



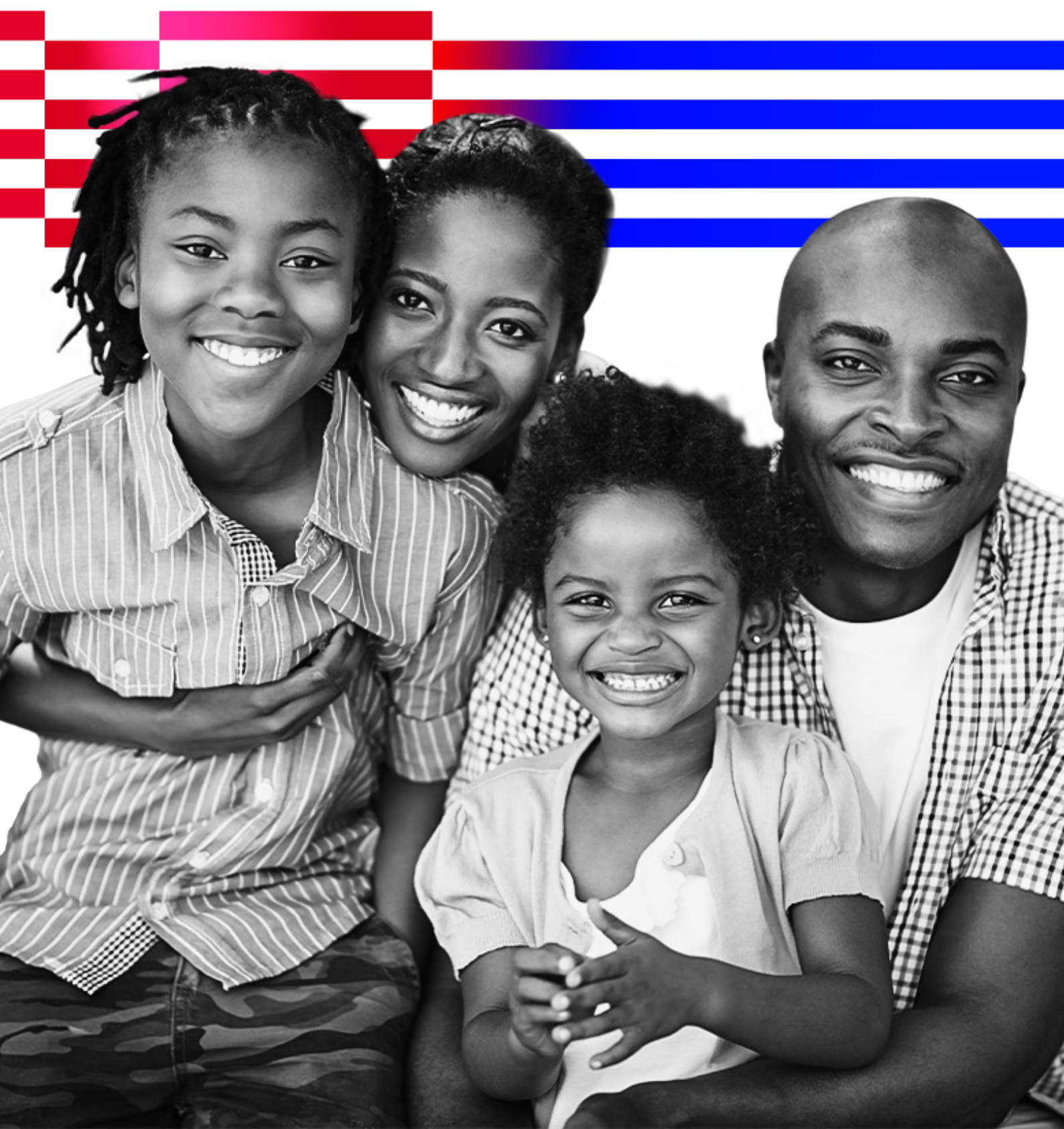
**SFC 2026 COLLABORATION
& CONFERENCE PROPOSAL**



BUILDING STRONGER FAMILIES ACROSS AFRICA

Welcome to the
Strengthening Families Conference
2026

*A Platform for Collaboration, Empowerment,
and Social Transformation*



CHAPTER 1: ABOUT US

1.1 Summary

Strengthening Families Conference (SFC) is a global conference organized annually, by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to create and sustain peaceful and inclusive societies indispensable for sustainable and inclusive development. We address and tackle issues as well as foster unity, strength, and goodwill in our societies. Every year, selected topics target problems in society to resolve them and leave people strengthened.

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The beauty of the conference is the wide spectrum of speakers and discussants drawn across all divides, religions, and races.

