

YOUNG LEADERS FLASH

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TRANSFORMATION: FOUNDATION OF DEVELOPMENT

Dear partners, friends and well-wishers, accept warm greetings from the International Leadership Foundation.

We are happy to share with you the events that have shaped our activities during the month of July 2014.

YOUNG LEADERS CAMP « LIBAMBA 2014 »

In order to reach its main goal to build new generations of leaders of transformation for the development of Africa, the Young Leaders League communicates the principles and theories in taking actions. In view of this, the League organizes at the end of each year, since 2009, a camp to close up the academic year activities.

56 persons (tutors and young leaders) took part to the 6th edition of the camp held on from the 29th of June to the 7th of July ,2014 at Collège Évangélique of Libamba. The theme of this camp was *“Transformation: foundation of development”*. During nine days, the campers have learned that a real transformation starts with an individual transformation followed by a community transformation that gives birth to development. Six modules

were deeply studied:

1. Transformation, the foundation of development

2. Transformation and integrity,

3. God and transformation,

4. Team Works and transformation,

5. Vocation and transformation,

6. Transformation, perseverance

and excellence. The campers were encouraged to work individually on transformation by giving oneself this challenge:

- To improve their character,

- To have a vision and to follow it,

- To be able to identify the needs of their environment and to take practical measures to meet each of them

These teachings had an immediate impact on the lives of the campers. They gave their best during the cleaning works, workshops, and plantation works. They went above what the tutors were expected from them. They are real group leaders. The work team was put into practice and all the youth had just one main goal: excellence and the work well done. They were encouraged to continue in the same spirit at their

respective homes after the camp.

In addition to teachings many other extra curricula and biblical activities were planed during the camp:

- Bible studies by an international tutor of youth from abroad and who came especially for this camp
- Art workshop
- Collective games and sport
- Visit to the Nyong river
- Plantation work : The participants of the camp cultivated a cassava plantation for the college
- Tales around fire
- The cultural evening.



Plantations works



Tales around fire while eating roasted corns and plums



Banana leaves workshop : Making the Cameroon card with dry banana leaves



Bible Study by Feeby

At the end of the camp the youths were very happy for having participated to this camp. Here are some testimonials:

Caryn Tamo: « *The teachings were very rich; the competitive spirit among teams enables me to become creative, to take initiatives and to search Excellency in anything I am working on.*

I decided to work at home in the same spirit. Bible studies were also a source of many blessings. My relationship with God also improved thanks to daily meditations in our rooms. I also enjoyed tales around fire while we were eating roasted corn and plums »

NGOUMOU Guillaume: « *the theme of the camp was an appeal for me as far as the vision of my country is concerned: Cameroon, an emerging country in 2035. I become aware that this vision will be realized with young people like me. I came out with the conclusion that individual transformation is necessary for Cameroon to become an emerging country in 2035»*

PONDY Hermann: « *I enjoyed the camp, the atmosphere was quite good! I developed a new habit: getting up early and every day at à 6 a.m. to meditate and to do the cleaning; I never did it at home. It was not easy at the beginning but seeing others gave me a lot of motivation day by day. I think that I will keep this habit. »*

EVALUATION AND PLANNING

To close up the year, an evaluation meeting for the year 2013-2014 and planning of the (2014-2015) academic year held from the 17th to the 18th of July 2014 at the ILF office. Madame Kakula Dominique was elected best team member and she got a prize for her devotion and availability in this work. The meeting ends up with a celebration to end up the activities. Happy coincidence that day, it was the birthday of Mrs Mendo Claisse to whom the team offered a birthday cake.



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