



### *Announcement*

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## Gaining Inspiration from Alumni



“The scholarship amount per trainee is \$1200. We appeal to all good-willed people and philanthropists to support this cause. Thank you for your contribution”

Upon his return from Kanthari in December 2023, where he completed an intensive training in social change leadership, Ndabuchiseh’s founder and CEO, Dr. Emmanuel Fuhbang, immediately embarked on visiting some of the alumni of Kanthari in Cameroon. Kanthari in Trivandrum, Kerala, South of India, offers a 12-month leadership program for visionaries who have overcome adversity and who are keen to drive ethical social change. Kanthari equips participants with the tools that are required to start and run an NGO, organization, or social venture: project planning, accounting, fundraising, developing policies, curriculum development, a venture profile, public speaking, branding, etc. Seven months of this scholarship program are residential at the Kanthari campus in India, from June to December.

Concerning the Kanthari alumni’s visit, Emmanuel visited Cluade, the founder of CADA; Nduku, the founder of XHUMA Africa; and Joshua, the founder of Peacecrop. It was a thrilling moment for all of them as they shared their stories about how they started when they returned from Kanthari. “I was so impressed with their progress, their energy, and their passion,” said the founder of Ndabuchiseh.

## Our upcoming nine-month residential youth peacebuilder training

For seven years, there has been a civil war in the English-speaking part of Cameroon. Youth vulnerability and involvement in this armed violence are leading to deaths, trauma, displacements, destruction of property, and horrendous abuses of human rights. We are currently selecting the pilot intake of IDPs (youth) between the ages of 18 and 30 from the North West and South West Regions to be trained in peacebuilding skills and one of the following self-employed skills: renewable energy technology, organic farming, and community nursing, on scholarship. The training will take place at the Ndabuchiseh training center in Bertoua. The scholarship will cover accommodation, food, and tuition for the nine months of intensive residential training.

## Ndabuchiseh, a beacon of hope for youth peacebuilding in Cameroon



It is unfortunate that most youth in Cameroon have often been 'othered' in the discourse on conflict and peace, especially in high-level peace processes, by politicians, who themselves are beholden to a wide range of constituents and interests, which has not been a recipe for durable peace. Youths are often seen as potentially dangerous 'subjects', the main perpetrators of criminal and political violence. They easily waver between the two extremes of being seen as either children or demons. That is to say, on the one hand, youths are viewed as vulnerable, powerless, and easily manipulated, radicalized, and instrumentalized. On the other hand, they are feared and blamed as dangerous, violent, apathetic, and threats to security. Ndabuchiseh believes that this youth in Cameroon have a critical and urgent role to play in peacebuilding and the transformation of the violent conflicts plaguing Cameroon.

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Thank you!

One of Ndabuchiseh's main objectives is to conceptualize, study, and empower youth as agents of positive peace. So that they can address not only the challenges of physical violence but also the challenges of structural and cultural violence and broader social change processes.

However, the enablement of youths as active agents in peacebuilding cannot be considered without considering the challenges they tend to face due to the armed conflict, such as the loss of education, a lack of employable skills, peer pressure, and the destruction of a stable family environment.

Therefore, it is important to provide youth with training opportunities to take an active part in peacebuilding. With their youthful energy, capabilities, and ability to adapt to new technological trends, for example, youths could act as peace educators, mediators, community mobilizers, humanitarian workers, and peace brokers. Consequently, Ndabuchiseh is engaging youth in the violent English-speaking regions of Cameroon in peacebuilding through training.

