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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Find a group of people who challenge and inspire you, spend a lot of time with them and it will change your life."  
- Amy Poehler

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## BU ACADEMY MARKS GRADUATION



L-R: Principal, Elder Gabriel Fasanu, Dr. Folorunso Akande, PTA Chair, Mr. Adetolu Adetoye, Pastor (Dr) Sunday Ogunsanya and Mr. Dikachi Asonye at Babcock Academy's 7th graduation ceremony.

## GLOBAL WARMING: NSN CALLS FOR JOINT RESPONSIBILITY



Prof. Paul Manger: Curb excessive carbon emission.

By Josephine Akarue

The Neurological Society of Nigeria has called for a more responsible use of Earth's resources to stem the environmen-

tal degradation and threat to human existence posed by rising sea levels, raging temperatures and global warming.

This came up at the Society's 20th scientific conference and Annual General Meeting held in Babcock University themed, **Molecular, Genetic and Population Approaches to Brain Health: The**

### African Perspective.

In his presentation, the keynote speaker, Prof. Paul Manger of Witwatersrand University's Anatomy department made a strong case for curbing excessive carbon emissions to reduce threat to human existence.

"A healthy and expanding ecosystem can store more carbon thus helping to mitigate anthropogenic climate warming," he said.

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Participants listen as Prof. John Sotunsa (left) gives his charge.

## GLOBAL WARMING: NSN CALLS FOR JOINT RESPONSIBILITY

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“Africa has three globally important ecosystems that need to be preserved: the African Savannah, the Congo Rainforest Basin and the Sahara Desert.”

Using the Serengeti National Park Plain zebras as a case study, Prof. Manger’s paper offered scientific insight into how their migratory patterns and the park’s capacity to store up approximately 4.5% of global terrestrial carbon could help mitigate human-induced climate change.

“A degraded ecosystem will release around 15 years of carbon into the atmosphere leading to a rapid escalation of global warming and its associated consequences,” he warned.

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo also lent his voice for a more responsible action plan to

save mankind from the consequences of global warming.

Prof. Tayo, represented by the Provost of the Benjamin Carso College of Health & Medical Sciences, said time had come for Africans to take charge in moving the continent forward through teamwork and technological advance-

ment.

“Together, we will build the continent,” he said.

Similarly, the NSN President Prof. Bamidele Owoyele, expressed optimism that beyond knowledge, the conference theme reflected recognition that Africa’s indigenous remedies and approaches could be strengthened and deployed for societal well-being.



A participant poses a question.



A cross section of the participants



Prof. John Sotunsa with Prof. Victor Owoyele and Prof. Ademola Oremosu (3rd, 4th & 5th left) with other LOC members of the Conference.

## BU CAMPUS RADIO HOSTS ANCHORS AS STAKEHOLDERS MEET



Prof. Yacob Haliso appreciating the presenters.

By Josephine Akarue

Management of the Babcock University campus radio, Hope 89.1 FM hosted programme anchors and presenters at its annual Vision Sharing /Volunteers Appreciation Day, August 20.

Aside social interaction, the programme themed, **Waxing Stronger Together**, provided platform for knowledge sharing and feedback from stakeholders.

"Thank you for your support in using the radio to propagate the gospel," said Senior Vice President Management Services, Prof. Yacob Haliso. "Your reward is in Heaven. Let's put everything together to hasten the coming of Jesus Christ."

Director of the Radio, Dr. Babafemi Akintayo also thanked them as

he shared tips on ensuring a seamless production.

Among others, he stressed the need for adequate preparation, research and respecting audience sensitivity.

"Adequate preparation is germane to what a presenter has to say. If I'm not prepared, it will be obvious, people will know," he said.

Station Manager, Dr. Omolayo Jegede and Presenter, Damilola Kafidiya also threw in



Dr. Omolayo Jegede



Damilola Kafidiya



Dr. Femi Akintayo



A cross section of presenters of *Ijiroro lati inu bibeli*.



Be to Be presenters with Dr. Femi Akintayo and Dr. Omolayo Jegede (1st and 2nd r) and friends.



Mrs. Victoria A. Dennis with (l-r) Eduerk, Aldino and Nseghe Prince-Effiong

tips for professional delivery and ethics.

But it was not one-directional. Station manager and staff also got feedbacks on strategies to improve programme broadcast and production from presenters as they shared their collec-

tive challenges.

Presenters of the Bible Banquet led by Dr. Ngozi Okata, Family Time presenter, Dr. Alice Bello, the Yoruba Bible study programme, *Ijiroro lati inu Bibeli* by Mr. Michael Akinjunmi and team members as well as **Be to Be** Children's programme among others, shared their views.

