

German NGO Supports Education In Ghana

A GERMANY based Non-Governmental Organization, AddYouCation, has over the past few years been supporting the construction of a dormitory at the St. Catherine Senior High School in Agbakope, in the South Tongu district of the Volta region.

The School, which was launched over the weekend by the first lady, Mrs. Ernestina Naadu Mills, benefited from monetary donations, experts and other personnel from AddYouCation, who at various stages of the project, contributed in diverse ways.

AddYouCation became interested in the project following a series of photographs of uncompleted structures on the campus by a German national Joachim Schmeisser. The images were later exhibited in the offices of the organization in the German city of Munich.

Since then, the organization has spent a total of 150,000.00 Euros on projects at St. Catherine Senior High School and intends to continue its support for the school, which is spearheading girl child education in the Volta region.

Indeed, the presence of Christian Nortemann, an architect with Henn Architekten, a reputable architectural firm in Germany at the project site speeded up construction works thereby prompting the Mick Stevens Foundation to get involved in the project by funding the dining hall.

St. Catherine, which is a grade C private school, has a total of 165 students with 32 teachers and 17 non-teaching staff. Programmes offered by the school include General Arts, Business (Accounting Option), General Science and Home Econom-

ics (Food and Nutrition option).

In a brief speech, the first lady Her Excellency Mrs. Naadu Mills noted that in educating a girl child, one is aiming at transforming her into a mature self-reliant individual who can resist the temptations and vices of the world and be a good contributor to nation building.

She said girl-child education also

seeks to transform the child from who she is into whom she will be - adding that after the girl-child is informed and transformed, she will be a good material to be sent out to reliably enlighten her own people.

Dignitaries present at the launch include Hon. Doe Adjaho, first deputy speaker and Member of Parliament

for Avenor, Hon. Joseph Amenorwode, Volta Regional Minister, Dr. B.K. Glover, Member, Council of State, Most Rev. Anthony Adanuti, Bishop of Keta/Akatsi diocese of the Catholic Church and Prof. Gunther Henn, Chief Executive Officer of AddYouCation.



Bishop Adanuti and Prof. Henn with some of the students after the launch