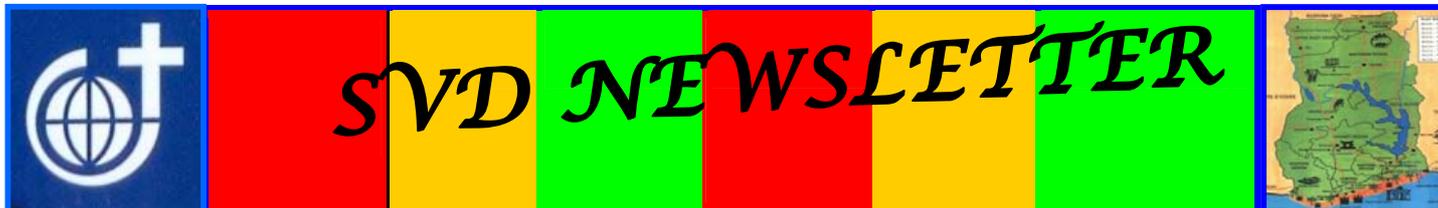


GHANA PROVINCE SEPT. - OCT. 2012



A WORD FROM THE PROVINCIAL

Dear Confreres,

This is October, the month of the Rosary. May our Mother intercede for us in our daily task and the work we do.

We are also happy to hear the news that the new General Administration has taken office on the 29th of September. The whole province wishes them well and we hope to have good rapport with them in the coming years.

Last month Fr. Alphonse Amanor and I finished all the General Chapter reporting to the nine District/Local communities in the province. We are very grateful for your warm welcome and reception. We are also very happy that you received our reports well. Please, every district/local community is to bring in to our District Superiors' meeting the preliminary inputs to our congregational directions. After that please remember that we have the Elsbernd Lectures. Our resource person this time is the former Deputy Minister of Education – Angelina Baiden Amissah. And then we close with the province assembly.

We are happy that many of our Ghanaian missionaries came back to Ghana on leave this year. We are always happy to have them back and hear of how they are carrying out their missionary task. May I request all the local and other communities to welcome them whenever they visit you. Please try to have some time with them to listen to their experiences. Our confreres in formation should especially get the opportunity to listen to our confreres back on leave. Also ask them to share something in the liturgy and at other times in your community and parish.

Your confrere,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas D'Mello'.

Thomas D'Mello SVD

Provincial Superior

1. PROVINCE REFLECTION

RETHINKING THE CHALLENGE OF RETURNEES: THE CASE OF GHANA

The challenge of returnees is and will continue to be a daunting task for many provinces, not least of which is Ghana. It is therefore not surprising that, at the 2011 workshop for new provincials in Rome, the issue came up so strongly that, the then General Admonitor, now our Vice General addressed the 'problem' in the October, 2011 issue of the *Arnoldus Nota (AN)* giving some beautiful insights into the issue with statistical data. Confreres interested in knowing more can consult the above issue.

In this article I intend to look closely at the Ghanaian situation of returnees by examining the causes of this phenomenon, and proffer some suggestions of how we may handle this issue constructively so that it will not adversely affect personnel planning and placements and, also injure the dignity and sensibilities of our beloved confreres who have returned home. In doing this my intention is not to give statistics of confreres who have returned after 1, 2 or more years in mission, but the impact of the phenomenon on the individual and the province as a collection.

I refer to a returnee as a Ghanaian- born confrere who returns to the province after a 'short period' of mission either because of some 'problem' or because he has been called home for some assignment, e.g. formation. I emphasize that once confreres readjust properly to life in the province we should desist from referring/labeling them as returnees.

(a) CAUSES OF CONFRERES RETURNING HOME

A major challenge that may bring a confrere home is unhealthy or inadequate cultural adaptation/bonding with mission partners (confreres and others) in his mission land. Confreres are sent on mission to work among a people whose language and culture are different from their own. The receiving province is expected to make adequate preparations to help them integrate meaningfully into their new community. The confreres are also expected to show enthusiasm and consistent effort at learning the culture and living among people of their new 'home'. When both province and confreres fail to show interest and enthusiasm in this area, a confrere will have little motivation to hang around and may decide to go home.

