching Lives Through Educational Training

- Sports evangelism (Basketball, volleyball, soccer)
- Vocational School
- Adult Night Schools
- School Scholarships

Creating Community

- Peace Initiative
- Building Relationships with Tribal Leaders

Fulfilling the Great Commission

- Discipleship
- Preaching and Teaching
- Village Evangelism and Outreach
- Hosting Short and Long Term Mission Teams

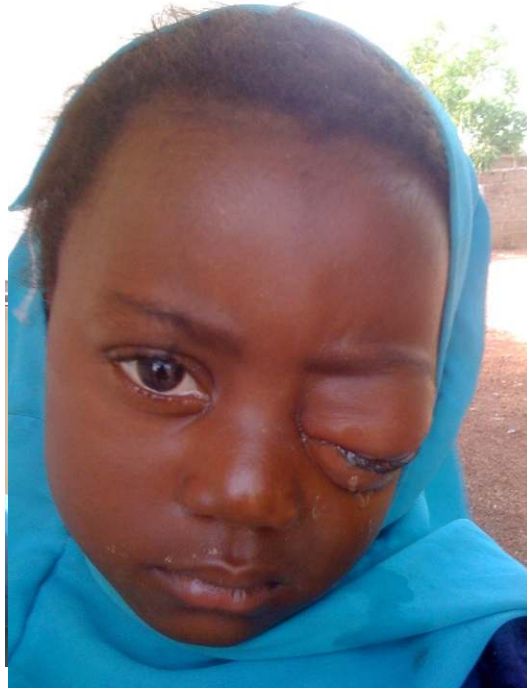
Caring and Compassion



Dental Care



Caring and Compassion



**Food for the Poor
(House of Joseph)**



Enriching Lives



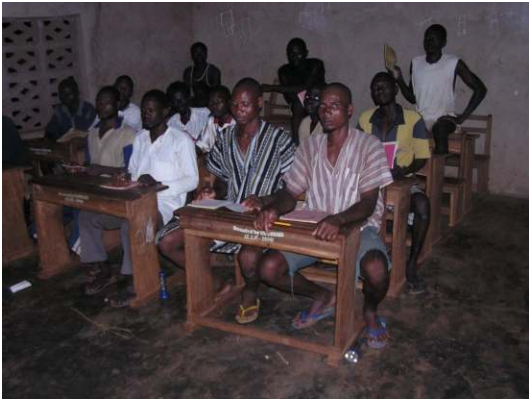
Sports Evangelism



Enriching Lives



Vocational School



Adult Night and Day Schools



Scholarships



Enriching Lives



Farming



Creating Community



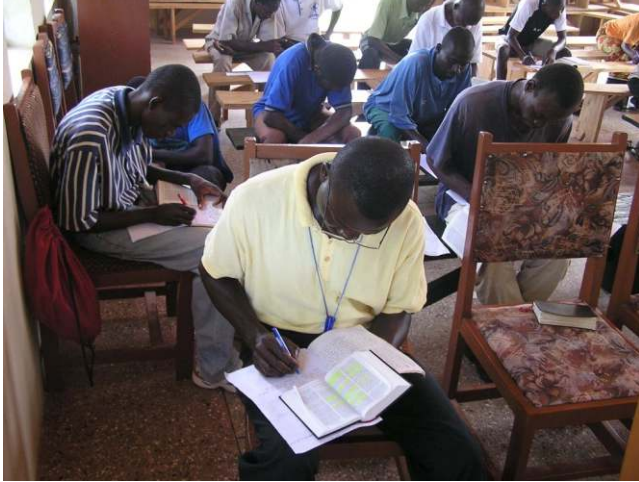
Peace Initiative



Building Relationships with Tribal Leaders



Fulfilling the Great Commission



Discipleship



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Preaching and Teaching



Village Evangelism



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Hosting Short-Term Mission Teams

