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Training Tomorrow's Leaders exists to facilitate the planting of new churches in West Africa by financially supporting indigenous church planters, training indigenous church planters, and facilitating projects that will enable new churches to be planted.

TTL was founded by missionaries David and Barbara Kalbs, who spent almost 30 years serving in Ghana, West Africa. The first church planter was sent out in 1991, and today, TTL works with about 30 indigenous church planters who have together started over 125 churches in Northern Ghana, Northern Togo, and Burkina Faso.

Training Tomorrow's Leaders focuses on four main objectives in order to accomplish its ministry goals: church planting, training and discipleship, community development, and children's ministry.

Learn more via the TTL website: [www.training tomorrow's leaders.org](http://www.trainingtomorrow'sleaders.org), or the TTL Facebook Page: [facebook.com/trainingtomorrow'sleaders](https://facebook.com/trainingtomorrow'sleaders), or by signing up for the newsletter. You can sign up to receive the online newsletter through the website, or by reaching out through emails: [austinganyo@yahoo.com](mailto:austinganyo@yahoo.com) or [amanda.ganyo@gmail.com](mailto:amanda.ganyo@gmail.com).

## **AUSTIN AND AMANDA GANYO**

Austin and Amanda Ganyo have been missionaries in West Africa since 2012. When TTL founders David and Barbara Kalbs moved back to the U.S., Austin and Amanda took their place as missionaries on the field. They live in Tamale, Ghana with their children Harrison and Evelyn. Austin was born and raised in Ghana, is a graduate of Ghana Christian University and Cincinnati Christian University, and now serves as the President for TTL. Amanda is from California, graduated from Ozark Christian College, and works with the women and children in Northern Ghana, Togo, and Burkina Faso.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Pray for our personal time with the Lord. When we are on the mission field there is always someone who needs to meet with us or something that needs our attention. In a culture where there is an “open door policy,” it is hard to find quiet time to spend with the Lord and with each other. Pray for us to be able to guard our time and still keep up with the relationships that need our attention.
- As Muslims around us are coming to Christ, some of our neighbors are not happy. In recent days we have found “cursed items” or items used in witchcraft left outside of our compound gate to scare us. Our church planters have also experienced similar things in their villages. We know our God is bigger and stronger than curses or witchcraft, but pray for our protection and encouragement in situations like this.
- Pray for our Bible school students that are training to become church planters. Ministry and missions are not easy, so pray that God will prepare them well for the tasks he has for their future. Pray that they will develop a heart for the lost and have a sound knowledge of God’s Word. Pray that they will rise up to be a new generation of church planters to carry on the work that was started so many years ago.

## **PROVISION**

- Pray for us as we seek to add new mission partners as well as strengthen relationships with our current partners. For our mission, we find that people and churches like to give to specific projects. While this is wonderful and accomplishing so much, we really need more people and churches to give to our general fund. The general fund is what pays our bills, pays our church planters’ salaries, and covers our day to day needs. Without growth to our general fund, we cannot add church

planters to expand the kingdom work that is happening here in West Africa.

- Pray for our current church building projects as well as for church buildings that still need to be funded and built. Many times when a church is planted, the people will meet under a tree in the village. As the church grows and matures, we try to help them to build their church building. We have so many churches that still need buildings, some who have been waiting for years. Pray that funds will be available to help with some of these projects.
- Pray for Ghana's economy. Things are so hard here right now, and inflation is at an all time high. At the beginning of the year, the value of Ghana's currency was 5 credits to 1 dollar. Now, it is almost 10 cedis to 1 dollar. The currency is devaluing and the prices of fuel and goods keep going up. With the economy the way it is, it is hard for us to make proper projections on the costs of projects, because the costs of things go up every day. We also have several businesses to try and help raise mission funds in the country, so please pray for their success in the face of a crumbling economy.

#### PRESENCE

- Pray for our Muslim neighbors who we have been trying to win for Christ. We recently baptized a lady who we had been talking to and trying to bring to Christ for 8 years. Converting Muslims to Christianity is a hard and slow process, but it is done through relationships.
- Pray for our TTL team (both administrative staff and church planters) to work together as a cohesive team. Pray that they will support and encourage one another, especially while we are out of the country on furlough.
- We pray that our relationship with Valley View will continue to be strengthened and deepened. We pray that a mission team from the church might be able to come to Ghana and see our ministry first-hand.