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Empowering The Next Generation
Through The Game Of Tennis



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66 *Sports in a pandemic era,
resilience and inclusivity*



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The work of the Hope Performance Tennis Foundation is an achievement chalked on the service and contribution of people and organizations who believe in our ability to bring Hope to young people and to inspire the next generation.

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Our thanks equally go to great individuals who have been captured in a different part of this report and to our Coaches and Volunteers who continue to support us in ways we cannot even imagine. We say AYEE-KOOOOO

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Hope performance Tennis Inc. as a foundation is committed to empowering young people in Ghana using the game of tennis as a tool for development in a manner that provides for the youth, a platform on which they would be able to combine both the game of tennis and academic excellence for their development that guarantees them a better future.

Organizations all over the world have been grappling with the challenges of continuous service and relevance since the COVID-19 Pandemic broke. We at the Hope Performance Tennis Foundation have been negatively impacted in ways we could not have imagined. This has led to not being able to bring to the young people our 2020 flagship program, it has prevented us from raising the required resources to finance our 2020 programs and projects.

Notwithstanding the challenges of present times, we have been able to come back strong and showed resilience when most needed. It is refreshing to point out that even amid the pandemic we have increased the reach of our program and brought about more innovation.

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Building on the success of previous programs I am happy to report that in the year 2021 we were able to take our initiative to five different locations in four regions of Ghana. We hosted our first program in Winneba after which we hit the road to Sogakope to introduce young people to tennis then hosted the first-ever wheelchair tennis clinic and distribution of equipment at Cape Coast before visiting the Great Okoro Tennis Club at the Eusbet Hotel in Sunyani to give young people there a chance at destiny changing opportunity then finally we stopped in Tamale at the NEDCO tennis club to bring an end to the situation where young talented kids from that region will decry their location as being the reason of not able to pursue their dreams.

I humbly report that the 2021 Hope Performance Tennis Regional Tennis Clinic and distribution of rackets is now in the books with huge accomplishment and I will like to use this opportune moment to register my appreciation on behalf of the President and Board of Directors of Hope Performance Tennis Inc. to all organizations and individuals who contributed in different ways to make this great program a success, we are truly confident that our mission of empowering kids through the game of tennis is a developmental agenda and each day we wake up we are emboldened by this mission and our impact to continue on this path.

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I wish you an interesting read of our work

Yours in Sports
Cedric Dzelu
Executive Director

Hope Performance Tennis Inc





OBJECTIVES OF THE HOPE PERFORMANCE TENNIS CLINIC AND DISTRIBUTION OF EQUIPMENT

- To introduce young people to the game of tennis for the very first time
- To save young people from economic and social challenges that impact negatively on their lives
- To inspire and motivate kids to believe in themselves and their abilities to succeed
- To help build the character of young people through sports values such as honesty, fairness, teamwork, etc.
- To promote an atmosphere of diversity in a safe space for kids to triumph
- Through constant interaction we create a culture of positive behaviours among the kids such as going to school, being punctual and time conscious and fair play
- Teach tactical tennis on which technical skills are developed.
- Distribute tennis equipment to young players to support their growth and development in the game.



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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT

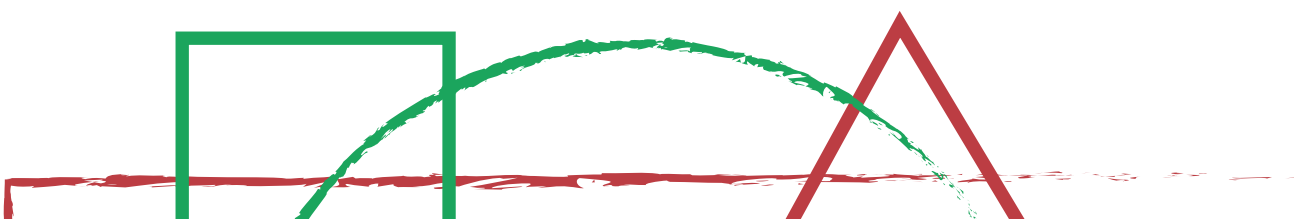
Enock Godi

Hope Performance Tennis Inc.

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As a nonprofit organization, our goal is to bring hope, encouragement, education and support to young children. Growing as a child on the street of Accra every day was a survival experience for me. I founded hope performance tennis Inc. To bring hope and support to these kids with needed equipment they will need to be able to stay focused and believe what they doing. It always brings joy and happiness to me when I see these young children have fun doing what they like.

2021 has been a wonderful and amazing year. Our 2021 fundraising event was amazing thanks to the wonderful members of the Atlanta athletic club for all of the love and support they show to the organization. I will like to use this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the child I sponsorship I want to say a big thanks to you all, can't stop thanking this year's fundraising team for the outstanding support and for taking time out of their precious time to help raise money for our 2021. My thanks also go to my team in Ghana for the wonderful job they're doing for the organization to support these kids in Ghana. With day and night hard work to make sure everything goes accordingly travelling across the country to make sure all kids benefit from the organization and its resources. We are looking forward to the greater years ahead of us.





MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR OF TENNIS AT THE ATLANTA ATHLETIC CLUB

Jeff Chandley
Director of Tennis
Atlanta Athletic Club



The membership and staff of the Atlanta Athletic Club continue to support the ongoing dedication to the goals of Hope Performance Tennis and its founder Enoch Godi. The leadership of HPT continues to remain focused on its objectives and beliefs in that the game of tennis can bring together youth from all social and economic backgrounds to promote fun through competition.

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The success of 2021, can rest on the shoulders of the HPT leadership, its dedicated volunteers, and the support from organizations like the Atlanta Athletic Club. The ability of the organization to adjust its planned programming to meet all the restrictions of the world, and still meet their goals in numbers of participation and donations were a feat in its self. Again, HPT dedication to seeing each event through no matter what obstacles they encounter highlights the strength of its leadership. The cornerstone of HPT is its Founding Partner, Enoch Godi, and his understanding of just doing something to give back to the youth of Ghana and show that they have a chance to become more than they ever dreamed. One person's belief in Enoch saved him from what so many of the youth of Ghana experience today. Through HPT, he wants to make that same impact on as many Ghana youth as he can.

