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- 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

“It’s not how many times you say I love you, but how many times you prove you do. Words are nothing without actions.”
- Anon

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Youth Alert: Week of Prayer Youth Parade had Professor Ademola S. Tayo and spouse, Prof. Grace Tayo respond to greetings from the Adventist Youth. With them are: (l-r) the BU district Adventist Youth Leader, James Chidi, Pastor Passmore Mulambo, University Pastor, Dr. Sunday Audu, Pastor Irving Gwatiringa and Youth Pastor, Dr. Wole Oyerinde.

“AIM FOR THE BEST,” PROF OKORO

Provost, College of Health and Medical Sciences, Professor Iheanyichukwu Okoro has called on the BU Medical Students Association to seriously think of transforming the health sector.

His call came at the Association’s symposium themed, *Nigerian Doctors and the Nigerian Medical Systems: The Past, the Present and the Future of Medicine in Nigeria*, to mark their week.

“We can make things happen if we do our best, he said.

He blamed the current trend of medical tourism to India on



Call for professionalism: Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro (middle), Dr. Clement Onuoha (l) and Dr. Mike Eyinna (r)

the importation of refurbished obsolete medical equipment resulting in several deaths in hospitals, including the prestigious National Hospital Abuja.

Professor Okoro said the University is currently

taking active steps to reversing the trend through the training of competent and compassionate doctors who would make a positive mark anywhere they went.

WEEKLY DIGEST

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BABCOCK EMPOWERS YOUTH



Time to reflect: Participants from the Babcock academy, Abeokuta and others pray before the programme's commencement.

Federal Government College Odogbolu and Classic Royal Academy, Ikenne emerged winners at the quiz competition at the Babcock Youth Empowerment Programme.

The schools, which went home with a tablet each for their efforts, were among 20 participating secondary schools at the programme organized to encourage and develop Nigerian youths as well as sell the Babcock brand as top option for tertiary education.

Senior Vice President, Manage-



ment Services, Professor Sunday Owolabi, urged the students to be intentional and smart when making choices of Universities.

"Consider ownership and governance structure, programmes/course accreditation as well as security of lives and international collaborations among others," he said.



Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa interact with the students during his presentation.

Guest speaker, Dr Seun Ebiesuwa offered tips on how youths can attain life goals. According to him, self-discovery, talent cultivation, quality education and trust in God were basic tools for becoming the best in whatever discipline.

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The BU Students Association President, Ene Alu also shared her Babcock experience with the youths. She urged them to be focused and determined from the blast of whistle to enjoy their experience in the University.



The SVP Management Services, Prof. Sunday Owolabi and BUSA President, Ene Alu (left), share moments with the programme participants.





Pastor Irving Gwatiringa shares the word with a cross section of the congregation.



EXPERIENCING HIS WORD

For some, this year's Week of Prayer with 98 baptisms and a call for a closer walk with God, was just another annual routine. But for others, few things beat the spiritual high which set the tone for the new year.

Themed, *Experience His Word*, the programme anchored by the Division of Spiritual Life provided more than a spiritual high. It proffered solutions to real life challenges and global social issues as well as opportunity for a spiritual self-evaluation.

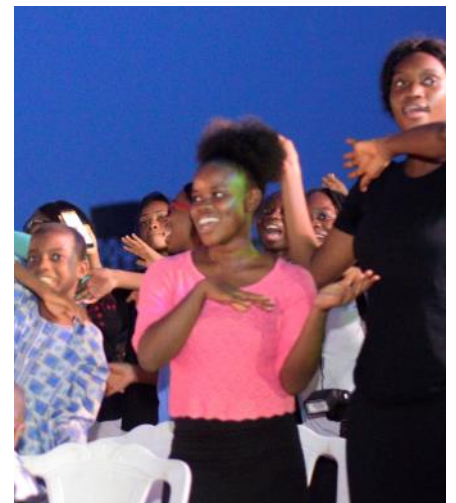
For nine days, the Ministerial Director of the South African Indian Ocean Division, Pastor Passmore Mulambo and the Youth Director of the Central Zimbabwean Conference, Pastor Irving Gwatiringa shared a special bond with more than 10,000 daily attendees on both campuses as they studied the scriptures and reflected on life choices and eternity.