A confrere may also return home when he fails to manage his affective life properly. The area of affectivity is a challenge intimately embedded in our human nature and we all struggle with it. However, it is not an area that must be left to run amok; for this will bring more damaging

consequences not only to the individual but to the society as a whole (Also cf AN OCTOBER, 2011). Thus a confrere who returns home for lack of maturity/discipline in this area must be given all the assistance there is and he himself must be seen to be making a prayerful, consistent and intelligent effort at facing the issue sincerely.

Moreover, confreres may return home when they realize that the mission assignment they accepted was not what they really wanted or they were ill-advised or they discovered that they had harboured unrealistic motives that are not in harmony with their calling and so cannot be realized. This disappointment can create an unhealthy situation leading to unnecessary tension and stress in the confrere. In a situation like this, his best option may be to return home.

Additionally, a confrere may also return when, while in formation, he was not given enough information about what it entails to choose a particular mission. Many of us fill in our petitionis on the basis of some romantic, parochial or funny ideas. That does not help. Perhaps formation personnel should look into this issue and address it properly.

Health challenges could also compel a confrere to return to his home province against his best intentions. A health challenge is sometimes difficult to foresee and to arrest before it engulfs us.

Confreres who return home on health grounds should be given the needed medical attention. These points are just hints for there are more and sometimes complex reasons for which a confrere may return home. A confrere once shared that even basic dietary differences can easily push a confrere home.

(b) SUGGESTIONS OF HOW WE MAY HANDLE ISSUE

Ghana started experiencing the phenomenon of returnees about 2 decades ago. Since then we have had a few returning. The above article in AN does not include us in the worse hit provinces. But will this 'good record' remain forever? I don't think so. Past and present provincial administrations have done well in helping returnees reintegrate into life at home. However, I think we need to rethink how we offer this assistance so that the programme of reintegration will really challenge returnees to deal decisively with the issues that made them come home.

During initial formation, the formandi should among other things be challenged to face issues of affectivity and their understanding of the evangelical counsels in a mature manner. This is not an easy task for formators but, it must be tackled by every means possible because I believe that, most of the issues that later become 'problems' to confreres date back to their days in formation.

Additionally, we will also be reducing the possibility of confreres returning home when we assist young confreres preparing to take up mission appointments purify their thoughts about their choices and take up apostolates in which they can maximize their potentials. This requires that they are open to their formators, spiritual directors and significant others e.g. the provincial who may help them in this process. This has been happening to some relative degree, but we can do more.

A big challenge for any Provincial is when and to whom they may appoint returnees to work with. This poses a big challenge because the receiving confreres' disposition and attitude may either help the returnee readjust well or unmake him for life. The pronouncements and body language of a confrere(s) with whom a returnee or returnees are working must be comforting and life-giving. It is no exaggeration to say that because of the condemnatory and uncharitable comments by some confreres, some of our returnees are still struggling to overcome the challenges that brought them home. Returnees should be appointed to mature confreres who can really help them.

Helping a confrere overcome the issues that pushed him home is a dual responsibility involving the confrere and the rest of us in the province. As confreres we must be seen to be making sincere effort at helping our returnee brothers. The returnee must also be seen to be making a conscious and intelligent effort to turn a new leaf. This will require self knowledge and openness to himself and to a counselor or therapist who may be helping him deal with the difficult issues of his life. Let us stop snapping at the feet of returnees in order to know everything about why they came home and rather endeavour to be good examples they can learn from. We should learn to keep the child and throw away the bath water.

CONCLUSION

I perceive the whole reality of returnees is an act of 'death', a process in which their organized religious and social world has collapsed in the face of some challenge(s) they failed to handle properly. They are therefore in a 'bereaved' situation and as such, what they need from us to get out of their bereavement is not how clever we are in diagnosing their challenges, but how we must learn to listen to them and offer our healing support. I think our best support to them is to constitute ourselves into strong planks on which they can walk and move on to a new organized life so they can put behind them the issues that made them return home.

In leading us to rethink the issue of returnees, my intention is not to perceive a confrere or group of confreres, "as a "problem," but rather that a better grasp of the issues involved will lead to the development of effective strategies to help each other persevere in our missionary calling" (AN OCT. 2011).

