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Serve the Children News

Liberia: Meet Gertrude Barclay

Gertrude Barclay is new to All God's Children, hired as the bookkeeper two months ago. Gertrude has been a bookkeeper for two years, supporting her three children.

As an educated and working woman, Gertrude is a role model for girls at All God's Children. She went to vocational school and followed her interest in finances. She believes that we "have to know our financial daily transactions and plan [ourselves] properly to be successful."

She found motivation for education after the war. During the war, education was disrupted. And for many, their education stopped, never to be continued. Gertrude believes that illiteracy and a lack of education fuels warfare. She remembers people slaughtering each other in front of her.

She advises students to "take your education first" and become "anything in life." She asks them to "be serious and most of all be honest."

We join Gertrude in her support of AGC students. We hope their education will be a gift, opening opportunities for their future. As Gertrude fears that a lack of education fuels violence, we hope that education fuels peace and opportunities.

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Want to help?

- *Start your online Christmas shopping at www.igive.com*
- *Join the Spring Fundraiser Planning Team – 1st meeting is December 18th.*
- *Interested in being on the board? We have an opening. Contact Doug for more information.*
- *Plan your vacations:
July 10-25
Liberia Mission Trip
Nov. 28 – Dec. 13
India Mission Trip*
- *Sponsor a child.*

Mission Teams

Are you interested in the trip of a lifetime? You could see first hand the power of a handshake or a frisbee or a kite.

Teams are forming now for Liberia and India. Come to the first Liberia Mission Team information meeting, Saturday, January 12th at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be at Sara Sandefur's house, call Serve the Children for directions.

We will share pictures, stories, and travel information.



Annual Spring Auction

Mark May 31st on your calendars. We've set a date for our annual Spring Fundraiser. The location has changed to the Rotunda at the University of Puget Sound.

Interested in supporting the Spring Fundraiser? You can join the planning team! The first meeting is December 18th at the University of Puget Sound. Call Serve the Children for more information.

Or, donate to the auction. All proceeds benefit children in Liberia, India, and Indonesia.

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