



**Bright Light Projects
Cameroon (BLPC)**

Graduation Ceremony

Class of December 2023

**DECEMBER 06, 2023 – BUEA
DECEMBER 16, 2023 - BAMENDA**





BLP CORPORATE OVERVIEW



Bright Lights Projects (BLP) is a 501© (3) Public Charity Non-Profit Organization. One of the cornerstones of BLP's success is its ability to build strategic partnerships with organizations championing specific humanitarian needs for example, the concert for Ebola Relief in Maryland in 2014 which benefited Doctors without Borders, and International Medical Corps. BLP has operations in Sierra Leone, Cameroon, Nigeria, and Guinea Conakry. In 2021, BLP was granted Special Consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Vision



Implementing sustainable community-based projects through strategic partnerships in urban and rural communities in sub-Saharan Africa and the United States of America

Mission



Promote and support Bright Light Projects beneficiaries to become self-reliant and contribute positively to the development of their communities.

Mission



Rebuilding Broken Communities



Core Advocacy Areas:

BLP has a simplistic approach to support and conduct non-partisan initiatives in rebuilding broken communities in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the domain of:

- **Skills Development (Vocational & Livelihood Support)**
 - **Gender equality and Social Inclusion**
 - **Human Rights (Disabilities, Women, Children & Youth)**
 - **Refugee & Internally Displaced Persons Support (IDPs)**
 - **Community Development & Sustainable Agriculture**
 - **Prison Inmate Reintegration**
 - **Education (Formal & Informal)**
 - **STEM Education**
 - **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) & Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)**
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Bright Light Projects Methodology

BLP Methodology is built on the simple premise of direct support and contact with our beneficiaries, with constant evaluation and monitoring, capacity Building with sustainability as the end product



**All graduating students are part of
BLP's flagship program called Girls
Shall Rise (GSR)**



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**Bright Light Projects
Cameron (BLPC)**

BLP Class of December 2023 Graduating Students

**From Cameroon Opportunities
Industrialization Centre –
(OIC) Buea**

- 1. Ngale Elizabeth**
- 2. Mildred Awangyia**
- 3. Mbia Emilienne**
- 4. Josephine Mbong Chienku**
- 5. Mebonde Asend Henrietta**
- 6. Fike Christina Mojoko**
- 7. Nelly Ophilia Eromba Ndoh**



From Royalty World (Mile 16 Bolifamba – Buea)

- 1. Yongbang Veronica**
- 2. Andoh Ruth Abajong**
- 3. Njah Olivia Ngwaka**
- 4. Mformi Velma**
- 5. Faithfulness Ngie**
- 6. Puma Bera**
- 7. Anya Tokam Cynthia**
- 8. Njong Sophia Engwari**



**Bright Light Projects
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From Bendi Designing Home (Cow Street Nkwen – Bamenda)

- 1. Leku Miranda**
- 2. Anette Ndzesinyuy**
- 3. Caroline Vuwesi**
- 4. Fonka Rianatou**
- 5. Emanga Glory**



Graduating from OIC Buea:

NGALA ELIZABETH

**Department: Hotel Catering
and Management**



Elizabeth hails from Bwitiva, Buea sub-Division, Fako Division, the South west region of Cameroon. Born on the 2/4/2002. She is presently living with her parents in Bwitiva village in Buea sub division. She is a holder of First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she stayed at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the fact that the parents are dependent on agriculture for survival which was also hampered by the armed conflict and the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/ knowledge in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

MILDRED AWAIGYIA

**Department: Hotel Catering
and Management**



Mildred hails from Bwassa village, Buea sub-Division, Fako Division, South west region of Cameroon.

Born on the 14/10/1998. She is presently living with her parents in Bwitiva village in Buea sub division. She is a holder of an Advanced Level certificate.

After her Advanced Level certificate, she was forced to stay at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycotts.