Joshua Gariba, SVD

2. TAMALE DISTRICT

ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF TAMALE @ 50 IN PRIESTHOOD



On Saturday 08th September 2012, The Most Rev. Gregory E. Kpiebaya, Archbishop Emeritus of Tamale celebrated fifty-years in the service of God and of humanity through the gift of his life in the priesthood. To the greatest surprise of all, this beautiful celebration which initially was thought by the organizers to be for only the fifty-years of priesthood of Most Rev. Gregory, turned out to be a triple celebration for the Archbishop Emeritus. “Today I am celebrating three events: the birthday of our mother the blessed Virgin Mary, my fifty-year of priesthood, and my own birthday. Since it has not been recorded, I chose this day as my birthday” said Most Rev. Gregory. Coincidentally, this day is also the birthday of the current Archbishop of Tamale, Most Rev. Philip Naameh.

In the thanksgiving Mass presided over by the jubilarian in the presence of the Archbishops of Kumasi and Tamale, as well as a good number of priests and religious, all the voices united with that of the angels to give glory to God for the life and ministry of the jubilarian. In his homily, Most Rev. Philip Naameh, Archbishop of Tamale, said that “the quality of our response to the call of God makes a difference in our life and that of others”. It is therefore the “quality of the response of Most Rev. Gregory that brought significant difference in his life and that of others he touched”. And “this is why we are all gathered here to give thanks to God”

People came from all over the Tamale Ecclesiastical Province to grace the event. Well noted were people from the Wa diocese where Most Rev. Gregory comes from, and where he served as bishop. Many testimonies about the person of the jubilarian attested to his selfless dedication to the work of God, and his great interest in pastoral issues such as marriage and interreligious dialogue.

The jubilarian expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty God for the gift of his life and that of all “the wonderful collaborators” he had in his ministry. According to him these “wonderful collaborators” were the secret of his “ever youthfulness”.



From Martin Kotchoffa, SVD

(b) TEMA BATTOR
ST AUGUSTINE PARISH, ASHAIMAN @ 50



The Metropolitan Archbishop of Accra, Most Rev. Charles G. Palmer Buckle, has called on Christians who want to be the “greatest” amongst all, to learn to be “the servant of all and the last of all.” The Archbishop gave this advice when he joined parishioners of St Augustine Catholic Church, Ashaiman – Accra to climax their Golden Jubilee celebrations. The solemn Thanksgiving Mass which brought together both past and present parish priests of the church was also used

to confirm 124 members of the church.



Welcoming the large crowd to the celebration, the chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council, Mrs. Rebecca Abitey described how the Catholic Church in Ashaiman actually began enumerating some of the challenges and successes chalked up so far. The chairman of the occasion also called on parishioners to come on board to help develop the church to the status that everyone will always be proud of, reminding them that there was still more room for improvement.

The special guest of honour, H. E. John Dramani Mahama, President of the Republic of Ghana, in a statement read on his behalf by the Greater-Accra Regional Minister, Hon. Nii Afortey Agbo acknowledged the great role the Church continues to play in national development and insisted that the Church should never be silent when it comes to national issues. He advised parishioners to pray for peaceful elections this year and also help to promote peace wherever they find themselves.

The Archbishop on his part was full of praise to God for bringing the parish this far. According to him, a Golden Jubilee celebration is a year of restoration. He therefore admonished the Catholic community in Ashaiman to do their very best to restore their relationship with God and each other.



John Schilitz (SVD) and Mrs. Abitey cut the Jubilee cake.

The Golden Jubilee celebration also witnessed the commissioning of a modern ICT center for St Augustine's Catholic JHS as well as sod-cutting for the building of a bakery which will be operated by the members of COSRA.

The Archbishop together with the immediate past parish priest, Very Rev. Fr. Konrad Dreyer (SVD) the current parish priest, Very Rev. Fr.

WISDOM KONGOR

(Mass Server, St. Augustine's Parish Ashaiman)

3. FROM THE MISSIONS

LIFE IN THE JUNGLE



I arrived in Colombia in May 2008. I formally learnt the Spanish language for some time and I was posted to a parish in the capital, Bogotá. I worked in that parish as assistant parish priest for two years. My town experience came to an end in January 2011 when I was posted to a remote village as the parish priest.