"Don't let anyone deceive you, bad company corrupts good manners," said Pastor Gwatiringa. "Virginity is still a virtue in 2019 as it was in times, past."

The messages covered topics such as: *# Say No, Amazing Love, Divine Revenge, The Anti-Virus to the Hard Drive, Divine Magnet* and *The Power of the Folded Napkin*, among others.

At the Iperu campus, the audience was just as enthusiastic as Pastor Mulambo taught about God's love and Christ's second coming. The resulting 18 of the 98 baptisms were the highest recorded in recent times.

"This is the best Week of Prayer that I've experienced in my four years in Babcock University," said a final year student of Music. "It's a memory I'm going to cherish in a long time."





Top: (left –r) Temitope Bello, Toluwa Solesi, Oyinda Owoade and Esther Folorunso,
Bottom: Oyindamola Paul-Okoro, Victor Wofuru, James Okeke

From the main campus to the Iperu mini campus ceremonial grounds, candidates took bold steps to begin a new life in Christ through baptism. At the end of the Week of Prayer, 98 souls were baptized. The Editorial team sought them out to glean their views on what this baptism means to them. Excerpts.

This baptism means a lot to me because I'm going to be a changed person with Jesus dwelling within me.

- **Temitope BELLO**, 100 level Mass Communication

This means forsaking everything to follow Jesus; it also means dying and rising with Him.

- **Toluwani SOLESI**, 100 level History & International Studies.

It means I'm ready to accept Jesus as my personal Lord and Saviour; forsaking all my old ways and be born anew.

- **Oyindamola OWOADE**, 100 level Anatomy

WHAT THIS BAPTISM MEANS TO US

For me, baptism means rebirth; being born of Christ and no longer of men or flesh.

- **Esther Folorunso**, 100 level Economics

It means being born anew and following all God's commandments and living the way He wants us to.

- **Oyindamola Paul-Okoro**, 100 level Computer Science

This baptism means totally surrounding to God. I have been living in self-will, but I believe by doing this I

will die and resurrect in newness of life, to live according to God's will.

- **Victor WOFURU**, 100 Level Accounting

Baptism simply means starting a new leaf and accepting Christ as my Lord and true savior.

- **James OKEKE**, 100 level Computer Science



Pastor Irving Gwatiringa and Pastor Uche Josiah at the baptism.

WEEK OF PRAYER IN PICTURES



KNOWLEDGE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



Bridging the knowledge gap:
Dr. Jacob Opele



Cross section of participants at the international conference on Knowledge and Innovation Management.

What role does knowledge play in sustainable development? That was the crux of the matter as Babcock University lent its voice to the global call for developing a culture of knowledge sharing for sustainable development.

The three-day international conference hosted by the Department of Information Resources Management in collaboration with the Research, Innovation & International Collaboration, RIIC provided a platform for socio-cerebral interaction and knowledge sharing across several disciplines.

Presenting his paper on *Stimulating a Culture of Knowledge Sharing and Ecosystem of*

Knowledge Management for Sustainable Development, Dr. Jacob K. Opele said besides the obvious fact that knowledge is power and influential in socio-economic development, effective knowledge management also enhanced organizational development through reduced operational costs and improved productivity.

“When employees share knowledge, they acquire new ideas

and information, have access to useful sources and enhance working performance and problem solving skills,” he said.

The presenter further stated that without an intentional strategy for knowledge management to achieving common sustainable development goals, mankind stood the risk of losing even a balanced ecosystem and the environment that sustains his survival.



