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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

TOP OF THE WEEK



Ready to Roar: Some members of the 2018 Leo Graduating Class at the recent rally to flag off their week of celebrations on campus.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"There is no passion to be found in playing small - in settling for a life that is less than you are capable of living. - Nelson Mandela

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AAA GIVES BU THUMBS UP



Prof. John Taylor addressed the congregation

he University last week got a thumbs up from the Adventist Accrediting Association, AAA for diligence in recommendation implementation and development of its 10-year strategic plan.

This came up at the 17- team member exit report to the

at the Babcock Business School.

The combined team led by Professor of Ed-& ucation

Research

from the Southern Adventist University, USA, Prof. John Wesley Taylor, commended the deliverables on the Triple A 12 Study Areas while noting the need to strengthen capacity in some cases.

Education Director for

congregation the General Conference of the Seventhday Adventist Church, Dr. Lisa Beardsley-Hardy, said Babcock has become a flagship institution among over 120 Adventist universities worldwide and one of six running a Medical programme globally "to heal the hurt in the world."

> "Thank you for your mentorship and qualitative training," she said.

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Optimistic: Prof. Ademola S. Tayo shares his joy and hopes as he briefs the congregation

PRESIDENT PROMISES TO UPHOLD STANDARDS

resident/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo promised to keep his eye on the ball to ensure quality and standardization in programme management.

He stated this while expressing administration's appreciation to the Adventist Accrediting Association (AAA) for thoroughness in service delivery on their recent visit.

"Your presence on our campus and contributions will go a long way in strengthening our programmes," he said.



Tayo and Dr. Lisa Beardsley-Hardy Left: Dr. Owolabi

He noted that while commendations were great motivators, his administration would keep these from becoming sources of pride and focus on recommendation implementation.

Prof. Tayo also extended appreciation to Andrews University, Michigan, USA for the post doctoral scholarship for two faculty members, Dr. Emmanuel Ajike and Stephen Maitanmi of the Business Administration & Marketing and the Computer Sciences Departments respectively.

The scholarship is a one-semester programme expected to strengthen capacity on Methodology.

In the same vein, the President acknowledged the General Conference of the Adventist church for the credit note valued at 500,000 dollars for the construction of the multi-purpose Youth Centre in Babcock.

The project is under the University's spiritual master plan targeted at youth development and part of the 2017 West Central Africa Division mission appeal.

"We are because He is," said the University Deputy Pro-Chancellor, Dr. Oyeleke Owolabi who was also present to give his support.

RITMAN UNIVERSITY SEEKS COLLABORATION WITH BABCOCK



Rubbing minds: Prof Ademola Tayo (left) sharing ideas with with his guests, Senator Emmanuel Essien (2nd left) Prof Udombana Nsonguru (2nd right) and Professor Celestine Ntuen (right).

Bottom: Prof. Tayo seals his discussion with a handshake.

three-man delegation from Ritman University, Akwa Ibom state last week paid a working visit to Babcock.

The President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo received the delegation comprising the Proprietor, Senator Emmanuel Ibok Essien, Pro-Chancellor, Prof. Udombana Nsonguru and Vice Chancellor and CEO, Prof. Celestine Ntuen. Prof. Ntuen said their mission was to understudy Babcock's

administrative and academic style to enhance seamless institutional administration,

achieve academic excellence and first academic accreditation.

"We came to find out the possibility of collaborating with Babcock University being one of Nigeria's foremost private

universities, to realize our

universities, to realize our dream of academic excellence," he said.

In response, Prof. Tayo enumerated the qualities which have enhanced Babcock's development over the years.

These include great networking opportunities from its affiliation with over 120 universities owned by Seventh-day Adventist Church as well as non-interference from proprietors and autonomy in fiscal administration.

He welcomed the delegates to liaise with other administrative staff on any relevant information to achieve their goal.



Prof. Tayo (2nd left) with guests at his office.



Prof Ademola Tayo (3rd r) and Prof Sunday Owolabi (3rd I) pose with four of the five winners of 2018 Babcock Alumni Best Business Plan award. Below: Afolabi Fasanmi (the fifth awardee) receives a presidential handshake.

BU GIVES N1MILLION TO FIVE UNENGAGED ALUMNI

B abcock University made good her plan to award N200,000 each to five unengaged alumni with best business plan.

The award was part of activities to mark the annual career fair which had several foreign institutions and Nigerian companies such as UBA, IBTC, Unilever in attendance.

