

## ACF Gen2 – “Backward Never-Forward Ever”

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Dear ACF-Los Angeles Executive Board,

The leaders of ACF Gen2 recently gathered to develop the strategy for 2019. The purpose of this letter is to share our strategy with you and seek your support to implement the strategy in key areas.

ACF Gen2 consists of adults 18 and older who expand the vision of African Christian Fellowship by catering to the next generation; the second generation of African Christian Fellowship. We currently meet as a small group every other Thursday. Our vision is to love God by loving each other and to serve God by serving locally.

In 2018 we focused on developing bonds of fellowship with each other and serving the Los Angeles County community through monthly volunteer efforts.

In 2019 will aim to expand on both sides of the LoveGod/ServeOthers coin in a way that directly impacts all three levels of ACF; Gen1, Gen2, and Gen3. Below is a synopsis of our vision for 2019.

### Demographics of ACF Gen1

- Age 45+; Baby Boomers and the Silent Generation

### Demographics of ACF Gen2

- Age 25+; working adults; Millennials/GenY
- Age 18-25; students completing undergrad or grad school

### Demographics of ACF Gen3

- Age 10-18; students in Middle School through High School; iGen/GenZ

## Volunteer Internally within ACF

- Purpose: Have a consistent internal platform to affect change with ACF Gen3
  - Why – Gen3 needs reason to attend ACF, stay committed, inspired by fellow Africans
  - Why – 10 year olds are at a critical developmental stage
  - Why – Gen2 needs a method to be connected to ACF as an organization
  - Who – African children (members/nonmembers of ACF) 10-18yrs old
  - What – Meetings will focus on:
    - Godly devotion (small group studies geared for their age)
    - College Track (resources, coaching, college trips, scholarship prep)
    - Igbo/Yoruba/African language and African cultural education and arts
  - When – concurrent with ACF-LA meetings; Sundays 3-5pm
- Method
  - Parents drop children at the home of ACF Gen2 host, Foluke Olayele Jeboda
    - Drop off/Pick up time between 3-5pm
  - Gen2 members to pick up remaining kids from ACF-LA meeting location
  - Gen3 meetings will be conducted by a handful of Gen2 members passionate about preparing the next generation for success
  - Light snacks and drinks will be provided

## Volunteer Externally with ACF Gen1 and Gen3

- Purpose
  - Include Gen1 and Gen3 in local volunteering as we did in 2018
  - Have a consistent external platform to affect change in our local community
- Method
  - Select organizations that allow children as young as 10 to volunteer alongside adults
  - Schedule in advance for every other month
  - Communicate local volunteer calendar with ACF community
    - Gen1 as well as Gen3 will receive communication in advance of volunteer efforts to maximize our impact on the local community
    - Gen3 earn community service credits to place on their college resumes

## Networking

- Purpose
  - Understand the education, skills, professional accomplishments of Gen1/Gen2
  - Use internal ACF and external networks for Gen2 students to get jobs
  - Use network for Gen 3 to identify education and career paths available
  - Develop Gen1 mentors for Gen2
  - Develop Gen2 mentors for Gen3
    - Why – Care, sincerely care, about the younger person without ulterior motives
    - Why – Be involved in their lives, call them, and slowly develop relationship
- Method:
  - Gather information on Gen1 from ACF-LA and ACF-Southern California chapters
    - Field of education, universities in the US and Africa, industry, professional associations
    - Create forum where Gen1 can connect Gen2 to larger ACF community of professionals
  - Look for organizations for Gen2 to network with outside of ACF
    - Identify organizations by industry, nationality, gender, etc.
    - Match external network organizations and events with applicable members

We hope you sense our excitement for 2019.

We are moving. Backward NEVER. Forward EVER!!!

Sincerely,

ACF Gen2