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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

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." - Aristotle

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### TOP OF THE WEEK



The future is bright: The just matriculated students share the moment of joy together as they look forward to a fulfilled dream.

### BABCOCK MARTICULATES 3,411 STUDENTS

he School of Compulacksquare ting and Engineering Sciences topped the list with 983 students as the University matriculated 3,411 students for the 2020/2021 academic session August 19 the highest in BU history.

President/Vice Chancellor. Prof. Ademola S. Tayo thanked the students for making Babcock their preferred institution as charged them to distinguish themselves in their chosen fields.

Professor Tayo said BU does

not only offer a holistic education that won her the global award for five consecutive years, but also, pre-

pares students to think critically and be successful.

Beyond God's grace, he reminded the students that attainment of success also demands regular class attendance,



submission of assignments and participation in all guizzes, tests and examination, as well as shunning all vices.

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# **WEEKLY DIGEST**

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# PIONEER CHURCH UNDERGOES A FACELIFT



Work in progress: The front view of the Pioneer Church

he University Pioneer Church is getting a facelift. This is coming after years of serving generations of community members.

Top on the structural renovation list is expansion to accommodate offices, a prayer room and conveniences.

Chair of the Building Committee, Dr. Solomon Adeoye said the Pioneer Church which is the first building visitors see when they come through the gate, deserves a facelift.

The renovation work of the Church built over three dec-

ades ago when Babcock was called ASWA (Adventist Seminary of West Africa), is expected to be completed by the end of September.

"We want the Pioneer Church to truly reflect the

new face of the University," said Dr. Adeoye.

The Church Pastor, Pastor Opeyemi Oladosun, confirmed that a new overhead water tank would also be

put in place to accommodate the additional conveniences. The gradient of the covered walk way and plumbing will also be addressed.

Already, the work is 75% completed.



Dr. Solomon Adeoye

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Pastor Opeyemi Oladosun

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Mrs. Olatundun Adekunte in an interactive session with the pupils

### BUSS LAUDED FOR STEAM PROGRAMME

The Babcock University Staff School has received thumbs up for driving the Ogun State government capacity building for children in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM).

The State Director of Bureau of Information Technology, Mrs. Olatundun Adekunte gave the commendation during an impact assessment visit to the school, August 24.

On behalf of the Ogun State Commissioner for Education, Science & Technology, Prof. Abayomi Arigbabu (FMAN), she expressed joy that the beneficiaries were fast gaining mastery of the lessons.

Mrs. Adekunte, who is also Chair of the Ogun State branch of Nigeria Computer Society, urged the beneficiaries not to take the programme for granted.

In response, the Principal of Babcock University High School, Dr. Bolanle Adebawojo and BUSS Head Teacher, Mrs. Ozichi Eluwa expressed appreciation for the state government's vision in selecting BUSS as one of six schools to run the pilot STEAM Summer coaching pro-



gramme in the state.

The STEAM Summer coaching programme is a two-week project targeted at building children's IT skills and become solution providers to societal problems.

One of the instructors, Mr. Emmanuel Opabola said besides IT skills, the programme which is a tripartite collaboration of the Bureau of Information Technology in conjunction with Steam Academy and Omoye Foundation, is expected to make critical thinkers out of the beneficiaries.

"For now, the programme is providing pupils from grades 3 – 5 opportunity to learn coding, binary, algorithm, web design and scratch and runs from 11:00am – 1:00pm," said Mrs. Eluwa. "But we are looking forward to inculcating it into our curriculum on resumption."



Left: Mrs Eluwa gives her brief introductory remarks. With her are the facilitators and officers of the BU High School and Staff School.



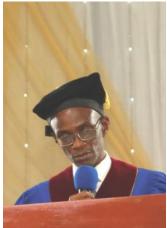
Mrs. Adekunte (middle) with Dr. Bolanle Adebawojo (2nd left), Mrs Ozichi Eluwa, Mrs. Nike Bakre (r) another BUHS staff.



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### CHANGE THE GLOBAL NARRATIVE-VC CHAGRGES STUDENTS





Waiting to soar: A new set of undergraduates listen as Prof. Ademola Tayo (right) addresses the congregation.

agents.

he President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo last week charged the University's students to change the global narrative with four cardinal keys: discipline, hard work, determination and recognition of God.

