In March, 2013, in Cote d'Ivoire, Offuh James Offuh with a small team from the NGO United for Peace Against Conflict International (ONG UFPACI) drove 400 km from Abidjan to facilitate relationship-building and ethnic, religious, and tribal healing in Duekoue. This is Part #2 of the larger success story.

Part 2: Face-to-Face Activities in Duekoue

ICE BREAKER exercises help participants become newly acquainted in a safe atmosphere.

The PERSPECTIVE SQUARES activity allows participants to realize that others have diverse perceptions and views of life.

Offuh James Offuh points to graphics chart of two icebergs, while two men representing the icebergs speak on the importance of face-to-face communication with listening to learn – going deeper to discover each other and new social intelligence. Such Dialogue releases unprecedented creativity to invent a new future that benefits all. Discovering the humanity in the other helps people experience that “an enemy is the one whose story we have not heard.”
Careful public listening revealed participants' eagerness to learn new ways to communicate, grow closer, heal their relationships, and build a new future together.

Offuh James Offuh explains the objective of the HAND OUTLINE activity.

Participants practice the HAND OUTLINE exercise-to identify their uniqueness and similarities.
The first palm writing was unique as "Animist" and "non-partisan," while the other wrote uniqueness as "partisan of RDR political party" and "Christian." Similarities included "one nation - Cote d`Ivoire."

The first palm was unique as "Christian, FPI political party, Yacouba ethnic group." The second palm writing was "Animist, Non-partisan, Guerre ethnic. Both participants similarly wrote "One nation - Cote d`Ivoire."
The first palm writing was unique as "RDR political party". The other palm uniquely said "FPI political party." Both participants similarly wrote "Guerre ethnic group" and "one nation, Cote d'Ivoire."

One palm described uniqueness as "RDR-RHDP" political party. The second palm said "FPI" political party. Similar for both was "Humanity."
The first palm's uniqueness was "RDR-RHDP" political party. The second hand read "FPI" political party. Both participants similarly wrote "humanity."

The MASK & CULTURE exercise helps participants see how one`s culture and community shape and influence personal responses to life. Sometimes we have to "wear a mask" that is not our true, best self.
Participants taking part in the MASK & CULTURE exercise do personal introspection. They identify hate, discrimination, segregation, anger, fear, love, generosity, charity, and faith in one’s life.

A participant wrote a political party and Nepotism on his mask.

The MASK & CULTURE activity awaked self-knowledge. The generous personal sharing evoked much enthusiasm and brought people closer together.

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