The Atlanta Athletic Club will continue to provide avenues through fundraising, product donation, and prayer to see that HPT continues to meet its goals for 2022. We believe that what HPT is accomplishing in its efforts to bring all of Ghana's youth together transcends the game of tennis. The youth and leadership of Ghana will understand the importance of competition, but more importantly, the pride of one organization bringing the country together to foster love and cooperation through their efforts in this project.

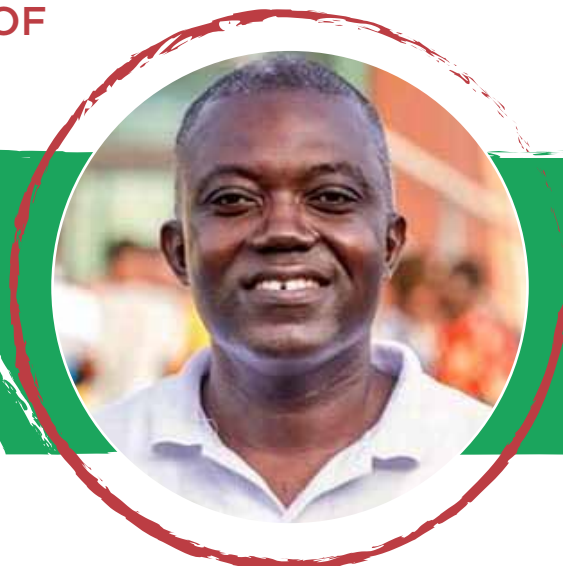
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I am proud that we can be a small part of the success of Hope Performance Tennis as it strives to make a difference in Ghana.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE GHANA TENNIS FEDERATION

Isaac Aboagye Duah
GTF President



The Ghana Tennis Federation has excellent relations with tennis foundations in Ghana, Hope Performance Tennis Foundation is one of the most active tennis foundations helping to promote tennis in Ghana. Notwithstanding the challenges posed by the foundation, they were able to demonstrate leadership and resilience by organizing the first-ever regional tennis tour in the country. Ghana Tennis is very grateful for this tremendous contribution, which has promoted the visibility of tennis across the country.

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It is through such activities that the Sports Writers Association of Ghana has identified tennis as one of the top 5 sports in the country in 2021. We are very grateful to the founder Enock Godi, the Executive Director Cedric Dzelu, Head of programs and project Giovanni and their entire team for making such a huge impact. I will like to end by challenging the foundation to go beyond the four regions to cover more grounds.



SOLIDARITY MESSAGE FROM DR. BANSAH STRONG SUPPORTER OF HOPE PERFORMANCE TENNIS

Dr. Cyril Bansah
Medical Doctor



Although I had fallen in love with the game of tennis at the age 15 from watching on TV, it was not until at age 25 that I would have the opportunity to play tennis on a regular basis. The time gap was only because I could not have access to a tennis court or racquet. But when I finally got the opportunity during medical school, I discovered so much more in the game beyond just an exercise. Tennis teaches you to: respect your opponent; be disciplined on court; display good etiquettes; play fairly; be honest in your judgements etc. Yes, the tennis court is a place to learn to be a gentleman or lady or even a good citizen if I may say. More importantly though for me, personally, is the fact that the tennis court represent a safe haven for me to deal with the stressors in my life whilst staying fit.

These for me highlight the significance of the scope of work being done by Hope Foundation in bringing tennis to kids who hitherto may never have the opportunity to experience it. Furthermore, by targeting young school children, I believe HF has made an excellent decision that will help bridge the gap between sports and education in Ghana. I have always believe in the synergism between sports and education. Both require an individual to have the same set of basic principles to succeed: hard work, discipline and ability. Therefore, It is about time our educational setup is reinvented to accommodate sports at all levels.

I wish I could have captured the joy and excitement on the faces of the kids and their teachers who were so grateful for the opportunity to be introduced to the game of tennis. For most of them, they had only ever seen it on televisions and never envisaged actually playing the game so soon. The encouraging response and commitment to the Performance Clinic by the leadership of the schools indicate their readiness to having the program incorporated into the schools' curriculum.

Of course we know that tennis can be "expensive" and hence the issue of sustainability of this project. But we all have a part to play in this project; every individual and cooperate institutions. HF is playing it's part by introducing the future generation to the beautiful game of tennis. It's my prayer that HF gets the needed support from cooperate organizations who have the capacity to make this project sustainable.



I will like to commend the leadership (Enoch Godi & Cedric Dzelu and the rest of the team) of Hope Foundation for this noble initiative and for the outstanding organization of the 2021 Performance Clinic in Sogakope.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



