

# Herald of Hope

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## Hope College Graduates Largest Class Yet



**Members of the General Arts Class I of the Hope College Graduating Class of 2018**

One hundred and forty-seven 12th graders graduated from Hope College on May 12, 2018. This was the fourth and largest graduating class in the history of the school. This was also the first graduating class with some students having studied Home Economics as an elective course of study. Other members of the class studied for their elective courses in General Science, General Arts and Business.

The Hackmann Hall of Hope College was filled to capacity as parents, friends, alumni and other invited guests joined the Hope College and Village of Hope communities to bid farewell to the graduating students. Additional chairs had to be brought in for the overflow crowd to be seated on the veranda outside the hall. The Chief, Queen Mother, Elders and people of Fetteh attended the ceremony in their colorful and elegant traditional wear.

The special guest and keynote speaker for the occasion was Dr. James Asare-Adjei, the Chief Executive Officer of Asadtek Group, made up of manufacturing companies, real estate and other businesses. He is also the immediate past President of the Association of Ghana Industries (AGI), an umbrella body for industries in Ghana. He challenged the graduating students to go out and make a difference in the world, advising them to begin by identifying needs wherever they find themselves and selflessly serving to meet the needs they find and to voluntarily help people.

Each graduand received a certificate and a Bible. Awards were given to the best students in each subject of study in the school with the valedictorian receiving a new laptop and several other gifts from the Board of Governors of the College. Other special



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### **MINISTRIES**

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Church of Christ at Village of Hope  
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awards were given to students who excelled in character, service and leadership during the period they studied at Hope College. Towards the end of the ceremony, the graduands received a charge from the Headmaster as well as a blessing from the former Headmaster of the College. The Chief of Fetteh then gave the final piece of advise to them before they were released into the world.

A lot of festivities and merrymaking followed as the relatives, friends and loved ones of the graduates brought a lot of food and soft drinks to enjoy themselves with. By 6:00pm, the school's campus was quiet as all the guests had departed and the student population had reduced by a whopping 147 students. Join us in thanking God for the lives of these graduates who were entrusted into our care for nearly three years to educate and nurture. Pray with us that their lives and work would make a positive difference in the world and bring glory and honor to God.🙏



**Keynote Address by James Asare-Adjei, CEO of Asadtek Group**



**Perpetual Mensah, Recipient of Character Award, Receives Bible & Certificate from Lynn Tawiah, Hope College Board Member**



**Petra Mensah Abosi, Valedictorian, Receives Award from Hope College Board of Governors (Lynn Tawiah, Williams Atuilik & Kofi Adu Agyarko)**



**Rabiatu Ayambila Receives Service Award from Kwasi Ofori Nimoh**



**Matilda Nti Baah Receives Leadership Award from Samuel & Patricia Ayim**



**General Science Class**



**Business Class**



**Home Economics Class**





**Nana Abor Yamoah II, Chief of Fetteh, Advises Graduating Class**



**Alfred Okyere-Darko, Headmaster of Hope College, Gives a Charge to the Class of 2018**



**Bibles & Certificates Presented to Class of 2018**



**Awards (Plaques & Books) Presented to Deserving Students of Graduating Class**



**Family & Friends of Graduating Class Fill Hackmann Hall**



**Overflow of Friends & Family Follow Proceedings from the Veranda of Hackmann Hall**



**General Arts Class II**



**General Arts Class III**



# Hope Christian Academy Holds Graduation

**T**hirty-six Kindergarten students and 61 ninth grade students graduated from Hope Christian Academy on Saturday; June 9, 2018. This was the 14th graduation ceremony of Kindergarten students for the nursery school but the 13th graduation ceremony of 12th graders from the elementary school.

Here are some pictures of the graduation ceremony. [@](#)



**Recital from Members of KG Graduating Class**



**Kezziah Stephens Receives Certificate from Araba Adjei, Managing Director of Hope Christian Academy**



**Sarah Badu Receives Bible & Baptismal Certificate from Daniel Amponsah, Bible Teacher at Hope Christian Academy**



**KG Graduating Class with some Staff of Nursery School**



# on Ceremony for KG & 9th Grade Students



**Choreography by Members of KG Graduating Class**



**Welcome Address from Francis Adenyo, Headteacher of Hope Christian Academy**



**Abigail Abeka Receives Award from Faustina Asare, Headteacher of Hope Christian Academy's Nursery School**



**Joseph Aboagye, French Teacher, Receives Award from Richmond Twum, Managing Director of Church of Christ School**



**Ninth Grade Graduating Class of 2018**



## Araba Hammond Graduates with MBA from Webster University

On May 19, 2018, Araba Hammond, the Managing Director of Hope Training Institute, graduated, cum laude, with a Master of Business Administration degree from the Ghana Campus of Webster University which is based in Saint Louis, Missouri. Araba joined Village of Hope in January 2008 soon after graduating summa cum laude from Ashesi University College in Ghana with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science. She served as the Chief Operations Officer of Village of Hope until taking up her current role in January 2018.

