

Christmas in Ghana

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Right now every Ghanaian is caught up with the whirlwind and excitement of Christmas.

By 8 a.m. the markets are surging with a mob of people -- "Market mammies" ringing bells and calling out their Christmas specials, taxis honking, kids, parents, goats, etc., laughing and running and buying up Christmas goodies.

An occasional fight breaks out between seller and buyer, or a spontaneous dance by a group of lively old women -- it's all very exciting!

The other day Takashi was standing on a corner and a taxi ran over his toes (not much harm done), so you can imagine how crowded it is.

Ghana is pretty much like home at this time of the year -- the stores have Christmas decorations up and even a Santa Claus walking around passing out candy to their children.