



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

“Only trust people who can see these three things; the sorrow behind your smile, the love behind your anger and the reason for your silence.”

- Anon

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Lighting up the world: Medical students share the joy of the moment with their lighted candles.

VC DEDICATES SSC, COMMENDS STAFF



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Associate Prof. Olaore (2nd & 3rd right) with other officers.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola S. Tayo last week commended out-going Director of Student Support Centre, Associate Prof. Augusta Olaore for her outstanding performance in service delivery at the Centre.

His comment came during a brief service to dedicate the renovated office space and fountain, an initiative of the out-going Director with University's support.

Professor Tayo accompanied by some principal officers, described her as one who was not only passionate about her work but who also impacted many students while holding forte at the centre.

He said though it was with a heavy heart that he received the news of her temporary exit, he enjoined the staff to equally support her successor, Dr. Elizabeth Okonkwo. Professor Tayo encouraged them to continue to make the centre a haven of peace to students, some of whom were groaning to find love, care and support. He also urged the incoming Director to help all the staff attain their optimum productivity by delegating assignments where necessary.

WEEKLY DIGEST

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SGF CALLS FOR CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM
OF GOVERNMENT BY ACADEMIA

A matter of honour: Mr. Boss Mustapha (middle) flanked by (r-l) Prof. Ademola Tayo, Prof. Claudius Omoleye, Mr. Taiwo Adeoluwa and Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro.

Secretary to the Government of the Federation, Mr. Boss Mustapha has called on the academia to return to the path of constructive criticism of government policies to promote good governance and bridge the gap between the ivory tower and policy makers.

His call came as he delivered a paper, *the role of the academics in consolidating Nigeria's democracy* at the Department of

History and International Studies' distinguished personality lecture.

Mr. Mustapha, who was accompanied by the Minister of state, Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs, Prof. Claudius Omoleye, urged the academia not to abdicate its responsibility of interrogating elected leaders.

He said the academia should expand the frontiers of research and studies into contemporary is-

ssues critical to the growth of democracy.

"The academia should assist the legislature in introducing bills of immense benefits to the society," he added.

For example, he said the statutory environment within which the protection of intellectual property rights and management exist in Nigeria, has remained a disincentive for creativity, innovation and investments.

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HOTLINES

Ambulance -080 360 097 40

BUSA President—

081 529 058 48

Chaplain - 080 340 322 58

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

BU Pastor 080 582 981 97



A cross section of staff, faculty and students listen with rapt attention as Mr. Boss Mustapha (right) presents his lecture.



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“The academia must galvanize itself into think-tank that would lead the larger society in recognizing the innate benefits of democracy,” he said.

Noting that government alone could not solve all societal problems, he added that the “academia could effectively contribute to the process and advancement of governance, through intellectual inquiry and freedom of expression.”

Similarly, in recognition of the limitations for leaders to carry the burden of governance alone, the Ogun State Governor, Senator Ibikunle Amosun, represented by the State Secretary, Mr. Taiwo Adeoluwa, called for synergy between town and gown for societal development.

He assured of the state government’s continued support to translate the gains of research into reality.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo said Babcock is ever ready to partner the federal government in its fight against corruption as well as enhance human capital development.



Guard of Honour: The Babcock Security mounts a quarter guard of honour for the distinguished guests.



Clockwise: Mr. Boss Mustapha and daughter, a student in Babcock. Prof. Ademola Tayo welcomes guests on their arrival.

Dean of Education & Humanities, Prof. Adesegun rAbiodun in glassed introduces guest to University Bursar, Dr. Akande



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Mr. Boss Mustapha (middle) with other principal officers, (l-r) Prof. Joseph Olarenwaju, Prof. Sunday Owolabi, Prof. Ihenayichukwu Okoro, Mr. Taiwo Adeoluwa, Prof. Claudius Omoleye and Dr. Folunsho Akande.

MLSCN INDUCTS 46 BU GRADUATES



Following the successful completion of their programme, 46 Medical Laboratory Science graduates got formally inducted into the Medical Laboratory Science Council of Nigeria, November 27.

The ceremony took place at the University Pioneer Church and attracted family members and friends as well as other stakeholders.

While congratulating the inductees, President/ Vice President, Professor Ademola S. Tayo, reminded them of their new responsibilities as professionals.

“You must be very careful to exhibit a high level of responsibility and diligence in working with other professional colleagues,” he said.

Represented by the Senior Vice President, Academics, Professor Iheanyichukwu Okoro, he told them that since they had become professionals by virtue of their training and oath of allegiance, much more would be expected

Promising to uphold professional standards and ethics: Inductees take their oath of allegiance as Mr. Godwin Aikpitanyi (right) addressed them.

from them.

He therefore urged them to ensure a high sense of integrity and be worthy Babcock ambassadors.

Acting Council Registrar/CEO, Mr. Tosan Erhabor, represented by the Education Director, Mr. Godwin

Aikpitanyi, commended Babcock for the cordial relations with the council as well as contribution to manpower development in the sector.

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Top: Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro.
Left: An inductee receives his certificate from the Mr. Aikpitanyi.
Bottom (I): A cross section of inductees.



Prof. John Ihongbe

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- Mr. Godwin Aikpitanyi



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To the inductees, he gave counsel to maintain quality service delivery in line with their expected professional competence.

“Henceforth, the moral burden now lies on you to ensure that you do not misplace the knowledge you gained from Babcock University,” he said.

Furthermore, he said to facilitate placement for the mandatory one year internship for fresh professionals, the federal government has approved additional public and private medical institutions .

“We are doing everything to ensure dreams come true for all interns,” he remarked.



