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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

QUOTE OF THE

WEEK

" Limitations

Adventist Heritage

TOP OF THE WEEK



Salute to courage and excellence: Members of the Victory Pathfinders Club of Babcock University Pioneer Church salute their leaders during their investiture.

NMCN APPROVES MORE QUOTA FOR BU



Prof. Ademola Tayo

he Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria has increased the admission quota for Nursing students in Babcock University from 75 to 150.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo who disclosed the information recently, described it as a



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro

"landmark achievement" which could not have come through without God's intervention.

He also reported a 98.5% pass in the recently released results of professional Midwifery examinations for Babcock's Nursing students.

similar Expressing views. Senior Vice President, Academics, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro, said it was wonderful news for the entire University community. While ascribing praise to God for it, he said the new quota which was communicated through a letter signed by the Council's Secretary General/ Registrar, Alhaji Faruk Abubakar, would enhance the University's goal of raising the bar of healthcare delivery service in Nigeria.

live only in our minds. But if we use our imaginations,

become limitless." - Jamie Paolinetti

our possibilities

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WEEKLY DIGEST

A Babcock University Newsletter

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HODS GET ON-LINE EXAM TRAINING



Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa addressing a cross section of the participants

head of the first semester online examinations in December, the University organized a 10day "train the trainers' workshop" for heads of departments and other faculty members.

An eight-man ICT team led by the Associate Vice President ICT, Prof. Olugbenga Idowu facilitated the training.

Other facilitators were: Prof. Sunday Idowu, Dr. Olusola Maitanmi, Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa, Mr. Tofunmi Adetunji, Mr. Ebenezer Oyenuga, Mr. Seyi Akintunde and Mr. Mensah Yaw-Agyei.

According to Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa, the overall goal of the workshop was to ensure a seamless examination through empowering faculty on using the platform. The first phase of the workshop focused on how to de-

sign good Multiple Choice Questions and essay questions whilst Mr. Akintunde handled the second phase, a practicum on how to use the new platform.





Particiapnts in rapt attention to Dr. Ebiesuwa



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Work in progress: Workmen bringing in the wardrobes for the New Winslow Hall.

UPDATE ON NEW WINSLOW & E-LEARNING

Things are looking up for the University's infrastructural development as the new Winslow Hall project nears completion.

Already, contractors are putting finishing touches to the six -wing, 500-bed capacity hall of residence. Last week, they began tiling of the student activity hall.

"We are hopeful that the hall would be ready before students' resumption in January," said the Director of physical Planning, Arch. Mykell Jegede. Fagorite, the contracting firm began work on site during the second quarter of this year after the old structure was pulled down to make room for a bigger one to accommodate more students. It is expected to be delivered before the year runs out.

Electrical work is done and awaiting connection to the main power

source. Similarly, furnishing has commenced in the hall expected to accommodate the freshmen in January.

The University administration is also upbeat about the readiness of the studio, one of the key features the accreditation team would be looking out for during their visit. Meanwhile, the staff and faculty have moved ahead of the visit. Deputy Director, Associate Prof. Sola Maitanmi is optimistic.

"We believe all would go well with the accreditation by God's grace," said Maitanmi.





Waiting for Accreditation team: BU Centre for Distance & E-Learning



Top and left: Studio for the BU Distance & E-Learning Centre

BU SEEKS FAVOUR FOR NEW TENURE



Time to pray: Prof. Seyi Oduyoye (left) and other saff and faculty lead out in one of the prayer sessions.

he University community held a special prayer and fasting session last Wednesday to kick start the official inauguration programmes of the new administration's tenure and appreciation of the old, December 1, 2020.

The event held at the Amphitheatre provided a platform to seek God's face on a number of issues.

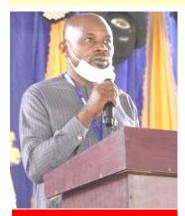
It sought God's divine blessings on the out-going administration; divine wisdom and direction for the in-coming administration, financial stability for

the University, protection of the University's stakeholders - students, employees, parents and proprietors.

Prof. Efe Ehioghae, a faculty who led out in one of the sessions, said with God's assurance of making a way where there seemed to be none, he is optimistic that the future is bright.



Pastor Efe Ehioghae



Pastor (Dr.) Sunday Audu



Pastor Goodluck Ajuzie leads out in prayer session at the amphitheatre. Right is the University pastor, Dr. Sunday Audu and others wait in a meditative mood.





Pastor Aziza Metonou (I) and others engaged in prayers.

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Clockwise: Mr. Seyi Enitan Associate Professor Ikechi Ekpendu and Mr. Femi Olomojobi

OIE HOSTS VIRTUAL CONFERENCE ON LEADERSHIP

peakers at the 9th Faith Integration Symposium made a strong case for servant leadership as the Office of Institutional Effectiveness hosted the first virtual edition via zoom, November 11.

Themed, *Developing Leaders for* the Heart of Service: The Adventist Heritage, the presenters submitted that without the right attitude and motive for leadership, it would be all motion without impact.

Setting the ball in motion, Director of Academic Planning, Prof. Philemon Amanze summed up his position with the "Jesus model" recommendation based on the five Cs.

"By following the examples of Moses, Elijah, and Jesus Christ," said Prof. Amanze, "We must be intentional in developing leaders for the heart of service by appropriately applying the five Cs of calling, competence, confidence, character and correction."

