

A photograph of a woman and a young child in a library. The woman, on the left, is looking towards the camera with a gentle smile. The child, in the center, is looking upwards with an expression of wonder and curiosity, holding a small green and yellow ball. The background is filled with bookshelves, some with colorful illustrations and others with text in a non-Latin script, creating a warm and educational atmosphere.

# Supporting mums and babies in Etoile Brillante

An update from Togo





## Your **impact** over the last quarter



13 mums and babies are being supported.



6 women are exclusively breastfeeding their babies in the first six months.



One mother is pregnant.





Togo

# Pastor Koffi's letter

"We greet you in the beautiful and precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and we dare to believe that his grace has been renewed to you.

My name is Koffi. I am senior pastor of Temple Etoile Brillante of Gnita. On behalf of the staff workers, the mothers and babies and the whole community of Gnita, we want to say a sincere thank you for your support to the success of the Survival and Early Childhood programme. This has a significant impact on the spiritual growth and commitment of our community.

In fact, the implementation of the mums and babies programme has shown its necessity in the lives of the people of Gnita.

**I have to admit that the arrival of this programme has contributed to the survival of certain pregnancies that were at risk,**

"and to the restoration of couples on the verge of separation. It has helped to change attitudes and mentalities..."





Togo

# Pastor Koffi continues...

“According to their testimonies, the group activity sessions for caregivers have enabled them to take good care of their children. They have begun to understand the importance of pre- and post-natal care and vaccinations in their own lives and that of their babies.

The sessions have also helped other parents to become more aware of the issue and to start building small businesses. Couples have come to understand each other thanks to the sharing sessions, and some of them have given testimony and thanks to God.

We are happy for your seed in God's field according to the book of Proverbs 22:9 ‘The man whose eyes are kind will be blessed, because he gives his bread to the poor’. And if we see the joy that this programme brings to the households, we give thanks to God for your lives and we hope for greater fulfilment of God's plans in many lives in Gnita.

I am delighted and can assure you that the Lord is faithful; he will not fail to reward you beyond your expectations. Thank you very much. Pastor Koffi.”





# Health screening

Twice a year mothers and babies enrolled on the Child Survival intervention receive a health check-up by a doctor, at the centre.

If any health problems are found, then further tests and treatment are covered by Compassion funding.





# Home visit

This caregiver was recently absent from the group session at the church.

The staff member visited her at home to check on the health of the caregiver and child.

“Learn to do right;  
seek justice.  
Defend the oppressed.  
Take up the cause  
of the fatherless;  
plead the case  
of the widow.”

**ISAIAH 1:17 (NIV)**



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