

## Canadian Company Bracing Developments In Bassa/Margibi

A Canadian Company, the International Resource Statistics Energy Liberia (IRSLE) operating in Grand Bassa and Margibi Counties, continue to live up to its corporate social responsibilities to the citizens of the two counties including the targeting of the country's Health Care Delivery and Educational sectors.

The company was approved two years ago by the Liberian Government to carry on reconnaissance for oil on land in the two counties.

Over the week end, the Canadian Company led by its General Administrator, Mrs. Brenda Cooper extended its corporate development programs to Marshall City, Margibi County and presented a cash prize of 10,000 Liberian dollars, arm chairs, sets of jersey, footballs, copybooks and other academic utensils to the Janice McClain United Methodist School in Marshall City.

The company also renovated the Jannice Mcclains United Methodist School to modern standard by building additional structures including the construction of pit-latrines and water well on the school compound as well as the renovation of several schools including the only public school in the city, the A.D Peabody Junior and senior High school.

Speaking at 11th closing and thanksgiving program of the Methodist run school, Brenda Cooper added the gesture was in fulfillment of the entity's corporate social responsibilities to the people of the two counties in promoting development agenda in the quest of quality education.

She further noted that the company will continue to come to the aid of people of the two counties as used the medium to appeal to citizens to grace development as their friends if the country is to experience growth and development in its recovery drives.

Since the company begun full skill operation in the counties, Madam Cooper disclosed that it had undertaken several developments including the renovations of the Owens Grooves and Charlesville Public schools in Grand Bassa County, and had donated drugs and other Medical utensils to public health centers in Marshall, Owens Grooves and Charlesville respectively.

The company executive told citizens of the two counties that the numerous developments undertaken in the two counties were just the beginning of several initiatives, and assured the citizens that as long as the company continues to operate, it will carry out meaningful ventures that will address the appalling conditions of the ordinary Liberians.

Also speaking at the program was the principal of the Janice McClain United Methodist School; Robert Murcorlor expressed gratitude to the Company for bringing relief to the students' community.

The principal maintained that the company is the only NGO operating in Marshall City that was projects were visible and impacting the lives of the citizens.

According to him, there were several NGOs operating in Marshall City, but that their impacts were not felt by the ordinary people with the exception of the Canadian Company, and used the medium to appeal to other NGOs operating in the Bassa and Margibi Counties to emulate the good example of the Canadian Company.

Mr. Tommy Goll who served as guest speaker sent out passionate pleas to parents to see education as the brain behind the real growth of any country if the country is to move forward in its reconstruction drives.

The IRSLE Executive recommended to the Liberian government to increase by 25 percent the salary of rural public school teachers that will serve as a motivation for others qualified teachers to be encouraged to take assignment in the interior parts of the country.