ENOCK GODI



CEDRIC DZELU



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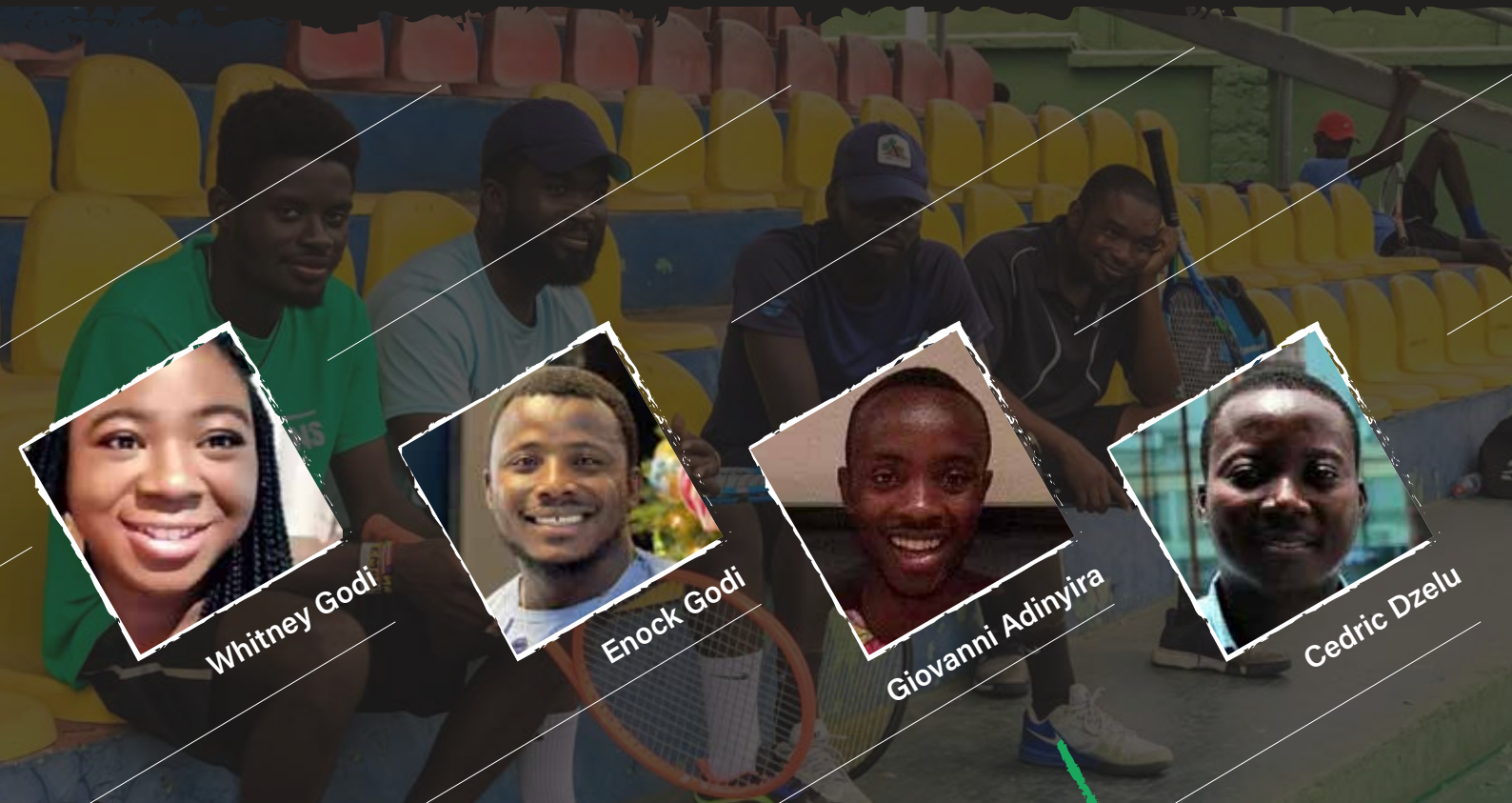
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PROFILE OF MANAGEMENT TEAM

Hope Performance Tennis is a Foundation working with a host of experts and seasoned professionals who are volunteering their talents and expertise to the work of the foundation ensuring that the foundation achieves its goals. Here are the profiles of those behind the day to day activities of the work of Foundation.



Whitney Godi

Enock Godi

Giovanni Adinyira

Cedric Dzelu



FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT

Enock Godi
Hope Performance Tennis Foundation



A once homeless Enock Godi who rose from the hustle and vulnerability of a young boy in the Capital of Ghana is our proud Founder and President. From age 11 Enock found hope and solace in hitting tennis balls and later became a ball boy as a means to make ends meet and to survive the hustle that has made other young boys victims of all kinds of social vices. He was always found on the tennis court practising and dreaming of a future in tennis.

Enock Godi, the founder and President of the Hope Tennis Foundation is a product of the ITF training centre in South Africa, where he received a scholarship to Mount San Jacinto College in California. He was part of the winning team in the Southern California Championship in the United States of America. Our Founder and President played for the Golden Racquet of Ghana in the Davis Cup in Tunisia in 2012.

After featuring for the National team he went into professional tennis coaching plus skill development aimed at discovering rising future stars and introducing the game of tennis to virgin areas in Ghana in an attempt to give back to the game in ways that eluded him when he was young at the game. He is currently a PTR Performance Professional and a certified USPTR 10U, 11 – 17 Professional at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Johns Creek, Georgia, USA.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Cedric Dzelu

Hope Performance Tennis Foundation



Appointed to provide the necessary leadership for the Hope Performance Tennis Foundation is a man whose twin love for tennis and helping those in need is unparalleled, even though Cedric Dzelu could not achieve his ambitions to become a World-class tennis player due to financial and environmental challenges, he undoubtedly sees tennis as a tool for development that can change the lives of many especially lifting many out of poverty.

With over 11+ years of experience, his expertise meets perfectly at the intersection of communication, marketing, finance, poetry, writing, climate change advocacy, community service and volunteering. He has distinguishably participated in many historical conferences around the world, taking up great responsibilities ranging from a conference speaker, Lead facilitator, writing conference report and poetic performances in countries such as the USA, Japan, United Kingdom, Singapore, Philippines, Thailand, Ethiopia, Rwanda, Kenya, Senegal, Ivory Coast and Ghana. Cedric Dzelu is currently the Climate Change Ambassador for the World YMCA, the oldest and largest NGO in the world into the business of empowering young people by providing young people with the space, platform and giving them the voice to enable them to transform themselves and their communities.

Cedric holds an MSc degree in Development Finance from the University of Ghana and a BSc in Marketing from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, (GIMPA).

ACCOUNTANT

Whitney Godi

Hope Performance Tennis Foundation



Whitney is a graduate of Emory University in Atlanta, GA. She is currently the controller of Stone Showcase Inc.

She handles and manages all the finance operations of the company which is operating out of 4 locations. Whitney also hosts a podcast "Thank You For You" where they gather people's stories of adversity to be broadcasted throughout the world to help others who are going through similar situations.

Along with helping her husband's vision of Hope Performance Tennis, Whitney also enjoys traveling to new places and eating foods from all over the globe.



HEAD OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECT

Giovanni Adinyira
Hope Performance Tennis Foundation

Giovanni Adinyira is the founder of Afrika Tennis, a social media-based tennis news outlet, an avid writer of short stories for children, and is the 'In-Country Representative' for Kingston Grammar School of England. He was the tournament organizer of the Dowunor Invitational Tennis Series.

He is a tennis enthusiast earning the name 30 love, but most importantly, his passion is for the development of junior tennis players both on and off the tennis court, he has organized various exhibition matches and has a knack for breaking projects down to detail for effective management and execution. We do not doubt that he is a great addition to our course.



