



HIPS – Charity Organisation

Weija, Ghana

CHRONOLOGY

- 1998 : The NGO HIPS was established. The basic idea of this foundation was to build and operate a Kindergarten in Ghana – may be later also a Primary School – to offer qualified and free education for children of underprivileged families. Any religious background would be welcome. All the children should get 2 warm meals a day, a health insurance and all the necessary materials for their Kindergarten and school education.
- 1998 : The Chief of Weija donated a sufficient area for the project
- 1998 September : The Inauguration of the Kindergarten building took place in the presence of a representative of the Ministry of Education, the Chief of Weija, the German Ambassador and a representative of the Swiss Embassy. The first 35 children entered the Kindergarten
- July 2002 : Completion of the first school house, sponsored by Ballast Nedam/ Ghana
- 2002 September : 32 new children were elected to join the Kindergarten
- 2003 August : Inauguration of the first school building in the presence of the Ghanaian Ambassador to the Netherlands Mrs. Dr. Grace Amposah-Ababao
- 2005 Summer : A second School house was build by Ballast Nedam
- 2007 September : Again 30 new children could come into the Kindergarten. The total amount of children taken care by HIPS reached 100
- 2007 November : Start of the erection of School building Nr. 3. financed by a sponsor from Switzerland. 3 classrooms and a room for the headmaster and teachers.
- 2007 December : Start of the construction of a sanitary building , financed by The German Embassy/ Accra



- 2008 September : Another 25 children entered the Kindergarten.
128 children now are educated at HIPS.
- 2008 November : By a certificate of the Ministry of Education HIPS was awarded
to teach children up to class 9 (Junior High Level)
- 2009 April : The School building Nr. 4 , with a laboratory for physics and
chemistry, was finished. Again graciously sponsored
by Ballast Nedam/ Ghana.
- 2009 September : The total amount of HIPS children increased to 162
- 2009 September : HIPS celebrated its 10th anniversary at Weija.
- 2010 May : A new building could be opened. An Assembly Hall which can
be used for any kind of get together and daily dining hall, and
a new room for Kindergarten class 2, expands our usable
roofed space. Again a very helpful donation
by our undisclosed Swiss Sponsor
- 2010 August : A separate building at the Weija premises, to be used as
lodging for as much as 3 volunteers, has again been build by
Ballast Nedam.
Young people who want to teach and learn in foreign
countries can now be send to HIPS by international
organisations
- 2010 September : All the HIPS children of class 9 passed successfully the
nationwide test for the entrance into a Senior High Schools.
All over Ghana only 48% were successful.
- 2010 September : Our gracious Swiss sponsor promised to donate up to
25.000 \$ to allow these children to continue their education
on a Senior High School for the next 3 years, including the
necessary Boarding House lodgings.
- 2010 September : 32 new children were elected to come to HIPS Kindergarten.
About 200 children are now educated at HIPS in Weija.
- 2011 May : Rotary Club Meschede/Warstein again sponsored our
engagement in Weija with € 1000.-
- 2011 May : Tables and chairs for the new Mensa/ Assembly Hall were
sponsored by the German Embassy.



- 2011 August : All the children, who graduated from Junior High passed also this year successfully the nationwide Senior High qualification tests.
- 2011 August : The publishing house “ Untitled “ from Hamburg / Germany announced to bare the cost for these children to continue their education on Senior High Schools including the boarding house fees for the coming year.
- 2011 December : For Christmas Interplast and Compu Ghana donated 5 fully equipped computers with mouse and flat screens to us.
- 2012 January : Mr. Arthur Huberts, CEO of INTERPLAST Ghana was elected to be the new chairman of HIPS. The Board was restructured and new active members joined us.
- 2012 April : Atlantic International Holding Accra donated to HIPS 1000 GHc
- 2012 July : 15 new computers for the IT education of our children were donated to HIPS by Mr. Hartung and Mr. Gringhuis .
- 2012 Summer : The industry from Kumasi sponsored tables and chairs for the classrooms of our school in Weija.
- 2012 August : Again this year all our children, who finished the Junior High Classes succeeded in the nationwide tests for the entry of a Senior High School somewhere in Ghana.
- 2012 September : 20 new children were accepted for our kindergarten
- 2012 December : A group of employees, by its social program “ Commitment “ , of the well - known and noted publishing house Gruner und Jahr from Hamburg / Germany collected and donated 18.887.- € to HIPS.
- 2013 January : The publishing house „ Untitled “ continued to pay for the cost of the second year of the SHS Students who started in 2011.
- 2013 February : A new volunteer from Germany started its term at Weija.



- 2013 July : As usual we celebrated the end of term together with our children, their parents and teachers.
- 2013 September : All of our children, who finished the Junior High Classes succeeded in the nationwide tests for the entry of a Senior High School somewhere in Ghana.
In addition 25 new children were granted to Kindergarten making up for a total amount of children to 201 .
- 2013 October : Two new Volunteers start their time in Weija. Two new honorable donators were won to help the project.