



## 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

“The empowered woman is powerful beyond measure and beautiful beyond description.  
- Steve Maraboli

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## TOP OF THE WEEK



**In Praise Mode:** Some members of the Dominion Chapel choir in a recent Praise Night musical concert wore their uniform and smiles all in praise of God.

## VC CHARGES NEW ABUS TEAM



**Prof. Ademola S. Tayo**

The Association of Babcock University Staff (ABUS) has re-elected Chief Accountant, Mr. Solomon Obida for another 2-year term as President with a new Vice President, Mr. Wale Ogunlalu.

Mr. Ogunlalu, an Accountant of the Babcock Investment Group, takes over from Physiotherapist of the BU Teaching Hospital, Dr. Victor Abo-laji-Kowe.

In his charge to the new officers at the inauguration, President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo reminded the executive to raise

the bar to beat the high standard already set.

He said his administration would continue to celebrate people of integrity and diligence as he called on the new leadership to protect the common wealth and ensure staff welfare.

“As you seek to lift and help others, you too will find help.” he added.

## WEEKLY DIGEST

A Babcock University Newsletter

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## HOTLINES

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Counsellor-080 230 627 87

BUTH Clinic -080 360 097 40

Facilities -070 640 699 96

Fire Service-0803 606 44 44

Food Services

080 340 333 72

SOP 080 338 478 69

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## FUEL DUMP OPENS FOR SERVICE



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo takes the first step to fuel his official vehicle at the fuel dump

The University's newly commissioned fuel dump has opened for operations signaling a new direction in resource consolidation and effective fiscal management.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola S. Tayo who led officers to top up official vehicles, reiterated that the project's objective is to ensure quality control beyond cost saving.

The occasion also provided a platform to appreciate all project stakeholders just as he counseled on transparency and integrity in fund management.

"Any money you take that is not yours has repercussion; if not immediate but in the future," he said.

He enjoined the fuel attendants to also take necessary safety precautions to avoid

fire incidence, noting that the project symbolized greater things for the University and the contractor, Amos Afolabi Petroleum Limited, Lagos.

Senior Vice President Management Services, Professor Sunday Owolabi expressed his excitement at the actualization of the project



Prof. Sunday Owolabi serves his official vehicle at the fuel dump.



## ABUS PRESIDENT PRESENTS SCORE CARD

The newly inaugurated President of the Association of Babcock University Staff (ABUS), Mr. Solomon Obida last week presented an account of his stewardship.

Obida said under his administration, the Association acquired plots of land for itself and members as well as continued welfare schemes for members.

He said while he inherited N3.89 million at the inception, he was handing over N9.1 million without any in-

debtedness.

Similarly, a total of N17.5 million making 79.5% of the N22 million acquired as loan from the Babcock Co-operative for the ABUS land purchase has been repaid.

Meanwhile, the N6.4million balance was still to be deducted from beneficiaries' account.

The Director of Legal Services, Mr. Niyi Arije administered the oath of allegiance on the new executives as Prof. Ademola S. Tayo offered the dedicatory prayer.



Top left: Solomon Obida.

Top: Barrister Niyi Arije

Left: Delight decorates Yemisi Akintibu as new Financial Secretary/Treasurer.



Executive members of ABUS listen to the charge from the President/VC, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo.

Top right, Mrs. Ocheze Adesanya congratulates Mrs. Amarachi Lucky-Onwere on her election as the Liaison Officer Food Services.



Programme Coordinator Prof. Grace Tayo (right) and Head of agriculture Department, Prof. David Dara-mola (2nd left) join in welcoming the Chief host, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo to the training session.

## BABCOCK HOSTS MUSHROOM TRAINING PROGRAMME

The University took further steps to strengthen its agricultural capital gains with a one-day training on mushroom cultivation.

Twenty-one participants attended the programme held in collaboration with the Mushroom Development Foundation Nigeria at the University's main campus extension.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola S. Tayo who declared the event open, said mushroom cultivation has high returns on investment because of the minimal capital required for cultivation.

"I want to encourage you to pay attention and study diligently during the training," he said.

According to him, participants stood to gain given the global demand for mushroom and a ready market within Babcock community.

In the event of excess production, the Mushroom Development Foundation was ready to buy off the mushroom.

President, Mushroom Development Foundation Nigeria, Mrs. ChiTola Agbaje urged participants to go into mushroom cultivation because of its simplicity in cultivation.

Facilitator, Mr. Valentine Travib said temperatures were also es-

sential in determining which mushrooms to grow and how they perform.

He said gourmet mushroom varieties like *oyster* and *shiitake* fetch high prices and are actually relatively simple to grow.

