



## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER 3, 2024

### **Our Vision**

A Nigeria where all homeless youngsters have access to nurturing and loving spaces where they can express themselves, practice freedom, and develop their potential as an alternative to ending up on the street.

### **Our Mission**

Providing an alternative learning space that gives homeless youngsters the opportunity to jump back into society, having gotten the rightful skills needed to excel in any sphere of human endeavour they might have chosen to pursue.

### **The Problem We Are Solving**

The inhuman, loveless, hazardous environment on the street predisposes the increasing number of homeless youngsters to diseases (HIV/Aids, Hepatitis, etc.), abuses, hunger, drug abuse, imprisonment, crime, and lack of accessibility to formal or informal education.

## AKHIN VILLAGE, AT SOKU, OYO STATE NIGERIA



*Founder and some participants visited our proposed AKHIN village site.*

### **OUR ACTIVITIES IN THREE MONTHS**

Over the past three months, we have been actively engaged in various initiatives to support and empower our community. One significant achievement has been the reunited of participants back to the parents and securing land for our AKHIN village. We have also being give subsidised architectural design from journeyman international.

In addition to our local efforts, we have made significant strides in ensuring the continuous training and education of our participants. We organized events in Venray, Netherlands, and Belgium to present our project to potential supporters and spread awareness about our mission. These events were instrumental in garnering support and spreading the message about the importance of our work in empowering marginalized communities.



# PARTICIPANTS RESUMED SCHOOL FOR A NEW ACADEMY SECTION



*Oyo centre Participants*



*Okuku centre Participants*



*some Ibafo centre Participants*

## **A Fresh Start: New Classes, New Dreams**

The morning air was filled with excitement as our participants returned to school after their long holiday. From all the centers, they arrived with fresh uniforms, new backpacks, and hearts full of hope. This was a special day for them, not just because school had resumed, but because they were stepping into new classes—a symbol of their hard work and progress.

Each of them had done remarkably well in their exams before the break, exceeding expectations and proving their resilience. Many of these children had once struggled to stay in school, but now, they were walking confidently into their classrooms, ready to take on new challenges.

As the children settled into their new classrooms, their teachers praised their determination and growth. For these young minds, stepping into a new class wasn't just about moving up a grade—it was about stepping closer to their dreams.

This moment marks the beginning of a new journey for each of them, filled with learning, discovery, and endless possibilities. We couldn't be prouder of their achievements and look forward to watching them soar even higher.



## VISIT TO PARENTS OF PARTICIPANTS



Years had passed since the last time these families saw their children. When we first rescued these youngsters, they were lost in the chaos of homelessness—separated from the warmth of their families due to poverty, conflict, or other unimaginable circumstances. Today, we made a monumental visit back to those families who had once lost touch with their children, reuniting them after years of separation. The stories and testimonies that followed left a lasting imprint on our hearts.

In a small, brightly painted house nestled in the outskirts of Ibadan, we sat down with Farouq grandmother of one of our rescued boys. When Farouq left the streets through our initiative, his mother has died and father nowhere to be found, we could only find his grandma who had given up hope of ever seeing him again. "For years, I feared the worst," grandma began, tears welling up in her eyes. "I thought my boy had been lost forever. But now, seeing him healthy, grown, and full of life. It is as though God returned a part of me that had been missing."

Farouq, now standing tall, his smile wide and proud, shared his own story. "Living on the streets, I didn't think much of a future. Every day was survival. But when I was taken in and given a chance to learn and develop myself and earn an income, I found a new purpose.

Across town, we met Favour, a 14-year-old girl who had been separated from her family for years. Her father, died while she was 2 years old, leaving her to single mother of 6 children. "When I heard she was found and given a chance to go back to school, I didn't believe it. But today, seeing her speak about her dreams of becoming a teacher—there are no words for my joy." Favour, shy yet hopeful, added, "I didn't think this day would come, when I could sit with my family again. I'm happy now. I want to keep learning and helping.

The children, once broken by hardship, are now on paths of growth and discovery. Their testimonies reflect a deep sense of gratitude, not just for the chance to reunite with their families, but for the new life they are building. The parents, too, are regaining hope as they see their children thriving in ways they never imagined possible. For many of them, this journey isn't just a reunion—it is the start of a new chapter filled with possibilities.





**2 DOLARS WILL FEED A  
CHILD FOR ONE DAY**

**720 USD WILL TAKE A  
CHILD OFF THE STREET,  
GIVE HIM/HER SHELTER,  
EDUCATION, MEDICAL  
AND MEAL FOR ONE YEAR**

**FOOD DONATION WILL  
REDUCE THE COST OF  
OUR PROJECT AND  
ALLOW US TO SAME  
MORE CHILDREN FROM  
THE STREET.**

**PLEASE DONATE TO SUPPORT OUR CAUSE**

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