

## Our Mission

- Building leadership through Christian education; transforming lives, impacting society for positive change.

## Our Vision

- A first-class Seventh-day Adventist institution, building servant leaders for a better world.

## Our Core Values

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Accountability
- Servant Leadership,
- Team Spirit
- Autonomy & Responsibility
- Adventist Heritage

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Single isn’t a status. But it’s a word that describes a person who is strong enough to live and enjoy life without depending on others.”  
- Anon

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## PICTURE OF THE WEEK



L-R: Profs Joseph Olanrewaju, Sunday Owolabi, Iheanyichukwu Okoro, Clara Okoro, Ademola Tayo, Grace Tayo, Kayode Makinde and Yetunde Makinde at the ceremony.

## BU HONOURS PROF JACOB NORTEY



Prof. Ademola Tayo (2nd left) presents Prof. Jacob Nortey award plaque as Prof Iheanyichukwu Okoro( r ) Prof Sunday Owolabi ( l ) watch.

Pioneer Chancellor of Babcock University, Professor Jacob Jonas Nortey was honoured with leadership award by Babcock University as part of the institution’s Founders’ Day ceremony. Professor Tayo noted that the history of Bab-

cock University would not be complete without a mention of Professor Nortey who became associated with the institution in 1969.

He thanked God for giving the institution a man who trained thousands of church leaders and made

the West Central Africa division of Seventh Day Adventist Church to have the most enlightened clergy in the whole world. He also noted that Professor Nortey not only built physical assets but also great human capital.

In his response, Professor Nortey thanked the university administration for honouring him with the leadership award, saying that, he was “shocked and surprised” to be considered for such an award.

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## WEEKLY DIGEST

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## OKORO SEEKS 10 % FUNDING FOR LIBRARIES



A Professor of Library information and archive, Professor Clara Okoro has urged university administrators to set aside a minimum of 10 per cent of institutional budget to take care of information resources and hiring of professional librarians.

Professor Okoro's suggestion was one of the eight recommendations made while delivering the 30th inaugural lecture of Babcock University.

Prof Tayo (4th r), Prof Clara (4th l) with other university officers.

In her paper, *The Librarian: Information Gate Keeper, Advocate and Priest*, Professor Okoro said efforts should be intensified by management of various universities and other tertiary institutions at providing adequate funding for library services.

According to her, libraries in academic and research institutes are not only the life wire of the parent organisation but also acts as a 'kitchen in a home.' She noted that the beauty of teaching, learning, research and community service in tertiary institutions would be a mirage without well stocked libraries to support service.

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Clockwise: Prof Tayo congratulates Pro Clara Okoro. Friends and relatives of inaugural lecturer. First family of Prof Okoro. Another set of friends and relatives.







A cross section of Principal Officers, Deans and HoDs with the inaugural lecturer. Below: Inaugural lecturer with some of her colleagues.

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She pointed out that though the current economic downturn has affected all sectors of the economy nevertheless the library should not be starved of resources to procure needed instructional materials.

She said the library would be a mad house without the expertise of the technical team which ensures that cataloguing, classification and assigning of accession numbers to information materials are expertly handled.

She said the advocacy role of the librarian's task, include standing in the gap between users and information resources and supporting the policy, mission and vision of the parent institution through provision of relevant literature to patrons.

According to her, the concept of information gate keeping revolves around the ideology of an interface to go through to gain access into information assets. As a priest, she said the job of a librarian is akin to the job of a priest who connects the congregation to God in prayer

'Librarians as the archetypal information professionals and acting as academic priests, mounts book exhibitions, organizes fairs and reading competitions,' she said.

Professor Okoro urged the modern day librarian to be aggressive in his marketing drive to attract commendable recognition and erase the pre-conceived notion about the profession.

She equally called on tertiary institutions yet to accord their librarians faculty status to do so in line with NUC circular of 1992 and avoid double standards while assessing librarians for higher faculty status.

As information gatekeepers, advocates and priests, librari-

ans are enjoined to occupy the front burner in the ongoing reforms, repackaging and retooling of the information industry.

She called on universities that run library and information science programme to further enrich the curriculum to make it more acceptable to candidates seeking university admission.



## BU HONOURS PROF JACOB NORTEY



L-R: Prof Jonathan Nwosu, Prof Ademola Tayo, Prof Jacob Nortey, Prof Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Prof Sunday Owolabi at the ceremony to honour Prof Nortey with leadership award.

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“You don’t know how glad I am to stand here to receive the award,” he remarked.

