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UNN Vice-Chancellor Receives Honorary Award

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The Vice-Chancellor, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Prof. Benjamin Chukwuma Ozumba has been decorated with Honorary Mayor President of the City of Baton Rouge by the Mayor President of Baton Rouge, U.S.A, Melvin "Kip" Holden.

Performing this function on a courtesy visit at the Conference Room of the Vice-Chancellor, the President, Board of Trustees, Information Communication Technology (ICT) University of Baton Rouge, Prof. Victor Mbarika pledged to collaborate with UNN by upgrading the University's e - Learning Facilities.

According to him, his aim is to provide an e learning laboratory, conduct internal and external training for UNN staff and create model to run Distance Learning Programmes online.

Prof. Mbarika emphasized that he had travelled to Sub-Saharan



Prof. Victor . Mbarika (centre) presenting Honorary Award to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Benjamin. Ozumba. While the Director of ICT, UNN, Dr Olisa Okeke looks on

travelled to Sub-Saharan Africa to help upgrade online learning in various institutions of higher learning.

In his response, Prof. Ozumba commended him for partnering with the University and said that the collaboration was in line with one of his five-point agenda which is to make UNN one of the most leading universities in the world

in scientific research and innovative teaching.

The Vice-Chancellor also disclosed that he had recently been nominated the Chairman, Universities Research Centre by UNESCO. He added that he had visited some foreign universities which have

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FRCN partners UNN to promote WAUG Competition



The Vice-Chancellor of the UNN, Prof. Benjamin Ozumba (Right) and the Zonal Director of FRCN, Enugu, Mr Emeka Odikpo at the Director's office, Enugu

The Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria (FRCN) has promised to partner with the University of Nigeria to promote the up-coming West African Universities Games (WAUG) scheduled to hold in the University in October 2015.

Zonal Director of FRCN, Enugu, Mr Emeka Odikpo, made the promise when he received in audience the Vice-Chancellor and other Principal Officers of the University of Nigeria who paid him a courtesy visit in his office at Enugu.

The Director said the partnership would be a symbiotic relationship, involving the patronage of the University and the subsidised services of the FRCN.

"We will give you services, which if quantified in monetary form, will be enormous. We also hope that you will support us to enable us help you", he said.

Mr Odikpo said he was fascinated with the up-coming event because sports was his pet area.

He said he would set-up an FRCN committee that would liaise with the University to ensure adequate publicity of the WAUG competition

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Earlier in his address, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nigeria, Prof. Benjamin Chukwuma Ozumba, said that the WAUG tournament would help showcase the University, Enugu State, and Nigeria at large.

He therefore solicited for active participation of the FRCN in the areas of publicity and resource mobilization.

The WAUG in the UNN will feature football and hockey competitions. It is expected that over 60 universities from different West African countries will participate in the tournament.

Inya, Agha E.

Educators call for laws to back education policies

Educators from different parts of the country recently gathered at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka to brainstorm on the best ways to formulate and implement policies in the education sector.

The gathering was under the platform of the 14th Annual National Conference of the Faculty of Education, University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

The keynote speaker, Prof. Ibrahim Kolo, who led the discussion, called for legislative backings to enforce policies in the sector.

According to him, the education sector was in a deplorable state because its policies were not backed by specific legislations that would ensure proper policy

Prof. Kolo, who spoke on the topic; "Education Policy Environment for a Sustainable Nigerian Education Sector", called on legislatures at the federal and state levels to initiate bills that would advance policy implementation mechanisms, budgetary benchmarks, and sanctions to back all policies on education.

In his address, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nigeria, Prof. Benjamin Ozumba said that what Nigeria needed was an educational system that would equip learners with knowledge, skills attitude and competence that would enable them stand the competition in the national and global labour market.

According to the Vice-Chancellor, policies in the education sector should be able to inculcate lifelong learning skill; critical and reflective thinking abilities and job creation skills on students to enable them create jobs for themselves and be useful to employers of labour.

Prof. Ozumba, who spoke through the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. Polycarp Chigbu, said the theme of the conference; "Promoting Best Practices in Nigerian Education through Effective Policy Formulation and Implementation Strategies" was timely, considering that stakeholders in the education sector are clamouring for reform in the system.

He expressed hope that the conference would provide "evidence-based educational policy formulation alternative, better policy implementation frameworks and effective pedagogical strategies which can help to transform our teachers' professional orientation and instructional effectiveness.

Prof. Ozumba commended the Faculty of Education, UNN for sustaining its annual conference over the years and urged other faculties to emulate them.

Dean, Faculty of Education, UNN, and Prof. Uju Umo emphasised the need to enthrone best practices in the implementation of educational curriculum.

"The reality has dawned on us, that to function optimally, in the real world, implementers of the educational curriculum and their products must imbibe, demonstrate and demand best practices in every segment of educational value chain", she said.

Lead papers were presented by Prof. Joel Babalola, from the University of Ibadan, and Dr. Agatha Nzeribe, an education specialist working with UNICEF.

Inya, Agha E.