With very little to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the fact that the parents are dependent on agriculture for survival which was also hampered by the armed conflict and the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire knowledge and skills in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

MBIA EMILIENNE

Department: Hotel Catering and Management

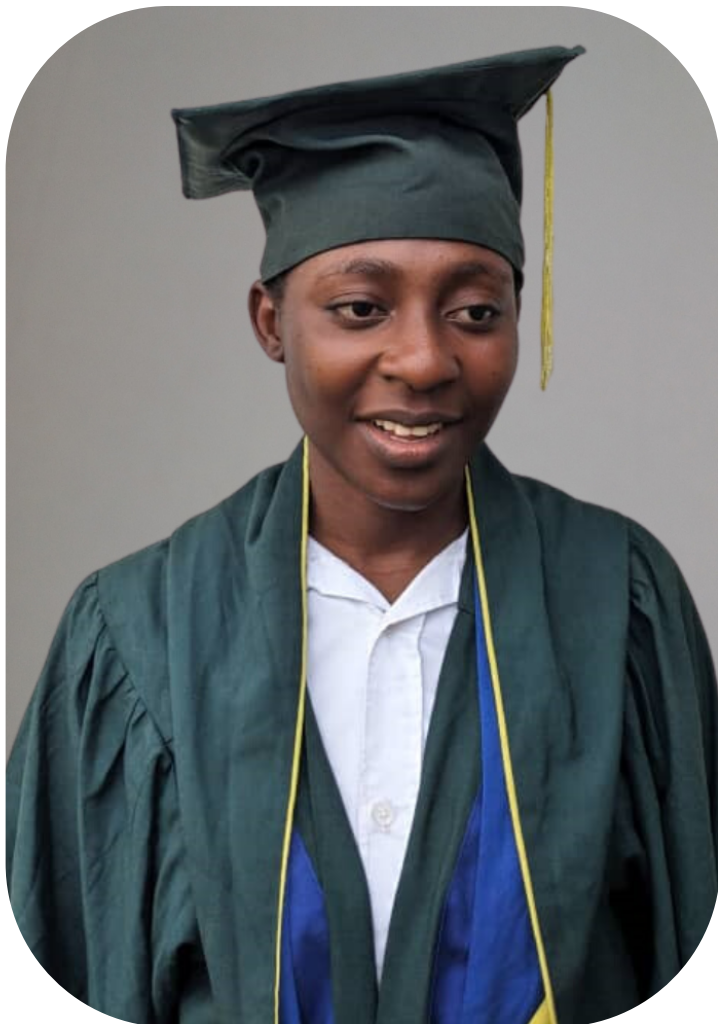


Emilienne is from Ekondo Titi village, Ekondo Titi sub-Division, Ndian Division, South west region of Cameroon. Born on the 06/06/1996. She is presently living with her mother in Bunduma village in Buea sub-division. She is a holder of Advanced Level certificate. After her Advanced Level certificate, she could not continue her studies due to lack of finances and as such was assisting her mother in selling food. With the outbreak of the armed conflict which led to school boycott, the business collapsed making life very difficult for them. With very minimal to survive due to the armed conflict coupled with the fact that the father who was a civil servant abandoned them after his retirement and couple with the covid-19 pandemic which led to a total shutdown of activities in the country, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/ knowledge in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

JOSEPHINE MBONG CHIENKU **Department: Hotel Catering and Management**



Josephine hails from Koshin village, Aba sub-Division, Menchum Division, North West Region of Cameroon. Born on the 17/08/2005. She is presently living with her parents in Bokwango village in Buea sub division. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she was forced to stay at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis coupled with the fact that the parents are dependent on agriculture and as such can survive aggravated by the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/ knowledge in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

FIKE CHRISTINA MOJOKO

Department: Hotel Catering and Management



Henrietta hails from Ejagam village, Mamfe sub-Division, Manyu Division, South West Region of Cameroon. Born on the 12/05/1999. She is presently leaving with her parents in Muyuka village in Muyuka sub division. She is a holder of First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she stayed at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and couple with the fact that the parents who are dependent on agriculture and basically trying to survive aggravated by the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/knowledge in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

MEBONDE ASENS HENRIETTA

**Department: Welding and
Metal Fabrication**



Christina is from Bwassa village, Buea sub-Division, Fako Division, South west region of Cameroon. Born on the 12/10/1993. She is presently living with her grandmother in Bwassa village in Buea sub division. She is a holder of Advanced Level certificate. After her Advanced Level certificate, she stayed at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and the fact that her parents are of late, her grandmother is even dependent on her for survival, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/ knowledge in Welding and Metal Fabrication.



