Launched in May 2000, NAPE seeks to promote the culture of nonviolence and peace within West African communities with particular focus on children and youth in schools and in the informal sector. The programme promotes peer mediation and peace clubs in schools as well as peace education curriculums at various levels: schools, colleges, teachers’ training colleges, universities and policy level. Peacebuilding is not an event but rather a process which when properly inculcated in the minds and comportment of children, youth and adult; they will become agents of change – this is the philosophy behind NAPE.