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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.

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

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Strategic planning: Prof. Ademola Tayo and Chief Gbola Akintola of the Nigeria Institute of Arbitrators hold up the MoU document. With them are officers of both institutions.

BU MICROFINANCE BANK OPENS NEW OFFICE



The new BU Microfinance Bank office complex

The Babcock Microfinance Bank has commenced operations in its new office complex on the main campus May 17.

This came up ahead of the official commissioning in June with the University principal officers declaring it

opened.

The programme marked the climax of the infrastructural advancement and nine years

of waiting in a smaller office space.

At the opening, the President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo prayed that the bank and its customers would experience an increase

in God's blessings and protection.

He also reiterated the administration's wish to see it become a national bank among others.

For the Bank's Managing Director, Mr Rasheed Idowu, the move is an answer to prayer and an opportunity expand the bank's business portfolio and showcase the glory of God.

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080 340 333 72

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BU Pastor 081 868 925 30

UPDATE ON MRI



Arch Mykell Jegede

Things are looking up for the Babcock University Teaching Hospital as contractors race to complete the phase one of the new Accident & Emergency complex.

The structure which also accommodates the room for the Magnetic Resonance Imaging, MRI machine, is expected to be ready soon.

According to the Director of Physical Planning, Architect Mykell Jegede, work is in progress to ensure that the machine which is already on transit to Nigeria will be put inside its assigned space.

"The brick work and electrical works are on-going and we have also followed the specifications to ensure



Side view of the new MRI and office complex of phase 1 of the new A & E

that nothing is left to chance as this is a very sensitive machine," he said.

As soon as we deposit the MRI in its place, we shall seal up the opening in the wall as well as ensure that nothing metallic is used within because of the strong electromagnetic waves it would radiate when it becomes operational..

BU MICROFINANCE BANK OPENS NEW OFFICE COMPLEX

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"We really appreciate God for all He has done," he said.

"From the very moment we opened, we had more than 50 new customers coming here to open new accounts."

He said there are plans to take the



Mr. Rasheed Idowu



Officers in prayer session at the bank

bank to a national level and open branches where they have several stakeholders.

"We are working towards elevating it so our customers can carry all transfers online," he said.



Prof. Ademola Tayo and Chief Gbola Akintola with other officers of the University and staff members of the Institute. With them are: Dean of the School of Law & Security Studies, Prof. Deji Olarenwaju and Prof. Emeritus Isaac Agbede (2nd and 4th right). Left is BU Senior Vice President Management Services, Prof. Yacob Haliso

BU SIGNS MoU WITH CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF ARBITRATORS

Babcock University and the Nigerian branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, UK has concretized a long-standing relationship with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo expressed his appreciation for the partnership which he said would enhance students' exposure, academics and work experience.

According to him, this was reason the University was collaborating with trusted organizations. He said any graduate with the professional

certificate would fit better in the world of work than those without any hands-on experience.

He therefore charged the Provost of the College of Law and Security Studies, Prof. Deji Olarenwaju to ensure that all Law students are chartered before graduation. He

said this would go a long way to make the programme robust and much sought after by parents.

In his response, Chairman of the council, Chief Gbola Akinola was thankful to God for seeing the journey that started many years ago a reality.

Pictured right: Prof Ademola Tayo and Chief Gbola Akinola sign the MoU. With them is SVP Academics, Prof. Philemon Amanze.

Bottom: Some of the staff of the Institute and BU faculty at the event.



ABUS DECIDES FOR TOP POSITION: MEET THE CANDIDATES



Adewale Ogunlalu

As the race for the number one ticket of the Association of Babcock University gets keener, the contestants are keeping their eyes on their constituency members for support.

While all contestants have been given time to share their manifestoes, not all of them are well known.

This edition takes a closer look at the candidates through their citations.

OGUNLALU, Adewale: Born May 16, 1973, Ogunlalu hails from the host community, Ilishan-Remo, Ikenne Local Government Area of Ogun State.

He acquired his primary, secondary and tertiary education from his home town, Ilishan-Remo from where he also began his career as an Accountant started in BU March 1, 1999.

He has held various positions like Reconciliation Officer, Student Account Officer as well as University Cash Manager in the Bursary.

He was seconded to Liberia to replicate the financial management strategy operational in Babcock University at the sister university, Adventist Univ. of West Africa, in Mon-

VISION
To make the University Staff Association the brightest in all ramifications

POSITIONS HELD IN BABCOCK

- Reconciliation Officer
- Student Account Officer
- Cash Manager in Bursary
- Now BIG Accountant

rovia. He is back to his duty post as the Babcock Investment Group Accountant.

HIS VISION: To make BU brightest in all ramifications if elected as the next ABUS President.

AKINKUMI, Michael: Born August 18, 1961 in Egbeda Local Government Area of Oyo State, Akinkunmi had his early education at the Seventh-day Adventist Primary School, Erunmu from where he proceeded to the Idi-Ito High

School also in Erunmu in 1979.