Graduating from OIC Buea:

NELLY OPHILIA EROMBA NDOH

**Department: Hotel Catering
and Management**



Nelly is from Bekora village, Ekondo Titi sub-Division, Ndian Division, Southwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 1/8/2003. She is presently leaving street two in Buea sub division. She is a holder of an Advanced Level certificate. After her Advanced Level certificate, she had to stay at home due to lack of finances to continues her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and couple with the fact that the parents are deceased. Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of OIC Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills/ knowledge in Hotel Catering and Management.



Graduating from ROYALTY WORLD Mile 16 Bolifamba - Buea

YONGBANG VERONICA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Veronica hails from Njinikom community, Njinikom sub-Division, Boyo Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 4/5/2003. She is presently living with her junior sister, under the care of her brother mile 16, Buea sub division. She is a holder of First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she was forced to leave her village in Njinikom and relocate to Buea as a result of the armed conflict in the northwest and southwest regions of Cameroon, where she was forced to stay at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies aggravated by the school boycott. With very little to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the fact that her parents are of late and the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bag, shoes, pad and dress making)



Graduating from ROYALTY WORLD Mile 16 Bolifamba - Buea

ANDOH RUTH ABAJONG

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Ruth hails from Bamigie village, Ngie sub-Division, Nguketunge Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 29/8/2005. She is presently living with her father (who is dependent on farming for a living) in mile 16, Buea sub division. She is a holder of First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she was forced to stay at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very little to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bags, shoes, pads, and dress making)



NJAH OLIVIA NGWAKA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Olivia hails from Mbua village, Nguti sub-Division, Kupe-maneguba Division, Southwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 3/12/2004. She is presently living with her uncle (who is a builder) in mile 16, Buea sub division. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate in Mbua village, she was forced to relocate to Buea due to the armed conflict in the northwest and southwest region of Cameroon. In Buea, she was forced to stay at home due to lack of finances to continue her studies and also the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the COVID-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bags, shoes, pads, and dress making)



MFOMI VELMA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Velma hails from Nkot village, Nwa sub-Division, Ndonga-Mantung Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 07 of July 2002, she was displaced from Nkot village to Buea. She is presently leaving with her 2-year-old daughter (with very little to survive) at mile 16, Buea sub division. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she was forced to stay at home due to a lack of finances to continue her studies and was later forced to relocate to Buea due to the armed conflict which led to school boycott. With very minimal to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the covid-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bag, shoes, pads, and dress making) Her daughter was also placed at the Royalty World daycare by BLP to enable her to carry on the training successfully.



FAITHFULNESS NGIE

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Faithfulness hails from Mbe village in Santa sub-Division, Mesam Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 8/6/2004, she was displaced from Mbe village to Buea. She is presently living with her mother (who is a farmer) at mile 16, Buea sub division. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate, she was forced to stay at home due to a lack of finances to continue her studies and was later forced to relocate to Buea due to the armed conflict which led to a school boycott. With very little to survive due to the crisis and coupled with the COVID-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bag, shoes, pad, and dress making)