PROFILE OF COACHES

The Foundation is proudly associated with several very seasoned Coaches who are equally committed to the development of tennis especially at the junior level. These Coaches are distinguished in their rights and bring years of worth of experience to raise the next generation of players and also to leverage the on and off the court benefits of tennis to empower young people.



**COACH
NOAH BAGERBASEH BUKARI**

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Coach Noah is a household name in Ghana Tennis and holds an enviable reputation in African Tennis and beyond. He has coached at all levels of the game reaching the feet of Former Davis cup captain for five (5) consecutive years. Coach Noah is a graduate of ITF level 2 and 3 in Valencia Spain and holds a Master of Philosophy of Sports from The University of Education Winneba.

He has coached in three tennis academies in Spain and is among other things the Director of national Tennis in Ghana, part-time lecturer in the PE department of the University of Education Winneba He has conducted level one and two tennis coaching courses on behalf of ITF raising a generation of Tennis Coaches who are now blazing the trail in their rights.

Right from this home Coach Noah has raised his children to become national champions and has produced many champions for the nation from being the first to put a racquet into the hands of many to grooming them to lift trophies and representing the flag of Ghana which earned him a special achievement award for being the best coach.

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It must be put on record without any ambiguity that Coach Noah transformed the game and life of our Founder and President Enock Godi when he gave him a scholarship to the winneba sports college, the centre that broke the dawn for Enock.

PROFILE OF COACHES



**COACH
ISMAILA LAMPTEY**

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Baboo as he is widely known is a tennis coach, a tournament organizer, an accountant by profession and loves to dance. He manages a sports shop as the sole distributor of Babolat products in Ghana and for the past nine years, he has successfully organized the Babolat Doubles Championship at Tema bringing together tennis players and lovers of the game from all corners of the country and her diaspora.

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Even though I like training kids with tennis lessons, Hope tennis clinic was one of its kind. My first time to have access to over 200 kids on a tennis court at ago was something I have never experienced in my tennis life, the kind of joy and excitement we put on the faces with the school kids during the Hope tennis clinic was indeed a great one. Hope foundation Tennis clinic gave me hope as the lead coach for the 2021 program that Ghana has the potential to bring up tennis stars to represent at the highest stage.





COACH HENRY QUANSAH

Coach Q as his affectionately called is an ITF Level 2 coaching certificate holder, working with National Sports Authority and also a National Coach. He captained the national team to win gold in 2015 all African games in Brazzaville and has produced a lot of good players for the National team. He has handled the under 14 team to win gold in Egypt that qualified Ghana to junior Davis cup in Algeria which we won Bronze and that also qualify us to the Africa 16 best under 14 which took place in Switzerland where Ghana won Bronze medal leading to the award of a Ghanaian player as 3rd best under 14 in Africa. Coach Q has handled the Davis Cup on different occasions leading to winning the proud award of the best coach in Greater Accra in 2014.



COACH RICHARD AYI DARTEY

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Coach Ayi as he is widely known at home and abroad has been in tennis since 1979 working with junior players from zero to top 10 in the world. He holds an enviable reputation for grooming players to play for the national team from the junior level to the national level.

Coach Ayi is a must get Coach who has worked with the International Tennis Federation in South Africa for 3 years, All Court Tennis Academy in the US and currently working with the Aviation Social Centre serving for the past 11 years.

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He also Works with the Ghana Tennis Federation and is a holder of level two I. T. F certificate and instructor for level one I. T. F coaching course.



COACH YAHYA MACAULEY

From a humble beginning Coach Yahya has excelled from the junior level as a player into a phenomenal Coach whose hard work is now bearing fruits in many of the young players he is raising.

Coach Yahya is also blazing the trail as far as wheelchair Tennis is a concern and has produced a player who featured in the London Open 2018 reaching the quarter-finals. He has given momentum to the development of wheelchair tennis in a manner that wheelchair tennis is spreading very fast to cover all the regions of Ghana.

Coach Yahya holds ITF Level 1 and 2 certificates and is tipped by many as part of the next wave of coaches to take Ghana Tennis to the Next level.

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FUNDRAISING

As a Not for Profit organization, we rely heavily on the benevolence and support of those touched by our desire to contribute to the development of young people through tennis, to this effect we organized fundraising activities to allow individuals and organizations to be part of this fulfilling and impactful journey. We are truly grateful to the members of the Atlanta Athletic Club for their massive support and persons who have donated and made various donations in support of this mission.



NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

Location	Number of Kids	Number of volunteers
Winneba	450	25
Cape Coast Wheel Chair	32	10
Sogakope	391	37
Sunyani	460	16
Tamale	543	11



ONE BALLPOINT TOURNAMENT

On the 10th of September, 2021 the Hope Performance Tennis Inc delivered on another innovation in the game of tennis. We brought together different tennis players together to play in what we have named the One Ballpoint Tournament. It is the gathering of all tennis players regardless of their age, gender, ability, skill or any other consideration to play at the prestigious Frank Ofori Centre court in Accra battling over one point in a match from the first round through to the finals.

The objective of the foundation in creating this tournament is to provide a platform where all forms of discrimination in playing tennis shall be eliminated which in practice creates an atmosphere of fun, networking, promote tolerance and love for the game whilst competing against players from different backgrounds in the game.

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I am excited to report that the maiden tournament received 89 registration which required a 64 draw with a qualifying draw into the main draw. We had participants from all categories of the game from under 12 to 16 through to the Professional level where the current Ghana Number one Johnson Acquah, former Davis Cup players, Coaches, wheelchair tennis players, males, females and social players all participated.

At a toss of a coin, the winner of the toss will decide whether to serve or to receive and the opponent gets to choose the side of the court. Only one point is played and the match is over. It was truly a great time at the Stadium where under 12 players faced former Davis Cup players, where men competed against women and wheelchair tennis players had to battle with their non-wheelchair counterparts.

After close to three hours of action, it was Albert Arthur a former Davis Cup Pro and currently, the Coach of the Ghana Tennis Female team who won the tournament after defeating Tina Tagoe in the finals and Gabriel Friday took third place. For their prizes, they went home with a cheque of \$100, \$50 and \$20 respectively.