Inclusivity & Diversity

SFC is uniquely positioned as a multi-sector and interfaith platform that brings together:

- Government leaders
- Religious leaders from different faiths
- NGOs and development partners
- Academic and social experts
- Community leaders and families

The conference thrives on its ability to unite people from diverse religious, cultural, and social backgrounds, creating shared solutions for common challenges.



1.2

History & Background

The **Strengthening Families Conference (SFC)** emerged as a pivotal initiative in 2019, with its inaugural edition held in Ghana. Now on its eighth edition, this conference has carved a distinct niche for itself as a powerful catalyst for projects and programs supporting families globally, with a particular focus on the West African Sub-Region.

Global Impact: The SFC has transcended its local origins, making significant contributions to projects and programs advocating for strong family units on a global scale.

Inclusivity and Diversity: What sets the SFC apart is its commitment to inclusivity. The beauty of the conference lies in its ability to draw speakers and discussants from all walks of life, spanning diverse religious, racial, and cultural backgrounds.









1.3 SFC Journey (TimeLine)

2019

Ghana (Inaugural Edition)

The first SFC established the foundation for promoting the family as the core unit of society.

2020

Virtual Conference

Despite the global pandemic, SFC adapted and continued virtually, demonstrating resilience and commitment.

2021

Expansion Across Africa

The conference reached multiple countries and expanded participation across the region.

2022

Growth & Impact

Over 45,000 participants joined, reflecting the increasing influence of SFC.

2023

Abuja, Nigeria (5th Edition)

Theme: "Strengthening Marriages"

- First SFC outside Ghana
- Introduced the Family Values Awards (Crowning Event)
- Featured global experts and high-level dignitaries

2024

2024 – Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire (6th Edition)

Theme: "Youth and Family Support for Peaceful Societies"

- First French-speaking host country
- Expanded interfaith and government collaboration

2025

2025 – Freetown, Sierra Leone (7th Edition)

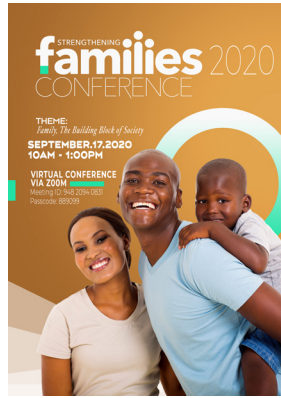
Theme: "Building Stronger Families within Communities through Women Empowerment and Child Protection"

- Hosted in collaboration with the Office of the First Lady of Sierra Leone
- Strengthened national and regional partnerships

| 2019



| 2020



| 2021



| 2022



| 2023



| 2024



| 2025



Join us in freetown to strengthen the foundation of society—families!

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Center, freetown

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www.TheChurchofJesusChristAfricaWest



1.4

Our Vision

Families play an important role in creating and sustaining peaceful and inclusive societies indispensable for sustainable and inclusive development. Research reveals that children growing up in stable and supportive families develop :

- Strong emotional well-being
- Positive social behavior
- Greater resilience and empathy

There are several important aspects of stable family environments ensuring children's well-being and early socialization, such as secure attachment and the process of transmission and acquisition of values. Research demonstrates that children who develop secure attachment relationships in their families are more self-reliant and empathetic adults. The motivation to organize the Strengthening Families Conference is to "promote those measures designed to maintain and strengthen the **family as the fundamental unit of society**".

By strengthening families, we:

- Build stronger communities
- Promote peace and stability
- Foster moral and social development.





CHAPTER 2: OBJECTIVES & VALUES

2.1

Why SFC Matters

The Strengthening Families Conference was created to promote and strengthen the family as the “fundamental unit of society.” Its core purpose is to bring together families, faith leaders, policymakers, educators, and community organizations to discuss practical ways to build stronger homes, healthier marriages, safer environments for children, and more stable communities.

SFC provides a platform to:

Address real-life family challenges. Promote shared values across cultures Encourage collaboration across sectors. Inspire lasting social change

A major reason for SFC is to create awareness about challenges affecting modern families and to encourage collaborative solutions across society. The conference aims to move beyond discussion into action by encouraging partnerships among religious groups, governments, and civil society organizations to support family well-being and social stability.

2.2

Objectives and Values SFC

The 2024 and 2025 conferences especially emphasized:

Strengthening marriages as the foundation of society

- Protecting children
- Empowering women
- Promoting moral and social values
- Encouraging peaceful, inclusive communities.



**A World Where Families Thrive:
Nurturing Peace, Building Unity, and
Fostering Sustainable Development.**



Reaffirming Family as the Fundamental Unit:

Objective: To emphasize the family's critical role as the foundational unit of society.

Rationale: Acknowledging that families form the bedrock of peaceful and inclusive societies, essential for sustainable development.