The consensus is that the radio station has come to stay. As long content remains engaging, there will always be a ready audience and the youth will not be left behind.

## ILD GRADS INDUCTED AS FRAUD AUDIT EXAMINERS



Prof. Ademola Tayo



Ready to soar: A cross section of the inductees.

By Josephine Akarue with additional reports from Hannah Areo and Kenny Ebrimson

**C**alls for integrity and professionalism topped the charge as 172 graduates of International Law & Diplomacy took their oath of allegiance as Associate Fraud Audit Examiners.

At the event which marked the 7<sup>th</sup> induction of Fraud Examiners, the University's President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo, emphasized the need for integrity in all transactions and the decade-old collaboration between the Babcock Centre for Executive Development and the African Business School.

He reminded inductees of the immense responsibility they bear as Fraud Audit Examiners to apply the knowledge and skills acquired through their learning journey to act as whistle-blowers when nec-

essary.

"Do not remain silent about any issues you may encounter in your surroundings."

In the same vein, President of the African Business School/Institute of Fraud Examiners, HRH Goddy Idaminabo stressed on the need for fraud examiners to have a

comprehensive grasp of essential problem-solving principles and skills.

"Every fraud examiner must understand the art and science of problem solving. Diligent effort is crucial in this regard," he said.

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Inductees take their oath.



CEO African Business School, HRH Goddy Idaminabo makes a point.



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The BCED Director, Professor Rufus Akintoye, is proud of the inductees as they set out to contribute their quota towards nation building, development of a culture of accountability and professional whistle blowing.”

“They have diligently completed the necessary steps and are now ready to embark on this new chapter,” he said.

The Dean of Veronica Adeleke School of Social Sciences, Prof. Gift Ntiwunka, Provost of the School of Law & Security Studies, Prof. Deji Olanrewaju, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro and other University officers were also there to give their support.



HRH Goddy Idaminaabo share a light moment with Prof. Ademola Tayo and Prof. Philemon Amanze.



Prof. Rufus Akintoye



Prof. Gift Ntiwunka



Proud to belong: Some of the inductees after the oath taking.



Prof. Deji Olanrewaju presents certificate to one of the inductees. Right: Another inductee receives certificate from Prof. Philemon Amanze



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro exchanges handshake with an inductee.



The inductees with Prof. Ademola Tayo (middle), HRH Goddy Idaminaabo, Prof. Philemon Amanze (4th and 5th left) and other University officers.



BABCOCK UNIVERSITY 7TH INDUCTION CEREMONY OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES OF INSTITUTE OF FRAUD EXAMINERS

Want to view more? Please click here to watch on YouTube.

## BU HOSTS 5TH INTERNATIONAL FAITH INTEGRATION CONFERENCE



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro makes his presentation as the participants listen.

By Josephine Akarue with additional reports

What can Christians do to ensure the pervading influence of God's word in a progressively degenerating world plagued with cruelty, cynicism and compromise?

Participants rose with resolutions on these and other top burner issues as they met for the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Faith Integration (IFI) themed, *Faith Integration: Reawakening Ethical Consciousness in an Evolving Society*.

Top among these resolutions were the emphasis on faith-driven and God-centred, transformational living.

The conference also provided over 300 participants platform for cross fertilization of ideas and strategic mapping on faith integration.

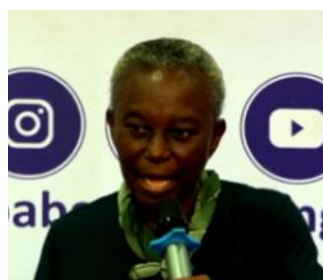
From keynote speaker to other presenters, a recurring point remained the same: faith-centred living.



Pastor Adeoti and Chaplain Funmi Adegbenle



Dr. Femi Olomajobi



Prof. Constance Nwosu



Participants present theme song at the post conference thanksgiving service.

In his welcome address, Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Philemon Amanze, called for a collective action towards stemming the moral decline.

"The whole world is experiencing moral decline and students in the classroom are not exempted from ethical relativism," he said. "It is now that teachers and all those involved in the education enterprise must learn the art and sci-

ence of value transmission and faith integration."

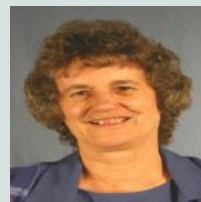
Keynote speaker and President of the Adventist University of the Philippines, Dr. Arceli H. Rosario captured the situation in strong terms.

