



CHRISTIAN RURAL AID NETWORK
FREUNDESKREIS e.V.

Practical training with CRAN Ghana

1. Basics

CRAN does not provide any practical training nor exchange programmes as such. Nevertheless, we like to offer interested people the possibility to work with CRAN Ghana and to learn about our projects and the Ghanaian culture. Since CRAN Ghana is responsible for selecting and carrying out projects by itself, it does arrange the engagement of volunteers too.

2. Organizational pre-conditions

The CRAN Freundeskreis e.V. consists of volunteers only. All donations of non-members are channeled fully to support village projects in Ghana. Therefore:

- ✉ Volunteers must pay for their own flight, inoculations, and boarding. Volunteers are responsible for flight reservations, inoculation arrangements etc. Nevertheless, CRAN will assist where necessary.
- ✉ Volunteers are usually living with Ghanaian families; special accommodation for guests are not available.
- ✉ The environment (e.g. sanitary and medical facilities) does not meet our European standards in any way. So volunteers should ascertain whether they are able to live in the tropics.
- ✉ Knowledge of English is required for communication. Since many villagers are only capable of communicating in local languages, CRAN Ghana will take care of translation if required.
- ✉ Volunteers must be at least 21 years old.
- ✉ All projects will be discussed and agreed with the local CRAN staff / members.
- ✉ Duration and time of stay and work with CRAN Ghana depend on personal aptitudes and plans. In order to get used to the different culture one should spend at least four weeks. Stays from 3 months up to 2 years are welcome.
- ✉ Service needed areas: Teaching Basic Level, Fund raising, Construction, Information Communication Tech, Evangelism



3. Cultural pre-conditions

- ✉ For CRAN the Christian faith is the only foundation for a sustainable change of living conditions in Ghana (1. Corinthians 3, 11): *For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.* Establishing village churches is one aspect of CRAN's work. We expect that volunteers accept this principle and are pleased if they take part in it.
- ✉ Required is the willingness to abstain from our usual luxury and to get involved in the Ghanaian culture.

4. Application

We are interested in your personal motives for volunteering in Ghana. We'd like to learn about your ideas and expectations and about possible experiences in development work. Please fill in the attached questionnaire and answer the following topics:

- Detailed CV
- Description of own personality and what is important to you
- State briefly your christian belief, experience and involvement in christian work
- Rough description of your family.
- Are you involved in any christian, social or political work? Give examples.
- In what area(s) do you intend to work (Teaching Basic Level, Fund raising, Construction, Information Communication Tech, Evangelism)?
- What is your experience in this area of work? Give examples.
- What do you hope to contribute to the CRAN programme you have selected?
- What will you expect to gain from volunteer service with CRAN?
- How got you to know CRAN?
- What do you know about Ghana and Ghanaians

Of course we will treat your personal facts as confidential. Please send in your application in english language, if possible by E-mail.



Application for practical training / questionnaire

Personal details:

Name, first name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Nationality: _____

Sex: male female

Street: _____

ZIP, city: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Expected start / end of stay (duration): _____

Special Needs (Allergies): _____