I had a lot of challenges in this my

second assignment. The first challenge is that I was given an assistant who was already parish priest for six years. I thought of it and told the superiors that it was better I became an assistant since the other confrere had better experience, but my plea



was turned down and I had to take up the challenge.



My second challenge was that I found myself with three different races with different mindsets. We have 22 outstations. Six (6) of them have African descent inhabitants. Eleven (11) have indigenous inhabitants. And the rest six have mixed-race inhabitants. The main parish is the mixture of the three races

even though the African-Colombians dominate. The indigenous even have a different language. In fact, ministering to these three races in one parish demands a lot.

Another challenge is that of transport within the parish. The main parish and six other outstations are situated along a big river called Atrato, five others are situated on the banks of the tributaries of the main river while eleven of the villages are located in the forest. There are no roads in the area and for that matter many children and even adults have never seen an auto vehicle face-to-face. The only means of transport in the parish is by river with boats driven by outboard motors. For that matter those villages in the forest can only be reached on foot. To reach the farthest of these villages, one has to go by boats for about 3



hours and then walk for not less than 8 hours. Even the villages in the forest always have

small rivers or streams by them, but these rivers and streams cannot be used by the boats with outboard motors. Moreover, each year all the stations on the bank of the main river get flooded for about three months. During the flooding time, many people live practically with water in their bedrooms.

Another challenge is that the whole parish with the exception of the main parish is in the hands of the rebel groups (there are different groups of rebels). Another armed group called “para-military” also exists and is always at loggerheads with the rebel groups. In the main parish, we have the soldiers, the police and the para-military group members who disguise themselves and live like the civilians. The activities of these different armed groups do claim lives of many people. Dead

human bodies are found frequently in the river and no one dares to pick them up to bury apart from we, the priests and some brave women and girls (the men are afraid to go and pick up the dead bodies). Thanks be to God, we the missionaries don't have much problem with the armed groups. Moreover, according to the Vatican statistics, in the past two decades, they have killed only in Colombia 3 bishops, 79 priests, 8 religious, and 3 seminarians. I had the privilege to minister to members of all these groups including the rebels.

Fr. Paul Gbortsu, SVD

(A Ghanaian Missionary working in Colombia)

4. FORMATION

(i) FR. EMMANUEL FIANU, SVD PAYS A VISIT TO CFC-TAMALE



The CFC-Tamale has been honored with a private visit of the General Secretary of our Congregation. Fr. Emmanuel Fianu, SVD, found time, even in his busy schedule, to witness the renewal of vows of 24 young confreres in temporary Vows, on Sunday 19th August 2012. This was for us a singular opportunity to interact with him and learn more about the Society in general.

During our interaction with him, Fr. Fianu, briefly introduced himself to us. However the curious fraters interrogated a lot in order to learn more about his family and his educational backgrounds as well as the content of his work in the generalate. Other questions that arose from the fraters were about formation, first assignment and financial crisis.

Fr. Fianu, reassured the young confreres of the great importance that the Generalate attaches to formation especially in terms of personnel. According to him, the shortage of lecturers in St Victor's Major Seminary as well as shortage of personnel in the CFC-Tamale are not problem's particular to Tamale alone but a

general problem facing other provinces. Nevertheless the Generalate is doing its best in encouraging provinces to be sending people for higher studies in order to help in the formation centers and seminaries.

Issues on first assignments triggered a lot of clarifications. According to the General Secretary, there are so many things taken into consideration when going about the business of the first assignments; internationality, choice of the candidate as well as the choice of the provinces involved and many others. He urged the fraters to be communicating and discussing among themselves about their choices for first assignments so as to be balanced in their choice making in order to avoid disappointment. First assignment is not “an examination whereby I need to hide what I am writing”, he said. He reminded the young fraters to take into consideration the information about priority areas that the Generalate sends every year in order to help them make a lifelong commitment.