After his National Diploma in Co-operative College, Eleyele, Ibadan in 1992, he had both his Higher National Diploma in Public Administration (1998) and Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing (2003) from the Polytechnic, Ibadan.

He worked as Cashier at Adventist Health Center, Ilishan-Remo, now in Babcock University Teaching Hospital and served as Accounting Officer in Seventh-day Adventist Hospital, Lagere, Ile-Ife 1993 to 1995.

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Michael Akinkumi

POSITIONS HELD IN BABCOCK

- Head Cashier
- Principal Officer
- Assistant HR Director
- Now Deputy Director BUCLEAN

VISION
My vision is to impact lives positively especially for the lower cadre of Babcock staff.

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In Babcock University from where he obtained a Masters' degree in Business Administration in 2012., he has worked as the Head Cashier, Principal Officer and Assistant Director in Human Resources.

He is currently Deputy Director BUCLEAN, ensuring a cleaner, greener environment.

He is a member of several professional bodies - the Chartered Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria (CIPM) and Association of Nigeria University Professional Administrators (ANUPA).

OYEWUMI, Solomon was born into an Adventist family on December 12, 1965 in Ibadan, Egbeda Local Government Area of Oyo State of Nigeria.

He attended Moshood Abiola Polytechnic Ojere, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria, where he received his Higher National Diploma in Accountancy in 1999. In 2009, He finished Masters of Business Administration at the University of Ibadan.

He began his professional career at the Allied Bank of Nigeria Plc (defunct) as a Clerical Officer in 1985. He worked at

POSITIONS HELD IN BABCOCK

- Student Accountant
- Finance Manager
- Asset Manager
- Payroll Officer
- Now College Accountant/Asset Manager

VISION

To accelerate ABUS and keep the administration and everyone focused on what matters most to the Association.



Mr. Solomon Oyewumi

Merchantina Company Nigeria Ltd (an affiliate of Texaco Plc.) as a Group Accountant.

He is currently in Babcock Univer-

sity a College Accountant/Asset Manager. Where he is running an MSc in Accounting in Babcock University. He became a chartered Accountant in 2017.

IZANG, Ibrahim: Born in Jos LGA of Plateau State, Izang had his secondary education at the Federal Government College Enugu from 1978 - 1983.

He began work in 1992 with the North East Mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church after his graduation from the University of Jos the same year.

At the Mission, he held several offices as Secretary and Treasurer 1996 to 1998, Treasurer as well as Education Director/Publishing Director 1999 to 2003.

He joined Babcock University in 2003 as Associate Internal Auditor and is currently a Coordinator Bursary Auxiliary Commercial units. He is an Associate member of NIM and a student of ICAN



Mr. Ibrahim Izang

VISION

To bring in my wealth of experience to build a stronger ABUS that will focus on staff welfare and cooperation

POSITIONS HELD IN BABCOCK

- Associate internal Auditor from 2003 to 2015
- Deputy Director Audit, Risk and compliance 2016 to 2019
- Now Coordinator Bursary Auxiliary Commercial units since 2019

ECOBANK REOPENS IN IPERU CAMPUS



Principal officers of the University led by Prof. Ademola Tayo (7th left) with the Ecobank staff. With them are: Prof. Emeritus Isaac Agbede (left), Prof. Deji Olarenwaju (2nd left) and Barrister Niyi Arije (right).

ager, Ogun and Oyo, Mr. Sunday Olaleye said their coming to Iperu was to impact staff and students on campus and the entire Iperu community through cutting-edge financial services.

The University Pastor, Professor Efe Ehioghae and the Senior Vice President, Academics, Professor Philemon Amanze both offered dedicatory prayers for the bank.

Ecobank Plc staged a comeback years after it exited Babcock University with the opening of an outlet in the mini campus at Iperu.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo, said it was a delight to witness the bank's return because its presence would minimize the frequent movements of students from Iperu to the main campus for banking services.

He also thanked the bank's leadership, specifically the Managing Director who was the 2019 Graduation

commencement speaker.

He noted that as part of the welcome plan, he has instructed the University Bursar to activate the BU account with the bank.

"We look forward to building stronger and bigger business relationship with your bank," he said.

In response, the Area Man-



Pictured right (l - r): Prof. Yacob Haiso, Dr. seun Ebiesuwa and Prof. Efe Ehioghae

"We look forward to building stronger and bigger business relationship with your bank."
Prof. Ademola Tayo



Partners in progress: Prof. Ademola Tayo (3rd from left) with other University officers and Ecobank staff



Top row (l - r):
Chibuike Eseagwu,
Demilade Barreto,
Favour Zipamor
Bottom row (l - r):
Valerie Akarue, Oyinkan Afolabi

Nursing Sciences

It's good to be back to campus because on-line classes can be challenging due to network problems or the device that you are using. It is also not all courses that

can be properly explained on-line. I'm glad to be back.

- **Valerie AKARUE**, 100 level Mass Communication

On-site campus resumption means more flexibility and accessibility, more access to our lecturers and a better learning experience.