Graduating from ROYALTY WORLD Mile 16 Bolifamba - Buea

PUMA BERA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



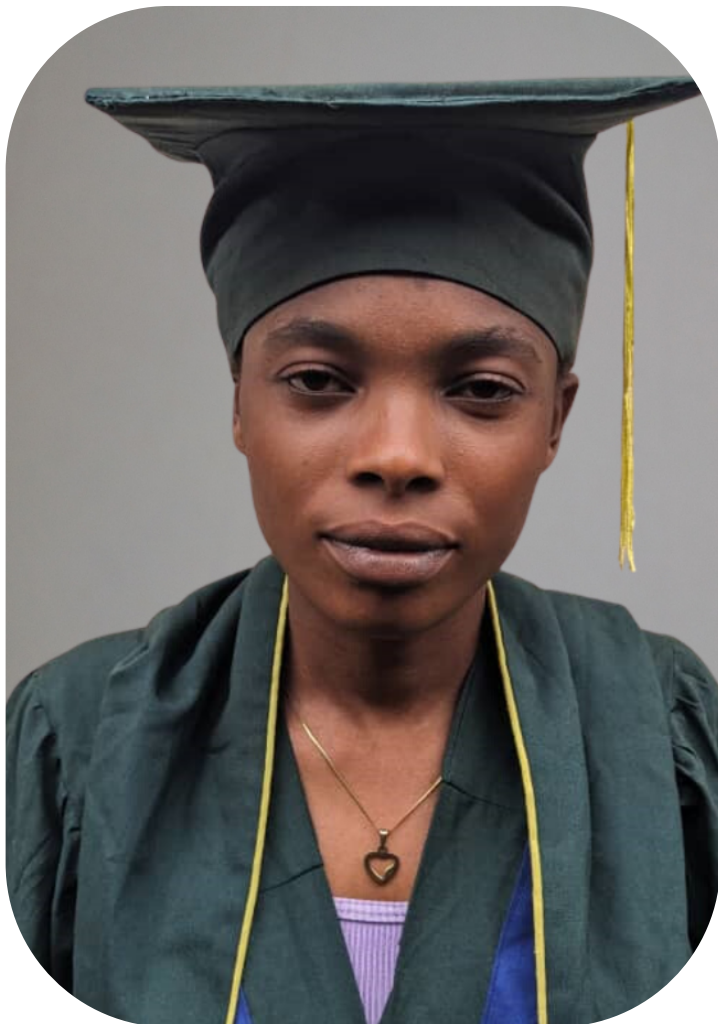
Bera hails from Bali Gashu village, Bali Kumbat sub-Division, Ngoketungia Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 23/11/1999. She is presently living with her two children in mile 16, Buea subdivision. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate in Bali Gashu village, she had no funds to continue her education. She was later forced to relocate to Buea due to the armed conflict in the northwest and southwest regions of Cameroon. In Buea, she had nothing to do due to a lack of skill training and so had to stay at home, especially with the school boycott. With basically no means of survival coupled with the COVID-19 pandemic, Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in TAILORING (Bag, shoes, pad, and dress making)



Graduating from ROYALTY WORLD Mile 16 Bolifamba - Buea

ANYA TOKAM CYNTHIA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)

