



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

“Happiness is an inside job. Don’t assign anyone else that much power over your life.”
- Mandy Hale

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PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Light Up the Season: Part of the Light Chapel Praise Team added colour to the season with their special Thanksgiving service to wrap up the semester.

BU WINS WORLD BRAND AWARD FOR THE THIRD TIME

The University has clinched the World Brand Award (Education category) for the third time consecutively.

The awards presentation held in a star-studded event at London’s Kensington Palace, UK, had only Babcock featuring from Nigeria’s educational sector.

“The award is a validation of the strength and far-reaching impact of the Babcock University brand in the international arena,” said President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo.

“Only God could have done it for us within the few years of our existence.”

The Award organized by the global non-profit organization, World Branding Forum (WBF), is dedicated to advancing organizational branding standards.

Beyond bragging rights, the award comes with a plaque of recognition and certifi-



Top: Prof. Ademola S. Tayo
Right: Recognition of Brand Excellence: The Brand Award Trophy 2017-2018 (education category, Nigeria)



cate. The award will boost the University’s rating and public image.

WEEKLY DIGEST

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SVP OPTIMISTIC ON ACCREDITATION REPORT



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro: Optimistic about the outcome of the accreditation visit.

17 of the 19 programmes so far completed have been favourable.

“Where they had concerns, they let us know but we are expecting some good outcome at the end of the day because exit report has been favourable.”

The University is also optimistic about the Nigerian

As the University winds down for the semester, the administration is still in upbeat mode. This is following favourable reports from members of the National Universities Commission (NUC) Accreditation team.

Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro shared this information while fielding questions at his office. According to him, the exit report of

Council of Legal Education assessment report on the School of Law & Security Studies.

Expectations are high that besides accreditation, the team's report based on existing facilities, would provide opportunity for the increasing the University quota from the current 100 to 150 or 200 for Law.

BABCOCK LAW GRADS SHINE AGAIN AT LAW SCHOOL



The two grads, Ude and Ajala with the President/VC, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo (l) and Dean Prof. Deji Olanrewaju (r) shortly after the call to Bar in Abuja.

security Studies, Prof. Deji Olanrewaju were in the federal capital to celebrate the success.

According to the Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro Babcock two grads, Uju Ude and Abimifoluwa Ajala were two of the 29 who

For the third time, Babcock Law grads have come out with brilliant performance at the Bar examination of the Nige-

rian Law School.

The President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Dean of the School of Law &

made first class at the Law school. This places the University at top 2 of the 45 tertiary institutions offering Law in Nigeria.



A cross session of the Mentors and Mentees at the inauguration. Right: Prof. Rosaline Opeke



VC INAUGURATES MENTORS AND MENTEE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME

The University President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo's administration has inaugurated the mentor and mentee partnership programme after years of working in the background.

Prof Tayo described the rebirth of the partnership as one of the best things to happen to the University in recent times at the inauguration held in the boardroom last Wednesday.

day.

He commended the mentors for accepting to mentor younger colleagues and urged the young scholars to aim at achieving higher goals through publishing in high impact journals.

Professor Tayo noted that with the right mentorship, young scholars could grow to become both prolific and reputable researchers.

Expressing similar views, the

Senior Vice President Academics, Professor Okoro said the mentor-mentee relationship idea would enhance professional growth amongst younger researchers.

"Once you help them to grow they will never forget you," he remarked.

A faculty member of the Information Resources Management Department, Prof. Rosaline Opeke, one of the programme initiators, applauded the University administration for the partnership rebirth.



Prof. Johnson Egwakhe (middle) and other faculty members at the inauguration

BUSS RAISES THE STAKES OF ADVANCEMENT

It is a race against time as construction work at the University Staff School gains momentum ahead of the vacation for the term.

Already, the School administrators are ensuring that the work reaches an advanced stage before vacation.

When completed, the structure is expected to boost enrollment

figures and provide a more user-friendly environment for studies for the children as it is purpose-built to meet the institutional needs.

The Head Teacher, Elder Israel Aja, is optimistic that the school would grow in infrastructure as well as academics.



Work in progress: Side façade of the classroom project at the BU Staff School

“The ultimate plan is to provide adequate facilities that would befit the institution and its role in shaping young lives,” he said,

“For us, this means only the best is good enough.”



Front view of the on-going BU Staff School classroom project Top right: Elder Israel Aja



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Prof. Grace Tayo (6th and 7th) with the special guest, Prof. Johnny Ogunji and other members of the STARS team.