His call came as he addressed 3,411 undergraduates at the Babcock 22nd matriculation ceremony held at the Amphitheatre.

"You may achieve your lofty dreams through hard work, determination and discipline, but if God is not acknowledged in it, every success becomes a hollow victory," he said.

This, he explained, formed the basis of support Babcock University provided students to actualize their dreams.

"We will model you to be worthy ambas-

sadors of the nation, your parents and Babcock University. We assure you we will not fail or falter in this high calling", he said.

Senior Vice President, Academics, Professor Philemon Amanze also lent his voice.

While congratulating

the students and parents, he reminded them that Babcock University was an institution where failure was not an option. He said with the matriculation over, it was time for to face the rigor of academic studies and dare to be positive change

In the same vein, the Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB) Zonal Coordinator for South West, Mr. Aliyu Kolawole Jubril said the key to success was proffering answers to three pertinent questions: "Why am I here? What am I doing here? and what am I supposed to do?" According to him, success nev-

er comes without an element of hard work.

He also congratulated the University for recording the highest student enrolment in any private university in the country which indicated its high level of public acceptance.

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Prof. Efe Ehighae (4th left)and other faculty members.

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"I'm grateful to God. we have done this ceremony. We can now put this behind us and face our studies," said one of the matriculating students.



# NUMBER OF FULL TIME MATRICULATING STUDENTS BY DEPARTMENT

STUDENTS BY DEPARTMENT				
1.	Anatomy	87		
2.	Biochemistry	86		
3.	Medicine & Surgery	56		
4.	Nutrition & Dietetics	45		
5.	Physiology	59		
6.	Computer Science	304		
7.	CIS	159		
8.	CIT	192		
9.	IT	47		
10.	Software Engineering	281		
11.	Education	14		
12.	Guidance & Counselling Psy	3		
13.	Religious Studies	22		
14.	History & Int. Studies	61		
15.	Music	9		
16.	Languages & Literary Studies	5 51		
17.	Law	81		
18.	Accounting	270		
19.	IRM	19		
20.	Business Administration	122		
21.	Finance	11		
22.	Marketing	14		
23.	Nursing	147		
24.	Medical Lab Sciences	78		
25.	Public Health	162		
26.	Basic Sciences	23		
27.	Mass Communication	262		
28.	ILD	274		
29.	Political Science	54		
30.	Public Admin	19		
31.	Social Work	41		
32.	Microbiology	67		
33.	Economics	160		

Others are on part-time programmes



**Proud to belong:** Students take their oath at the matriculation ceremony. Left: Mr. Aliyu Kolawole Jubril





Prof. Philemon Amanze









Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Mr. Aliyu Kolawole Jubril (4th & 5th left) with Reg-

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# HR NEW PROFESSORS AND ASSOCIATES

### **ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS**

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	NEW RANK		
School of Management Sciences					
	OLAOYE Samuel A.	Accounting	Associate Professor of Accounting		
	SIYANBOLA Trimisiu	Accounting	Associate Professor of Accounting		
	AKPA Victoria O.	Business Admin & Mar- keting	Associate Professor of Human Resources Management		
Veronica Adeleke School of Social Sciences					
	OGUNDIWIN Aaron O.	Political Science & Public Administration	Associate Professor of Political Theory, Democratic Studies and Governance		
School of Law & Security Studies					
	EKUNDAYO Veronica	Private & Commercial Law	Associate Professor of Corporate Governance		
School of Public & Allied Health					
	ADEJUMO Esther N.	Medical Laboratory Science	Associate Professor of Chemical Pathology		
Benjamin Carson College of Health & Medical Sciences School of Basic Medical Sciences					
	SHOKUNBI Olutayo S.	Biochemistry	Associate Professor of Nutritional Bio- chemistry & Toxicology		
School of Clinical Sciences					
	OYEDELE Titus	Surgery	Associate Professor of Paediatric Dentistry		