Some educators that attended the 14th International Conference of the Faculty of Education and Principal Officers of the UNN after their courtesy call on the VC

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have won Nobel Prizes to partner with them in order to move the University of Nigeria forward in research both globally and otherwise.

Furthermore, the Vice-Chancellor revealed that more than two hundred Research Groups had been instituted in the University with a grant of One Hundred Thousand Naira (N100,000.00) to aid the increase of article publication in impact factor journals.

Also the Director of ICT, Dr. Olisa Okeke received an award of Honorary Mayor President of the City of Baton Rouge by the Mayor President.

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implementation and prescribe punishment for policy implementation offenders.

"I have not heard that anyone in Nigeria was jailed for non implementation of policy on education", he noted.

Prof. Kolo, who was recently appointed the Vice-Chancellor of the newly established University of Education, Zaria, regretted that policies in the education sector were used as reference documents, instead of legal status

"In Nigeria, policies are formulated but not developed; renewing policies do not amount to their development", he lamented.

PHOTO NEWS



Bishop Onah receiving a Portrait gift from the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of the University. Presenting the gift is Prof. Antonia Achike



Principal Officers of the University of Nigeria led by the VC, Prof Ozumba (middle) and Catholic Priests led by Bishop Onah (3rd from right) after a courtesy call on VC by the Catholic Bishop of Nsukka



VC, Prof. Ozumba, cutting the tape to flag-off harvest of solanum melongena (Garden egg) at the Faculty of Agriculture Farm



The Vice-Chancellor, commissioning tractors and their implements donated by TETFund



Prof. Damian Opata addressing the Vice-Chancellor when ASUU-UNN paid a courtesy visit on the VC. Sitting by his right is the ASUU Chairman, Dr Ifeanyi Abada.



Principal Officers of the UNN and the management personnel of FRCN after a courtesy visit of the UNN team on the Zonal Director of FRCN, Enugu



Members of the Faculty of Arts, UNN, who attended an Interdisciplinary African Arts Conference in honour of Professors El Anatsui and Obiora Udechukwu, after their courtesy call on the VC.



Prof. Obiora Udechukwu displaying his award at the Interdisciplinary African Arts Conference organised by the Faculty of Arts, UNN



Dean, Faculty of Arts, Prof. Pat Okpoko, and Prof. Chimalum Nwankwo, presenting Award of Creative Excellence to El Anatsui, at PAA, UNN

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VC, Prof. Benjamin Ozumba, commissioning new alumni office at UNN



The National President, University of Nigeria Alumni Association, Chief Andrew Oru, decorating the Vice-Chancellor as member of the UNN alumni



National President of the University of Nigeria Alumni Association, Chief Andrew Oru presenting an award of *Distinguished Eminent Lioness of the Alumni* to VC's wife Pharm. (Mrs) Chinelo Ozumba



R-l: Alumni president, Chief Andrew Oru, VC, Prof Benjamin Ozumba, VC's wife, Pharm. Chinelo Ozumba, at the commissioning of alumni office at UNN.



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof Benjamin Ozumba (4th from right) flanked by the Chief Judge of Anambra State, Justice Peter Umeadi (Right) and National President of UNN Alumni Association, Chief Andrew Oru (left) after their courtesy call on the VC



-R-l: Chief Judge of Anambra State, Justice Peter Umeadi, Chuu Krydz Ikwuemesi, Director, Institute of African Studies, UNN, Prof Emeka Nwabueze, and Director Advancement Centre, Prof Charles Igwe, admiring drawings of moments in *Things Fall Apart*



Principal Officers of the University, with Alumni of the Department of Film and theatre Studies, UNN after their courtesy call on the VC during the 2015 Robesonites Maiden Homecoming



Members of the University administration and pharmacists from the USA who came to train Pharmacists in UNN on clinical pharmacy practice.



The Head, Media and Community Relations, Egbin Power Plant, Mr Kingsley Okotie commissioning feed water heater project at the Faculty of Engineering, UNN

Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* resonates at UNN

The last may not have been heard about Chinua Achebe's popular novel, *Things Fall Apart*. The novel is reported to have been translated into more than 50 world languages since it made its first appearance in June 17, 1958. But the Art Republic would not just let the course of the book stop at that: they have translated the operation of the novel into visual arts using ink drawings and watercolours.

Premiering the drawings were Chuu Krydz Ikwuemesi, an Associate Professor of the University of Nigeria, Dr. George Odoh a lecturer in the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, UNN, and Henry Mujunga, a celebrated Ugandan artist.

The visual images, numbering about 70 pieces, were on display, at the museum of Institute of African Studies, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, on Monday June 15, 2015.

Dr. Chuu Krydz Ikwuemesi, one of the artists, said the drawings were not preparatory arts or illustrations of the novel but a highlight of iconic moments in the story.

"Although they harbour some hermeneutical essence, they do not seek to become graphic variant of Achebe's story.

"What the artists have done is to identify what seems to them iconic moments or reflections of Igbo culture in the novel and use them as bases for creative and imaginative stories, which in turn raises new questions and interest in the essence of the novel and the enabling culture itself," he said.