The Board and Management of Village of Hope are very proud of Araba Hammond for her achievement and especially for her Christian values and ethical leadership which set high standards for the entire staff of Village of Hope and are great examples to the children we serve. [@](#)



**Araba Hammond Receives Hood from Ms. Christa Sanders & Dr. George Amoako**



**Araba Hammond Flanked by Her Parents at Graduation**

## Eric Agbenyo Graduates with MACM from Abilene Christian University



**Eric Akafo Agbenyo, Bible Teacher, Hope College, Graduates with Master of Arts in Christian Ministry from ACU**

On June 30, 2018, Eric Akafo Agbenyo graduated from Abilene Christian University (based in Abilene, Texas) with a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry degree. Eric and three other students graduated at an impressive ceremony on the campus of Heritage Christian College in Accra, Ghana.

Eric has been serving at Village of Hope since 2013. He taught Mathematics as well as Information and Communications Technology (ICT) at Hope Christian Academy before transitioning to teach Bible at Hope College where he also volunteers to teach Mathematics, especially to weak students who are struggling with the subject. Eric Agbenyo is a graduate of the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) with a bachelor's degree in Statistics. He has also had additional training in ICT. He has been involved in church ministry since he first became a student at Heritage Christian College in Accra where he graduated in 2011 with a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministry degree. Apart from teaching Bible at Hope College, Eric also preaches for the Oblogo church of Christ in Accra.

The Board and Management of Village of Hope congratulate Eric Agbenyo on his latest academic achievement. We are already seeing the fruits of his studies in the transformation of the lives of the students of Hope College as he teaches and trains them to live faithful Christian lives. [@](#)



**Eric Akafo Agbenyo Receives Diploma from Dr. James Asare Adjei**

# Wilson Ebo Prah Appointed New Chaplain for Hope Christian Hospital



**Wilson Ebo Prah, Chaplain,  
Hope Christian Hospital**

**W**ilson Ebo Prah has been appointed as the Chaplain for Hope Christian Hospital. His appointment takes effect on August 1, 2018.

Wilson was baptized into Christ on June 7, 1983. He has been preaching for the Gomoa-Tarkwa church of Christ in the Central Region of Ghana since 2001. He is an assiduous student of the word of God. He has a Diploma of Biblical and Ministry Studies from Swedru International Bible Institute in Ghana, an affiliate of Sunset International Bible Institute of Lubbock, Texas. He has both a Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry and a Bachelor of Christian Ministry from Heritage Christian College in Ghana. He has also been awarded the degree of Master of Biblical Studies by the Bear Valley Bible Institute International based in the USA. Ebo will soon be graduating from Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas with a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry degree.

Wilson Ebo Prah is a very hardworking evangelist who has been involved in rural evangelism in Ghana for many years. We are very pleased that he will be joining us in the work of ministry at Hope Christian Hospital at the Fetteh campus of Village of Hope. His role as Chaplain will involve ministering to staff and patients of the hospital. Please keep him in your prayers. [@](#)

## Others Providing Spiritual Care and Nurturing at Village of Hope



**Solomon Mireku** teaches Bible at Hope Christian Academy and preaches for the Dzorwulu church of Christ in Accra.



**Daniel Frimpong Amponsah** teaches Bible at Hope Christian Academy and preaches for the Pokuase church of Christ in Accra.



**Eric Agbenyo** teaches Bible at Hope College and preaches for the Oblogo church of Christ in Accra.



**Ebenezer Sackey** teaches English and directs the Chorus at Hope College. He also preaches for the church that meets on the Fetteh campus of Village of Hope as well as teaches songs to many congregations in Ghana.



**Samuel Dankyi Agyapong** teaches Bible at Church of Christ School and preaches for the Nkwatia church of Christ in the Eastern Region of Ghana.



**Christopher Ntiri** teaches Bible at Church of Christ School and preaches for the Abetifi church of Christ in the Eastern Region of Ghana.





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*Jesse: Minister/Evangelist*