Among the distinguished guests who graced the occasion was the Founding President of the Hope foundation Enock Godi, Ismaila Lamptey the CEO of Baboo Sports, Roger Crawford the President of the Tennis Foundation Ghana, Mr Eric Nana Kyei, Chairman of the Accra Stadium Tennis Club, Coach Henry Quansah and Coach Doe Adjani.

The President of the foundation Enock Godi was deeply excited that such a platform has been created as a tool to promote tolerance and to combat discrimination, in his words he made it clear that the Hope Performance Tennis Foundation is deeply committed to giving hope where there is doubt and despair using tennis as the vehicle and that the one ballpoint tournament in many ways serves that purpose.



We are truly convinced from all considerations that the maiden edition of the One Ballpoint Tournament was a huge success. We can't wait for the next one.

HOPE 2021 REGIONAL TENNIS CLINICS

True to our words the Hope Performance Tennis Foundation embarked on a Regional Tennis Clinic tour stopping at five different locations in five different Regions in Ghana to host its flagship program for the year 2021. Coming at the back of the successes that have been chalked in the 2018 and 2019 programs, the foundation is convinced the time is right to move to different Regions with its mission of empowering young people through the game of tennis especially in places that have less or no opportunity as far as the development of juvenile tennis is a concern.

At a time when young people are gradually returning to play, our work has never been more important to be by the side of young people in providing a great atmosphere of fun and learning, it is on that note that we mobilized resources to take the opportunities we offer to young people in their home regions.

Our object for embarking on this journey is to introduce first-timers to the game of tennis, to teach tactical tennis on which technical skills are developed to intermediate and advanced young players, to provide an atmosphere of safety and fun for tennis lessons and to distribute tennis equipment to young players and clubs who have little or no chance of getting such opportunities.

HOPE 2021 REGIONAL TENNIS CLINICS POSTERS



HOPE TENNIS TOUR AT WINNEABA

Our team of coaches and volunteers embarked on a journey starting from Winneba at the National Sports College which was once a tennis hub in developing young players, it is the centre that transformed the tennis game of our founding President Enock Godi. The team was led by the veteran coach Noah who doubles as the Head coach of the Ghana Tennis federation.



ALBERT ARTHUR

ITF Level 3 Coach

Hope Tennis Performance Clinic held in Winneba Tennis Academy was one of a kind. The two days tennis clinic had a record of over 350 kids from the neighbouring schools, the event also saw great Coaches coming to support Hope Performance Tennis. One unique thing about this year's clinic in Winneba was the involvement of the Paramount Chief of the Effutu Constituency, Nana Nyeni Ghartey. Beginning the event with an aerobic dance to warm up the kids, followed by some tennis and physical activities such as Forehand and Backhand techniques, serve and return techniques, speed and agility etc. We will forever stay in the minds and hearts of the kids as well as everyone present during the occasion.



CHARLES ABUGBILA

Given the Hope Performance Tennis clinic that was organized in the National Sports College, Winneba, I Coach Charles Abugbila of the National Sports College Tennis Academy, thank hope performance and their team for their contribution to our mission.

We are very much appreciative to have Hope Performance Tennis in our team, it is not everyone who gets this kind of support. Thank you Mr. Enoch for sharing your experience and advice with me and the kids, your program is one of the best in the country, because it has been able to extend to some regions. Hope Performance Tennis coming back this year motivated the players, especially when they saw the equipment. I hope this program will continue so that one day I can also see some of my players playing at the advanced level.





WHEELCHAIR TENNIS CLINIC AND DISTRIBUTION OF TENNIS EQUIPMENT

From Wenneba the team stopped at Cape Coast Stadium to host a wheelchair tennis clinic. We were truly excited to bring wheelchair tennis lovers across the country to one of the historic cities in the country, Kotokuraba ("River of Crabs" or "Village of Crabs").

HENRY LARBI

Ghana Wheelchair Tennis National Coordinator



In 2021 Ghana Wheelchair Tennis which is a division of the Ghana Tennis Federation benefitted from the Hope Performance Tennis program dubbed Hope Wheelchair Tennis Clinic 2021. This event brought back the love for wheelchair tennis for all stakeholders after the break due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The event brought together 30 wheelchair tennis players, 2 national wheelchair tennis coaches and tennis experts from Hope Performance Tennis. The 2021 Hope Wheelchair Tennis Clinic helped Ghana Wheelchair Tennis recruit about 15 new players made up of 6 junior players and 9 men & women players. The event meet ITF Wheelchair Tennis Development goals of increasing technical support to coaches and players and also increasing equipment used for wheelchair tennis since participants were given tennis rackets and balls. We wish to strengthen the bond between Ghana Wheelchair Tennis and Hope Performance Tennis with tennis technical support programs and ranking tournaments for Wheelchair Tennis in Ghana

CHARLES EZEKIEL OBO

Central Regional Chairman for Para Sports



Hi, I am Charles Ezekiel Obo, the Central Regional Chairman for the Para Sports of which Wheelchair Tennis is part. In fact, the Wheelchair Tennis Clinic organized by the Hope Performance Tennis was a very good program that came to assist me and the athletes to be in good shape as far as Wheelchair Tennis is concerned. All my athletes were so excited for this program. We really enjoyed ourselves. On this note, I will like to say thanks to the organizers for making this program possible.





SOGAKOPE TENNIS CLINIC AND DISTRIBUTION OF TENNIS EQUIPMENT

We were privileged to be hosted at the Holy Trinity Spa an ultimate romantic destination for holidays, vacations and getaways, the number one tourism hotel in West Africa. Thanks to Dr. Cyril Bansah and Mrs Bansah as well as Dr. Anyaa and Muster, we introduced more than 350 young people for the game of tennis for the very first time and they showed great prospect and love for the game.



PATRICK FIFI TENKORANG

My name is Patrick Fiifi Tenkorang I am the resident coach at The Holy Trinity Spa and Health Farm, I was excited to receive the Hope Performance Foundation at Sogakope to train the children. I was happy to be part of the team, we trained over 400 children and that was the first time some of the kids were able to hold a racket for the first time and this will change the life of these children. I believe that Hope Foundation will continue this program every year to bring the best out of these young children through Tennis.



