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Welcome to the February Edition of the Partners for Peace in the Niger Delta Newsletter!



## AKWA IBOM STATE CHAPTER PROMOTES PEACE AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN ITIAM AND MBIABONG COMMUNITIES

The Akwa Ibom State Chapter of Partners for Peace in the Niger Delta (P4P) took a bold step toward strengthening interfaith harmony and community resilience. In collaboration with the **Cardinal Onaiyekan Foundation for Peace**, they organized a one-day workshop in the **Itiam and Mbiabong** communities titled **"Fostering Peaceful Coexistence: Building Bridges Between Faiths for a Stronger Community."**

Dear Peacebuilders,

February is another month of impact and collaboration, and we are excited to share the inspiring peacebuilding initiatives taking place across our network. In this edition, we shine a light on the efforts of the Akwa Ibom State Chapter, in collaboration with the **Cardinal Onaiyekan Foundation for peace**, to host a one-day workshop on peacebuilding and interfaith dialogue. Beyond dialogue, they also took action by empowering vulnerable community members with work tools, promoting economic stability and social harmony.

We also celebrate the efforts of the Abia Peace Clubs in two schools, where young advocates are promoting health and sports as powerful tools for peace. Additionally, the Bende Sub-Chapter made a significant impact by collaborating with the Public Health Centre to raise awareness against malaria, demonstrating how health interventions can contribute to a more peaceful society.

We hope their stories inspire you to keep pushing the boundaries of peacebuilding in your communities.

Happy reading!

The event brought together religious leaders, community stakeholders, and peace advocates to strengthen interfaith dialogue and promote peaceful coexistence.

Beyond the discussions, the chapter addressed economic empowerment as a pathway to sustainable peace. Vulnerable community members in Itiam and Mbiabong received sewing machines, wheelbarrows, and grinding engines to support their livelihoods and reduce economic vulnerability, a key factors in community stability.

By combining dialogue with direct support, the Akwa Ibom State Chapter is turning peacebuilding into action.

well done, Akwa Ibom team! This is truly inspiring.



PEACE! YES!

## Abia Peace Clubs Use Sports and Advocacy to Drive Positive Change.

In February, the **Abia State Chapter Peace Clubs** took bold steps to promote health, fitness, and social change through community engagement.

The Peace Club of **Girls' Secondary School, Uzuakoli**, organized a **road walk for fitness and HIV/AIDS awareness**, using sports as a tool to educate and empower their peers. They also paid an advocacy visit to **HRH Eze Okezie Chijioke**, the Traditional Ruler of Eluoma Autonomous Community, seeking support for peace and health initiatives.

Similarly, the Peace Club of **Uzuakoli Boys' Secondary School** led a road walk themed "**Sports Against Anti-Social Activities.**" Their initiative aimed to steer young people away from negative influences through sports. They partnered with Hon. Emmanuel Chinedu Ndubuisi (Ijiriji Bende), Member Representing Bende South State Constituency, to amplify their message and inspire action.

The Abia Peace Clubs are proving that young people are not just the future of peace—they are actively shaping it today.



## Bende Subchapter Leads Health Advocacy, Secures Free Malaria Treatment for Community Members.

The **Bende Subchapter of Abia P4P** is making a difference where it matters most—community health. Led by **Amb. Peter Chijioke Azubuikwe**, the team carried out a series of health-focused advocacy campaigns at the Primary Health Centre (PHC), focusing strongly on malaria and HIV/AIDS awareness.

Their efforts led to a tangible impact where community members received **free malaria testing and medications**, ensuring that those in need got access to essential healthcare. By addressing health challenges, the Bende Subchapter is reinforcing the link between **public health and peace**, proving that a healthy community is a stronger, more peaceful one.



### About P4P

P4P is a network dedicated to promoting peace in the Niger Delta. Join now and connect. It is only by linking hands that the vision of peaceable livelihoods in our communities will be realized. P4P provides a platform where people with different backgrounds and perspectives can come together, not to point fingers or take sides, but to understand and address the root causes of conflict and build peace.

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