"To live the ethical life in a world that is progressively plagued with moral collapse, we must be committed to the word of God and true to our duties."

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## SOME FACILITATORS

1. ALOZIE, Yetunde (PhD)
2. BAYETA, Ranzoline (PhD)
3. COZEN, Merla (PhD)
4. FISHER, Barbara (Mrs)
5. GREEN, William (Dr.)
6. HENRIQUEZ-GREEN, Rita (Ed.D)
7. MAKINDE, Kayode J (Prof)
8. NWOSU Nichola (Mrs)
9. NWOSU, Constance (Prof) Convener
10. ROSARIO, Arceli (PhD)
11. WA-MBALEKA, Safary (PhD), Bethel University, USA
12. OKORO, Iheanyichukwu (Prof), Babcock University
13. ZYGMONT, Conrad Stanislaw (PhD) of Stellenbosch University, South Africa



L-r: Prof. Lisa Beardsley-Hardy, Dr. Conrad S. Zygmunt, Dr. Merla Cozens and Dr. Safary Wa-Mbaleka



(L -r) Drs. William & Rita Henriquez-Green, Dr. Yetunde Alozie, Dr. Ranzoline Bayeta and Dr. Barbara Fisher



(L -r): Prof. Dorcas Odunaike, Mrs. Nichola Nwosu, Prof. J. A. Kayode Makinde and Dr. Jerry Kwarbai.

Some of the invited speakers.



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Dr. Ranzoline Bayeta of South Philippines Adventist College expressed similar views while addressing the issue of leadership in Adventist institutions.

According to him, leadership preference is often defined by spiritual and managerial competencies aside other skills.

Corroborating this position, Dr. Conrad Stanislaw said supervisors need to mirror their faith not merely speak to it in post-graduate research supervision.

In their presentation, Mrs. Barbara Fisher and Dr. Merla Cozen

traced Adventist Education history and emerging challenges from the practice of faith integration and learning while consultant surgeon, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro spoke on faith integration and the healthcare system.

Mrs. Nicola Nwosu's paper took theme from the position of special needs and Dr. Yetunde Alozie's on changing nutrition landscape, non-communicable diseases and align-

ment with biblical dietary guidelines.

"The conference was deeply refreshing and educative," said Ogun Conference President, Pastor (Dr) Sunday Ogunsanya.

While thanking the convener, Prof. Constance Nwosu, President of the Western Nigeria Union Conference, Pastor (Dr) Ezekiel Adeleye promised to take it beyond the ivory tower for greater impact.



A cross section of some facilitators and participants.

## BABCOCK ACADEMY AWARDS EXCELLENCE



A cross section of the graduates of the Senior secondary listen as Dr. Folorunso Akande presents his keynote address.

By Godwin Ugbaka

As the Babcock Academy Abeokuta marked its 7<sup>th</sup> graduation and Awards ceremony with 73 students, the University President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo has called on them to be worthy institutional ambassadors.

His call also applied to 59 others transiting from the junior to senior secondary.

Represented by the University Bursar, Dr. Folorunso Akande, Professor Tayo wished them well and not to forget to support the school's growth even as they advance in their various professional careers.

He further advised against limiting their growth to areas of study as some have discovered success in developing their passions and hobbies.

"Identify your natural talents and areas of ease and develop them," he stated.

According to him, Nigeria is blessed with natural resources which should

be harnessed and not lost for want of opportunities or emigration.

In his keynote address as guest speaker, *Nigeria's Economy and the Challenges of Quality Education*, Dr. Akande called on government to be intentional about the educational budgetary allocation for equity and quality education.



Pastor Sunday Ogunsanya



Graduating students from JSS 3

"Funding of education has to be deliberate to ensure every individual has education," he said.

He acknowledged parents for choosing Babcock Academy in times like these.

"We are sensitive to things happening in the economy," he said.

President of the Ogun Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Pastor (Dr.) Sunday Ogunsanya also expressed similar views while congratulating parents, students and teachers.

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“You are now a graduate because you endured and did not quit. You came, saw and conquered. There is another better phase for you. Never lose sight of God.”



Principal, Elder Gabriel Fasanu delivers his address as graduating students watch with keen interest.

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“These are tough times. Continue to hold on to God as you move on to the next level,” he said.

For the Chair of the Parents/Teachers Association, Mr. Adetolu Adetoye, the call is to remain steadfast in pursuit of excellence.

“You are now a graduate because you endured and did not quit. You came, saw and conquered,” he said. “There is another better phase for you. Never lose sight of God.”



Some of the graduating students' parents at the ceremony.



