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#### **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

"A leader takes people to where they want to go. A great leader takes people to where they don't want to go but ought to be. "

- Roselyn Carter

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# TOP OF THE WEEK



Prof Sunday Owolabi (2nd left) with representatives of the top three winners of the pop quiz of the Youth Empowerment Programme and staff of the Marketing department.

# BCED COMMENCES PROGRAMME IN AVIATION STUDIES



### Prof Johnson Egwakhe

The Babcock Centre for Executive Development has commenced a professional MBA programme in Aviation Studies. This is courtesy of a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) involving Babcock, Sabre Network Limited and Alpha First Travel & Tourism Academy.

The programme with specialization in Airlines & Travel Management is expected to bridge the gap between the ivory tower and the industry as well as create a paradigm shift in aviation operations.

Beyond professionalism, this places Babcock as the first and only university in Africa to run such programme. Within the first year, the programme which runs with the University's postgraduate modular semester calendar has experienced an increase in admission from eight to 15 students.

According to the Director of BCED, Prof. Johnson Egwakhe, the course is a pocketfriendly, four-semester programme which runs at weekends close to the target market in Lagos.

### PCF MEETS WITH ADMINISTRATION

### WEEKLY DIGEST

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#### HOTLINES



Mr Isaac Osuntade , PCF Secretary

Prof Ademola Tayo (2nd left) with some of the executive members of PCF.

The University administration commended members of the Parents Consultative Forum, PCF for their philanthropic support to the institution even as it dismissed rumours of increase in school fees.

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo who made the remark during the first 2020 PCF parley at the Babcock Business School, said fees could not be increased without the prerequisite approval of all stakeholders including the governing council.

He therefore told parents to ignore the claim and reassured them that the wellbeing of their wards remained top priority for his administration.

"Our words are our bond and we will



Dr. Adesuga Adefulu and Prof. Johnson Egwakhe share a moment together.

not fail in caring for your children," he added.

The occasion also provided a framework for vision and mission sharing as well as academic direction. The BU alumni performance at the Nigerian Law School which produced 10 first class and Nigeria's overall best in the qualifying exams topped the list.

He said besides Mayowa Abiru who emerged the best in Law School, another Babcock Law student, Chioma Echebiri, bagged a scholarship for outstanding performance from the Body of Senior Advocates of Nigeria (BOSAN).

"Babcock University is also ranked among national best in Nursing and Computer Science just to mention a few," he said. "Our Cardiovascular Center is one of the best in the nation."

While expressing his gratitude to God, he said student performance was also an indication of faculty diligence and commitment to a holistic Adventist Education philosophy.

Prof. Tayo said the power rationing occasioned by technical glitches of the Independent Power Plant, was receiving attention and would be resolved soon.

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The University Bursar, Dr Folorunso Akande (right) stresses point at the parley as officers and parents listen; (front row I-r) Mr Niyi Arije, Prof Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Dr Tolani Williams.

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On his part, the PCF Project Director, Mr. Ayo Aluko unfolded plans for five sponsored projects including a N25 million-Naira ambulance fitted with life support facilities for Iperu campus and an estate property in Lagos among others. From the Director of Security, Dr. Chukwumah Ajike came an assurance of his team's preparedness to handle security challenges as well as their intelligence-gathering and networking capacity.



Prof. Tayo (right) with Profs Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Jonathan Nwosu

## BABCOCK STUDENT WINS NMMA MERIT AWARD

Babcock University post graduate student of Mass Communications Kanabe Medinat has won the Female Reporter of the Year Award at the Nigerian Media Merit Award, NMMA, ceremony.

Medinat clinched the NMMA Female Reporter of the year in a programme held at the MUSON Centre, Lagos, with her story "Anyone Can Be Victim of Maternal Mortality" which beat other entries nation wide.

Medinat who is passionate about investigative reporting, got cash prizes from both her employer, Vintage Press Ltd and the NMMA committee.

