

Travelers to Ghana Share their Stories with Loretto

St. Mary's Academy students, an alumna and teachers shared their experiences from the summer trip to Ghana. Through brief presentations, a movie and question and answers, they gave a first-hand account of helping prepare the Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy, the first school in the village of Akokoamong, to open.

The Loretto Community is partnering with the Sisters of the Most Blessed Trinity to build the school. St. Mary's Academy has fundraised for the past several years to help the school.

The travelers spoke about some of their experiences: helping at an orphanage and schools in Kumasi, being "obruni" (white) in a predominately black society, touring Cape Coast from which enslaved Africans were sent to America, visiting Cape Coast the same day as President Obama, staying with Ghanaian families. While the highlights of the three-week trip were different for each of the travelers, the openness and generosity of the Ghanaian people was a common theme in all their stories.