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#### **PROFESSORS**

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	NEW RANK
School of M	Management Sciences		
	ADEGBIE Folajimi F.	Accounting	Professor of Accounting
	ADEFULU Adesoga D.	Business Admin & Marketing	Professor of Marketing & Entrepreneur- ship
School of L	aw & Security Studies		
	ADERIBIGBE Titilayo O.	International Law & Security Studies	Professor of Medical Law
	OLOMOJOBI Yinka	Jurisprudence & Public Law	Professor of Human Right & Gender Law
	ONYEMELUKWE-ONUOBIA Cheluchi	Private & Commercial Law	Professor of Health Law
School of S	cience & Technology		
	EZEKIEL Chibundu N.	Microbiology	Professor of Food Microbiology & Mycotoxicology
Veronica A	deleke School of Social Science	ces	
	ONAKOYA Adegbemi B.	Economics	Professor of Development Economics
	L Carson College of Health & Me Basic Medical Sciences	dical Sciences	
	ANYASOR God'swill	Biochemistry	Professor of Biochemistry

fter 20 years of working in Babcock University, the Chief Female Hall Administrator, Dr. Mercy Francis-Odii, finally gets recognition for the quality she brings into her work. She is the BU Staff of the Year for the 2020/2021 academic session.

She shares her thoughts on the award with the editorial team. Excerpts:

This award means so much to be because it makes me feel that my labour of love is not in vain. God approves of it and humans recognize it. It will boost

# STAFF OF THE YEAR 2021

my confidence and enable me to always put my best in whatever I am doing.

I've been working in my little corner with my God-bestowed abilities and He has been faithfully rewarding me.

I wasn't expecting the award at all. This is my 20th year working in Babcock and I have never been given such a recognition.

Working in BU has opened my



Dr. Mecry Francis-Odii

eyes to many experiences: good and bad. Thank God for both experiences because they made me a person better equipped for service. SPECIAL DIGEST

# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS





With or without caps, the smiles have it. Besides the matriculation oath, students also had time to shine and hang out with friends for photo opportunity. Pictures capture the different moments.















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# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS





















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# **CONDOLENCES**

Pastor DOMINIC, Agape Sunday was born November 3, 1971 in the town of Otukpo, Benue State where he had his elementary education at St. Mary's in 1980.

In 2006, he obtained his West African School Certificate Examination (WASCE) from Frances College, Oke-Ira, Ogba-Ikeja, Lagos State. He had his Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology from Babcock University in 2011.

He also held a Diploma in Journalism and Masters of Chaplaincy at the Adventist University of Africa (AUA), in Nairobi, Kenya.

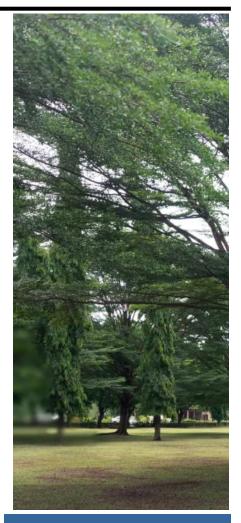
He received the call into the



Pastor Agape Dominic (1971 - 2021)

ministry as a District employee at Babcock District under the Ogun Conference Administration in 2011.

He is survived by his wife, children and other relations



### **REFLECTION**



"Friends
are those rare people
who ask how you are
and wait to
hear the answer."
- Ed Cunningham

# **VACANCY IN AWR**



**The Job:** The Adventist World Radio (AWR), needs a **Radio Presenter in Igbo language.** 

Description: Job based in Babcock University but involves occasional travel to the Eastern states of Nigeria for first hand recordings of inspirational experiences of Seventh-day Adventist Igbo speakers and listeners. S/he will record, compile and up-

load programmes to AWR International's website, respond to listeners' mails and calls as well as follow up where necessary to connect them to appropriate persons or Pastors.

**Skills/Experience:** Must be fluent in central Igbo language with 3 - 5 years cognate experience in broadcasting.

Method of Application: Application with detailed CV containing names and contacts of three professional referees including email addresses and phone numbers not later than August 31, 2021 to <a href="mailto:hr@babcock.edu.ng">hr@babcock.edu.ng</a> with the position applied for clearly stated on the application letter and the subject of the Email.

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