



# Annual Report 2019-2020

## Wa site Wa, Ghana



Chalice has been partnering with the White Fathers and the Diocese of Wa and Lassia Tuolu Parish since 1997. Families struggle with poor agricultural conditions, such as low soil fertility and rainfall, which is exacerbated by lack of formal training and resources. Most communities lack access to clean, running water and good health care facilities. The Wa sponsor site focuses on education and improving the holistic strength of the community. The site conducts programs to prevent and treat Hepatitis B, which is endemic in the region. In addition to sponsorship, the site provides leadership training, workshops on health and community issues, and cultural celebrations.



### Child

- All primary and secondary-school aged sponsored children had the uniforms, proper footwear, clothing, books and learning materials they needed to stay in school.
- All 136 students in university or other post-secondary programs were able to pay their school fees and continue their studies.
- The site ensured all 150 primary school students had proper school bags.
- All 67 students graduating from junior high continued into high school.
- The site screened and vaccinated 2000 children against Hepatitis B, ensuring children can remain healthy and pursue their studies.

### Family

- Site staff report that all families involved in the sponsorship program are able to support themselves and afford enough food to have regular meals. They have observed a significant reduction in food insecurity and hunger.
- 98 families have started small businesses: 10 market vendors, 8 food vendors, 30 soap vendors, and 50 shea butter producers.
- Approximately 300 families bought fertilizer which will increase their farms' yields and improve their food security.
- The site trained 350 families in agricultural methods to improve their corn crop production.
- 7 families were able to improve their houses, constructing two additional rooms each.
- 150 families bought sleeping mats.
- The site bought 100 food baskets to give to the families as a Christmas gift.



### Community

- Wa site has increased access to clean water in 5 communities, encompassing more than 600 families. A school, a market and a clinic also access this water. Children do not have to miss classes to search for water.
- Site staff trained 25 community members in the 5 areas on how to maintain and repair the boreholes, ensuring their long-term success. The site also provided tool kits.
- The site supported 2 schools to provide one hot meal per day to more than 400 children.
- Staff bought 70 dual desks among 3 schools. Prior to this, more than 140 students had been sitting on the ground for their lessons.
- The site also renovated a school – fixing and/or replacing the windows and doors.
- They bought textbooks for 10 schools.
- Wa site bought yam seeds for a school farm with an expected yield of 1500.

