

Dear Friends of WSI,

We wanted to share a story with you about our 2008 *Contamination Waltz* DVD – which all of you helped create through your support of The Winter/Summer Institute.

In January, Ebenezer Koomson of Ghana, West Africa found our website and wrote asking if we had any job openings or upcoming trainings. We wrote back that we're a small organization with no job opportunities, but that we'd happily send him our materials which he might find useful. On March 22nd we received this email:

**Dear WSI,
I am extremely happy to inform you that I have just received the DVDs and the other documents. *The Contamination Waltz* has already been viewed by an audience of 150 people involved in HIV control programs in just one district alone. I will use it to reach all 17 districts, 1400 people living with HIV and AIDS in the central region of Ghana.**

**Ebenezer Koomson, MPH,
Regional HIV/AIDS Coordinator
Ghana Health Service**



Ebenezer Koomson at a Family Planning Clinic

On March 22nd we replied: Dear Ebenezer, We're happy to hear the DVDs have been of use – that's inspiring news! We'll send more copies for all 17 districts. Would that be a good idea?



Health Service outreach for High School HIV testing

**March 23rd:
Dear WSI, Yes indeed, I love that idea!
We would be able to reach an estimated 2 million people in the Central Region.
Many targeted organizations like educational institutions, churches, PLHIV (People Living with HIV) organizations, hospitals and other social groups stand to gain. Thank you!**

March 30th: Hi Ebenezer, We just sent off 40 copies of *The Contamination Waltz* and *Make Theatre/Make a Difference* DVDs, along with more WSI brochures, articles, and our music CD. Let us know when it all arrives.

**March 30th:
Dear WSI,
We have already started celebrating!**

April 1st: Dear Ebenezer, Could you please send some photos of you, your staff, outreach activities ... Ghana? We'd like to share this story with our supporters and post it online. Thanks!



HIV/AIDS Organization Managers at Ghana Health Service