Meanwhile, the Chair of the Babcock University Agro-entrepreneurship Centre, Professor Grace Tayo said apart from the simplicity, the training was organized to help more Nigerians embrace mushroom cultivation and grow their own businesses.



Prof, Tayo encourages participants. Left: Sample of the mushroom

"I want to encourage you to study diligently during the training."

## MUSHROOM TRAINING IN PHOTOS



**Hands-on experience:** Participants having a go with facilitators at the Mushroom cultivation training session held at the Babcock main campus extension.

The programme is in collaboration between the University and the Mushroom Foundation.

## TRIPLE A TEAM VISITS BABCOCK



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo (3rd left) with Babcock officers and members of the Adventist Accreditating Association. Left and right of him are: GC Associate Treasurer, Mr. George Egwakhe and GC Director of Education, Dr. Lisa Beardsley-Hardy. (2nd & 3rd right ) Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Prof. Constance Nwosu.

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY: BABCOCK CELEBRATES HER OWN



Prof. Grace TAYO



Prof. Constance NWOSU



Prof. Dora AKINBOYE



Prof. Yetunde MAKINDE



Dr. Jumoke YACOB-HALISO



Prof. Clara OKORO



Dr. Tolani WILLIAMS



Shade ADEBAYO

*As the rest of the world celebrate the International Women's Day March 8, the editorial team focused on some of the women in Babcock who turn the wheels behind the scene, working silently to achieve the University's goal of transforming lives and building servant leaders.*

*This edition captures some of the women and their role in the University's advancement.*

**Prof. Grace TAYO:** A Professor of Animal Science with passion for Agricultural development. Recently facilitated training in mushroom cultivation in collaboration with the Mushroom Foundation of Nigeria and the Lady Farmer project to encourage women in Agriculture. She is BU Director of the Office of Research and International Cooperation.

**Prof. Constance NWOSU:** A Professor of Curriculum, Instruction and English, she combines her interest in Integration of Faith & Learning with a keen eye for details in her role as the Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness. She was a key facilitator as Babcock hosted the 2nd International conference on Faith Integration in Practice. Participants raised concerns on the need to bridge the gap between faith and reality.

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## THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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**Prof. Dora AKINBOYE:** A Professor of Public Health with expertise in Entomology, Microbiology, Parasitology, Akinboye is a purpose-driven individual. In her role as the Chair of the Babcock University Health Research Ethics Committee (BUHREC), she ensures that ethical standards are maintained in research through collaboration with other faculty and staff.

**Prof. Yetunde MAKINDE:** Professor of Nutrition and Dietetics with a passion for entrepreneurship and business development. These have enhanced her performance as the GMD for the Babcock Investment Group. Her passion for green environment and beautification also birthed the Babcock University Campus Landscape Environmental Network.

**Dr. Jumoke YACOB-HALISO:** Is currently Acting Dean of the Babcock Business School with a PhD in Political Science. Her passion for justice and gender is reflected in her research on African women in post-

conflict situations. She is recipient of several research grants including the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, the Canadian International Development Research Centre and the University for Peace Africa Program. She also currently edits the Journal of International Politics and Development (JIPAD)

**Prof. Clara OKORO:** Associate Vice President for Information & Library Resources holds a Ph. D in Library and Information Science. She is currently a Professor of Archives, Library and Information Science. Since 1982, she has served in various capacities in the information management sector and received several awards. Her passion for reading and knowledge has transformed the Babcock central library and its subsidiaries.

**Dr. Tolani WILLIAMS:** Brings her passion for young people into her current position as the Associate Vice President for Student Development in Babcock. She also handles some courses at the School of Education & Humanities.

**Engineer Shade ADEBAYO:** Is a Mechanical Engineer with the Physical Planning Department and is one of

the brains behind production of several building designs: the Radio Diagnostic Building, Administrative/Clinical Science as well as the Anatomy building and the Babcock Food services Administrative building. She holds a Masters degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Dr. Funsho OJEWOLE:** Is the Head of Adult Health in the School of Nursing Sciences. She has several publications and citations in international journals. Her research topic include: *Understanding the Challenges of Providing Holistic Oncology Nursing Care in Nigeria.*

**Mercy FAMILUSI:** Is a final year Law Student, brand promoter and youth motivator. She has featured in several magazines for her natural hair and passion for natural products.



Dr. Funsho  
OJEWOLE



Mercy FAMILUSI

# PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



Ogun State Health Commissioner, Dr. Babatunde Ipaye and Guest Lecturer, Dr, Christopher Jemilohun, with BUSA Senators. Right is Nwachukwu Olusegun Nwachukwu. Top left: Dr. Ipaye and his daughter, Omotunde Ipaye.

The BABCOCK UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION, BUSA, recently conducted a Hepatitis B Vaccination programme in collaboration with the Ogun State Ministry of Health and an NGO, SHECA Foundation.

