



Merry Christmas



A Christmas Miracle for Odane's Family

It feels so good to say that phrase this time of year. With all the gifts and giving, ACE got to share in the joy of seeing one of the second-story students get a new roof and almost a new house... Foster-Bulla-Akeel

Enter Odane and his family. Odane is an 8th grader in our second-story sponsorship program. Recently, we learned that the house he lives in with his two brothers, mother, grandmother and a challenged aunt was falling apart. With the rainy season, the mother puts pans over the bed to keep the children from catching cold, while the kitchen roof collapsed forcing them to cook outside. If it wasn't for the termites holding up the walls, they would be basically camping out.

That's when the ACE miracle team showed up to help!! This week, our ACE team began the work with the boys of tearing down, building up, and moving out the old boards full of "Chi Chi" as they call them.



By using the old windows from the dining hall and unused material

along with new material, we will continue our work to make sure that Odane and his family sleep well this Christmas.

Thank you, sponsors!

One Cow, Now Four! A micro-loan success story.



As the year-end approaches, we love to share a micro-loan success story. Remember Orlando? He's the young man to whom ACE gave a loan earlier in the year to buy a female cow to start his husbandry business. Orlando not only paid off his loan in advance but now – with his selling and wheeling and dealing – has four cows!

One is still in the basket (pregnant), but Orlando is so proud and grateful for ACE and the program we have called "Learn and Loan" through the micro-business program. ACE is so thankful for the support some of you have given to this program. As they say, "it pays off!"

American Caribbean Experience wishes you a wonderful Christmas!

If you can't be with your family, be with friends or befriend someone. Pass the love around. It's our holy season to be grateful and reflect on what God did for us many thousands of years ago.

Blessings for the New Year.

*Marla, Allen, & the entire ACE staff
in the U.S. & the wonderful island of Jamaica. Yeah Mon!*



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