

## SENSITIZATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS

JDPC continued its sensitization on Environmental Cleanliness with visit to schools. At the time of this report, JDPC visited St. Charles College, Onitsha in January 2019, and has so far carried out sensitization campaign in 16 schools, reaching over 10,000 students and teachers.

This sensitization program is aimed at consolidating SDG 6 "**Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.**" Worldwide, 6 out of 10 people lack safely managed sanitation services, and 3 out of 10 lack safely managed water services. Safe drinking water and hygienic toilets protect people from disease and enable societies to be more productive economically. Attending school and work without disruption is critical to successful education and successful employment. Therefore, toilets in schools and work places are specifically mentioned as a target to measure. If we are to meet SDG targets for sanitation by 2030, nearly one-third of countries will need to accelerate progress to end open defecation including Brazil, China, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Nigeria, and Pakistan. Therefore, the provision of clean water and sanitation for all is a precursor to achieving many of the other SDGs.





During the sensitization program at St. Charles College, Onitsha

## COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS

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Omagba community in Onitsha North LGA, Anambra State was supported by JDPC Holy Spirit, Omagba on street march against environmental condition especially in Omagba as the streets have been taken over by wastes. JDPC mobilized residents under the full coverage of the media to convey their problem they are facing with the indiscriminate and non- disposal of wastes by the designated authority. The SSA to the governor of environment came to plead with the community members to step down their protest to enable him swing into immediate action.

It was good to note that within one week, all the streets were cleared of wastes that have constituted environmental nuisance and threat to health to the residents. Sensitization of the citizens is one of the measures by JDPC to ensure our streets are devoid of wastes and the citizens become aware of environmental cleanliness and hygiene.



Some of the community members during the demonstration



JDPC Head in Holy Spirit speaking on the state of the Community.





SSA to the Governor on Environment and Rev. Fr. Edwin Udoeye granting interview to the press



Some of the community members supported by JDPC Omagba expressing their grievances on the state of sanitation in the community.