The Chairman, Vintage Press Limited, Wale Edun, also sent



Mrs Kanabe Medinat (middle) pose with the NMMA certificate

his congratulatory message.

She will be having a dinner with President Muhammadu Buhari along with other winners later in the year.

Medinat gained admission into

Babcock University in 2018 where she has just concluded her MSc course work and is rounding up with her thesis. She said her choice of Babcock University was one of the best decisions she made in 2018.

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L-R: Prof Sunday Owolabi, Prof Ademola Tayo, Mr Mikhail Lawal and a guest. Right: BUSA President, Christopher Oboche

### **BU INSPIRES OVER 1,200 AT YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME**

ver 1,200 students rose with stronger interpersonal and life survival skills as the Marketing Department held the 2020 edition of the Youth Empowerment Programme last week.

Convener, Senior Vice President Management Services, Professor Sunday Owolabi said the programme is aimed at preparing students for making the right choices as they transit from secondary to tertiary education.

In addition, it is to create the enabling environment for information sharing to facilitate admission into the university as well as interaction with Babcock officers.

This year's edition not only turned up the highest number of participants in recent times, it also saw O & A Academy, Ikenne, Solid Rock Academy Iperu and Day Waterman College Abeokuta all in Ogun State emerging first, second and third respectively in a pop quiz held as part of the event.

In all, 35 secondary schools drawn majorly from Nigeria's Southwest, participated. Winners each went home with an one I-pad while the school's representatives got Babcock branded T-shirts, jotters, pens, table and wall calendars.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola urged participants to be focused in order not to scuttle their dreams.

"Face your education; be a better you; study hard and the Lord will bless you," he admonished.

He said Babcock is open to everyone that makes it the preferred institution of choice. Besides its open-door policy, he said due to its consistent calendar record, students know the date of graduation at matriculation.

Expressing similar views, Professor Owolabi emphasized on the need

for remaining focused and refuse to be defined by failures. "A visionless student is like one walking with closed eyes," he said.

In his presentation, he listed setting realistic goals, vision and mission statements among other tips on self improvement.

Commending the University for packaging the programme, the Ogun State Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Mr. Aikulola Oluola, described the programme as "laudable."

Represented by Mr. Mikhail Lawal, he said Babcock University has a rich legacy and an "impeccable pedigree that every student and alumni should be proud of."

Prof. Sunday Owolabi (middle) presents a gift to one of the winners of the pop quiz as their teachers share the joy of the moment.



Prof. Owolabi presents gift to student from O & A.

# YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IN PICTURES







A staff and student representative of the pop quiz from Solid Rock Academy receive their gift from Prof. Sunday Owolabi. Right: A cross section of other participants.







The Chord serenade the event with their musical rendition.



# **BUHS JUBILEE CELEBRATION**



Prof Adekunle Alalade present plaque to Prof. Sunday Owolabi and spouse, Dr. Titilayo Owolabi. Left is Dr Bolanle Adebawojo.



For eight days, Babcock University High School hosted several events to mark her silver jubilee celebration and wrapped it off with an Award and Prizegiving Day. Pictures show some of the personalities who had impacted the institution in the last 25 years as they receive their awards.













# **BUHS JUBILEE CELEBRATION**



Prof Grace Tayo present plaque to the immediate past Principal of the BUHS, Dr. Adetayo and spouse. Left is Dr Bolanle Adebawojo.



Representatives of Pioneer Princiapl, Elder Olu Efuntade receive a post-humous award. Bottom: Former Principal, Mr. David Ayeni and spouse also received theirs.



Top: Prof. Ademola Tayo presents award to the BU Director of Human Resources, Dr. Abiola Makinde







Prof. Grace Tayo (4th left) presents award to BUHS Principal, Dr. Bolanle Adebawajo while other officers await their turns.



Former BUHS Biology teacher, Mrs. Dupe Adetayo receives her plaque of recognition from Prof. Sunday Owolabi.