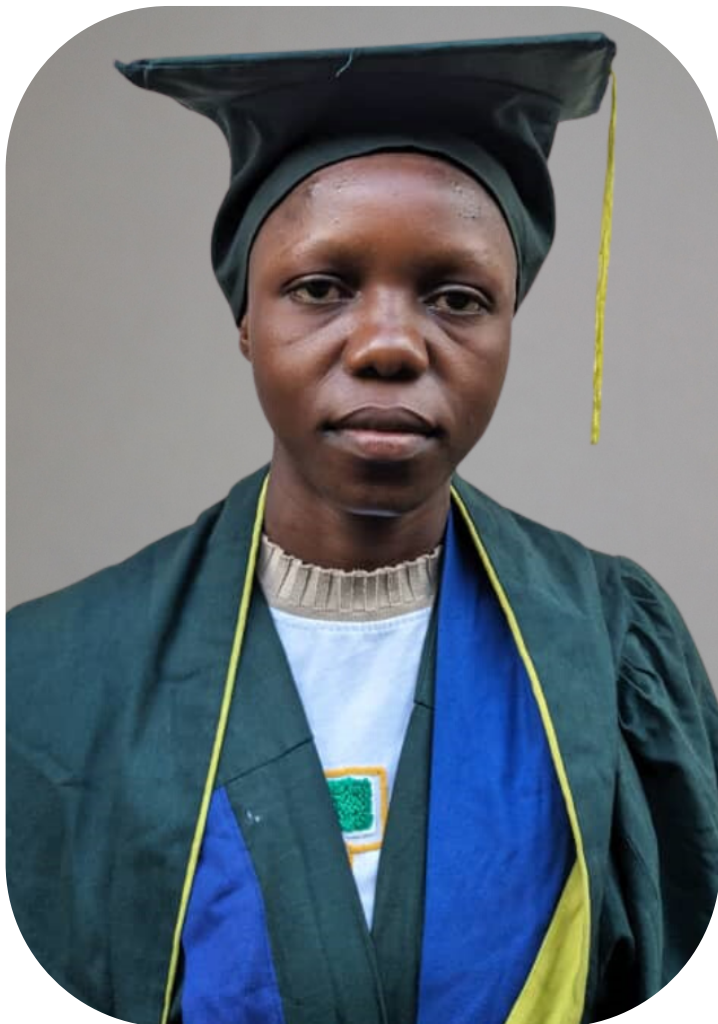


Cynthia is from Bajoun village, sub-Division, Division, West Region of Cameroon. Born on the 9/3/1999. She is presently living with her two-year-old son in mile 16, Buea subdivision. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate in Muea village, she was doing a petty business to raise funds and learn a trade. Due to the armed conflict in the northwest and southwest regions of Cameroon and the COVID-19 pandemic, she was forced to stay at home doing nothing. In Buea, she intended to learn a skill but due to a lack of finances to continue her sponsor herself and couple with the armed conflict led to school boycotts which was aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in Tailoring (Bags, shoes, pads, and dress making)



NJONG SOPHIA ENGWARI

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design- (Bags, shoes, Pads and Dress Making)



Sophia is from Meta village, Njigwa sub-Division, Momo Division, Northwest region of Cameroon. Born on the 12/7/2000. She is presently living with her mother in mile 16, Buea subdivision. She is a holder of a First School Leaving Certificate. After her First School Leaving Certificate in Tiko village, she relocated to Buea where she was hocking boiled groundnut. due to the armed conflict in the northwest and southwest region of Cameroon and the Covid-19 pandemic, she was forced to stay at home doing nothing. In Buea, she intended to learn a skill but due to a lack of finances to continue her sponsor herself and couple with the armed conflict led to school boycott which was aggravated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Bright Light Projects Cameroon placed her under the training and mentorship of Royalty World Cameroon where she has been able to acquire skills in Tailoring (Bag, shoes, pads, and dress making)



LEKU MIRANDA

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design with Traditional Embroidery



Miranda was born in Bambubuh village in Lebialem some 21 years ago. She ended school in primary 6 at GS Bitchoua. After primary school, the hope of secondary school was taken away by the school boycott called by the separatists of the current Anglophone crisis. Being susceptible to the non-State Arm Groups in terms of GBV she escaped to Bamenda town to meet her grandmother and they have been living at Ndamukong. The parents are both alive and in the South West but she does not know the particular location. She came across Bright Light Projects during one of the outdoor activities. She was shortlisted and after close examination and observation, she was taken as a beneficiary of Bright Light Project. She was placed on the charge of Mrs Yongabi Bernice the proprietor of Bende Designing Home. She has been at Bendi Fashion Home for the past 12 months. She has proven to be very serious and assiduous



ENANGA GLORY

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design with Traditional Embroidery



Glory was born on the 6th of September 1994 at Awing. At Awing, she was displaced from Buea where she was trying to make a living. She is a holder of Advanced level. She was constantly abused by the Military even though married. The husband, a bike rider, faced many challenges and his bike was seized by the Non-State Arm Group (Separatist). She had to relocate to Bamenda which at the time was better than her quarter in Buea. While in Bamenda, she got an almost abandoned house at Below Foncha for safety. Even though very vulnerable, she did not meet the criteria for selection into the Bright Light Projects GSR Program because of her age. Upon abandonment of the opportunity at Bende Designing Home by one of the beneficiaries, Enanga Glory then got a chance to replace the said beneficiary to learn tailoring and fashion designing. Being a mother of three and taking care of her home and siblings has been a great challenge to make her cope with learning a skill and family responsibility. Accessing the village and help has been very difficult for her and the family. However, she has been so appreciative of the opportunity given by Bright Light Projects Cameroon to learn a life-transforming skill.