For the financial crisis, he said: it is a daily struggle for the Society since most of our benefactors and benefactresses are either dying or are no more giving as they used to because they are affected by global financial crisis. Therefore there is a serious need to check on our various expenses and look for avenues to be self-supportive. This has been the wish of the Generalate for the provinces to work out possibilities to reach that status. This was an opportunity for him to remind fraters about the importance of being accountable for whatever we receive or gain.

Lastly he encouraged the formandi to be persevering and to put in their best in all they do for a fruitful future ministry.

MARTIN KOTCHOFFA, SVD

(ii) DIACONATE ORDINATION IN NAIROBI-KENYA

Greetings from Nairobi, Kenya.

Last month three of our brothers in Formation in Nairobi, Kenya professed and were ordained as Deacons. I below are some of the pictures I took for our province website.



The rest of the ordination pictures from Nairobi will be placed on the Ghana province web site.

Thank you. *From Osei Asante, SVD.*

5. FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE SVD

LAY PARTICIPATION IN THE 17TH GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE SVD FROM THE 7TH -13TH OF JULY 2012 AT NEMI-ITALY

1. Preamble

For the first time in the history of the Society of the Divine Word (SVD) lay associations were invited to participate in the 17th General Chapter. Ghana Province represented the lay association of the SVD, AFRAM zone. Other participants were from ASPAC, represented by Philippines, EUROPE by



German Province, PANAM by Mexico. I was selected as the president of the only active association in Ghana to participate in the General Chapter. It was a great honour as many priests in their lifetime may never have the chance to participate in such an august gathering of the Society. Even though we the lay associates joined the entire assembly during the fourth week of the Chapter only for a short period it was still great. As a lay associate it has never occurred to me since we started the Friends of the SVD to be part of any local SVD Chapter let alone the General one.

2. **Reception:** My reception at Rome was generally excellent from our official usher and “Fr. Chauffer”, Fr. Thi PHAM SVD. I also had a tour of the Vatican through the courtesy of Bro Dagadu SVD and Fr. Andrews Obeng SVD on the 6th July. All the lay participants were taken to Nemi on the 7th of July from the Generalate at Rome. At Nemi, in the company of the other lay participants, we were cordially received and shown around the compound. The cordiality extended to us from all confreres made us relax especially among this large number of priests and brothers. We participated in the variety entertainment from the various zones the evening of the 7th July. We felt at home.
3. **Liturgy:** We joined the entire participating provincials and delegates to celebrate mass at the Catacombs St. Domitilla on Sunday the 8 of July. After mass we had a tour of the catacombs. Visiting the catacombs is a wonder of how early Christians treated the dead waiting to be raised up when the Lord comes again. It is a wonder that the church has maintained such a monument for generations. We visited the headquarters of the SSpS, had a wonderful lunch with the Sisters and ended the day at the Generalate saying vespers and having a huge supper before going back to Nemi.
4. We also joined our various zones for early morning mass for the other days. The most important part of the liturgy was the visit by the Pope on 9th July to Nemi. We were all spruced up in our traditional gear from all over the world to meet him. There was even a big bus of confreres from Rome to join the delegates at Nemi for this important visit. Even though I saw the Pope so close the feeling was that it was not so close, there was a vast space between us because of security. Even after all the practice of the songs for the Angelus it did not happen because again security had to cut the time. This actually took away some of my joy but it is worth seeing him at close range. On the whole the liturgy for the other days were okay as the Latinos brought some guitar accompaniment to the songs but I say I love my Ghanaian vibrant mass anytime.
5. **Recollection:** We had recollection on 10th July by a very distinguished lay woman. This recollection touched on participation of the priest and lay people in the new evangelization era. The delivery was excellent and insightful. It was based on our personal encounter with Jesus which is the key to communicating the Divine Word whether priest or lay. It also dealt with our own spirituality that is our communion with God and Self. Are we happy? If our personal happiness is rooted in God then we can

communicate a message that convinces without the need for words. The recollection was followed by group sharing and ended with a mass where the lay woman delivered an excellent homily.