Promoting Stable and Supportive Family Environments:

Objective: To advocate for measures that create stable and supportive family environments.

Rationale: Recognizing research findings that children raised in such environments develop positive cognitive, emotional, and social characteristics, contributing to stable and peaceful adulthood.

Emphasizing Secure Attachment and Values Transmission:

Objective: To highlight the importance of secure attachment and the transmission of values within families.

Rationale: Understanding that secure attachment relationships and the imparting of values contribute to the well-being and early socialization of children.

Cultivating Self-Reliance and Empathy:

Objective: To underscore the impact of secure attachment on developing self-reliant and empathetic adults.

Rationale: Aligning with research that shows the positive outcomes of secure attachment relationships on the future characteristics of individuals.

Raising Awareness of Family Challenges:

Objective: To raise awareness of contemporary challenges confronting families.

Rationale: Recognizing the need for stakeholders to be informed and motivated to address current issues affecting families.

Strengthening the Core Unit of Society:

Objective: To implement initiatives that maintain and strengthen the family as the core unit of society.

Rationale: Believing that as the family unit is fortified, the foundation for a morally strong and united community is established.

Fostering Growth and Development at Every Level:

Objective: To highlight the integral role of families in societal growth and development.

Rationale: Understanding that as families are strengthened, the community and nations also experience growth and development.

Creating Unity Through Cooperative Efforts:

Objective: To foster cooperation among families, communities, and nations.

Rationale: Recognizing that unity and cooperation contribute to building strong communities and promoting shared values.

**Building a
Peaceful Society
through Youth
and Family
Support:**

Objective: To protect and strengthen youth and families, creating the foundation for a peaceful society.

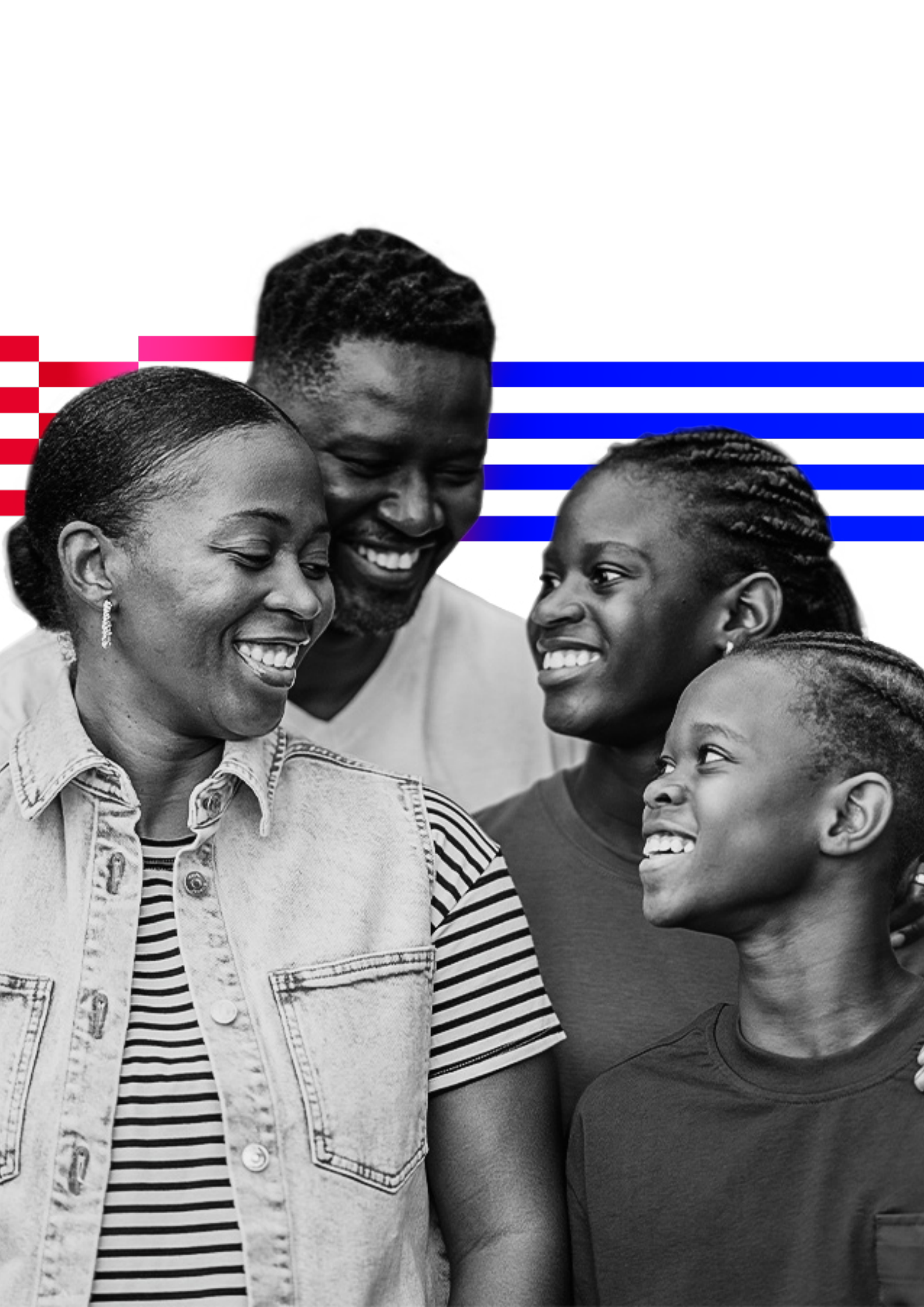
Rationale: Believing that investing in the well-being of youth and families is essential for the long-term peace and prosperity of society.