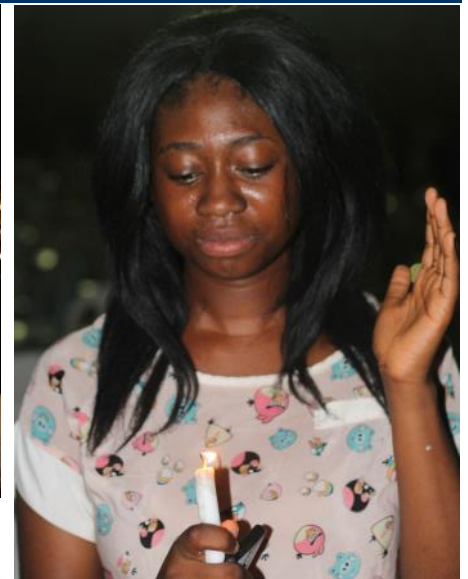
Clockwise from top: Inductees take their oath. HR Director, Dr. Abiola Makinde and Mrs. Joy Emereonye pose with one of the new inductees. An inductee receives her professional certificate as Dean Public & Allied Health, Prof. Nnodimele Atulomah and Registrar, Dr. Jonathan Nwosu look on . Mr. Aikpitanyi present certificates to other inductees.



BABCOCK CELEBRATES FEAST OF LIGHT



Clockwise: Aerial view of the Sports complex with its fireworks and brightly lit candles, a student holds up her candle, a mascot and duet from the Philadelphia choir add colour to the evening.



It promised to be an unforgettable night of praise, drama and music. For many, it turned out to be just that and more. It was also a night to celebrate chastity and the reason for the season, Jesus Christ.

Expectedly, the Babcock Sports Complex was a kaleidoscope of colours and music as the different choral groups, drama teams and soloists made their grand entry.

From the University Staff School to students from the School of Law & Security Studies, every group celebrated Jesus Christ the Redeemer through songs of praise.

It was also the valedictory Feast of Light for the out-going Director of the Student Support Centre, Associate Prof. Yetunde Olaore. As she cheered up the Uninfluenced, Chastity Group, for them, it was another moment to renew their vows.

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and spouse, Prof. Grace Tayo assisted by other ministers and their spouses, led the children dressed in white to decorate the Uninfluenced group. He offered prayers to



Pastor Sunday Audu



God to help them keep their vows of chastity.

It was not all music and funfair. The University Pastor, Dr. Sunday Audu set the spiritual tone of the event with a reminder to be true light in a dark world in line with the theme of this year's programme, *Light Up the World*.

The Classic World Concept gave an African touch to the nativity story celebrating the birth of Jesus.

As the fireworks went up that night after the candle-lighting ceremony, the words of scripture came bouncing through, "Let your light shine before men."

FEAST OF LIGHT IN PICTURES



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and spouse, Prof. Grace Tayo. With them are : (l-r front row) Mrs. Florence Audu and Profs. J. A. Kayode & Yetunde Makinde. Top left: BU High School make their presentation.



Children ready to decorate the Uninfluenced group sitting behind them to encourage and promote chastity.



Classic world concept drama presentation and right, BU Staff School pupils.



VICTORIAN KIDS ALBUM LAUNCH



The Babcock Pioneer Church had more than its usual congregation when the Victorian Kids launched their debut album, *I am Free*, recently. The music which came in both audio and video format, combined praise songs from Nigerian ethnic groups with English songs. The album was the initiative of Dr. Chioma Ekpendu.



Dr. Chioma Ekpendu: Inspired the great vision.



VICTORIAN KIDS ALBUM LAUNCH



PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



From the Babcock sports complex where they celebrated the Feast of Light to the Student Support Centre with its new ambience and feel, the University community was a beehive of activities as the semester slowly rolled to an eventful end.

Pictures capture the moments and the people that made them exciting.





COMING EVENTS

Jan 3

STAFF & FACULTY ORIENTATION

The University administration through the Office of Institutional Effectiveness will host the annual staff and faculty orientation to chart the way forward for the new year and create the enabling environment for integration for new employees.

Venue: Central cafeteria

Time: 9:00am.

JAN 6

STUDENT ARRIVAL

All students are expected to be back for the new semester.

JAN 7

RESUMPTION OF CLASSES

JAN 8

PARENTS CONSULTATIVE FORUM

The Department of External Affairs, Protocol & Logistics in collaboration with the PCF executives, will host the Parents Consultative Forum meeting. Venue will be communicated.

JAN 9 - 19

OPERATION GLOBAL RAIN

Babcock University will join the world church to observe the annual 10-day prayer and fasting operation global rain.

Venue: Babcock district churches

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm daily.

JAN 10

ACADEMIC STANDARDS BOARD

JAN 17

SENATE MEETING

JAN 25 - FEB 4

WEEK OF PRAYER

It will be another time for spiritual revival and rebirth as the annual week of prayer holds simultaneously in both campuses. Other details will be provided before the programme through the Division of Spiritual Life.

AM: 6:30 - 7:45

PM: 6:00 - 7:30

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Nigerian Accounting Association, (NAA), which is a member of the International Association for Accounting Research, recently honoured two faculty members with a merit award for their inaugural lectures?
- Recipients, Senior Vice President Management Services, Prof. Sunday Owolabi and Prof. Patrick Enyi, were two of the 18 so honoured at the national level?
- Since mission is central to all that we do, the Babcock entrepreneurship Centre is actively training students to acquire hands-on experience in tailoring, digital marketing, photography as well as bead and shoe making among other skills before their graduation?
- The Centre is also open to non-students during vacation periods for a pocket-friendly fee?
- The Student Support Centre is wearing more than a new look; it also has a new Director, Dr. Elizabeth Okonkwo who has just replaced Associate Prof. Yetunde Olaore?

RELFECTION



“Trust
leads to
approachability
and open
communications.”
- Scott Weiss