

# ABONNEMA FOUNDATION

.... for Community Goodwill and Action.

## 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION GALA NIGHT 2019 BENEFIT FOR ABONNEMA COMMUNITY YOUTHS

*Dear Special Invitee:*

*Abonnema Foundation was founded and registered in the State of Texas as a Non-Profit Organization by people who care deeply about the poor quality of life of the Abonnema Community in the Ijaw, Niger Delta region of Sub-Saharan Africa. Justifiably, our motto is "for Community Goodwill and Action."*

*The objective and purpose of this Convention is to focus our discussion on identifying ways to decrease and eventually prevent the reoccurrence of youth restiveness in our hometown, instill the historical, customary, and traditional core values of the Kalabari people which did not only set us apart from other ethnic groups but has been a main source of community pride and admiration. And, examine various ways to help the Abonnema youths toward developing adequate value and respect for themselves, their elders, those in leadership, brothers, sisters and neighbors, so restiveness can be eradicated in our land.*

*Hence, we have chosen the theme: ABONNEMA ON MY MIND! "A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT TO COMBAT RESTIVENESS THROUGH EDUCATION AND SOCIAL ACTION". There would be special plenary sessions to seek answers to these Questions: a) who are we today? (b) When people hear where we are from, is the first thing they think about positively these days? (c) Where are we headed? (d) What can we do collectively and individually for making a positive turn around? Then provide awareness for proven strategies for sustainable and gainful employment, and a gala fund-raising to generate funds for empowerment, and providing basic skills and crafts for implementation during fiscal year 2020. **THEREFORE, WE REALLY NEED YOUR EXPERTISE AND GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION TO ENABLE US REACH OUR TARGET OF \$100,000.00 BY DECEMBER 31, 2019.***

*We have enclosed reservation information for Hotel, Car rental, Flight and arrival contacts for your convenience.*

(1) Hotel: **Houston Marriott Westchase**, 2900 Briairpark Drive, Houston, Texas 77042 USA.

Phone: 1-888-236-2427 or (713) 978-7400. Abonnema Foundation Rate:  
\$89.00 + Tax.

(2) Car Rental: **Budget Rent-A-Car** at any Houston Airport Terminal.

Phone: 1-800-772-3773. Abonnema Foundation Convention Discount Code: U088200.

(3) Flight: **United Airlines** (All Destinations) to Hobby or George Bush International Airports, Houston Phone: 1-800-426-1122. Abonnema Foundation Convention Discount Code: ZH2D880032.

**(4) Arrival Contacts: Dr. Ibim Bobmanuel @ 281-660-8388, Tina Bestman @ 832-607-9419,**

**Oluigwe Mbe Jack @ 832-884-2995, Oduyeba Inko-Taria @ 903-330-5472,  
Lincoln Snithers @ 832-763-7955.**

***Please indicate your acceptance of this invitation by returning the response form and a non-tax-deductible (Tax Exempt 501c) charitable contribution made payable by check to ABONNEMA FOUNDATION YOUTHS & COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION FUND by December 31, 2019. A self-addressed envelope, travel information and program information are all enclosed for your convenience.***

***We look forward to your gracious presence and generous contribution.***

***WE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A HAPPY LABOR DAY.***

***Thank you so very much.***

***Proudly, Abonnema Foundation.***