

FFWPU and YSP Cameroon: Awaken a sense of service and patriotism in youth

Madwing Kwedi
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From the 3rd to the 5th November 2022, the program called Douala je taime we carried out in the region of littoral with the theme, "Awaken a sense of service and patriotism among youths". YSP, alongside Junior parliamentarians, other association and a senior parliamentarian JOSHUA OSIH not forgetting the Mayor of Douala NDOME MOUKOKO, worked in close collaboration towards the success of this event.



On the 3rd of November, at 7am, a cleanup activity began where the different youths started cleaning from "Salles des fetes Akwa" down the road of the Government high school Akwa. Despite the rains, around 20 youths showed up to clean their city. They picked plastic dirt and cleaned the gutters till 12 noon. The delegate of youths later came and supported the youths with a special message. He encouraged the youths to engage into entrepreneurship and to always have a spirit of service. The program continued on the 4th of November, youths gathered at a company named Mirror Radio. They exchanged with the staff on techniques, used in transmitting news and shows via the radio. Youths present also had the chance to pass on a show in the afternoon. Later we had a word with the Director of the Radio station, where in she encouraged youths to use media responsibly and that everything we do today will reap fruits in the future, whether good or bad.

On the last day of the activity, November 5th, youths gathered at the Salle des fetes at Akwa in Douala to start a sports walk in the early morning hours. They walked 3km enthusiastically as they express their love for their city and nation. Later that day, at around 1pm we had a conference on the theme **PATRIOTISM AND SOCIOPROFESSIONAL INSERTION**.

The opening remarks were given by the general coordinator of the program, Junior parliamentarian, Honorable Madwing Kwedi. He encouraged youths to be patriots but to start expressing it in the immediate environment. He asked them to start in their homes then to their city, which is DOUALA city

where the name of the event DOUALA I LOVE YOU.



The first panelist was Victoria Tching-Bobe, National President of IAYSP Cameroon. She spoke on a subtheme: Patriotism, youths as a main actor, turning myths to reality. Here she encouraged youths to start being patriots from home. Being patriot is taking responsibility. She related Patriotism to True Family values and outlined myths of false patriotism like tribalism. She also presented the price of Peace Maker to the General Coordinator Madwing Kwedi as a recognition for his hard work in tours of character education done recently in school. Different youth leaders also gave words of encouragement to their fellow brothers and sister on how they can develop their society morally. In total, more than 70 people were present in this event.

Money must not be the center of our objectives as a youth to enter the professional milieu but giving a quality service whole heartedly is has a greater impact on us and our communities.

Junior parliamentarian Madwing Kwedi