HARRISON

My name is Harrison Martey, I am a volunteer at Hope Performance Tennis. It's wonderful and heartwarming to see so much excitement and energy that this children exhibited at Sogakope. This is what Hope Performance stand for. Creating an equal opportunity and enabling environment for all children irrespective of where and who you are in Ghana. Sogakope a suburb of Volta Region has never witnessed an event such as this and as a volunteer, I am proud to be part of this life-changing moment with this children.



SUNYANI TENNIS CLINIC AND DISTRIBUTION OF TENNIS EQUIPMENT

Our next stop was in Sunyani, thanks to the leadership of Daniel Kwakye, a.k.a Great Okoro the team was hosted at the Eusbet hotel where young people around the facility had the privilege to benefit from our program and came into contact with the sports for the first time.

DANIEL KWAKYE

Founder of Great Okoro Tennis Club



Hope Performance are doing a great job for the Ghanaian youth. They have stood up for the vulnerable kids in society, bringing them to a safe place through tennis. We are very grateful for the work they are doing especially when they came to Sunyani for the first time.

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Most kids didn't know much about tennis all they knew was 'cushion ball' but Hope Performance has shown the way and now I have a sizeable number of kids who I am training all products of the Hope Tennis Clinic and I thank them for choosing G.O Tennis Club to host one of their programs this year. May God Richly bless the team for doing a great work.

TAMALE TENNIS CLINIC AND DISTRIBUTION OF TENNIS EQUIPMENT

Our final stop was at the home of tennis in the North, the NEDCO tennis club, where young people were hosted to a high-performance tennis clinic and distribution of tennis equipment. We received young people from the North at our Accra base programs in 2019 and we are thrilled that we took the game to their doorsteps, thanks to Sampson Sayibu and the Chairman of the Club Mr. Dan Lardi

“ We do not doubt that through this engagement, young people developed a love for the game, learned lifelong positive values that are projected through sports, improve their playing skills and above all see a better future ahead of them. ”



SAMPSON SAYIBU

The unprecedented initiative by Hope Foundation to bring tennis to the doorsteps of young children in two basic schools hosted on the NedCo Tennis Club in Tamale brought lots of joy and happiness to the community and its leadership including the leadership of the Northern Regional Association. Seeing over 300 pupils massing up on the court showed that more initiatives such as this means that the future of tennis is secured. The leadership of the regional association with the School authorities were very impressed about the organization and wishes that more of such events should be done in the future to help keep the kids out of the streets after school.

Over 80 kids stayed back for continuous training after the program and we are hopeful that stars shall be born out of them for Ghana.



We send our deepest appreciation to the leadership of Hope Foundation and wishes you the very best in all your future endeavours.



SALIFU ABDUL-RAHMAN

Hello, this is Salifu Abdul-Rahman the Acting Regional Coach for Northern Region. On behalf of my team, I want to say a very big thanks to Hope Performance Tennis Foundation and more especially to Mr Enock Godi for the program, they organized in Tamale.

Even though it was the first time such a program is being hosted in Tamale, it gave a lot of children the opportunity to be introduced to the game of Tennis. As of now about 30 per cent of the children who attended the program are now actively learning how to play Tennis. With this, I will say that if such programs are to be organized in every region, it will lead to an increase in tennis participants and probably produce great professional tennis players for the country.



I will once again use this platform to say a very good thank you to the Foundation for all the support and donations they made to us. More especially the Rackets, Training balls, Shoes and so on. We say tipagya



SOLIDARITY MESSAGES HELEN C. HABERSTROH

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My coach and friend Enock Godi is one of the most determined men I have ever met. Coach Enock is the founder and president of Hope Performance Tennis, a nonprofit tennis organization serving thousands of young children in Ghana West Africa to grow up and become happy, successful, and productive citizens in society. Coach Enock has worked tirelessly with great effort and energy to make this foundation successful. Numerous organizations and individuals have contributed to making Hope Performance Tennis a success.

I had the opportunity to attend one of his many fundraisers at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Johns Creek Georgia. This was a weekend of great fun, food, social, and tennis competition. But most importantly, the way Coach Enock handled the event showed experience, knowledge, organization, and determination to raise thousands of dollars, not to mention the great atmosphere of inspiration and excitement he and his staff from the Ghana Tennis Federation provided for the event. The event raised over twenty thousand dollars that will help fund hundreds of children to develop not only athletic skills but life skills that will affect them in every aspects of their life for the rest of their life.

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Coach Enock always goes above and beyond in every aspect of his life from his training, coaching, family, and his Christian faith. He is truly an inspiration and a man of devotion. Thank you Coach for your unwavering support for all the children in West Africa. Atlanta Athletic Club is very fortunate to have Coach Enock Godi, an international professional tennis player, coach and compassionate humanitarian.

KENNEDY GBOMITTAH

Atlanta Georgia



I am really thrilled with the success of the 2021 Hope performance Tennis event, as it has shattered and exceeded expectations. Its commitment and dedication to supporting the youth through the game of tennis have indeed touched many lives. This success can be attributed to the strong and able leadership of Enock Godi and Cedric Dzelu and the rest of the team. For all tennis lovers across the globe, Hope performance tennis is really an inspiration for all. I am truly honoured to be a part of this wonderful organization.

DAVID GOLDIN

Atlanta, Georgia



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“First of all I consider Enock a friend. We met thru tennis but our friendship grew when I read about his upbringing back in his native country of Ghana.”

To say Enock is an inspiration would be selling him short. What he does for anyone that ever asks him for help is undeniable. He leads Hope Tennis Performance which collects tennis equipment for Enock to ship back to his country for the underprivileged children in hopes of teaching them about tennis. Tennis is his entree into giving these young boys and girls HOPE.

“Enock is a man of God. His faith is on display 7 days a week. If this world consisted of more men like Enock many of our troubles would disappear. Please support his mission. You will not be disappointed.”



HUGH MASSIE, ATLANTA GA

The Hope Performance provides children with not only the opportunity to learn tennis and enjoy it as a life-long sport but provide the confidence to build their life the right way with respect for others, learn discipline, set personal boundaries, experience achievement and build a community of relationships. Enock Godi is an inspirational leader who shows what is possible to achieve in life through tennis.