Chief Judge of Anambra State, Justice Peter Umeadi admiring drawings depicting iconic moments in *Things Fall Apart*, at the Institute of African Studies, UNN

It will be recalled that the 50th Anniversary of *Things Fall Apart* was celebrated in 2008 at the instance of Commonwealth Foundation.

Dr Ikwuemesi explained that an exhibition of drawings based on the novel was to be mounted as ancillary event at the celebration, but the drawings were not complete at the time of the anniversary.

"The present exhibition happens to be the first and final event where the works are shown in full splendour" he said.

The Chief Judge of Anambra State, Justice Peter Umeadi who was the Chairman of the exhibition, said that the story of Achebe in *Things Fall Apart* portrays the resilient spirit of Igbo people.

According to him, the character of Okonkwo in the novel represents the firmness of the Igbo people in their belief and their willingness to lay down their lives in defence of their conviction.

The Judge expressed delight with the level of artistic and cultural display at the Institute of African Studies, UNN, and encouraged the Institute to keep portraying the culture of the Igbo nation.

Director of the Institute of African Studies, Prof. Emeka Nwabueze said the exhibition marked a watershed in cultural revolution in the University and the entire South-East.

Prof Nwabueze congratulated the artists on creatively using the drawings to present artistic interpretation of the *Things Fall Apart*, stating that the Institute was determined to keep promoting African arts and culture.

The Managing Director of *National Light*, Chief Chuka Nnabuife, noted that one of the several concepts in Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* was the need to establish a hybrid between culture and civilisation. He likened the novel to a "fountain that springs knowledge".

The drawings will be on display in Lagos for two weeks from 27th of June 2015.

Inya, Agha E.

Fanfare for Fabrics as Ritadoris Showcases Textile at UNN

In the art world, textile designing is often considered more traditional and less creative. But Dr (Mrs) Rita Doris Ubah of the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, has demonstrated the entrepreneurial potential of textile art

Dr Ubah recently staged a solo exhibition at the Senior Staff Club of the University of Nigeria, decorating the Club with art works principally made with fabrics.

The exhibition, titled: "TJANTING Lives On" had on display over 100 woven and knitted designs: knitted blankets,

batik prints and shirts, appliquéd, quilted wall hangings produced in panels of geometric shapes and dyed by means of exploring secondary and tertiary colours; and knitted dolls.

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Equally engaging at the show were various types of duvet, functional textile materials suitable for bed spreads, knitted hand and travelling bags, winter cold protective cloths and knitted kitchen towels.

The exhibition was creatively radiated with the decorative pots called "Aso-ebi" series. The pots were painted with acrylic colours, fibres, pliable and supportive materials that gave them feeling of monumentality.

There were also sampled office chairs made with colourful fabrics. The artist said the skeletal parts of the chairs were abandoned by stockfish sellers. Sitting on the chairs were slippers designed with fabrics with high durability quotient.

"This work is an infusion of culture and modernity, the University is happy with Dr Ubah's academic and artistic development", the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) Prof Edwin Igbokwe said while making remarks on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor.

He described the works as commercially viable products, and expressed the willingness of the administration to interface between the artist and the textile industry.

Prof Igbokwe announced a donation of N50,000 as part of the university administration's disposition to encourage hardwork and creative excellence among its staff.

"This show has made me reminiscent scholarship and artistry that the University of Nigeria was known for, Dr Ubah has brought us back to life", Prof. Polycarp Chigbu, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) added.

"What Mrs Ubah has done today is to reawaken our consciousness in textile industry, the young ones should learn from her and create job for themselves", Mazi Okoro Ijeoma, Chairman of the exhibition said.



Dr Rita Doris Ubah explaining the concept of her fabrics design to her audience. Standing directly in her front are the Deputy Vice-Chancellors, Prof Edwin Igbokwe (Administration) and Prof. Polycarp Chigbu (Academic) at the Senior Staff Club, UNN

Mazi Ijeoma lamented the neglect of the textile industry which used to be one of the largest employers of labour in the country.

He said the exhibition should serve as wake-up call on the government to resuscitate the textile industry to provide employment to teeming Nigerian youth.

Prof. (Mrs) Antonia Achike, the Director of Africa Climate Change Adaptation Initiative, (ACCAI-UNN) observed that the fabrics were climate sensitive, "we need them to cope with changes in climatic condition", the Director said.

Dr. Ubah, a lecturer in the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, UNN, mounted the exhibition barely one year after she joined the services of the University of Nigeria.

But that was not her first: she had staged similar shows, eight times in Lagos, under the Green Spring School. Dr Uba said her interest in arts grew out of her love for aesthetics and the desire to be different.

"I believe in creating things different from what other people have, and I love colours and fabrics", she said

She recalled that her interest in arts started at the age of three when she won handwriting scholarship at Regina Mundi Nursery School, Asaba. She further developed her talent by obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in Fine and Applied Arts, Master of Arts (M.A) degree in Fine Arts, and a Ph.D in Artistry and Textile. She has a good number of students under her mentorship.

Inya, Agha E.