**Catalyzing
Ongoing Positive
Change:**

Objective: To create an environment that catalyzes ongoing, positive change within families and communities.

Rationale: Understanding that continuous efforts to improve relationships and strengthen individuals contribute to overall societal well-being.





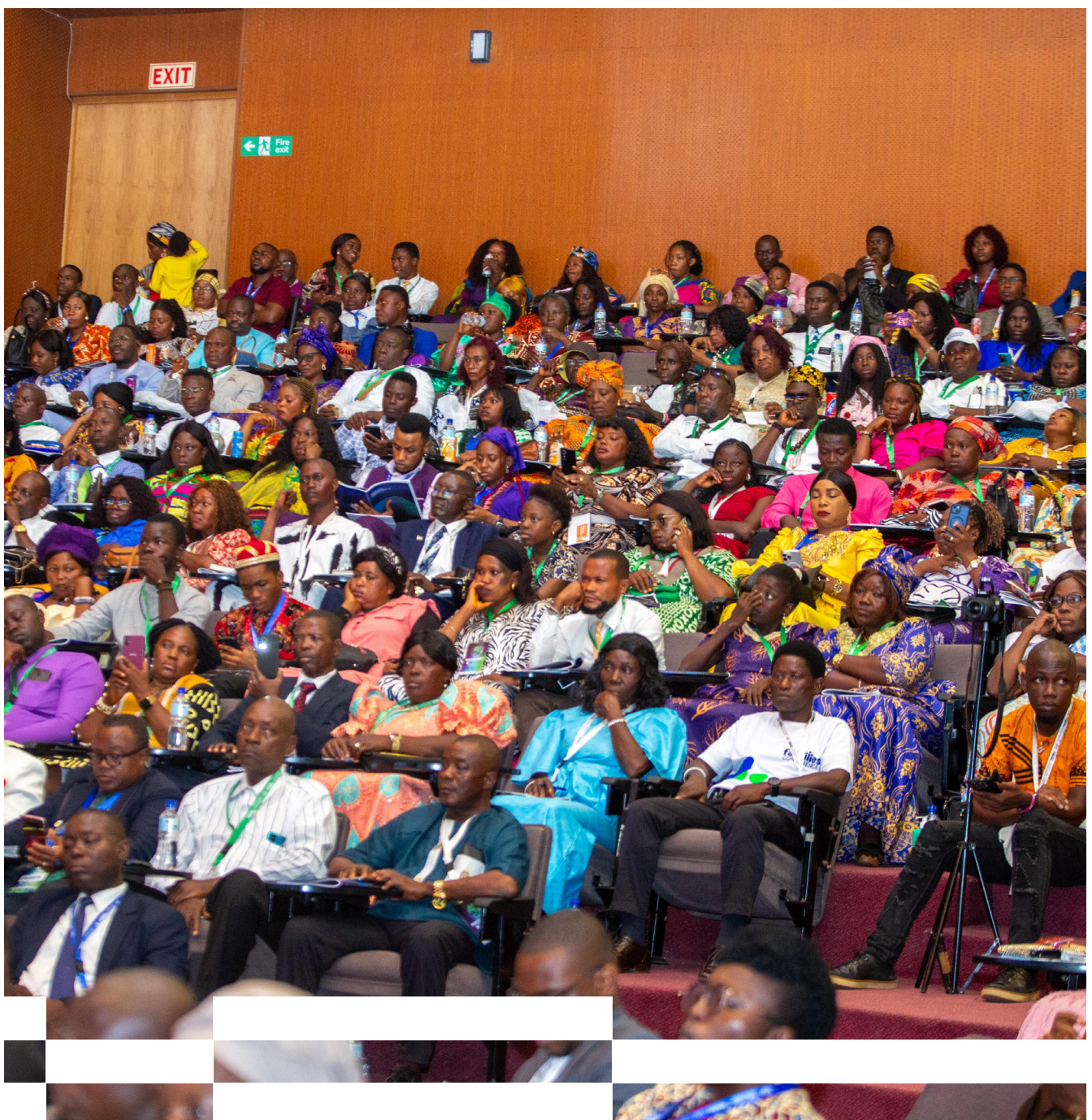
CHAPTER 3: THE MAKINGS OF SFC



3.1

What Happens at SFC

The **Strengthening Families Conference (SFC)** provides a dynamic and engaging platform where participants gain knowledge, build connections, and collaborate on solutions that strengthen families and communities. Through impactful sessions and interactive experiences, attendees are inspired to take meaningful action in their homes, organizations, and societies.



Keynote Addresses from Global Leaders

SFC features inspiring keynote speeches from respected leaders, government officials, religious figures, experts, and advocates from across Africa and around the world.

These speakers share:

- Insightful perspectives on family development
- Real-life experiences and success stories
- Solutions to social and family-related challenges
- Messages of hope, unity, and empowerment

Keynote sessions help set the tone for the conference and inspire participants to become agents of positive change.



Panel Discussions on Family Issues

Interactive panel discussions bring together experts and practitioners to address pressing issues affecting families today.

Topics may include:

- Parenting and child protection
- Mental health and emotional well-being
- Strengthening marriages and relationships
- Youth development and digital challenges
- Women empowerment and social inclusion

These discussions encourage diverse perspectives and practical conversations that participants can apply in their own communities.





Workshops & Training Sessions

SFC offers practical workshops and training sessions designed to equip participants with skills, tools, and knowledge.

Participants learn about:

- Leadership and community building
- Family counseling and conflict resolution
- Education and youth mentoring
- Personal development and resilience
- Faith-centered family strengthening approaches

The workshops are interactive, engaging, and solution-oriented.





Family Values Award Gala

The Family Values Awards Gala is the crowning event of SFC.

This special evening recognizes:

- Outstanding individuals
- Organizations
- Community leaders
- Humanitarian initiatives

These individuals have made exceptional contributions to strengthening families and promoting positive values in society. The gala celebrates impact, leadership, and social transformation while inspiring others to continue building stronger communities.





Exhibition Booths & Networking