Staff of the Year, Mr. Fasanu Olayinka receives award from Dr Folorunso Akande.



Mr. Amos Maurice receives Academic Staff of the Year award from Dr. Folorunso Akande.



Pastor Jacob Olajide, former Chaplain/Senior Church pastor.



Mrs. Gold Ogunbadejo receives Principal's Award for an outstanding performance from Dr. Folorunso Akande.



Pastor Jacob Olajide receives gift on behalf of the academy from Pastor (Dr) Sunday Ogunsanya as Elder Gabriel Fasanu (left), Pastor Taiwo Olawuyi (1st right) and a graduating student watch.

# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The Pioneer Youth Church was a kaleidoscope of sounds and colour as the Director of Nursing Services, Mrs. Adeola Oyinloye marked her 50th birthday anniversary. Pictures capture some of the moments and faces at the event



# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The management team of the campus radio, Hope 89.1 FM hosted anchors and other stakeholders at its annual Vision Sharing and appreciation Day.



The Neurological Society of Nigeria presented fellowship awards to two members at their just concluded Annual General Meeting and International Conference. Left: Prof. John Sotunsa and Prof. Ademola Oremosu and Right: Prof Sotunsa with Prof. Victor Owoyele



The congregation listen as Pastor (Prof) Efe Ehioghae presents the sermon.

## COMMENDATION SERVICE FOR MRS IBEZUGBE

By Hannah Areo and Kenny Ebrimson

**I**t was a solemn moment at the Pioneer Church as close friends, staff and family gathered for the commendation service of late Mrs. Faith Ibezugbe, who passed on August 5, 2023.

Until her death, late Faith Ibezugbe was a teacher at the Babcock University Staff School (BUSS).

In his funeral homily drawn from the Biblical Book of John 14, the University Pastor, Professor Efe Ehioghae said late Faith lived up to her name until death.

Like Job, even in pain, she never gave up nor lost faith in God. Her face radiated with joy even when death stared her in the face. He assured the family that death to those who are in Christ Jesus was a comma in a sentence not a full stop.

“Death is a full stop to only those who are not in Christ Jesus. Therefore put God first in everything you do for death is no respecter of persons.”

In his prayer for the family, President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo, represented by the Chief of Staff, Professor David Alao said nobody could question God for He

alone knows the end from the beginning.

He said late Faith was a valuable servant of God who will be sorely missed. He asked the Lord to comfort her husband, children and family.

“Babcock University community

plined, caring and loving.

For Deputy Director of Human Resources, Dr. Jones Umukoro, she would always be remembered.

Colleagues at Staff School also said she was dedicated and willingly served at various units without ever saying no.



Prof. David Alao (right) leads out in prayer for family members



Mrs. Faith Ibezugbe



Pioneer Church Pastor, Pastor Opeyemi Oladosu and members of the music team. (Right): Adventist Women's Ministries



BU Staff School teachers





## COMING EVENTS

### Sept 1

#### FINAL YEAR RESUMPTION

All final year students are expected to return to campus for the 2023/2024 Academic session.

Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

### Sept 4

All 300 level students are expected to return to campus for the 2023/2024 Academic session.

Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

### Sept 6

All 200 level students are expected to return to campus for the 2023/2024 Academic session.

Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

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### Sept 7

**INAUGURAL LECTURE**  
Prof. Luke Onuoha, will be delivering the University's 43rd inaugural lecture, *Financing Higher Education in Nigeria: A call for Critical Review and Sustainable Engagement*. Venue: BBS Auditorium A  
Time: 2:00pm



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- Strengthens bones and teeth and prevents osteoporosis with its high calcium.
- Aids digestion.



## FACTS

### MADAGASCAR

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- It is home to more than 70 species of lemurs found nowhere else on earth.
- It is also famous for its 250 islands and rich coral reef coastline in the Indian Ocean.

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### 43<sup>RD</sup> INAUGURAL LECTURE

**FINANCING HIGHER EDUCATION IN NIGERIA: A CALL FOR CRITICAL REVIEW AND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING ENGAGEMENT**

Lecturer:  
**LUKE N. ONUOHA**  
PhD, DBA, MBA, BSc, FCA, ACTI  
Professor of Accounting & Management Sciences

Chairman:  
**Professor Ademola S. Tayo**  
BSc (Hons), PGD, M.A., PhD  
President/Vice-Chancellor, Babcock University

Date:  
Thursday, 7th September, 2023

Time:  
2:00pm

Venue:  
BBS Main Auditorium

Signed: Jonathan C. Nwosu, PHD, FCA, PHD, FPA, REGISTRAR