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My name is Ameyaw Christiana. I am a third-year student offering BSc. Midwifery at the University for Development Studies (UDS). Educational Pathways International has impacted my life positively and made me comfortable as a student ever since I was awarded the scholarship.

Financial difficulties have been one of the major predicaments my family ever since I was young. My mother is a food vendor at a primary school in my village. My father died when I was five years old. My family has always been faced with financial challenges. Due to the financial crisis, my elder sisters ended up in teenage pregnancy.

Two years after I completed Senior High School, a good “Samaritan” came to my rescue, and I entered into tertiary.

Unfortunately, he could not help me the following year. My mother spent her little savings on my transport and feeding. This financial challenge negatively affected my academics until EPI came out of the blues and wiped away all my tears. My mother’s financial burden has reduced drastically since EPI awarded me a comprehensive scholarship for my university education. I can now concentrate on my studies and my academic performance has improved well.

Also, talking about the benefits of EPI, the leadership programs, education and mentorship has impacted my life positively in my social and academic life. Educational programs such as report writing, how to speak in public and CV writings has helped me in many ways. I am able to make presentations in my class and I am currently the general secretary for my hostel and church in the University for Development Studies.

Unfortunately, the Covid 19 pandemic which led to a lockdown and the closedown of the universities last year interrupted our in-person educational sessions from EPI last year. Also, during the lockdown, most of my lectures and examination had to be held online which really affected me because of poor network connection in my hometown. Sometimes, especially during the examination period, I had to travel to the next town to be able to access a network for my exams. But school has resumed, and things are gradually returning to normal again.

One thing I have realized all my life is that the most important role of mankind is to live for the success of one another which can be attained by impeccable sound health. I chose to offer Midwifery because it has been my passion to save lives. Midwives work in all healthcare settings in a various way, providing women and their families with choices and continuity of care.

Upon a successful graduation, I shall set up a healthcare committee to provide education to the people of my community and the country at large, especially younger girls who are ignorant to the positive outcomes of education and are prone to teenage pregnancy. I plan to devote my life to becoming an expert, possibly a Doctor of Midwifery practice, to unravel the determinants of mortality rate in maternal and childbirth.