The exhibition area serves as a vibrant hub where organizations, NGOs, government agencies, educational institutions, and businesses showcase their programs and services.

Participants can:

- Explore resources and innovative solutions
- Connect with organizations and experts
- Discover partnership opportunities
- Engage in meaningful networking and collaboration

The exhibition booths create a practical bridge between conference discussions and real-world implementation.





Interfaith Dialogue & Collaboration

One of the unique strengths of SFC is its commitment to inclusivity and unity across faiths and cultures. SFC brings together: Christian leaders, Muslim leaders, Traditional leaders, Community stakeholders to promote peaceful coexistence, mutual respect, and shared family values. These conversations encourage collaboration beyond religious and cultural boundaries to strengthen communities together.





The SFC Experience

More than just a conference, SFC is:

- A movement for social impact
- A platform for learning and empowerment
- A celebration of unity and family values
- A catalyst for stronger families and stronger nations

Through every session, conversation, and connection, participants leave inspired to create lasting change in their homes and communities.



What Makes SFC Unique

The Strengthening Families Conference (SFC) stands out as a premier platform dedicated to family empowerment, social cohesion, and policy advocacy. SFC is solution-oriented, inclusive, and impact-driven, fostering sustainable change in communities.



Global & Inclusive

SFC unites families, religious leaders, government officials, NGOs, and policymakers from diverse backgrounds to share knowledge and strategies for strengthening families.

Practical & Solution-Oriented

Rather than just discussions, SFC provides real, actionable solutions to contemporary family challenges, including financial stability, parenting, interfaith harmony, and mental health.

Policy & Government Engagement

The conference bridges the gap between communities and policymakers, ensuring that family-strengthening policies are discussed, developed, and implemented.

Faith-Based but Non-Denominational

SFC embraces interfaith dialogue, bringing together Muslim, Christian, and traditional leaders to promote unity and shared values for family and societal development.



Impact-Driven & Measurable Growth

Each conference is data-driven, ensuring that strategies and discussions lead to measurable improvements in family dynamics and community engagement.

Hybrid Experience: In- Person & Virtual

With a global audience, SFC ensures accessibility by offering both physical participation and virtual engagement, allowing for greater reach and impact.

Diverse & Expert- Led Sessions

SFC features high-profile speakers, professionals, and local leaders, ensuring discussions are well-rounded and research-backed.