CAROLINE VUWESI

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design with Traditional Embroidery



Caroline Vuwesi was born some 32 years ago. She hails from Babanki (Kijemkeko) which has been one of the villages seriously affected by the socio-political crisis. Married with 5 kids but her husband who joined the Non-State Arm Groups was killed leaving her a widow with numerous responsibilities. Highly vulnerable she was displaced from Babanki to Bamenda for safety. She had to travel through the bushes with the kids to be able to reach Bamenda. She also stayed with the kids in the bushes for some days. Faced with verbal abuse and stigma she is carrying the load of the family; it has been a difficult part of life for her and her kids. When she came into contact with Bright Light Projects staff, she was targeted as a highly vulnerable case and placed under Benda Designing Home for skill development in tailoring and fashion design. She has proven to be very serious but with the numerous health challenges left far from her training institution, she has not been very steady and regular. However, she is very reliable and committed in her training. It is the hope of Bright Light Projects that this skill will help her and the children to find meaning in life as well as economic sustainability.



Graduating From Bendi Designing Home - Bamenda

FONKA RIANATOU

Department: Tailoring and Fashion Design with Traditional Embroidery



She comes from Babessi in the Ngoketungia Division. Born on the 15th of August 1995, she schooled at GS Babessi and then later proceeded to GHS Kumbo where she abandoned school due to the crisis at Lower Sixth some 5 years ago. Both parents are alive and in the village at Babessi. While at Babessi she started doing some petit food business. She got a loan and bought the bike which was seized by the Non-State Arm Group and the boy who was riding the bike was killed by the military. She was taken to the camp of the non-state armed group and kept there for a week but was later released. the Non-State Arm Group forcefully used the road by their home and some informants indicated to the military. In a desperate search for the Non-State Arm Group the military carried out indiscriminate burning of houses and their home was burnt down. For fear of the unknown, she relocated to Bamenda where she started staying with her sister who later on relocated to another town. She had to survive by selling fruits to take care of herself, paying her rent in a one-room house, and also helping her siblings.

When she came into contact with Bright Light Projects, she was targeted but kept on standby because of a lack of funds. When another beneficiary abandoned training at Bende Designing Home, Rianatou got the chance to learn tailoring and fashion design. She has been very regular, serious, and duty-conscious. She has archived a lot within so short a time. Bright Light projects from monitoring reports and reports from the trainer indicate that she will be very successful if she gets assistance to open her own place or work with someone.



Graduating From Bendi Designing Home - Bamenda

ANETTE NDZESINYUY **Department: Tailoring and** **Fashion Design with Traditional** **Embroidery**



Anette was born at Kikaikom in Nso on the 28th of May 1996, after primary school at CS Kikaikom, she started learning a trade but the crisis brought everything to an end. She stopped school in 2016 and got engaged to a bike rider and they had 2 kids. She was physically tortured by the Non-State Arm group. For those who know Kikaikom has been one of the most hit areas by the crisis to date. She was on many occasions taken to their camp and physically molested. She had to seek refuge and went through the bushes from Kikaikom before finally reaching Bamenda where she started learning tailoring but for lack of money, she could not continue. With the husband, she traveled for more than 50 kilometers on foot through the bushes until she got to Jakiri where she and the family were assisted by someone on the bike to Ndop. She and her husband had to carry Six children along. To date, they are in Bamenda but cannot ascertain how they got to Bamenda. Life has been tough and she has been on a small fish business, working farms to care for the family. When she came in contact with Bright Light Projects Cameroon, she was shortlisted but there was no chance and funding to cater for her. The opportunity came when one of the beneficiaries abandoned training and she had to take over the training. She is currently finishing her training at Bendi Designing Home and stands a better chance of working with the empowerment center because of her proximity and availability.



THANK YOU BLP PARTNERS, DONORS, SUPPORTERS AND FRIENDS

Thank you for supporting our vision to promote our beneficiaries to become self-reliant and contribute positively to the development of their communities.



CONGRATULATIONS!

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