He commended the leaders of the institution for hosting the 60/20 anniversary.

Professor Nortey, who said Nigeria had played an important part in his denominational work, advised those in the helm of affairs to work with God and ask Him what should be done and not to depend on ourselves.

According to him, when God is consulted, He will provide the strength and the leadership to accomplish all tasks.

He also urged the leadership not to rest on its oars.

According to him, there was more beyond, and that God was looking for people who would make themselves available to Him.

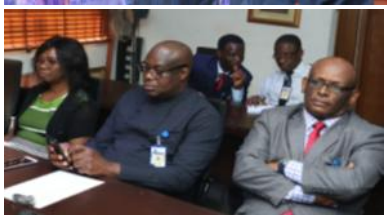
Speaking on the contribution of education to humanity, Nortey

said education was the greatest tool with which to change the face of the world.

He therefore asked God to give the current leadership opportunity to accomplish more in the future.

“The task placed on our hands is not finished yet because there are lots of opportunities and work to be done for the division and Africa.”

“The lord had done marvelous things and this could only have been possible due to the spirit of oneness, and unity,” he said.

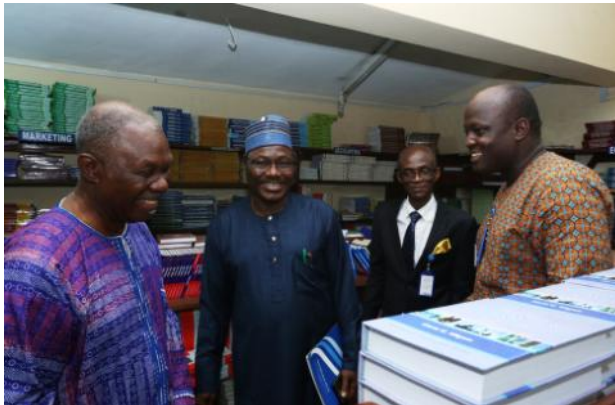


Top : Profs Nortey and Owolabi  
Below: Makinde, Egwakhe & Haliso



As part of the tour of the university campus, Prof Nortey paid visit to the department of Accounting. Pix shows Nortey (4th r) and Prof Tayo (3rd ) and Dr Adegbi (2nd r), Prof Egwakhe (1st r) and others inside the Accounting Lab.





Clockwise: Prof Nortey with some members of 60/20 committee. Prof Nortey being interviewed. Prof Nortey with principal officers and Mr Adeniji inside the bookshop, Prof Nortey inside Superstore with his hosts. More members of 60/20 pose with Prof Nortey. Pastor Nwaomah. A group photo of principal officers, deans, heads of departments with their guest in front row (fifth right) with Prof Tayo on Nortey's right in front of the University Bookshop.





## BU HOLDS 3RD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ICT



L-R: Front row; Professor Charles Uwadia, Dr Odebukola Onasuga and Professor Ademola Tayo with other guests at back row. Below: A cross section of guest seekers and university officials.

The third international conference on intelligent computing and emerging technologies (ICET) has ended in Babcock University with a call on IT experts to begin to use global innovations to solve local problems.

Speaking at the conference with the theme, ***Global Innovations in Information Technology for Sustainable Development***, President of Computer Professional Registration Council of Nigeria (CPN) Professor Charles Uwadia said while innovations in ICT for sustainable development should be global, especially for branding, researches should focus more on solving problems locally.

He congratulated the University for sustaining the conference, which he said CPN would continue to give her support.

Professor Uwadia singled out the school of computing and engineering sciences of Babcock University for maintaining a mutually rewarding relationship with the council over the years.

‘The council is happy with Babcock University’s School of Computing and engineer-

ing sciences for not giving us problems like other universities,” he said.

Also speaking, President/ Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo agreed that there could never be any sustainable development without the application of information technology. This, according to him, implied that the collaboration of all

experts to forge ahead in information technology world in Africa.

He commended both Nigeria Computer Society (NCS) and CPN for continuous support toward the hosting of the conference and partnering the University to bring about a sustainable development in information technology.



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He added that the University was ready to enter into any partnership that would meet human capital needs of the country.

Keynote speaker, Professor Atul Gonsai of Saurashtra University, Rajkot, India, said modern mobile phones are now configured like computers with CPU to encrypt and decrypt data at full network bandwidth with more than usual algorithms.

He said to encrypt, is to secure information electronically using a key, while to decrypt, is to use the key to unlock the information.