Youth & Women Empowerment Focus

Recognizing the role of women and youth in shaping families, SFC provides platforms for mentorship, education, and economic empowerment.



3.3

Organisers and Collaborators

The Strengthening Families Conference is largely driven by the Africa West Area of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, often working together with governments, traditional leaders, NGOs, educators, and interfaith organizations across Africa.

The conference began as a regional initiative in West Africa and has expanded into a multi-country platform focused on family policy, parenting, youth development, marriage, and social stability. Church leaders describe it as both a faith-based and community-development effort.



Some of the main organizers and collaborators have included:

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (through its Africa West Area Presidency)

(Hosting Country) Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection

(Hosting Country) Ministry of Chieftaincy and Religious Affairs / Families Services

National Security Services

National Commission on Culture

FamilySearch

BYU-Pathway Worldwide

Family Watch International

Interfaith groups including Muslim, Catholic, Protestant, and traditional African religious leaders.

The role of the Church is significant because it provides:

Funding and logistics

Conference venues

International speakers

Educational and humanitarian programs

Media and online broadcasting support

Organizational leadership through senior church officials.

The collaboration model is intentionally broad. Organizers often emphasize “interfaith cooperation” and “**community partnership.**” included **Christian pastors, Muslim imams, educators, politicians,** and **Government leadership.**

3.4

Family Values Award.



The Crowning Event of the Strengthening Families Conference (SFC)

The Family Values Award is the crowning and signature event of the Strengthening Families Conference (SFC). Held during the conference, this prestigious evening is dedicated to honoring individuals, organizations, institutions, and community leaders whose work has significantly contributed to strengthening families, empowering youth, promoting women and child protection, and building resilient communities.

The award serve as a powerful celebration of leadership, compassion, service, and social impact, recognizing those who are making meaningful differences within homes, communities, and nations.



Why the Family Values Award Matter

The Family Values Award was established to:

- Celebrate outstanding contributions to family and community development
- Inspire others to promote positive values and social responsibility
- Recognize impactful humanitarian and leadership initiatives
- Highlight stories of transformation, resilience, and hope
- Encourage stronger collaboration among governments, NGOs, faith-based organizations, and communities

The award reinforces the mission of SFC by emphasizing that strong families are the foundation of peaceful and thriving societies.



The Impact of the Family Values Award

The award creates impact far beyond the conference itself by:

- Giving visibility and recognition to impactful organizations and leaders
- Encouraging continued investment in family-focused initiatives
- Inspiring communities and future generations
- Strengthening partnerships and collaboration opportunities
- Promoting positive social change across countries and communities

Award recipients often gain:

- Increased public awareness and credibility
- Expanded partnership opportunities
- Greater support for their initiatives
- Stronger influence within their communities and sectors







CHAPTER 4: SFC 2026 – GOING FORWARD



4.1

Strengthening Families Conference 2026

Building Stronger Families, Empowering Communities, Inspiring Nations

Following the remarkable success of previous editions across Ghana, Nigeria, Côte d'Ivoire, and Sierra Leone, the Strengthening Families Conference (SFC) 2026 will continue its mission of promoting strong families as the foundation of peaceful and thriving societies.

The 8th edition of SFC will be hosted in the beautiful city of Monrovia, Liberia, bringing together governments, faith leaders, NGOs, educators, private sector organizations, youth leaders, and families from across Africa and beyond.



Host Country - Liberia

Liberia has officially taken the mantle to host SFC 2026, reflecting the country's growing commitment to:

- Family development
- Youth empowerment
- Community peacebuilding
- Women and child protection
- Interfaith collaboration

Monrovia provides the perfect setting for meaningful dialogue, partnership building, and regional collaboration.

Proposed Conference Dates: June 19–20, 2026

Host City: Monrovia, Liberia

Venue: EJS Ministerial Complex

The conference will feature both:

- In-person participation
- Virtual participation across Africa and internationally



4.2 SFC Theme



Strengthening Families, Empowering Youth, and Building Resilient Communities

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FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH,
AND COMMUNITIES.



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Theme Overview

The theme for the Strengthening Families Conference (SFC) 2026 reflects the growing need to strengthen the foundation of society by investing in families, empowering the rising generation, and fostering resilient communities capable of overcoming modern social and economic challenges.

This theme highlights the importance of:

- Promoting healthy family relationships and values
- Supporting youth development and leadership
- Strengthening emotional, social, and spiritual resilience
- Encouraging community collaboration and inclusion
- Addressing challenges affecting families and young people today

SFC 2026 will provide a platform for governments, faith leaders, NGOs, educators, community stakeholders, and development partners to explore practical solutions that strengthen homes, inspire youth, and build communities that can thrive even during difficult times.







