

Tuition-Free Liberian School Cries for Students' Feeding Help

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Our Dearest Partners and Friends in Christ,

Administrative Body of Christian High School, situated on 16th Street, Sinkor, Monrovia, is appealing to the Christian Community globally to financially rescue the school on the resumption of its free-daily-students' feeding program. The school was established in 2000.

"We introduced a free feeding program in the school three years ago, based on our observation of majority of the students being orphans and self-supported," the School's Founder, Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Zarwulogbo Liberty, Sr., told this writer during an interview at his 16th Street office. The Founder of the Church of the Believers (COB) and the Africa International Christian Mission, Rev. Liberty had lived over fifteen years in the United States of America, where he advanced in his evangelical works and was involved in humanitarian works—provisions of foods and wears for financially disadvantaged Americans and citizens of other countries.

The students' category begins from Nursery and ends at 12th grade.

"When we started the free feeding program, some Liberian and our foreign partners sponsored this project. Administration was spending \$2.50 for each student per week and \$10.00 monthly per student feeding on campus. But all the donors paused their financial support when the Coronavirus, popularly called Covid-19, descended on Liberia. The pull-out of the supporters resulted in an abrupt halt of the feeding program. However, the School's administrative body is anxious to resume the program, because majority of the students are orphans and needy students," Dr. Liberty explained further.

He attributes the students' hunger, on the school campus, on "the eighty-five percent unemployment rate in Liberia, nowadays," Dr. Liberty asserted.

Concluding on resumption of the students' feeding program, the Clergyman declared in a plaintive tone: "Please help our students."

On the tuition-free component of the Christian High School, Founder and Clergyman, (Rev.) Liberty lamented on majority of students' recurrent failure on meeting the School's requirements—caused by the poverty being experienced by the parents.

"For the Junior High and Senior High divisions, the requirements are School's Handbook, Physical Education's T-shirt, and Student's ID card etc. The total cost of the requirements and registration is \$125.00 for the whole year," Rev. Liberty explained.

"Registration and school's requirements for the entire years is \$135.00 for students in the Nursery and Junior High category. Those from the 10th-12th grades are required to pay \$150.00 per student for registration and school's requirements for the entire academic year," the Vice Principal for Administration, Boima Kiawen disclosed.

Lamenting on the continuous indebtedness of many students on school fees, Dr. Liberty added, "Because of students' failures on payment of their registration fees, administration and teachers were not paid in December 2022."

In responding to my inquiry on the total cost of the school's monthly payroll, Dr. Liberty said, "the payroll is \$2,650.00."

Items for Prayer

1. Pray for Mother Esther B. Liberty for a successful right-eye surgery rescheduled on February 14, 2023, praying for the balance medical bill of \$500.00.
2. Pray for the Free Feeding Program at the Christian High School. To support a child in this program is \$0.50 per day, \$2.50 per week and \$10.00 monthly.
3. Pray for the 425 Students at Christian High School. Most of these students are orphans and needy students.
4. Pray that God will touch our partners and the Christian community for each student to be support yearly. The cost is between \$125.00 - \$150.00.
5. That the school payroll of \$2,650.00 be raised monthly.

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