Prof. Uzochukwu calls for Environmental Sustainability

The Guest Lecturer and

founding Director, Interdisciplinary Waste Management Institute (WMI) of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, U.S.A, Prof. Godfrey Arinze Uzochukwu has reiterated that the world faces unprecedented challenges such as population trends, global warming, and overexploitation of natural resources, oil-dependent energy, water and food shortages and sustainability.

Hence, higher education has a crucial role to play in addressing these challenges.

Prof. Uzochukwu made this call during a workshop on University Sustainability which was organized by the Interdisciplinary Waste Management Institute (WMI) of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, U.S.A in collaboration with the University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

"The purpose of University environmental sustainability arose because future challenges to civilization include population pressure, climate change, energy security, environmental degradation, water and food security and sustainable development", he said

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Uzochukwu calls for Environmental Sustainability, contd. frm pg 6

Prof. Uzochukwu emphasized that despite much scientific research and public discussion, many governments around the world have yet to commit to a sustainable agenda. Concerned people at UNN see that universities have a privileged position to help develop a consensus on key areas for action”.

Furthermore he said that key environmental sustainability areas include: Setting and Infrastructure; Energy and Climate Change; Waste Management; Water Transportation and Education

Meanwhile, he said that waste treatment and recycling activities are major factors in creating a sustainable environment. Stating that the activities of university staff and students in campus would produce a lot of waste, therefore some programs and waste treatments should be among the concern of the university, i.e. Recycling program, toxic waste recycling, organic waste treatment, inorganic waste treatment, sewerage disposal, policy to reduce the use of paper and plastic in campus.

In addition, he noted that the role of water cannot be over emphasized “The aim is that universities can decrease water usage, increase conservation program and protect the habitat”.

He continued that the “transportation system plays an important role on the carbon emission and pollutant level in university.

Transportation policy to limit the number of motor vehicles in campus, the use of campus bus and bicycle will encourage a healthier environment. The pedestrian policy will encourage students and staff to walk around campus, and avoid using private vehicle. The use of environmentally friendly public transportation will decrease carbon footprint around campus”.



Director, Interdisciplinary Waste Management Institute of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, USA, Prof. Godfrey Arinze Uzochukwu

However, the Vice-Chancellor, UNN, Prof. Benjamin . Ozumba who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Edwin Igbokwe in his welcome address said that the workshop was apt bearing in mind the challenges that confronts us in terms of sustaining the environment.

Also, the Director, African Climate Change Adaptation Initiative, UNN, Prof. (Mrs) Anthonia I. Achike said that there was need to raise awareness of environmental sustainability issues in order to combat the challenges of climate change. Other facilitators at the workshop include Prof. I. G. Madu; Prof. C. C. Mbajorgu; Prof. M. I. Uguru and Prof. F. Ezema.

Olanrewaju Mgboji

Catholic Bishop Collaborates With UNN Institute of African Studies

The Catholic Bishop of Nsukka Diocese Most Rev. Prof Godfrey Igwebuike Onah has pledged to collaborate with the Institute of African Studies University of Nigeria, Nsukka to support Programmes developed by the Institute.

Speaking at the Vice-Chancellor's Conference Room, the Bishop commended Prof. Ozumba's Administration with a pledge to support and promote the Institute in their research work and innovative programmes globally.

Also, He stressed that without the cooperation of the Church the UNN motto which is "To Restore the Dignity of Man" cannot be attainable.

Moreso, He emphasized that the Catholic Church has extended her hand of support to the University by sending their priests to study in UNN not just to acquire knowledge but to also transfer religious values to their classmates and Lecturers.

In his remark, The Vice-Chancellor University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Prof. Benjamin Chukwuma Ozumba expressed that it is a day of significant ecstasy to have the presence of the Catholic Bishop of Nsukka in the University Community.

Furthermore, He explained that since the University of Nigeria opened their Intellectual doors to the Public, the different tiers of the University have combined their effort to develop high standard academic programmes that would serve the needs of both students and the Local Community.

Prof. Ozumba also, mentioned that the University stands for excellence, hence confers degrees on students who are found worthy in character and learning.

He stressed that good morals is key to success. " We try through various means to inculcate in our students the fact that Education is not merely an economic investment or a means of escape from poverty, but an avenue that would prepare them for the task of rendering honest values to the country ", he said.

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LRCN, NITDA train librarians to use Free and Open Source Software

Librarians from different parts of the country recently received training on the application of Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) to enhance their competence in information management.

The training was held at the Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, under the auspices of the Library Registration Council of Nigeria (LRCN), in collaboration with the National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA),

Speaking at the occasion, the Registrar and Chief Executive Officer of LRCN, Dr. Victoria Okojie, said the objective of the training was to teach librarians how to gain more access to information to enable them contribute to national development.

Dr Okojie explained that it was necessary for librarians in the country to learn how to access and use the Free and Open Source Software in order to make up for the inability of many libraries to purchase proprietary software because of paucity of funds.

Sub-themes treated at the 4th edition of the National Workshop on Application of FOSS included: application of KOHA in libraries, demonstration of greenstone digital library software, applications of CDS/ISIS in libraries, and application of New Gen in libraries.