LYNN LANIER

Atlanta Georgia



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As John F Kennedy said, "Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future." It has been most inspiring to watch Hope Performance Tennis become an international network that helps the children of Ghana change their future.

My family had the pleasure of hosting Enock Godi and Cedric Dzelu and their families for dinner in our home where we learned the wonderful story of how tennis changed Enock's life. Enock was homeless and without financial help and adult guidance when he found janitorial work at a tennis facility and started teaching himself tennis. Miraculously, after years of hard work he convinced a tennis organization to take a chance on him and give him a tennis scholarship. This one beneficiary allowed Enock to become an excellent tennis player till he was selected to represent Ghana on the Davis cup team. Amazing! One would think Enock would leave the world of poverty with his new fame but he had a personal obligation to give back.

He and Cedric wanted to give many children chances to rise above their circumstances as well by learning the game of tennis. They created Hope Performance Tennis and solicited donations all over the world. They felt that by creating tennis camps the children would learn the importance of good fitness, nutrition and how hard work develops a strong sense of confidence. These skills helped the children see they have the power to rise above their circumstances and be proud of their achievements

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It is such a pleasure to see videos of the camp and the dancing children and volunteers who lead the program. What JOY!

Not only has it been a gift to our members to support these camps it has made us feel so much closer to Ghana and made the world a little smaller. I hope to see the Hope Performance Tennis organization continue to grow because, after all...."Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.

WILFRED OWEN

CEO Techiman Tennis Centre



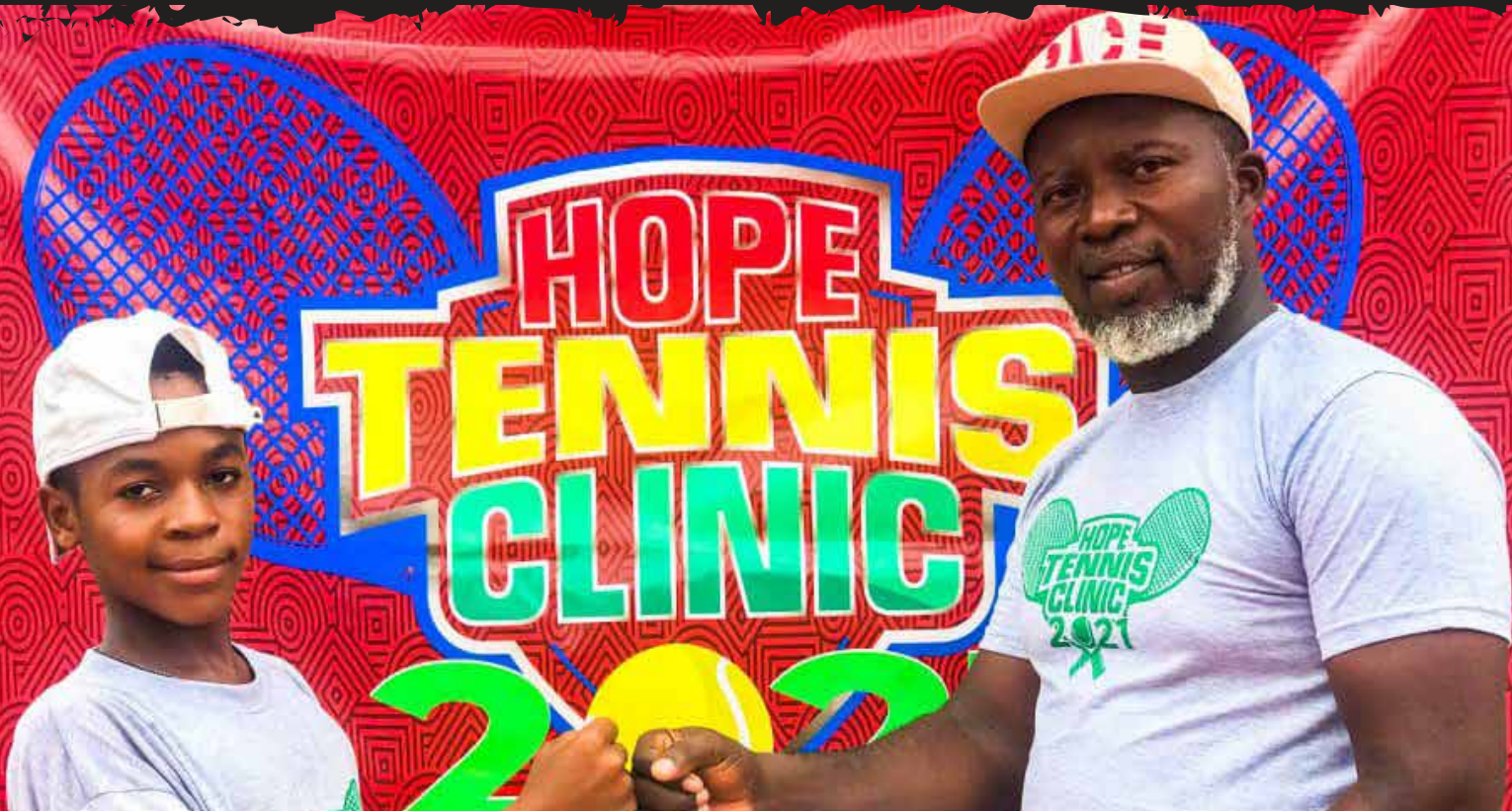
Hope Foundation did help Techiman players to focus more on the youth in 2021. The program you organized in Sunyani was attended by basic school 5 players, myself and the number one singles player. We enjoyed the fitness, the tennis training and also the lunch and words of wisdom to the youth. Your gift of tennis balls was shared with 3 clubs in Techiman. Having adequate balls allowed the greater practice of the serve by adults.

This was a first for us. The extra balls contributed also to more youth training in a basic school. In December a group of adults organized a U14 tennis exhibition at the Holy Family Hospital court. It was well attended and 2 officials from Accra visited as well as a dozen U14 players from Sunyani. At this meeting, we were introduced to the new Sports Council officer for the region, Raphic Sani. Rafic is helping town players to finalize and commission the Bono East Tennis Association. While tennis activity in Techiman remains with adults, there should be opportunities to involve young players in 2022.

