

**EBOLA VIRUS UPDATE FROM LIBERIA
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Current State of Affairs in Liberia

Ebola has now killed more than 2,600 people across West Africa, and approximately half the deaths have occurred in Liberia. Hospitals are overwhelmed, and the lack of treatment centers in the country is contributing to the unchecked spread of the virus. According to the World Health Organization, Liberia faces an "exponential" increase in Ebola cases in the coming months.

The current state of affairs regarding the Ebola situation in Liberia since four months has shown no improvement. International Community continues to provide medical personnel and other health facilities to help fight the deadly disease. Many Ebola centers have been established in Monrovia and gradually MSF will move out in the rural areas to establish more centers for Ebola patients. The disease continues to spread throughout the entire country and Ebola death cases remain on a high level.



A man is weak to walk after being diagnosed of the Ebola Virus in Liberia just three days ago.



A man being carried in the wheelbarrow by Ebola Task Force Team in Monrovia two days ago.

As we continue to battle with the disease, the Ministry of Youth and Sports has recently called on all youth groups to begin taking responsibility in the fight of the Ebola virus. Many of the Youth Groups have given themselves series of name. E.g. Concerned Youth for Development, Liberian Youth for Voluntarism, Environmental Youth for Ebola Battle, Christian Youth for Charity, Self-Help Organization for Youth Development, etc Barnersville Community where the Marist Community is located has its own Youth Group who called themselves “Concerned Youth for Development. These are the young people we are working with to KICK OUT the disease in Liberia.

See below photos showing some of their recent activities after an invitation from the Ministry of Youth & Sports.

**BARNERSVILLE CONCERNED YOUTH FOR DEVELOPMENT (B.C.Y.D)
1ST MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 2014**

At the Marist Brothers' Community in Monrovia



Concerned Youth Executives in consultation before the general meeting to be held at the Marist Community.



Members of the Concerned Youth gathered for their first meeting to begin awareness process in the Community.



Concerned Youth Executives, after a general meeting discussing process of awareness implementation plan.



Br. Anthony, demonstrating washing of hands after a meeting held with the Barnersville Concerned Youth.

**CONCERNED YOUTH ON THE FIELD TO CLEAN UP
BARNERSVILLE COMMUNITY
ACTIVITY TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 2014**



Barnersville Community Concerned Youth's MOTTO
"Ebola is REAL, Let's protect ourselves".



Br. Anthony first left mobilizing young people after an invitation from the Ministry of Youth and Sports.



Br. Anthony, second left standing with the Concerned Youth of Barnersville to begin cleaning up activities.



Young people of Barnersville cleaning the environment to safe lives of the community members.