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PICTURE OF THE WEEK

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

"Go where you are celebrated – not tolerated. If they can't see the real value of you, it's time for a new start." - Anon

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President/VC Prof. Ademola S. Tayo (2nd left) with (I-r) Vice Chair of the Parents Consultative Forum, PCF, Mr. Ola Oyinloye, Mr. Isaac Osuntade, Mrs. Oyinloye and PCF Project Director, Mr. Ayo Aluko.

DR. SEYI WRIGHT ON RECIPE FOR SUCCESS



Dr. Seyi Wright: Dare to impact lives

Motivational Speaker, author and dream changer, Dr. Seyi Wright recently challenged the social status quo while asking the Leo Grad Class to up their game with a seven-step plan for success. Dr. Wright was the speaker at the Friday v e s p e r s ushering in activities to mark the 16th convoc a t i o n

weekend.

"I have seen people with dreams without follow up, ideas without passion," said Dr. Wright. "As Christians, we have an unfair advantage to succeed because we are not running on our own strength." He recommended seven Rs for success. These are: Reexamination, Redirection, Refocusing, Release, Reach out, Risk and Renewal.

He warned that success only comes to those willing to take risks in crossing their Jordan to their Canaan.

"You have been fed, you need to feed others and make a difference in their lives," he said. "Surrender to God who can make it happen."

ODUOZA CALLS FOR CREATIVE THINKING

WEEKLY DIGEST

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HOTLINES



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo (right) with lecturer, Mr. Philips Oduoza, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro (2nd left) and other faculty and officers of the University.

The Chair of Nova cessful Merchant Bank, which ena Mr. Phillips Oduoza has risks and o challenged Nigerian obstacles youth to reverse the success," downward economic trend through creative thinking, courage and resilience in entrepreneurship.

His call came as keynote lecture themed, *Courage and Resilience to Start and Build a Successful Business in Contemporary Nigeria,* delivered to the Babcock 2018 Leo Graduating Class.

According to Oduoza, who was former GMD/ CEO of the Bank for Africa Plc, opportunities abound in several fields for those ready and willing to take up the challenges to overcoming them.

"Courage and resilience are character traits common amongst all successful entrepreneurs which enabled them take risks and overcome various obstacles on the road to success," he said.

He also noted that with UN's projection of Nigeria becoming one of the top three largest global population, entrepreneurs had a

great potential market a w a i t i n g them. "Successful e n t r e p r e neurs will find a huge market for their products and services and help the country to prevent the denotation of a population bomb."

He counseled all to be brutally frank about their abilities, understand the industry and be ready to take the risks and live their dreams.





L-r: Prof. Sunday Owolabi and Bursar, Dr. Folorunso Akande



President of Leo doctoral Class, Dr. Kehinde Odunsi, presents a plaque to the guest lecturer, Mr. Philips Oduoza. With them is Prof. Ademola S. Tayo.







Above: Making a case for entrepreneurship, former GMD/CEO of the United Bank for Africa Plc, Mr. Philips Oduoza. Left: A cross section of the graduands at the lecture.



A toast to success: Members of the Parents Consultative Forum at the luncheon. Bottom left: Immediate past President/VC Prof. J. A. Kayode Makinde and spouse, Prof. Yetunde Makinde.

PRESIDENT COMMENDS PCF MEMBERS

I t was more than another luncheon when the Parents Consultative Forum hosted the Leo Graduating Class parents, It was a time for thanksgiving and testimonies.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo described it as a moment of reflection of God's mercies.

"You have played a role in sending your children to Babcock; from this moment you will begin to reap the fruits," he said. He assured members that their sacrifice would not go unrewarded as they provided for their wards in spite of the current economic situation.

It also provided a forum for information sharing on institutional accomplishments especially in the area of academics.

"While 52 students qualified as Chartered Accountants, our Law graduates have consistently maintained top grades in the Law

> School Bar examinations," he said. Similarly, he said all 19 programmes presented to the National Universities Commission got full accreditation for the next four years while an alumnus on exchange programme



in Savannah State University, USA, got a 4.4 CGPA.