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A first step may be the training of coaches here plus a competition to select the Bono East U18 team. I must add that your linking us with Coach Francis at Ashiaman has been a great help. We learned of you and the September Hope training via visits by Great Okoro, Sunyani. Thank you sincerely, Cedric, for your support.



CAMMIE SANCHETI

Atlanta Georgia



I became involved with Hope Performance Tennis for the first time this past spring (May 2021). Our family provided monetary and auction item donations to support the cause as part of a fundraising event for the organization held at Atlanta Athletic Club (where our family plays tennis and Enock Godi, the organization's Founder and President, is one of the instructors). Before the fundraising event, I was not very familiar with all the facets of the organization. Since volunteering at the event, I have learned so much and it's been a privilege to walk alongside key players within the organization like Enock Godi and Cedric Dzelu, Executive Director (who flew to the fundraising event from Ghana) and to see their hard work put in action.

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As a tennis player myself, one thing I understand is that when you step on the courts all your focus goes to the yellow ball. Whether you're in the midst of a great season of life or facing incredible hardships, the yellow ball is the great equalizer. I have found the game of tennis to be a great source of comfort and distraction (and means of focus) for me in certain seasons of life when it was much needed. In addition to providing young people with technical tennis skills, Hope for Performance Tennis is developing in its participants a love for the game, lifelong positive values that are projected through sports, and HOPE - hope for a better future ahead of them. The participants are supplied with equipment, meals, mentorship, friendships, educational books, school uniforms - tangible means of hope are distributed at the tennis clinics hosted by the organization. I fully support Hope for Performance Tennis and hope you will consider partnering with them as well."

LIBBY CLEMENT

Atlanta Georgia



Can you imagine being a child and not having sports to keep you busy and out of trouble? Can you also imagine wanting to play sports so bad, but not being able to afford the clothes or equipment you will need to play? Hope Performance Tennis hopes to change this in Ghana one tennis ball at a time. They have taught thousands of children how to play tennis and how important sports are for their mental and physical wellbeing. With the help of Hope Performance Tennis, these kids are given tennis shoes and can hold a tennis racket and balls for the first time. Hope Performance Tennis has given these children hope for a better future. It's an incredible charity with one important focus and that's the children of Ghana.

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PETER MARTIN



Many philanthropists and tennis lovers across the world would have testify same if they had witnessed what I saw at the Holy Trinity Spa in Sogakope with respect to the Foundation's 2021 Regional Tennis Clinic tour.

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First and foremost, I want to thank Dr Cyril Bansah, a member of the Amtech Tennis Club and Chairman of the Ho Tennis Club and his wife Lady D, whom forged a partnership with Hope Tennis, where we were able to host 263 young people to a tennis clinic and donated tennis equipment. On that faithful day, the euphoria was electrified.



VOLUNTEERS

Once again we were so blessed to have men and women supporting our course with the belief that the impact we are making is truly transformational and needs every support we can get. From fundraising activity in Atlanta Georgia to all the five locations we hosted the regional tennis clinic we are happy to report that we had a total of 62 volunteers made up of 45 men and 17 women. We truly appreciate their time and service to the young generation and in ensuring that the burden of carrying this mission is not left on just a few.

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COVID-19 RESPONSE

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Just like any organization, the foundation was badly hit by the COVID-19 pandemic in a manner that prevented us from mobilizing the needed resources and also from organizing our flagship program as a result of lockdowns and other government restrictions.

Nevertheless, we did our best to maintain relevance in the Ghanaian tennis space and to also respond to the pandemic in a hopeful manner, to that effect on the 5th of May, 2020 a total of 70 volunteers made up of coaches, officials, journalists and photographers received a package of food items from Hope Performance Tennis Inc in response to the economic challenges that were posed by the pandemic, and it was a gesture to reduce the economic burden on the volunteers through which we deliver our program.





HOPE PERFORMANCE TENNIS FOUNDATION ENDORSES THE CHILDREN'S BILL OF RIGHTS IN SPORTS

Sports finds itself at a time of great difficulty imposed as a result of the pandemic, it was the closure of stadiums, courts and gyms leading to a significant reduction in sports funding and absolute prevention of public play of all kinds but we are consoled that many countries, organizations and individuals have been resilient and found a way to return to play once again.

The return to play has come with great innovations, strategy and the development of tools that are going to make sports safer and more exciting than ever before. It is for this reason that the Hope Performance Tennis Inc congratulate the work of the Aspen Institute and hereby endorse the Children's Bill of Rights in Sports that "all children have the right to play sports in a safe environment led by qualified program leaders through appropriate developmental play and to also share in the planning and delivery of sports activities, that children are to be exposed to an equal opportunity for personal growth and to be treated with dignity whilst enjoying sports".

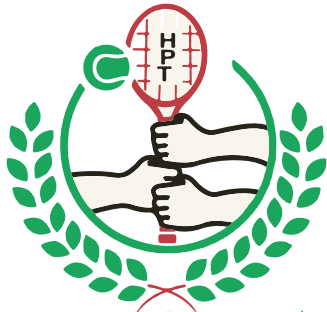
We call on National Sports Organizations, community and school sports programs to review their policies to reflect the aspirations of the Bill, we charge grantmakers and sponsors of sports organizations to demonstrate strict adherence to the rights, invite parents and caregivers to require sports providers to design their policies and ensure their practices meet the requirement of these rights, we call on adult athletes to be champions of these rights and encourage young people to know these rights and to contribute to its implementation.

The rights of a child are well espoused in the Universal Declaration of Human rights which needs to be respected and enforced, it is, however, refreshing that this Bill speaks deeply to promoting children's rights whilst they are at play and we believe that this is a great tool in addressing a wide range of issues such as access to play, gender equity, fair opportunity, inclusivity, trust and happiness.

This tool is a guarantee that all young people can have an opportunity to develop through sports when delivered appropriately especially to meet the tenets of the Children's Bill of Rights in Sports.



The foundation is committed to being the ally of young people in providing them with a sustainable platform of play to harness their potential and shape it for a brighter future and in doing so, are committed to fully implementing the Children's Bill of Rights in Sports at all of our programs.



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