CHAPTER 5: SFC 2026 – FEATURES & COLLABORATORS



5.1

What SFC 2026 Will Feature

Participants can expect:

1. **Inspiring keynote addresses** from government officials, global leaders, and family advocates.
2. **Interactive panel discussions** on youth, family resilience, education, women empowerment, and mental health.
3. **Workshops and leadership training sessions.**



The prestigious **Family Values and associated Award Gala Night**



Exhibition booths showcasing NGOs, government institutions, educational initiatives, and businesses.



Interfaith dialogue and collaborative partnerships



Cultural experiences, networking, and community engagement



5.2

What SFC 2026 Will Feature

Collaborating with the **Strengthening Families Conference (SFC)** provides organizations, institutions, and partners with a unique opportunity to be part of a growing regional and global movement focused on strengthening families, empowering communities, and promoting sustainable social development.



Collaborating With SFC 2026

SFC 2026 aims to deepen collaboration with:

Government institutions

NGOs and humanitarian organizations

Educational institutions

Faith-based organizations

Community groups

International development partners

Corporate organizations and businesses

Collaborating With SFC 2026

The conference provides a unique platform for organizations to:

Showcase initiatives and services

Engage with policymakers and stakeholders

Promote social impact programs

Build strategic partnerships

Support sustainable family development across Africa

Working With Government Institutions

SFC 2026 will continue strengthening relationships with:

Ministries of Gender & Social Protection

Ministries of Education

Youth Development Agencies

Child Protection Institutions

Public health and social welfare organizations

Working With Government Institutions

Government collaboration is essential in:

Advancing family-centered policies

Supporting child protection initiatives

Promoting women empowerment

Encouraging youth development programs

This partnership approach ensures that the conference contributes meaningfully to national development priorities.

Local & International Partners

SFC 2026 seeks collaboration with:

International NGOs

Global humanitarian organizations

Educational institutions

Mental health organizations

Family support initiatives

Media organizations

**Private sector companies committed to social
responsibility**

5.3 Benefits & Impact Of Collaborating With SFC

SFC brings together governments, faith leaders, NGOs, educators, youth advocates, private sector organizations, and community stakeholders under one platform to address some of the most pressing challenges affecting families and society today.



Increased Visibility & Brand Exposure

Showcase your organization, initiatives, and services to a diverse audience of community leaders, policymakers, development partners, and families from across Africa and beyond.

Strategic Networking Opportunities

Build meaningful relationships with government institutions, NGOs, international organizations, faith-based groups, and corporate partners who share a commitment to social impact and family development.

Community Engagement & Social Impact

Engage directly with communities and contribute to initiatives that promote women empowerment, child protection, youth development, mental health, education, and family resilience.

Thought Leadership & Advocacy

Position your organization as a key voice in shaping conversations around family values, social cohesion, and sustainable community development.

Partnership & Collaboration Opportunities

Explore opportunities for joint programs, policy engagement, sponsorships, educational initiatives, and long-term partnerships.

Impact of Collaboration

Through collaboration, organizations become part of a movement that:

- Strengthens families as the foundation of society
- Promotes peaceful and inclusive communities
- Encourages interfaith understanding and cooperation
- Supports youth and vulnerable populations
- Inspires positive social transformation across nations

SFC collaborations create lasting value beyond the conference itself by fostering relationships, generating awareness, and inspiring initiatives that continue to impact communities long after the event concludes.





5.4

Bringing All Together As One

Together Towards Stronger Families and Stronger Communities

The Strengthening Families Conference continues to serve as a powerful platform for unity, dialogue, and action — bringing together individuals and organizations committed to building stronger families and healthier communities across Africa and the world.

As we look ahead to SFC 2026 in Monrovia, Liberia, we invite governments, NGOs, development partners, faith-based organizations, educational institutions, corporate bodies, and community leaders to join us in this important mission.