Dr Okogie said the themes were carefully selected to enhance service delivery in libraries and facilitate national economic development.

The trainees, according to her, were expected to cascade the training to their colleagues in their various institutions across the country.

Earlier in his opening address, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Nigeria Nsukka, Prof. Benjamin Ozumba, expressed delight that the Library Registration Council found it convenient to host the workshop in the University for three consecutive years-2013, 2014 and 2015.

Prof. Ozumba, who spoke through the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Edwin Igbokwe, said the theme of the conference, "Application of Free and Open Source Software in Library Operations", was apt, considering that many libraries in Africa were making efforts to upgrade to digital libraries.

In his address, the Director General Source software.

Inya, Agha E.



Catholic Bishop of Nsukka, Prof. Godwin Onah, presenting a gift to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Benjamin Ozumba, at the VC's conference room, UNN. Seated is the DVC (Administration) Prof. Edwin Igbokwe

of National Information Technology Development Agency, (NITDA), Mr Peter Jack, said his organisation was at the verge of signing Memorandum of Understanding with LRCN to establish Digital Community Opportunity Centres across the 316 public libraries in the country.

"NITDA is putting extra emphasis on the use of ICT for education. In this regard, we are deploying equipment and tools in the teaching and learning process", he said.

The Director said it was expedient for librarians in Nigeria to use Open Source Software because of dwindling budgets to libraries and information centres in the country.

He said that "In a country of over 170 million people, the potentials for Open Source solution in achieving success in libraries is huge, the manpower is available, and the infrastructure is being put in place".

Mr Jack expressed optimism that in the next few years, Nigeria would be a trail blazer in the development, use and promotion of Open Source Software

Inya, Agha E.

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Moreso, The Dean, Institute of African Studies Prof. Emeka Nwabueze, appreciated Prof. Ozumba's leadership. He gave a historic invention of the University from its inception to -date, stating that a Benjamin (Dr. Nnamdi Benjamin Azikiwe) established UNN and a Benjamin is now on the helm of affairs.

Prof. Nwabueze expressed gratitude on behalf of staff and students of his Institute with a guarantee that the Institute will not demean the opportunity of working with the Catholic Bishop and the Church.

To cap up the event, Most Rev Prof. Godfrey Onah on behalf of his crew presented the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Benjamin Ozumba with a gift of the Catholic Holy Bible.

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UNN VC advocates for improved Agriculture

The Vice-Chancellor, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Prof. Benjamin C. Ozumba has charged the Faculty of Agriculture to make use of her research farm, while emphasizing that with genetics, there would be improved yields. He reiterated that if Israel, a desert land could have 60% of advanced agriculture through the use of genetics then UNN agriculture can do better.

He made this remark during the flag-off of the harvest of agricultural produce in the Faculty of Agriculture. While performing the ceremony for the harvest of *solanum melongena* (Garden Egg), Prof. Ozumba commended the Faculty for her giant strides in the field of agriculture. "This is a success story and I am really impressed with what I am seeing", he said.

He said that one cannot talk about a farm without a processing unit. Therefore, he charged them not to only produce but to also develop a market outlet on how the produce could be marketed. Stressing that the marketing of these products should go beyond the University.

"I hope to change the face of UNN Faculty of Agriculture because there is a lot of capacity for agriculture to succeed only if we can develop our storage and harvesting capabilities. Hence, the Faculty should map out the UNN farm land so that the University can commence development", he continued.



Vice-Chancellor, Prof Benjamin Ozumba picking solanum melongena at the Faculty of Agriculture's farm

Meanwhile, Prof. Ozumba said as part of his support for improved agriculture and with the partnership of Tertiary Education Trust FUND (TETFUND), two students from the Faculty would be sent to Israel for a 1 year MSc programme.

The Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, Prof. (Mrs) N. M. Nnam while appreciating the Vice-Chancellor for honouring the flag-off said if given the necessary support, the Faculty would accomplish greater feat.

Also, Prof. C. L. Asadu

lauded the Vice-Chancellor for his support in encouraging research groups in the University. He said, "when we are encouraged, we are motivated to do more". He therefore, solicited for more support from the University.

The highpoint of the flag-off was the commissioning of four tractors and their implements, three high capacity generating sets and the construction of a fish pond by TETFUND.

Olanrewaju Mgboji

UNN Alumni Honour VC and Wife

It was an event embellished in outstanding elegance as the Vice-Chancellor, University of Nigeria Nsukka, Prof. Benjamin Chukwuma Ozumba and his Wife Pharm. (Mrs) Chinelo Ozumba received Honorary Award from the President, National Alumni Association Chief. Barr. Andrew Oru.

Prof. Ozumba was inducted into the University National Alumni Association (UNAA) with an award conferred on him as Honorary Alumnus of the University of Nigeria, while his wife Pharm. Chinelo Ozumba was decorated with Distinguished Eminent Lioness of the UNN at the Conference Room of the newly commissioned office of the University National Alumni Association

The President of the University National Alumni Association (UNAA) Chief Barr. Andrew Oru showered encomium on Prof. Ozumba for his pragmatic Leadership, emphasising that his administration has set a pace as the first to have assisted the (UNAA) both financially and otherwise.