6. **Business:** The major reason for lay associates participating in the General Assembly is to be part of the decision making of including lay associates in the Arnoldus family. All participants made presentations on our activities in our various countries. Although we were lay associates our objectives and activities differ from country to country. The General Chapter took cognizance of the variations and incorporated all in the new resolution of making lay associates part of the Arnoldus family. On the 11 July the resolution was overwhelming supported and passed. I was very happy with the organization of the programme and the fact we were given an opportunity to experience the passing of a resolution that will guide both the Society and their lay associations on the way forward.
7. **Sightseeing:** Well organized and insightful took place on the 12th of July. We the lay associates joined the delegates who went to St Francis of Assisi. Practically the whole town of Assisi is full of huge churches and is a huge market for religious tourism. It is also a hilly town and some of us were totally worn out by the end of the day climbing and coming down. These sights cannot be described in words one has to see it for oneself. I am sure I will carry the memories with me.
8. **Food:** I like trying new things. Food was general good and plentiful but it did not sit well in my stomach. My stomach is not used to loads of fresh vegetables and cold slightly cooked food. I like it well cooked with spices; in spite of it I still enjoyed it.
9. **Lodgings:** Good and comfortable.
10. **Conclusion:** I would like to say thank you, I was not intimidated at all because of the cordiality from the assembly. These wonderful memories of my participation in the General Chapter will remain with me as we journey together in the evangelization of our people in our different ways but same goals. I happy to be in the Arnoldus Family.



Grazzie Mille

Helen Koryo Dzikunu

6. CORRESPONDENCE

(i) From Fr. Emmanuel Anyomi, SVD

Just to inform you that I have reached Madagascar and I'm in one of our communities. The confreres in Kenya were helpful. I was picked from the Antananarivo airport exactly 12 noon on the 04th of September. Thanks and say hi to all. Bye.

Any confrere who wishes to call can do so on my Ghana airtel: **+233261773080**

(ii) From Fr. Vincent Burke, SVD

Dear Editor: I just finished reading the excellent issue of the August issue of the Ghana Province Newsletter. My!! You are continuing the wonderful tradition of the past many years.

I must congratulate Mathias King, my old student from Pope Johns, Koforidua and St. Victors, Tamale, for his excellent personal reflection and summary of President Atta Mills sudden departure from this world. He conveyed the President's humanity as well as his sterling good character. May he rest in peace!! **MAKRAWOO!! MAKRAWOO!! HYEDIN PAAAA!!**

The colour photos, the graphic narratives of various events as well as the general layout and the ease of reading good English delighted me, a former English teacher in the **Ghana Education Service** for so many years. Yes, we have come a long way and congrats to all involved. **MO TRINKWA!!!**

Fr. Vince Burke (Osofo Yaw Mensah Buronya) retired SVD Ghana missionary @ Bordentown, NJ
(ymb41@hotmail.com)

7. WORTH REMEMBERING

i. SEPTEMBER

01	Francis Koimb	Birthday	04	Moses Awinongya	Feastday
01	Kingsley Sagru-Larr	Birthday	04	Gregorius Boss	Feastday
01	Lucian Orians	+ 1979	04	Joseph Mazur	Birthday
02	Daniel Lenwah	Birthday	05	Bertin Koudoagbo	Birthday
03	Adu, Samuel Yaw	Feastday	06	Lambert Assogba	Birthday
03	Pius Agyemang	Birthday	06	Francis Koimb	Feast day
03	Oduro Owusu Pius	Feastday	06	Tchekpi, Jean-Bertrand	Feastday

07	Marcus Hipólito	Birthday	24	Gerald Tanye	Feast day
09	Peter Claver Narh	Feastday	24	Paul Ayi	+ 1973
09	Alfons Merten	+ 1994	24	Cletus Lesage	+ 1990
10	Otmar Auinger	Birthday	24	Glicerio Paraguay	+ 1973
11	Vincent Staebell	+ 1987	26	Koudada, Matthieu	Feastday
14	Rudy Chamenyi	Birthday	27	Agbeyome-Akpah, Vincent	Feastday
16	Cyprian Kuupol	Feast day	27	Vincent Boi-Nai	Feastday
16	Nyantey, Stephen	Birthday	27	Vincent Owusu	Feastday
17	Assogba, Lambert	Feast day	28	Bissie John	Birthday
17	Ramamisoa, Robert B.	B&Feastday	28	Winfried Lerche	+ 1987
18	Gryzka, Teodor	+ 2011	29	Awinongya, Moses	Birthday
18	Lichtenegger, Walter	+2011	29	Gabriel Kumordji	Feastday
19	Koutandji, Janvier	Feastday	29	Rafael Mesi	Feastday
19	Beemsterboer, Francis	+2006	29	Michael Obeng-Shang	Feast day
19	Stephen Dorsey	+ 1988	29	Gabriel Sosu	Feastday
21	John K. Acheampong	Birthday	29	Tangente, Michael	Feast day
21	Matthew Yeng	Feastday	30	Jerome Agbeko	Feastday
23	Henry Janssen	+ 1986	30	Sampson Fenuku	Feastday
24	Owino, Alex Omondi	Birthday	30	Günther Klinkhammer	+ 1994