Similarly, Head of BU Religious Studies Department, Associate Prof.

Ikechi Ekpendu, noted that leadership development could become "more holistic and comprehensive" if we incorporate Jesus' model of leadership.

"Without such development, we will continue to generate models of effective leadership that may not be workable and may actually damage leaders," he said.

For Mass Communication faculty, Mr. Femi Olomojobi, motives and principles distinguish a servant-leader from a "leader first" person driven by self.

Prof. Constance Nwosu

He recommended the fostering of a culture of "enthusiastic voluntarism for noble causes among students and the University community at large."

Symposium moderator and faculty of the Medical Laboratory Sciences, Mr. Seyi Enitan, emphasized that God is very much interested in the "motives behind the services we render and not just in the services themselves. "Until we are dead to self, we will be continually tempted to usurp God's glory for the giant stride Babcock University is making and God frowns at such."

Programme Coordinator, Associate Vice President OIE, Prof. Constance Nwosu appreciated the interest and mass participation at the symposium which she said was the highest in recent times.

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BUSA EXCO AND SPONSORS SHARE ASPIRATIONS AMIDST COVID



FAST FACTS

Name: Christian UMEH

Office: BUSA Director of Ventures &

Transport (Main campus)

Favourite food: Jollof Rice

Likes: Honesty, transparency &

smart work

Dislikes: lies, triviality & waste

Most Memorable Day: Day I official-

ly started my own business

Department: ILD

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- Bolutife AKANDE



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Office: BUSA Chaplain

Favourite food: Fried rice & grilled

fish

Favourite Lecturer: Dr. Oyelese

Likes: People with love for God and

willingness to serve

Dislikes: Mediocrity, lying and nega-

tivity

Department: Medicine & Surgery

ollowing Nigeria's easing up of the Covid-19 restrictions and lockdown, leaders and followers have been struggling to cope with the new normal. Babcock University Students Association's leadership share their coping strategies for success under the new normal. Excerpts:

Christian UMEH: My first step towards achieving success is committing my whole plan into God's able hands, stay focused and get approvals done promptly. The first anticipated challenge is the crowd control. So, as a directorate, we are introducing the all new online shopping experience on campus to enable our stu-

dents buy everything from the comfort of their beds. We already have our partners on board and are working on perfecting this move.

We are also working on providing more options to deal with the challenge of inadequate shuttle transport service especially for our students with special needs through a free card to enable them use our tricycle shuttle service free of charge. Thirdly, we will provide a directional guide to help our visitors and parents navigate the school easily.

Umeh is the Director of Ventures & Transport and a student of International Law & Diplomacy.

Bolutife AKANDE: As member of BUSA Executive under a new normal, part of my strategies for success is to promote online worship, organize BUSA prayer walk and distribute Bible scrolls. In all of this, I will ensure compliance with Covid-19 safety precautions.

I anticipate that there might be lot of restrictions with regards to the organization of gatherings or so we will organize online concert in place of a physical gatherings. I rate my chances of creating meaningful impact on BUSA under the prevailing circumstances at 90%.

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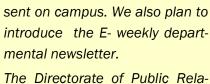
Clement ADESEYE: My strategy is to build on existing foundation laid by my predecessors and by God's grace, create a benchmark for my successors. I plan to work with other stakeholders to accomplish my goal for the 2020/2021 session which includes the introduction of E-sports and virtual sporting activities especially because of the reduction in participation in contact sports. So with the virtual sports, we would be able to accommodate more participants. On a scale of 10, my chances of success are 8/10, which is 80%.

Clement is a student of Medicine & Surgery.

Deborah ADETIMEHIN: My strategies for success include creating a



proper communication system by enhancing the feedback mechanism for students as well as appropriately communicate students' needs to BUSA and the school authorities. We have created a digitalized format for disseminating information to avoid rumour mongering using graphics and videos when



students are not physically pre-

The Directorate of Public Relations has created a proper feedback system with the aid of the association's social media platforms, Google forms and BUSA PR Email.

Balancing my Academics and my duties as an executive may pose a challenge but I intend to solve this by ensuring I put in equal efforts in my academics and my duties as an executive. My chances of creating meaningful impact is very high because this tenure has started well.

Adetimehin is a student of Mass Communication



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- Deborah ADETIMEHIN

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS





The flagbearers representing the different cadres of the victory Pathfinders Club.













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PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



Members of the Babcock Pioneer Church Victory Pathfinders Club and young Adventurers had their investiture last week. Pictures and smiles capture the moments

















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COMING EVENT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DEC 1

INAUGURATION

Inauguration of Babcock University principal officers for a new, five-year tenure.

DEC 4

DEPARTURE OF GROUP B

DEC 7 - 22

ON-LINE EXAMS FOR ALL STUDENTS

JAN 7-9

COLLOQUIUM BY ZOOM

All staff and faculty are expected to participate in the colloquium.

JAN 10 - 14

ARRIVAL OF NEW STUDENTS

JAN 12 - 15

MOP UP ONLINE EXAMS

JAN 17 - 22

NEW STUDENTS' ORIENTATION

JAN 22

ON-SITE CLASSES BEGIN

JAN 26

PCF MEETING BY ZOOM

REFLECTION



"Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower."

- Steve Jobs

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