Speaking at the function, Prof. Ozumba whilst commending the effort of the Association revealed that his vision is to make the University one of the top ten ranking Institutions in the world in the next two years. He pledged to always extend his hand of friendship to the Alumni in order to move the University forward.

Barr. Andrew assured Prof. Benjamin Ozumba that the Alumni will join force with him to upgrade UNN, support the Institution fully in every programme and financially assist the hosting of the West African University Games in appreciation for his relationship and welfare towards the Association.

The Apex of the occasion was the presentation of a book to Prof. Ozumba Titled "The writer in whose company: The prison wall fell down", a compilation of tribute to Chinua Achebe by The Author, National Secretary of the Alumni Association, Chief Emeka Nwannevu.

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Appointments

S/No	Name	Department	Designation	Date of Appointment
1	Mr. Onyekwelu Onu	Sociology/Anthropology	Co-ordinator, Social Science Unit School of General Studies	15 th April, 2015
2	Prof. Rev. Fr. H.E. Ichoku	Economics	Co-ordinator, Search and Activation for Global Visibility	23 rd April, 2015
3	Prof. B.C. Echezona	Crop Science	Associate Dean, Faculty of Agriculture	20 th May 2015
4	Dr. C.E. Nwude	Banking and Finance	Chairman, Verification on Tax Deductions	26 th May, 2015
5	Prof. C.A. Igwe	Soil Science	Chairman, Uninterrupted Electric Power Supply	5 th June, 2015
6	Chief Barr. Andrew Oru	The Alumni President, U.N.N.	Chairman, Fund Raising for West African University Games.	16 TH June, 2015
7	Prof. Charles A. Igwe	Soil Science	Chairman, for Restoration of the Essence of Inaugural Lecturers	18 th June, 2015

STAFF THAT RECEIVED ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS RECENTLY

S / N o	N a m e	D e p a r t m e n t	A d d i t i o n a l Q u a l i f i c a t i o n	A w a r d i n g I n s t i t u t i o n
1	Chude, Stella Nwawulu	Agric. Economics	Master of Science in Agroecology and Sustainable development	Mekelle University Ethiopia
2	Ezenwobi, Chioma L.	CEDR Enugu Campus	Master of Science in Banking and Finance	University of Nigeria, UNEC
3	Gideon I. Ezeji	CEMAC Enugu Campus	General Management Certificate	Administrative Staff College of Nigeria
4	Ajayi, C.O.A.	Nnamdi Azikiwe Library	Master in Information and Library Science	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
5	OMEJE, Cletus U.	University Staff School	M.Ed. in Educational Foundations (Edu. Admin. & Planning)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
6	Anorue, Luke Ifeanyi	Mass Communication	Doctor of Philosophy in Mass Communication	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
7	Mrs. Juliet Nneoma Ifeanyichukwu	Nnamdi Azikiwe Library	Master of Library Science Certificate	University of Nigeria, Nsukka.
8	Mrs. Ezi O. Njoku	Nnamdi Azikiwe Library	Master of Library Science Certificate	University of Nigeria, Nsukka.
9	Ukeachusim Chidinma Precious	Religion and Cultural Studies	Master of Arts in Religion and Cultural Studies (New Testament)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka.
10	Ogota Jude I.	CEDR	Master of Business Administration in Marketing	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
11	Onyinyechi Ifeanyichukwu Ogbonna	Agricultural Extension	Master of Science in Agricultural Extension (Agric Plan and Evaluation)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
12	Odo Dennis Okwudili	Philosophy	Master of Arts Degree Certificate in Philosophy	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
13	Oha Ifeanyi Andrew	Geology	Doctor of Philosophy in Geology (mineral exploration) Certificate	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
14	Chukwuma Onyekachi Gift	Religion and Cultural Studies	Master of Arts in Religion & Cultural Studies (Old Testament)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
15	Ogbuokiri, Ogechi Blessing	Computer Science	Master of Science in Computer Science	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
16	Onwuzu Sobechukwu W.I.	University Medical Centre	Master of Science in Medical Radiography & Radiological Science	University of Nigeria, Nsukka

STAFF THAT RECEIVED ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS RECENTLY