VC CALLS FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH FROM STARS' TRAINEES

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo last week made a strong case for strategic and productive research in tertiary institutions.

This was at a ceremony in recognition of faculty members who recently completed the Structured Training for African Researchers (STARS). These will become the arrow head for training for other colleagues.

Professor Tayo urged the BU STARS graduands to transform Babcock into a research-driven University through high impact research.

The BU STARS training modules covered several areas from research career plan development to project management among others.

Presenting the certificates, Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro said the administration gave full support to the programme because of its importance and relevance to development.

"Research is the soul of the University. That is why we will support you and provide every equipment and resources needed to perform," he said.

Director of Research and International Cooperation, RIIC, Professor Grace Tayo said in keeping with administrative approval and the call to start STARS chapters in respective Universities, her office is ready to provide the needed support.



Top: Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Prof. Grace Tayo with the special guest, Prof. Johnny Ogunji.

Bottom: Prof. Johnny Ogunji receives gift from one of the STARS team members and faculty.

SEASON OF PRAISE AS STUDENTS WRAP UP SEMESTER



Grace Chapel choir give praise at the thanksgiving service. Middle: A group of excited student worshippers at the service. Bottom: One of the leadesingers of the praise team.

It was celebration time as several worship centres wrapped up the last Sabbath on campus with thanksgiving, praise and Carols.

For the Light House chapel, the hour-long programme had many panting for more. The event featured a guest artist and the chapel choir.

Beyond the musical rendition, it was also a time to evaluate and do a SWOT analysis over an informal dinner for choir members.

“We want to be able to take stock so we can up our performance in the coming semester.” said a choir member and faculty, Dr, Michael Ogu.

The Chapel Pastor, Pastor Emeka Abaribe thanked the students for their support and prayed for God’s blessings and favour on them.

A similar scene played out at the Grace Chapel, as more than 700 students raised their voices in praise to God.

As the walls reverberated with music, the pastor in charge, Pastor Gbenga Soyge, prayed for God’s favour, blessings and a hitch-free holiday.



PRAISE NIGHT IN PICTURES



Let the music play on: Faces and scenes of the Thanksgiving service held at the Grace Chapel and Light Chapel,

Top right: Two students act the the Nativity at the Grace Chapel.



The Season of Praise caught up with almost every worship centre on campus.

Top left Light House Chapel Pastor, Pastor Emeka Abaribec.

left: A cross session of the Light House Chapel choir and their maestro take a break

PHOTO-SEEN THESIS



Praising God for a successful end of the semester. The faces and scenes at the Grace Chapel and Chapel of Light.

PHOTO-SEEN THESIS



It was a week of celebration, thanksgiving and praise. From the Pioneer Church Harvest of Restoration, to the Grace Chapel, God was the focus as students, staff and faculty praised God.

The Vice President Management Services was special guest at the 37th Induction ceremony of the Chartered Institute of Taxation, CITN held at the Summit hall, in Lagos.

Bottom left: Prof. Owolabi and some senior officers of the Institute.

Bottom right: University Pastor, Dr. Tunde Ojewole leading out at the Pioneer Church Harvest thanksgiving service.



Prof. Sunday Owolabi present gift to the President, CITN, Dr. Cyril Ede



UPHOLD INTEGRITY, SVP CHARGES TAX PROFESSIONALS

The Senior Vice President, Management Services has called on tax professionals in Nigeria to maintain the high level of integrity required of their calling.

He made the call while delivering his speech as special guest at the 37th induction ceremony of the Chartered Institute of Taxation, CITN.

"Tax professionals are the backbone of any economy, whether developed or developing," he said. "I therefore charge you not to falter or fail in offering your best in the service of the nation."



Prof. Sunday Owolabi receives plaque from the President, CITN, Dr. Cyril Ede. Bottom: Prof. Owolabi with other senior officers of the CITN.

He also reminded them to put God in the course of their work. He said service to the nation assumes a soul of

its own when primed for service to God.



REFLECTION



"The key to being happy is to know you have the power to choose what to accept and what to let go."
- Dodinsky



COMING EVENTS

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**OPERATION SMILE
OUTREACH**

The mission outreach

for less privileged in our host community comes up. The programme is an initiative of the Children's Ministries, University pioneer Church.

The goal is to reach 100

children with warm meals and gifts.

Venue: Vision Centre

Time: 4:00pm