

NEWS



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Families Connecting

THE WORK OF VALOIS YOUTH DRAWS ATTENTION

Mercy Ships posts article on their website for all to see.



We all know how great our Sunday School kids and volunteers are. Now a lot more people know too, thanks to a recent posting on the website <http://www.mercyships.ca>.

During the winter and spring season last year, members of Valois United Church Sunday School took on an Advent project to raise funds for *Mercy Ships*. This non-profit Christian organization offers ship board medical services and other



community support projects in regions of the world where little or none exist. Interestingly, the idea for these floating hospitals began with a church youth summer outreach group many years ago, and became a reality in 1978 when former group members were able to purchase a retired cruise ship. Today these ships are run by crew and volunteers from around the world. The stories posted on their website are truly inspirational.



The article features photos of our kids and offers blushing praise for their concern over the welfare of people in parts of the world so far away. It also thanks the Sunday School for contributing such a generous amount that will be enough to "affect several children in Benin, West Africa where the Africa Mercy is docked until December of this year."