17	Nwodo, Adaora Gloria	Faculty of Pharmaceutical Science	Master of Arts in English and Literal Studies	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
18	Orjiakor Tochukwu Charles	Psychology	Master of Science in Forensic Psychology	Cardiff Metropolitan University
19	Akwu, Onyekachi David	Accountancy	Master of Science in Accountancy Degree Certificate	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
20	Reginald-Opara Joy	Pharmaceutical Sciences	Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutics (Physical Pharmaceutics)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
21	Arua, Johnson Ezenwa	Univ. of Nigeria, Secondary School Nsukka	Master of Arts degree Certificate in Fine and Applied Arts (Arts Education)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
22	Omeje, Emmanuel Okonkwo	Alumni Relations Office, V.C' s Office	Master of Science degree certificate in Public Administration	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
23	Adama, Grace Ngozi	Medical Centre Nsukka	Master of Education in Educational Foundations (Special Education)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
			Master of Education in Health Education (Public Health Education)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
24	Ajaps, Sandra Ogechi	Social Science Education	Master of Philosophy in Education Degree Certificate	University of Cambridge, United Kingdom
25	Michael Chigozie Nwafor	Nnamdi Azikiwe Library	Master of Library Science Degree certificate in Library and Information Science	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
26	Onodugo, Mathew O.	Security	Master of Science in Animal Science (Animal Breeding and Genetics)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
27	Onwuka, Obialo Solomon	Geology	Doctor of Philosophy in Geology (hydro Geology)	University of Nigeria, Nsukka
28	Chidume, Roseline N.	Dean's office, Faculty of Agriculture	Master of Library Science, in Library and Information Science	University of Nigeria, Nsukka.
29	Dr. (Mrs) Evelyn N. Nwagu	Health and Physical Education	Master of Education, Degree certificate in Public Health Education	University of Nigeria, Nsukka.
			Doctor of Philosophy in Health Education (Public Health	University of Nigeria, Nsukka

PASSAGE

The Vice-Chancellor regrets to announce the passing away of .Mrs. Nwankpa, Ifeoma Success, Senior Executive Officer, Faculty of Physical Sciences, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, She died on May 1st, 2015

Nnamdi Azikiwe Library and the making of World Class University

The content and nature of a university library mirrors the attitude and value system of the university. The standard of the library shows the commitment of a particular university to the realisation of its tripartite function which is; to generate new knowledge through research, to transmit knowledge through teaching, and to conserve the existing knowledge. A university library is therefore seen as the livewire through which every activity of the university draws its strength.

It was in recognition of the library as the traditional stronghold of a university culture, that the management of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka laid the foundation of the New Nnamdi Azikiwe library in 1982. Today, the imposing edifice of the library stands tall in the heart of the University. Reputed to be the biggest academic library in Africa, the Nnamdi Azikiwe library has the capacity to accommodate over 7,500 users at once. Resources in the library are modelled to depict the world class aspiration of the University of Nigeria. The library houses a union catalogue showing a record of all holdings of libraries in the university system which contains over 800,000 volumes of books, 4,000 current journal titles and 9,068 microform items.

In today's digital era, where information resources have migrated to electronic environment, where libraries no longer meet their users' needs by relying exclusively on physical books and journals, the current University administration under the leadership of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Benjamin Chukwuma Ozumba, has ensured that the requisite cyber infrastructure needed to launch the library to global reckoning has been provided. Besides the ubiquitous internet facility that ensures that the library stays in the electronic environment, the library has been granted access to ELEOSS, which is a UNESCO produced compendium of world-class publications. Also the Nnamdi Azikiwe library's access to on-line resources has been increased to over 50 links.

At the last floor of the library is an ICT park with the capacity of over 400 computers. The facility is designed to offer wide range of professional services including electronic-mediated conferences that allow



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resource persons to facilitate from any part of the world without making physical contact with the conferees.

Every visitor to the University of Nigeria marvels, not only at the size of the Library, but also at the level of resources in its disposal. The common testimony shared by the 2014 NUC accreditation teams about the Library was that of "excellent, wonderful and magnificent". A member of one of the teams openly wished that the Nnamdi Azikiwe Library be exchanged with the Senate Building of his university.

Of equal importance to the resources at the Nnamdi Azikiwe library is the quality of its staff. The library is managed by a team of well-trained staff with international exposures, led by the University Librarian, Dr. (Mrs) Chinwe Ezeani. The staff, members are trained to assist researchers meet their targets; they offer consultancy services to faculties, and assist in the development of department libraries. They know where to find that one book, the existence of which few would realize. They constantly find answers and provide materials for responsible inquirers of all sorts. Unarguably, the Nnamdi Azikiwe library is one of the best staffed academic libraries in the world with a record of over 15 doctoral fellows within its staff fold.

It is therefore imperative to understand that the resources in the Nnamdi Azikiwe library are meant to fuel and support the dynamic research, teaching and public service enterprises of the University of Nigeria and the general public.

Therefore, Staff and students of the University should take advantage of the resources and services offered in the library to upgrade their intellectual potentials and enhance their skills in research and knowledge creation.

They should make the library a necessary part of their daily lives. The Nnamdi Azikiwe library does not discriminate in its services; it offers equal opportunities to the rich and the poor, as well as staff and students, to use its expensive books which they cannot afford to buy on their own.

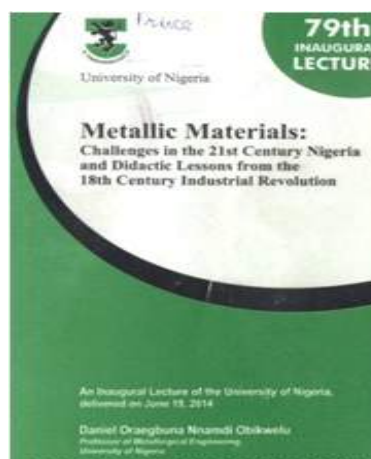
Students should not use laboratories as alternative to the library. While laboratories are used for practical and experimental purposes, the library serves as a treasury of wisdom and a nerve centre of liberal education, where hidden knowledge can be uncovered. Accelerated social life style should not distract staff and students of the University from general reading, general culture and their academic acquaintance with the library.

