



Unifying Neighbors Through Education and Development

**Woltering family – 2014, 2015 & 2016 – The Netherlands
UNiTED Projects & HardtHaven Children's Home**

Since years and years my passion for Africa keeps pulling me to this continent. Ten years ago I started at the Southern part of Africa (South Africa, Tanzania and Kenia), especially to see the wild live. Over the years I did a lot of safari tours and fell in love with the African nature, animals and people. My intention in the future is to be a volunteer for a longer period, anywhere in Africa. In May of 2014, together with my family (husband and 13 years old daughter), I went to Kpando in Ghana. For a week we've been in Hardthaven Children's Home and met the kids and aunties who do such a fantastic work. Unless the short period of time, we had a wonderful stay. Raising the children, be a part of their lives for a little while meant a lot for us. We played together, did homework and had some nice walks to the mango tree. We are really impressed by the passion of Jessy and Edem. The way they follow their heart and really contribute, not only for these children but also with projects for the whole community, is amazing and a wonderful experience.

Together with about ten volunteers we were part of United. Some volunteers did projects in the community focused on care and health, others worked at the children's home. At night we came together and exchanged our experiences of the day while having a nice meal, cooked by the mother of Edem. The way of being together, sharing our lives and be a part of the United family was a life-changing thing for all of us. We slept at the B&B next to Jessy's house, a lovely accommodation in the middle of the community of Kpando. We definitely go back to HardtHaven to meet them all again, we can't wait till that day.