Clockwise: Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro listen with keen interest as one of the conference participants makes a point. A cross section of attendees; Prof. Grace Tayo and Prof. Roselin Opeke with Guest Speaker, Prof. Daisy Selematsela.

PINK HOUSE EMERGES WINNER AT BUHS 22nd INTER-HOUSE SPORTS



School Principal, Dr. Bolanle Adebawojo and other BUHS officers and PTA representative, Mrs Charles-Elikwu at the High table share a joyful moment at the event.

Pink House emerged overall winner as the Babcock University High School flagged off its week-long Founders' Day programme with the 22nd inter-house sports competition.

The victory marked a major point for Pink House which came last in the march past after ceding first, second and third positions to Green, White and Yellow Houses respectively.

Extolling the benefits of physical exercise,

the BUHS Principal, Dr Bolanle Adebawojo said exercise prolongs life, fights diseases as well as builds self-esteem.

"Besides empowering the brain, exercise improves cognitive and socio-motor skills," she said.

"Engaging in sports help students perform better in their

the need to include sporting activities in the timetable.

Other events of the day was the medal and trophies presentation to winning athletes representing the six houses in 800m, 400m, 200m and 100m relays for junior and senior categories.

Parents, alumni and staff also participated in the 4x100m race in male and female categories.

In his remark, the Babcock University Director of Student Activities, Dr Wole Oyerinde, thanked the school for promoting student well-being and sportsmanship through the inter-house sports.



studies, meet and interact with new people."

She expressed appreciation to all the stakeholders for their support and stressed

Clockwise: Parade of the Greats: Pink House makes a grand entry at the parade, Purple and Blue Houses also take their turn.





Clockwise: Yellow House display their marching skills, Dr. Adebawojo present prize to the 200m female winner. Staff anchors at the event. Yellow House receives prize for 2nd position in 200m relay from VP Administration as Green house gets prize for 200m relay.



PHOTO-SEEN THESIS



Sweat, cheers and tears: It was mixed reactions from students as they hit and miss in some of the events at the BUHS interhouse sports competition.



White, Green and Yellow Houses do their thing at the vent as staff members take a turn in the parade.

PHOTO-SEEN THESIS



The Adventist Youth Ministries mounted a guard of honour and parade to mark the closing of the event. Bottom left: Immediate past President/VC, Prof. J. A. Kayode Makinde and spouse.





COMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FEB 18 - 22

MID-SEMESTER EXAMS

As our students begin their mid-semester examination, we wish them all a stress-free period and calmness to face the

challenges.

FEB 21

SENATE

Members of the University senate meets at the usual venue and time.

FEB 21

THURSDAY @ EIGHT

Guess who is coming on air as the Thursday @ Eight crew dig into another

hot topic and beef. You can't afford to miss it. **Tune in to:** 89.1 Hope FM. **Time:** 8:30pm

FEB 28

CONGREGATION

The University congregation of staff and faculty meets with the officers.

Venue: Pioneer Church

Time: 4:00pm



Week of Prayer Guest Preachers: Pastor Passmore Mulambo and Pastor Irving Gwatiringa (3rd and 4th left) with the **Thursday @ Eight** programme anchors at the Hope 89.1FM studio.

MAR 11 - 15

CAREER/JOB FAIR

The Phoenix Graduating Class will be celebrating their week with several activities. Top on the list is the Career and Job Fair. The week is lecture free for graduating students.

Venue: Babcock Sports Complex

Time: 9:00am

SONG OF HOPE

I hold with baited breath,
The sweet-smelling edge of His garment,
Squeeze through the narrow spaces
I push between human bodies
Broken, wounded and anticipating a miracle.
The pain of waiting, one decade and two.
Waiting for the healing hands of Hope
Waiting for the healing touch of life.
Shoved and misunderstood, I inch closer,
I do not relent
Until the edge of His garment I touch,
Now, I sing, the beautiful
Song of Hope.

By Josephine Akarue

REFLECTION



"When
someone else's
happiness is yours,
that is love."
- Lana Del Rey