# BUHS JUBILEE CELEBRATION





The Jubilee celebration of BUHS was a beehive of activities from the colourful march past by the six houses, football match, prizes and awards giving day among others.

Pictures capture the student parade and officers of the school including the Principal, Dr Bolanle Adebawojo taking salute from the different houses.















# **PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS**

The 2020 Youth Empowerment Programme drew more than a casual attention from participants. Pictures capture the different moments and some of the core marketing team that made it a success.

Bottom: Prof. Sunday Owolabi congratulates a student from Day Waterman College.



















Front view of the building dedicated to the School of Environmental Sciences and E and Distance Learning Centre. Below: CITC website showing all the co-sponsors of the Conference

# SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES GETS A BOOST FROM CITC

together

professionals

conferences.

es. Ahead of its eventual take off this

academic session, it received a boost

as a co-sponsor from affiliates of the

International Conference on Construc-

A member of the body and former

Dean of the Babcock School of Com-

puting and Engineering Sciences, Pro-

fessor Chibueze Ogbonna said the

CITC is an organization which brings

According to him, a combination of

benevolence, goodwill and affiliation with the international body led to a

waiver of some of the criteria for cosponsorship status of the conference

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through international

cock's logo will enjoy the same visibility as other Universities such as the East Carolina and Auburn both in the USA.

Beyond brand visibility, these universities have accepted to become visiting faculty of the School of Environmental Sciences as well as establish possible exchange programmes and collaboration when the school takes off.

Auburn University, for instance, has accepted in principle that students of the School of Environmental Sciences could source internship posi-

Right: Professor Chibueze Ogbonna

tions with the University.

Professor Ogbonna believes this collaboration would not only raise Babcock University's public profile but would enhance its marketability both at local and international levels. He is expected to attend this year's edition of the conference billed to hold in Amman, Jordan.

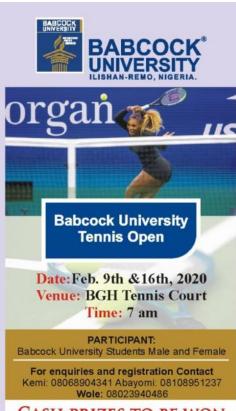






# COMING EVENTS

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



### CASH PRIZES TO BE WON Powered by: STUDENT ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT

### FEB 13

BUAMS BLLOD DONATION DRIVE

It's give back time and the Babcock University Association of Medical Students is calling on everyone to join in the blood donation drive.

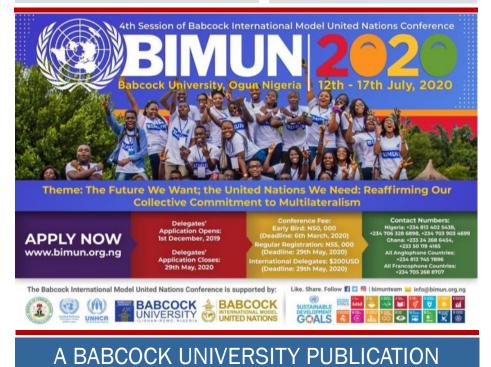
Venue: In front of the Central Cafeteria Time: **9:00am** 

### MARCH 1, 8 & 15 BADMINTON

There are cash prizes to be won as the Student Activities Department roll out this tournament opened to all interested persons (males and females). All the series promise to be an unforgettable experience.

Venue: Mayo Adadevoh Activity Hall Time: 7:00am.

For enquiries and registration,



contact: Kemi: 080 68 90 43 41 Olivia: 090 55 51 39 06

### MARCH 21

SMILE

When passion meets opportunities, the possibilities are endless. The Pioneer Church Youth & Children's Ministries will host its annual outreach programme to the llishan community children. With N500, you can put a smile on the face of a hungry child.

For more details contact: Josephine: 080 39 75 86 54

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### RELFECTION



"Leadership is not a title, it is a behavior. Live it."

- Robin Sharma