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Witness

## Mission Action Profile (MAP) in Benin



Heather Shantz explored a ministry calling through service at the Casa Grande Orphanage in Benin, West Africa as a Mennonite Church Canada Witness Intern in 2004. Heather shared God's love with children that have been orphaned by the tragedy of HIV-AIDS.

Nancy Frey and her husband Bruce Yoder, MC Canada Witness Workers, supported Heather Shantz and will help several other young Canadian adults serve at the Casa Grande orphanage operated by the Mennonite Church in Burgos, Spain. Their presence and counsel is also a blessing to Janessa Otto, an intern in midwifery at the Bethesda Health Center.

Nancy and Bruce are teachers and administrators at Bethany Bible Institute (BBI) in Cotonou, Benin, training and encouraging leaders for the witness and ministries of churches there. With some basic training in the Bible and in pastoral ministry, men and women from the Africa Independent Churches develop into effective leaders for their churches.

Nancy also gives special attention to supporting a group of single women who are equipping themselves for ministry. Bruce travels to neighbouring countries to train and encourage leaders in the Mennonite churches in Ghana, Nigeria and Togo. Together they connect with several community health programs such as the Bethesda Health Center.

**Mennonite Church Canada Witness supports the Bethany Bible Institute**, mission workers and training programs – including interns from Canada – with **\$22,500**. Your prayer and financial support are encouraged so that Christian leaders are nurtured, God's love is shared and people are brought into relationship with Jesus Christ.

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