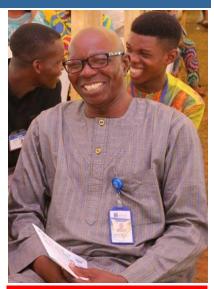
The awardees were: Afolabi Fasanmi, (Media); Biodun Ogunfowokon, (Agriculture); Avwerosuoghene Ohwoekevwo, (Event Management); Mary Ibrahim, (Healthcare) and Miriam Oni, (Fashion).

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo congratulated the winners and urged them to put the money into good use.

He enjoined the graduating class to interface with employers at the fair and harvest available contacts for future use.

He further urged them to develop soft skills and entrepreneurial skills to be relevant in the job market because the first degree was just a launching pad.

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Director of Alumni Development, Adeboye Makinde savours a moment.

"Now
is the time to unleash
the latent gifts that are
embedded in you as
white collar jobs are no
longer the in-thing."



BABCOCK CAREER FAIR IN PHOTOS



An entrepreneurial alumnus receives a handshake as he shares his milk shake with Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Prof. Sunday Owolabi.

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"Now is the time to unleash the latent gifts embedded in you as white collar jobs are no longer the in-thing," he said.

He also thanked the programme organizers and sponsors for the improvement in planning and execution.

Senior Vice President, Management Services, Professor Sunday Owolabi said all 19 contestants in the Business Plan competition, not only had great ideas, but also possessed tremendous entrepreneurial skills.

Limited resources however meant only five could get the award.

One of the beneficiaries, a 2010 Public Administration graduate, Ogunfowokon said the award was commendable and would inspire other alumni to think outside the box.





Grad Class President, Michael Agbojo and Co-sponsor, Pastor Josiah Uche-Awaji. Bottom left: Class Sponsor, Dr. Stephen Maitanmi and Mr. Joshua Umahi







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PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS

















Daring to be different comes with a prize. For some members of the Leo Graduating Class, it was a moment of recognition at the sports complex venue of The Experience. The certificate of excellence was just a part of the event. It was also packed with empowerment and motivational talks.

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS





It's all about the graduating class as the students turned out in numbers to mark the Leo Graduating Class week.

The mood, fun and excitement are captured in these pictures.









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BU HOSTS NATIONAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION



Building great litigators: Law Students making their case at the mock trial in Iperu campus main auditorium

s the School of Law & Security Studies held its annual national Advocacy Competition, Babcock University emerged third and clinched the top prize for Best Orator Award.

This year's competition themed, Aedificare Magna Litigatoribus; Building

Great Litigators, was in honour of the immediate past Dean & Provost, Prof. Emeritus, Isaac Agbede.

It featured seven Universities -Adeleke, Bowen, University of Benin, University of Ilorin, La-

gos State
Universit
t y ,
Obafemi
Awolowo
University
and Bab-

cock.

Finalists, Adeleke and University of Benin marshalled out their points before the judge in a mock trial presided over by Justice A. A. Babawale of Shagamu High Court.

The judgement was in favour of University of Benin which won the 1st prize of N50,000, Adeleke got 2nd prize of N30,000. Babcock got a cash prize of N20,000 as well as the Best Orator award which went to Adekanmbi Omowounola.









Clockwise: Dr. Dorcas Odunaike, Prof. Emeritus Isaac Agbede and a cross section of faculty and students at the event. Left: Mrs. Agbede and Dean, Prof. Deji Olarenwaju

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COMING EVENTS



MARCH 22 THURSDAY @ EIGHT

Your favourite student-driven programme, Thursday @ Eight featuring at 8:30pm will be back on air, Hope 89.1 FM.

Guess who will be the first guest. Don't wait to be told. Tune in.

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.



Celebration mode makes great selfies. Graduating students after their thanksgiving service.

HOPE FM IS BACK ON AIR

Hope FM is back and that is official. Last week, the campus radio Manager, Dr. Omolayo Jegede sent out an official notification to the University community.

This is coming after a long anticipated wait to get back on air following technical glitches. The excitement has caught up with student producers and other listeners who have come to love the station for its profes-

sional style and audience-friendly programmes.

"I can't wait to be back on air," said a student, "I'm glad our waiting has not been in vain."

Among other things, the station has honed student skills in radio production as well as opened a forum for social interaction with the host community.

REFLECTION



"You never know how much your parents loved you until you have a child to love."

- Jennifer Hudson

