## P4P NETWORK **NEWSLETTER**



Welcome to the latest edition of the Partners for peace in the Niger Delta Newsletter!



Proud Member of P4P Peace Club

Dear cherished P4P network members. We are excited to present the most recent issue of our monthly newsletter, which will keep you informed of the most recent events and activities in our network. This is just one of the many ways we work to keep you informed and involved as we always have.

Our network has had a busy and exciting month as we work to fulfill our objectives and have a positive influence on the region of the Niger Delta. There is much to share with from initiatives you, new and partnerships to future events and projects.

We hope this newsletter encourages and motivates you and makes you feel even closer to our network.

#### P4P Illuminating Pathways for Women's Empowerment at U.N. Women South-South Gathering.

In a remarkable stride towards gender equality and women's empowerment, Partners for Peace (P4P) was proudly represented at the U.N. Women South-South zonal coordination meeting on the 19th and 20th of October, 2023. The prestigious Golden Tulip Hotels in GRA Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria, set the stage for this pivotal event, and our very own Prince Ebilade, the Program and Admin Officer, took the lead.

This gathering was nothing short of a resounding call for change. P4P's active participation aimed to strengthen and promote initiatives that empower women across the South-South States. It also offered an invaluable opportunity to identify and connect with key stakeholders who champion gender equality empowerment.

Advocating for women's rights and intervening in issues related to gender-based violence against women and children remained at the forefront of our mission.

At the heart of this gathering lay a shared vision—to illuminate the purpose and context of the quarterly zonal coordination mechanism for gender equality and women's empowerment. The focus was on mapping the coordination of platforms and mechanisms dedicated to advancing gender equality and women's empowerment.



P4P Prince Ebilade at the UN women event

Cross section of participants



#### Exploring New Horizons: Partnership Talks with Shell Petroleum Development Co.

A delegation of Partners for Peace Network P4P, led by the National Coordinator, High Chief Pius Akomolafe, engaged in a productive meeting with Shell Petroleum Development Co. representatives on October 25th, 2023.

The primary goal of this advocacy visit was to introduce our network and its mission while also exploring opportunities for partnership and funding to support our P4P initiatives. The encounter ignited a dynamic exchange of ideas, instilling a sense of optimism regarding the potential collaboration with Shell.

This represents a significant stride in our mission. It is our continuous support and active involvement that pave the way for these possibilities.



High Chief Akomolafe presenting P4P souvenirs to Shell Reps.



P4P Bar. Agatha Osieke with Female Shell Reps.



P4P Team and Shell team After an engaging discussion.

### Promoting Peace at Home: Successful Mediation in Imo State



P4P Imo Team with the beneficiaries of the mediation



**Mediation in progress** 

Partners for Peace Network, Imo State, is proud to share a heartening achievement. Our Mediation Team played a crucial role in resolving a challenging marital conflict between Mr. Andrew Eriri and Mrs. Kasarachi Eriri.

This dispute, fueled by accusations on both sides, revolved around issues of family support and fulfilling matrimonial responsibilities. The Mediation Session took place on Friday, 29th September 2023, at the Mediation Center in Owerri.

Through skilled mediation, our team facilitated constructive dialogue, bridging the divide and nurturing understanding. The resolution of this conflict underscores our commitment to promoting harmony at home, a cornerstone of community peace.

We salute the dedicated members of our Mediation Team and look forward to more successful endeavors in our ongoing pursuit of peace and unity.



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#### **EMPOWERING TOMORROW'S LEADERS: P4P PEACE CLUBS IN NINE NIGER DELTA STATES**

We are thrilled to share a significant achievement by Partners for Peace Network (P4P)! In September and October, we successfully established Peace Clubs in three secondary schools across each of the nine Niger Delta states in addition to the existing ones.

This initiative not only spreads the message of peace but also paves the way for nurturing future peacemakers. To ensure the success of these clubs, we also conducted training sessions for two teachers from each school, equipping them with the knowledge from our generic manual for the club.

With this achievement, P4P is taking a proactive step in building a more peaceful and harmonious future for the Niger Delta region. We extend our gratitude to all involved and look forward to the positive impact these Peace Clubs will have in our communities.



Inauguration in a school in Abia State



**Imo State Peace Club Inauguration** 



Training of club facilitators in AKS



Membership drive in a school in Rivers St.



In a school in Bayelsa



Inauguration in a school in Ondo



Inauguration in a school in Edo



Membership drive in a school in Edo



Membership drive in a school in Ondo



#### **WORLD PEACE DAY 2023: P4P STATE CHAPTERS UNITE FOR PEACE**

On September 21, 2023, our state chapters came together to commemorate World Peace Day in remarkable ways.

**Akwa Ibom State (AKS)**: Our Akwa Ibom chapter organized a peacebuilding workshop for students and teachers at the Ikot Okubo-Uyo Community Secondary Commercial School. The focus was on nurturing peace at the grassroots, among the youth and educators.9.5



Peacebuilding workshop in AKS on WPD

Bayelsa State: The Partners for Peace in Bayelsa, in collaboration with the Rotary Club Yenagoa and the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding, held a peace awareness seminar in Etegwe Community. Keynote speakers shared insights on peace, emphasizing its importance in our communities.



Bayelsa P4P on WPD

**Imo State:** Working closely with the Nigeria Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC), our Imo State chapter marked the day with a talk on Peace Building, delivered by the state coordinator. This collaboration underscores the importance of joint efforts in fostering peace.



P4P Imo State on WPD





P4P Team with students in a school in AKS

Abia State: Our Abia State network joined a global gathering at The Banquet Hall, Umuahia North LGA, to mark the 2023 World Peace Day. The event featured conflict management training, an overview of P4P's work in the state, and the investiture of two traditional rulers as ambassadors for peace.



Abia P4P in action on WPD

Cross River State: Our Cross River chapter led a peace walk, raising awareness and fostering unity. Following the walk, a Peace Conference/Stakeholders Engagement brought together various peace stakeholders, including the Peace Corps, NSCDC, Nigerian Hunter and Forest Security Service, NDLEA. The discussions focused on taking collective action for sustainable peace in the Niger Delta and Nigeria, with the presentation of the "Innovation Peace Initiative Award" to recognize outstanding peace contributors.

These initiatives highlight the unwavering commitment of our state chapters to peacebuilding and the transformative impact of collective efforts. We thank all who participated and look forward to continued peace endeavors in our communities.



**Cross-section of participant in Cross River State** 



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