

BRIGHT FUTURE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER

BABOGAYA

Body, Mind and Spirit
Education for Integral Human development



"I have come that they may have life, Life in its fullness" (Jn. 10:10)

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WELCOME TO BFYDC BABOGAYA



The coordinator of the center: Samson Moges

A word from the coordinator: “three years on, what’s the score? Well, I can say with beaming faces that we are on the right track for in two years we have achieved more than we had anticipated as regards the objectives of BFYDC.85% of all the programs have been running above our expectations. I can already see lives being transformed for the better. For example, with our intervention in our catchment area of old and new Babogaya and Kebele 04 and 09/15, at least 8 families have got decent houses; 10 families receive monthly food and school fees and more than 162 children every year have got free summer English supplementary classes and participate in different sport activities. The fight against ignorance, poverty and ill-health has been at the forefront of our activities and we are proud to see that results are already filtering in, however

slow. We hope and pray that this trend continues. What's the score? Ask the youths of BFYDC, the 8 families who have got decent houses and the 10 families who receive monthly food and school fees.

WHAT IS BFYDC ALL ABOUT?

Our philosophy: In response to the critical situation of young people in and around Babogaya area, the philosophy of BFYDC is rooted in the conviction that the innovative and ground-breaking power of holistic education enables the young to be agents of social transformation and instruments of their own destiny and that of society as a whole. BFYDC is about the empowerment of the young people through EDUCATION.

The Overall Objective: BFYDC aims at providing a friendly and secure environment where Babogaya's young people, especially those from poor households, can acquire space and opportunity to grow and develop integrally into the desired responsible citizens. The main objective of BFYDC is to support, strengthen and enable disadvantaged young people to transform their life situations by effectively eradicating ignorance, poverty and ill-health. BFYDC engages this empowerment program through education.

Situated in an environment that is characterized by poverty, it is the objective of BFYDC to instill in the young people the conviction that good education, determination and fellowship can turn things round and change their life conditions for the better. Tackling gender disparity is also at the forefront. We provide girls/young women who are abandoned, exploited and lack opportunities to improve their life situations through formal and informal education or through various economic alternatives like self-employment.



Activities which we would like to have in BFYDC

- A library and reading rooms to facilitate education among the young people.
- Tutorials to complement English and Maths.
- A computer laboratory to equip the youth with IT skills.
- Integral Human development courses, spiritual talks, seminars, workshops.
- Health and hygiene programs- HIV/AIDS AWARENESS programs.
- Counseling sessions for those in need, career guidance.
- Recreational activities (music, dance, drama, videos, fine art)
- In-door and out-door sports (football, volleyball, table tennis, puzzles, etc)
- Training in small-scale business enterprises (making spices and pastry, sewing, embroidery hair dressing, etc)

The activities of the last three years in BFYDC

Summer tutorials in the English language has been important since being more fluent in English, is a key towards advancement in other subjects as well and finding employment



RECREATION BEYOND LEISURE!

BFYDC offers various recreational activities to the young people. It is important to note here that recreational activities play a very significant, although sometimes an unseen role in the combat against HIV/AIDS. Young people find in BFYDC productive and “safe” recreational alternatives, a practical solution to the hazards of redundancy, delinquency and especially HIV/AIDS among the young people.



“BFYDC is very good for us. Here we play as friends without fear and shortage of balls. When I come here for recreation my family is not worried about my whereabouts. I love BFYDC.”

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The outreach program targets girls, young women and single mothers, especially school drop-outs, and young single mothers with the aim of helping them to fashion a better future for themselves and their families. The program supports girls' education from primary to college and also supports those out of school by availing opportunities for self-reliance through various economic activities, workshops and informal training. In year 2010 eight families received decent houses with kitchens and toilet facilities, and ten families receive monthly food and school fees.



GOD IN OUR MIDST: *"THIS IS WHAT GOD REQUIRES OF YOU: DO WHAT IS JUST, LOVE WHAT IS GOOD AND WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD"* Micah 6:8

How Can I Help?

Volunteers

Volunteers are always welcome particularly over the summer period. All skills can be used e.g. counseling, IT, English language, and sports.

Donations

Any items that can help are welcome. Items that we particularly need include: books, sports equipment (footballs, volley balls, table tennis balls, football kit) clothes (all ages), jigsaw puzzles, pens/papers, etc.

Welcome and Thank you

BFYDC would like to welcome the many organizations, individuals and volunteers who would like to be friends and sponsors. Thank you very much in advance for your interest to be friends and sponsors of BFYDC BABOGAYA!

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