Overall, I feel good about returning to school, because the online classes were not adequate, although they went a long way. Being at home made me really relaxed and that wasn't good because of my upcoming exams, so I'm definitely glad to be back in school, surrounded by my lecturers and course mates

- **Favour ZIPAMOR**, 100 level Accounting

BATCH A STUDENTS RESUME FOR ON-SITE EXAMS

The University main campus was a beehive of activities with the resumption of Batch A students comprising 100 level and 200 level direct entry freshmen.

As usual, the BU administration took strategic steps to ensure safety through the tests carried out on all students. The editorial team was there to capture the mood of the students as they returned for the first semester exams and second semester classes. The resumption for me is an opportunity to change things such as academic performance, and social interactions. Of course with the exams coming up, we all have to be a lot more serious. Nonetheless, it's been nothing but good

times since I resumed.

- **Chibuike ESEAGWU**, 100 Level Software Engineering.

Resuming back to school is coming back to stress as usual. To be very honest, I didn't feel like coming back though but what can I do? I'll push through and achieve my goal.

- **Demilade BARRETO**, 100 Level Social Work

I have mixed feelings about resumption back to school: excited because I get to see my friends, write my exams and move on to another level, sad because we will be in school until August and that feels so long. Overall, I feel excited because I get to bond with more people and make new friends.

- **Oyinkan AFOLABI** 100 level

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The Babcock Microfinance Bank is still in celebratory mode after the dedication of the new building for operations last week. Pictures capture some of the moments at the event.



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PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The administration led by President/Vice Chancellor last Friday dedicated the University Pioneer Church Multi-purpose Youth Centre for use ahead of an official commissioning. The project is jointly sponsored by the General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Headquarters in Maryland, USA and Babcock University.



After the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding, the University administration also signed an addendum to the joint agreement between it and the E-Tech Complete Solutions Ltd. Pictures capture some of the people at the signing.

Following the Babcock drive towards building stronger linkages between academics and professional bodies, the University last week signed a durable Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSAN).

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo said the partnership would prepare students for the work place and ensure they hit the ground running.

"ICSAN is one of those we believe will add value to our students. We now we want to put pen to paper so that it can snowball into something bigger for students and staff," he said.

The ICSAN President/Chair, Mr. Bode Ayeku commended the administration for the platform to

institutionalize corporate governance and best practices in African organizations in line with global trends.

He said the institute was looking forward to seeing corporate governance offered as a course from first degree to PhD in Nigerian universities.

BU SIGNS MoU WITH ICSAN



Mr. Bode Ayeku presents a plaque to Prof. Ademola Tayo



Prof. Ademola Tayo and Mr. Bode Ayeku (8th & 9th right) with BU and ICSAN officers

AIMP HOLDS CONFERENCE IN BABCOCK



Participants listen as Prof. Oludele Awodele make a point.



The University hosted the maiden conference of the Association of Applied Information Management Technology Professionals (AIMP) last week.

The conference which attracted several professionals across the country is expected to serve as a

blueprint for solutions to emerging global challenges and innovations in information management.

Chief host and President/ Vice Chancellor, Prof Ademola S.Tayo commended the AIMP members for choosing Babcock as the ven-

ue for the maiden conference and promised continued support.

Similarly, conference Chairman, Professor Oludele Awodele, expressed optimism that the conference themed, *Impact of pandemic on promoting sustainable national growth through innovative information management strategies* would provide solutions to critical information technology concerns.

The Association's President, Dr Omotola Deji Afuye says major outcomes from the conference will serve as a national and international framework for sustainable economic growth.

SOCIAL & SECURITY UPDATE

BIRTH

A set of twin girls, Taiwo & Kehinde, was born to the family of Mr. & Mrs Ogunbowale on Thursday, May 13. The twins and mother, Toluwalope Ogunbowale, a staff of the University's Marketing department are doing well.



Twin joy: Taiwo & Kehinde Ogunbowale

The University administration wishes the family God's blessings and provision.

CAMPUS SECURITY

The Babcock University directive signed by the Director of Marketing & Communication, Dr. Joshua Suleiman

that effective from Friday, May 14, 2021, the University gates would be shut for all movements except for urgent medical needs, until the next morning, remains till the security situation across the country improves.



COMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MAY 24– JUNE 4

First semester examination for 100 & 200 direct entry students.

JUNE 5

Second semester classes begin for 100 level and 200 level direct entry students.

JUNE 7– 11

Mid-Semester Examinations for all returning students

JUNE 28 – JULY 2

Mid-Semester Examinations for 100 level and 200 level direct entry students.

JUNE 30 - JULY 4

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

FOR FAITH INTEGRATION

Venue: Virtual (watch out for details)

JULY 5

On-line resumption for students returning from SIWES programme

JULY 5 - 8

Final summer examinations for all returning students

JULY 11

SIWES Students resume on-site

JULY 12

Post-SIWES lectures continue

JULY 15

SENATE MEETING

JULY 18 - 23

BIMUN CONFERENCE

RELFECTION



“Don't be afraid of being outnumbered. Eagles fly alone.”
- Anon