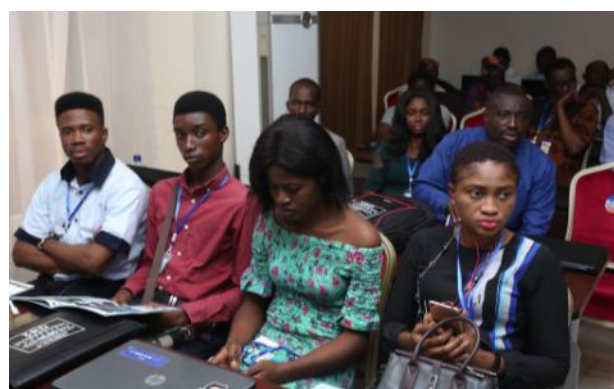
In his paper, *Design and Development of Audio Encryption Algorithm for Secure Communication*, Professor Gonsai proposed the use of blowfish algorithms to ensure that calls from mobile station to base station are fully secured beyond one base station.

"In the GSM market currently, data is secured from the mobile terminal to base station, after that it is open on the network," he stated.

Dean of the School of Computing and Engineering Sciences, Professor Oludele Awodele said the con-

ference aimed at bringing together information administrators, professionals, entrepreneurs, researchers and students to discuss and engage in an active and interactive atmosphere.

Clockwise: Cross sections of participants at the conference. Professor Tayo presents gift to Dr. Odebukola Onasuga (right) as Prof Awodele (middle) looks on. Professor Tayo presents Prof Uwadia (right). With them is Professor Awodele.





# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



Family members, colleagues, friends and acquaintances came in droves to witness the University's 30th inaugural lecture delivered by Prof Clara Okoro. Different faces and scenes at the ceremony as captured by our University Photographer.





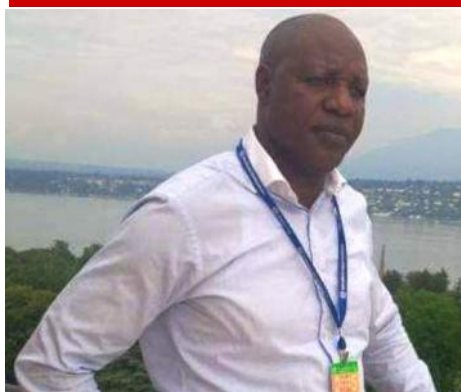
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## NEWS FROM MEDIA PARTNERS

## GUILD OF EDITORS ELECTS ACTING PRESIDENT



Left: Mustapha Isah



Right: Funke Egbemode

The Nigerian Guild of Editors has elected Mr. Mustapha Isah as Acting President of the Guild.

The position became vacant after president, Mrs Funke Egbemode was appointed as Commissioner for Infor-

mation and Civic Orientation in Osun State.

This came up during the meeting of the standing committee by the powers conferred by Article 13(4) of the

Nigerian Guild of Editors Constitution

The meeting also urged the federal government to rescind the decision to regulate the Social Media as such negates section of 39 of 1999 constitution as amended.

The Guild urged the government to engage the founders and promoters of social media, namely: Facebook, Instagram and Twitter among others – to creatively find ways of sieving information disseminated through their respective channels, to curtail extremisms of violence and hate speech.



## COMING EVENTS

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOV 13

#### CONGREGATION

There will be a general congregational meeting with principal officers to address crucial matters.

Venue: Pioneer Church

Time: 3:00pm

### NOV 21

#### MATRICULATION

The 21st undergraduate and 10th postgraduate matriculation ceremonies will hold.

Venue & Time: (UG) Babcock sports com-

plex @ 9:00am (PG) Pioneer Church @ 12:00pm

### NOV 23

#### FEAST OF LIGHT

It promises to be another beautiful moment as the Division of Spiritual Life once again hosts the annual feast of light to mark the end of the year and celebrate God's goodness. There will be songs, drama, music and fireworks. Theme: *He Comes to Reign.*

Venue: Sports Complex  
Time: 5:00pm

NOV 25 - DEC 12  
SEMESTER EXAMS  
NOV 27

### PROPRIETORS & PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE

The Senior Vice President Management Services will host the 3rd edition of the Proprietors & Principals' conference. Theme: *An Integrated Approach to Secondary School Marketing & Youth Education in the 21st Century.*

Venue: BGH Time: 10:00am

### DEC 20

CHRISTMAS VACATION

JAN 6, 2020

ANNUAL ORIENTATION

## REFLECTION



"There are two great days in a person's life; the day we are born and the day we discover why."  
- William Barclay