

## **CHRISTMAS AT TRIO: HELP SUPPORT FUEL YOUTH**

***On Christmas Day, Trio Restaurant will donate \$1 per meal to Friends United for the Education of Liberia's Youth (FUEL Youth), a nonprofit organization dedicated to the development of schools and educational opportunities across Liberia. Your financial contributions to this worthy cause during this holiday season of giving are most appreciated***

Trio's own Edward Fahnbulleh founded FUEL Youth in 2006. A native of Liberia, Eddie is the gracious gentleman with the thousand-kilowatt smile you see creating Trio's delicious sandwiches, salads, and soda fountain treats. Through Eddie's vision, hard work, and generosity, in 2006 FUEL Youth opened its first school, United Christian Academy (UCA), in Gardnersville, Liberia. Since the school opened, FUEL Youth has supported several projects to develop the UCA community, including the provision of scholarships, books and teaching materials, teacher workshops, and a water tower to provide clean, drinking water to the school and the surrounding community. Currently, UCA educates nearly 400 students in pre-kindergarten through 9th grade. In 2009, FUEL Youth broke ground on its second school, which is under construction in the rural, predominantly Muslim village of Messima, with completion planned for 2012.

FUEL Youth's vision is that every child deserves an opportunity to thrive, no matter where they live and that quality educational opportunities are key to creating healthy, thriving communities and a peaceful, stable world. Through education, children are empowered to break through the cycle of poverty that has entrapped generations of children in Africa and across the globe. FUEL Youth's close collaboration with the communities it serves ensures that its programs are implemented effectively and resources are invested efficiently. While much has been accomplished, much remains to be done.

**For more information, visit the FUEL Youth website at:  
[www.fuelyouthliberia.org](http://www.fuelyouthliberia.org) or [www.triodc.com/Charity.html](http://www.triodc.com/Charity.html)**

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