He said the same grace has been extended to other areas.

"Many colleagues have asked how we dealt with the drug menace ravaging tertiary institutions and ,my response has been: God Almighty."

The Vice Chair of the Forum, Pastor Ola Oyinloye, congratulated parents and thanked God for seeing them through.

"Indeed, it was a battle worthy of celebration," he said.

Prof. Ademola S. Tayo makes a point as University Bursar, Dr. Folorunso Akande and spouse listen with interest.

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Director, External Affairs, Logistics & Protocol, Mr. Isaac Osuntade takes the floor.





Prof. Sunday Owolabi and spouse, Dr. Titi Owolabi. With them is Prof. Constance Nwosu.







Celebrating the moment: Prof. Grace Tayo. Parents and officers of the University

Parents and officers of the University get together to count their blessings.





Leo Class Co-sponsor, Pastor Uche-Awaji Josiah





Sharing the Babcock brand experience: Olumuyiwa and Folake ODENIYI





Clockwise: Abidemi OYINLOYE, Mike HUNNDER and Adewale ADEPAYE Bottom left: Abisola USMAN, Olusola JEGEDE

PARENTS SHARE TESTIMONIES @ LUNCHEON

The PCF luncheon testimony time evoked a lot of emotions and our editorial team was on ground to capture those moments. Excerpts:

We are inspired by the course content, discipline and God-fearing morals instilled in each of our four children who all passed through Babcock. In addition, I'm impressed with the amicable ways issues are resolved; it's been a really wonderful experience. I've even introduced over 15 other parents to this institution. I'm glad we have cause to celebrate today. To God be the glory.

-Mr & Mrs Olumiyiwa & Folake Odeniyi, Parents of the Year, 2012.

This is one moment I won't forget in a hurry. I was determined to be here as it will be my last son's graduation. It was like only yesterday and now my last son is graduating. In spite of the challenges, but I'm grateful to God that we can dance and celebrate today.

Engineer Abidemi Oyinlove

I feel really happy and grateful to God for the successful graduation after four years. I'm a proud parent today.



My ward graduated from the School of Law. I feel great that the long awaited moment has come. I give God the glory. I am motivated to encourage the younger ones to work hard.

Adewale Adepaye

The institution has had a great impact on my ward who studied Mass Communication. I feel great indeed.

Mrs Abisola Usman

It's been an awesome, fulfilling and happy experience. I feel happy that I've fulfilled my obligation as a parent to educating my daughter.

- Olusola Jegede







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I feel on top the world. I am very proud to be mother of a graduate nurse.

Grace Ekere

My ward studied Nutrition and Dietetics. I certainly feel great and believe this is the first step of a new beginning.

- John Safa

I have just one word to describe this experience: proud. An Accounting degree will make a great impact and improvement on my ward's life and ours.

- Olusoji Oke

My ward just completed a programme in Nursing. I feel great and indeed grateful to God. This will encourage us as parents to continue educating our children.

- Emmanuel Odafe

Life will certainly be better with my ward's successful completion of programme in Public Health. It's a great experience.

- Ogunjimi Joseph

We also use this opportunity to thank God, the Babcock administration and staff for the excellent performance of our ward. We have still three children studying Medicine and expect to bring in a fourth.

- Dr. Rita Timothy

I'm happy to be part of the Forum for the first time. The experience is great and inspiring. Long live Babcock.

Mrs. Omodele Adeola



ADEOLA



GRACE EKERE

JOHN SAFA



EMMANUEL ODAFE



OLUSOJI OKE



OGUNJIMI JOSEPH





RITA TIMOTHY

Chapman chilled and ready to serve



PG DINNER & AWARDS NIGHT IN PICTURES



President/VC Prof. S Tayo and spouse, Prof Grace Tayo lead other principal officers and their spouses in the cake cutting. Extreme right is secretary of the CPGS, Dr. Titi Owolabi.