Pictures capture the moments and scenes at the event.



## BABCOCK MOURNS LAW STUDENT



Like a candle in the wind, death snuffed out the life of Stephanie Emejulu, 100 level student of the School of Law & Security Studies.

Born June 23, 2000, Emejulu hailed from Onitsha, Anambra State. At the Iperu campus where a candlelight service was held in her honour, the Dean of the Law School, Prof. Deji Olanrewaju and other faculty members were in shock.

"The song is ended but the melody lingers on," read one of the posters at the service.

The University community commiserates with the family, friends and students at this moment of grief and prays for God's grace and comfort to bear this loss.



# POETRY

## CONQUEROR

You struggled through life's scattered pages,  
 Like a warrior ready for battle,  
 Like the brave one, ready for war,  
 You burst forth through birth's bloody passages;  
 Your voice piercing through Earth's bloody chambers.  
 You strived through life's staggered ages,  
 Like a gallant soldier,  
 Ready for victory,  
 You fought through the odds and thickets,  
 You wrestled through the pains and hurts,  
 Your laughter  
 Scorning the relentless ache of time.  
 You hustled through the hills and valleys,  
 Like a victor,  
 You conquered your fears and the icy grip of pain,  
 Shaming the grave that could not overcome  
 The power of Him who gives life to all.  
 Sleep on until He comes again.

By Josephine Akarue

*In memory of Stephanie Emejulu*



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## 21st INAUGURAL LECTURE

Babcock University Administration cordially invites the  
 general public to her 21st Inaugural Lecture

**Topic:**

**CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND PERFORMANCE:  
 A Pathological Exposition of Nigerian Firms**

**Lecturer:**

**Owolabi Sunday Ajao**

Ph.D., M.Sc., MBA, B.Sc., FCA, FCTI, FCMA, FCIDA  
 PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTING

**Chairman:**

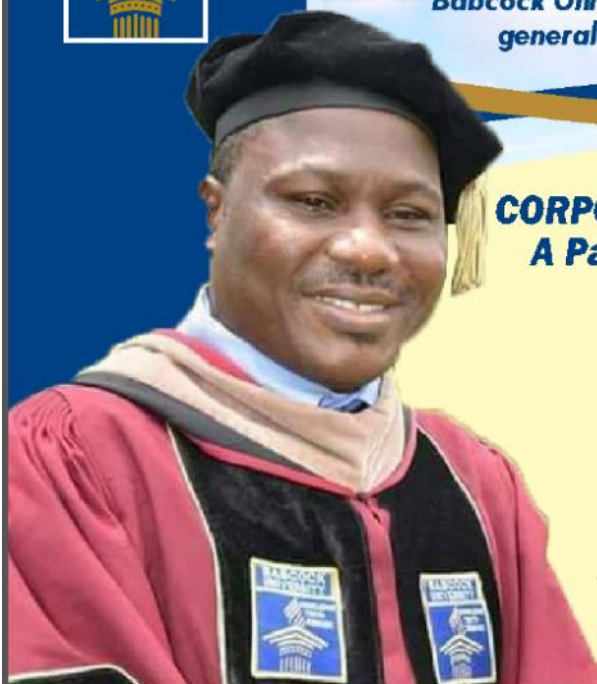
**Professor Ademola S. Tayo**

BSc Hons; PGD; MA; PhD  
 President/Vice Chancellor, Babcock University

**Venue:** Main Auditorium, Babcock Business School

**Date:** Thursday, April 05, 2018

**Time:** 2:00pm



...the Future is bright!

Signed: Jonathan C. Nwosu FCA, FNIM, FCPA, PhD.  
 REGISTRAR

## COMING EVENTS



**MARCH 17**

### GLOBAL CHILDREN'S DAY

As the Seventh-day Adventist Church celebrate global Children's Day to reach out to the vulnerable, members will be involved in outreach, community service and hospital visitations.

### BUSA ESSAY COMPETITION

**MARCH 11 - 20**

The BUSA essay competition is still on. Entries are expected to be sub-



**Pledged to Loyalty:** Solomon Obida and executive members at the swearing in of the new leaders of the Association of Babcock University Staff.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

mitted by March 20. Winners will be announced March 25. Check BUSA secretariat for details.

**MARCH 17**

### AFRICAN MUSICAL TUNES

The Babcock district comprising three organized churches

will be holding an evening of African tunes. Don't miss out.

Venue: Pioneer Church Time: 5:00pm.

**APRIL 2 - 13**

### SEMESTER EXAMS


The University's second semester exams begin. The editorial team wishes all our students success at the examinations and a wonderful holiday ahead.


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## REFLECTION



"No country  
can truly strive if it  
stifles the potential of  
its women."

- Michelle Obama