## UPDATE: COURTNEY GARLAND, THE PEARL HOUSE, GHANA, AFRICA

To my friends at Harpeth Hills,

Hey there. I appreciate you guys checking in with me. It means a lot to know you are thinking about and praying for me and the girls. As is customary in Africa, things are moving along, but very slowly. :)

Paperwork is in process, we will have a meeting with our lawyer this week.

The house we originally had rented has not worked out. We are in negotiations for another house, which will be a better option than the first anyways. It is a 2-story, 9-bedroom house. Once it is cleaned up I think it will be perfect for us. Pray that all will go well with those negotiations. The house is expensive!

Also, on Wednesday we will be meeting with a few of the girls that Joyce (church-worker that has been going to the market) has identified as possible candidates to live in the Pearl House. We will talk with them, ask them a few questions, and try to get to know them a little bit. Lukaya was not among the ones that she mentioned, I asked Joyce to do all that she could to find Lukaya.

There is a lot to be done, but we are working all sides to keep things moving forward. Thank you for your prayers and your support. I told the church leader yesterday about Harpeth Hills' response to me personally and financially. He was very impressed with the commitment and support you have shown to me and to the Pearl House.

Thanks so much. Courtney



Courtney in center with members of the Europe/Africa Missions Committee, and Youth Minister Jennifer Pagel