(ii) OCTOBER

02	Frederick Opoku Obeng	Birthday	13	Edward Tetteh	Feastday
04	Francis Allah	Feast day	13	Frank Charles	+ 1999
04	Aming'a, Ronald	Feastday	15	Samuel Adjei	Birthday
04	Francis Damoah	Feastday	16	Konrad Dreyer	Birthday
04	Franciszek Kowal	Feastday	16	Elmer Powell	+ 1989
04	Gatefe, Godwin	Feast day	16	Baldericus Tenscher	+ 1985
04	Franklyn Nubuasah	Feastday	17	Ignatius Ayivor	Feast day
04	Omondi, Alex	Feastday	18	Fisher, James	+ 1998
05	Arthur Schenker	+ 1970	23	Jan Urban	Feast day
06	Bruno Yirzie	Feastday	25	Sekle, Christophe	Birthday
07	Makayie, Emmanuel	Birthday	26	Rudolf Krajcik	+ 2000
07	John Straathof	Birthday	27	Thaddeus Nyanuba	Feastday
08	Ignatius Ayivor	Birthday	30	Alphonse Dungdung	Birthday
08	Dionisio Nellas	Feast day	31	Agbovi, Wisdom	B & Feastday
08	Paul Plawky	Birthday	31	Michael Obeng-Shang	Birthday
09	Thiel, Piet van der	+ 2007	31	Rex Vegbey	Birthday
12	Andrzej Kedziora	Birthday			

(iii) NOVEMBER

01	Samuel Adjei	Feastday	15	Koudada, Matthieu	Birthday
01	John Duah Prempeh	Birthday	15	August Gehring	+ 1949
01	Sampson Fenuku	Feastday	16	Othmar Auinger	Feastday
01	Joshua Gariba	Feastday	19	Eugene Agyapong	Birthday
01	Daniel Lenwah	Feastday	20	Edmund Afagbegee	Feastday
01	David Tengey	Feastday	20	Edmund Deku	Feast day
01	Maurice Lesage	+ 1977	20	John Schilitz	Birthday
03	Adjetej Adjei, Emmanuel	B&Feastday	22	Forgor, Peter Lampitey	Birthday
03	Samuel Dagadu	Feastday	22	Amos Frerichs	+ 1986
03	Martin Dumas	Feast day	23	Clement Angmor	Birthday
03	Paul Gbortsu	Birthday	23	Bernard Adjei Appiah	Birthday
03	Thaddeus Nyanuba	Birthday	23	Patrick Ofori	Birthday
04	Francis Naduviledathu	Birthday	23	Albert Kretschmer	+ 2002
05	Martin Gouna	Birthday	24	Sebastian Sperl	Birthday
05	Tomy Kanjiramalayil	Feastday	28	Asante, Eugene Bruce	B&Feastday
05	Jojo Monoth	Birthday	28	John Heckel	+ 1999
08	Sofronio Endoma	B & Feastday	30	Andrew Campbell	Feastday
09	Romeo Cofie	+ 2003	30	Andrzej Kedziora	Feastday
10	Edmund Deku	Birthday	30	Andrews Obeng-Aboagye	Feastday
11	Martin Gouna	Feast day	30	Andrew Quaye-Foli	Feastday
11	Kotchoffa, Ayédjo Martin	B&Feastday	30	David Tengey	Feastday
11	Martin Ninnang	Feastday	30	Rex Vegbey	Feastday
12	John Dauphine	+ 1993			

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