Top: University Pastor, Prof. Tunde Ojewole receive plaque during PG banquet.



Prof. Joseph Olanrewaju is honoured as Dr. Titi Owolabi presents a plaque. Right is Prof. Sunday Owolabi



Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro receives his honours from Pastor Isaiah Abolarin, Methodologist, College of Postgraduate Studies.





Leo PG Class President Dr. Kehinde Odunsi presents plaque to Provost of CPGS Prof. Yacob Haliso.



Top: Celebrants catch fun at the banquet. Left: Prof Kayode Makinde presents plaque to Acting Dean of the Veronica Adeleke School of Management Studies, Dr Jumoke Yacob-Haliso.





It was a cocktail of celebrations and recognitions as the LEO postgraduate Class members celebrated their banquet. Class members presented plaques to some of the officers of the College and cut the graduation cake.

LEO DINNER AND AWARDS NIGHT





Prof. Barnabas Mandong and best graduate from the School of Medicine, Oluwabunmi Jamodu. Right: Profs. Ademola & Grace Tayo cut Class Cake with Michael Agbojo and Class sponsor, Dr. Sola Maitanmi.

hen the University treated the Leo graduating class to a banquet, May 31, it was beyond exquisite cuisine and music. It also provided a platform for honouring the brightest in various fields - from academic to leadership excellence.

"This event means a lot to me," commented the best graduating student of the Religious Studies Department, Michael Agbojo. "It means God is still in the business of justifying those who partner with Him; it also means as long as an idea is thinkable, it is doable and thirdly, nothing can stop me."

Earlier, Professor Ademola S. Tayo set the tone with a quick charge to the students to take their responsibility as change agents seriously. He also thanked God for His faithfulness in blessing Babcock and helping it achieve success and uninterrupted calendar. The night however was not only for rewarding academic excellence at the undergraduate level. For the first time, the Benjamin Carson (Snr) School of Medicine honoured one of the medical graduates, David Rabor, who made six distinctions in his MBBS examination.

Similarly, the Economics Department

Students Association's 2004 set honoured its

Clockwise: Graduate chill out with friends. Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro and Dr. Yetunde Olaore with an awardee. Others celebrate the moment.



best graduating student, Ebuuomwan Denise.

Leo Class co-sponsor, Dr Josiah Uche-Awaji, shared an inspiring testimony of how a student, Godwin Amaechi graduated from the Religious Studies department, against all odds.

For everyone, the evening the promise, "The future is bright."





HOD, Economics, Dr Oladapo Awolaja and other faculty members of the department present a cheque to one of the students on behalf of the Economic Students Association 2004 Set.











PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS







The commissioning of the WEMA Bank new facility on the main campus added colour and aesthetic appeal to the University's commercial area besides facilitating banking.

The event held June 1 attracted top officers of the Bank and the University and bank as well as faculty, staff and friends.



Rof. Ademola Tayo and Prod. Deji Olanrewaju (right with WEMA Bank's ED South West, Mr. Oluwole Akinyele (left) and DMD, Mr. Ademola Adebise



Leo Class project unveiled: Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro with other officers and executive members of the Class at the unveiling of the car park at the Nelson Mandela and Samuel Akande male hostels.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR JULY 8 – 13 BIMUN CONFERENCE

The University hosts the 2nd BU International United Nations Conference. Among the expected guests are: former UN Under-Secretary, Ambassador Ibrahim Gambari, former President of Ghana, Lt. Col. J. J. Rawlings, and Head of Trade & Investment, West Africa, British High Commission, Kate Rudd,

> JULY 30 – AUG 3 VACATION BIBLE EXPERIENCE AUG 8 - 13 COLLOQUIUM

The annual colloquium to usher in the new academic session holds with the theme: Sustainable SDA Education in a Changing Environment: Appraisals, Challenges and Way Forward.

Venue: Central Cafeteria Time: 8:30 am



"Truth is a one-man army but it can defeat a battalion in one second." - Isaac Elesha



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