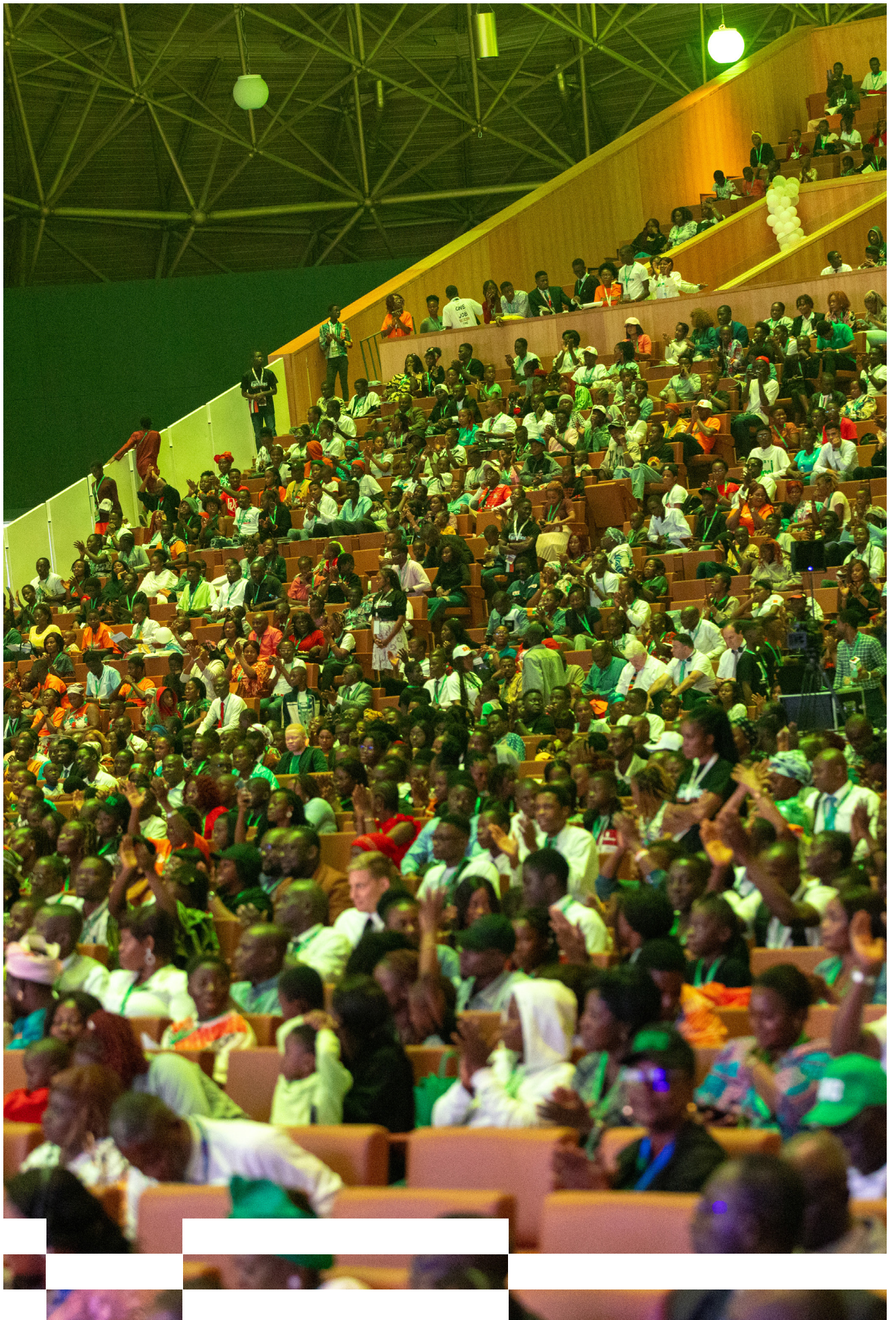
Through collaboration, shared values, and collective effort, we can:

- Empower youth with purpose and opportunity
- Promote peace, resilience, and inclusion
- Strengthen families as the foundation of society
- Build sustainable and thriving communities for generations to come

SFC is not just an event — it is a growing movement of hope, impact, and transformation.

We welcome you to partner with us, participate with us, and help shape a future where families flourish and communities thrive.

















STRENGTHENING FAMILIES CONFERENCE IS FOR EVERYONE

The Strengthening Families Conference is a global conference and a global space where people everywhere can connect, learn, adapt, and acquire simple yet unique values that promote unity, peace, love, and strength in our societies.

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Visit strengtheningfamily.org to learn more about the conference.



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Share your impressions on social media.



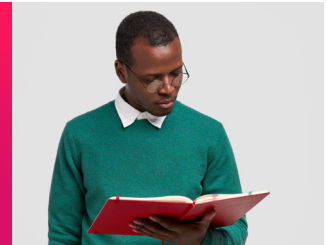
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Find available resources at family services on the website.



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Read about our workshops.



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Watch our previous projects.



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Take notes and set goals.



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Read about SFC keynote speakers.



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Learn how to participate.



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Invite family and friends.



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Leave feedback.



We are open to collaboration with:

- Government Institutions
- International Development Agencies
- NGOs & Humanitarian Organizations
- Educational Institutions
- Religious & Interfaith Bodies
- Media Organizations
- Private Sector Companies
- Community & Youth Organizations

Contact Information

Strengthening Families Conference (SFC)

Host Country 2026: Monrovia, Liberia

Conference Dates: June 19–20, 2026

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*Strong families build strong nations.
Empowered youth create resilient futures.
Together, we can strengthen communities and
transform generations.*

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