With the unwavering commitment of the present University administration to raise the stake of the University of Nigeria to a world class standard, it is expected of individuals, families and corporate organisations to make friends with the Nnamdi Azikiwe Library by supporting its march to global reckoning. Interestingly, one does not need to be a millionaire to support the growth of the library. One Friend of the Library may donate inherited family documents of historical or social importance which he may be glad to have safely preserved and wisely used in the Nnamdi Azikiwe Library; another may provide fine bindings or first editions of books; yet other friends may derive their pleasure from finding people who have something to contribute and leading them to the Library; still one can be a friend of the Library primarily as an intelligent and enthusiastic user of its collections.

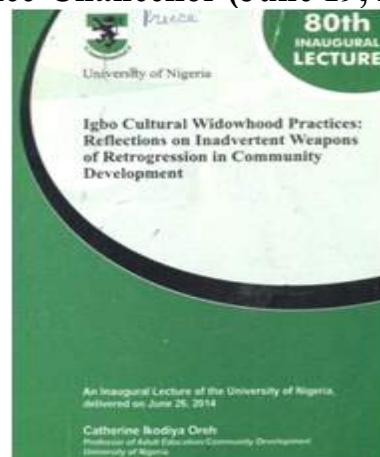
All lovers of academic excellence should identify with the Nnamdi Azikiwe library and be part of its history and growth to global excellence!

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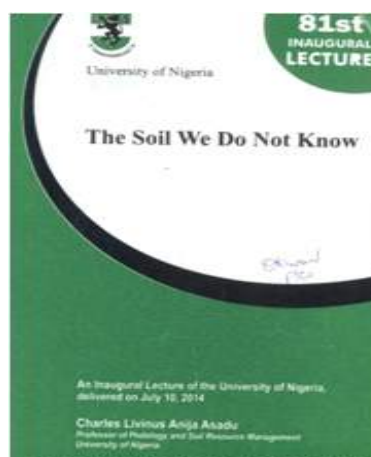
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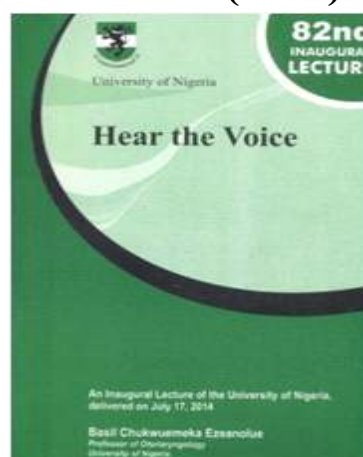
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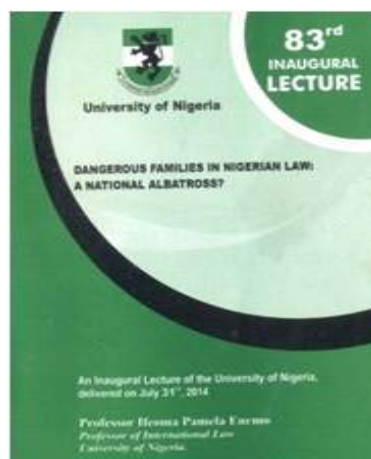
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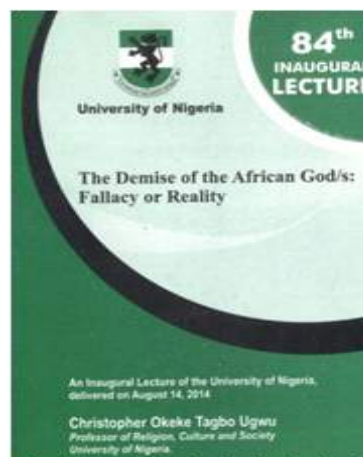
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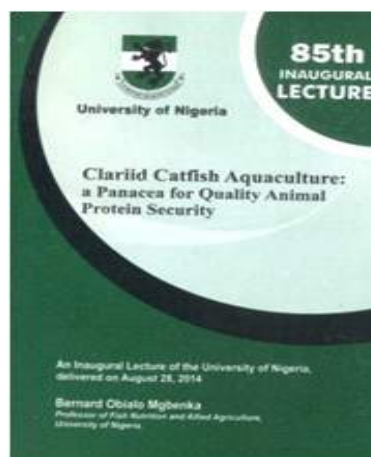
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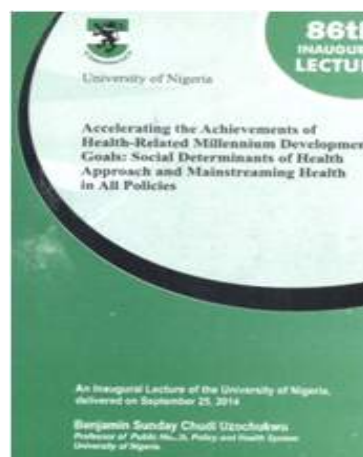
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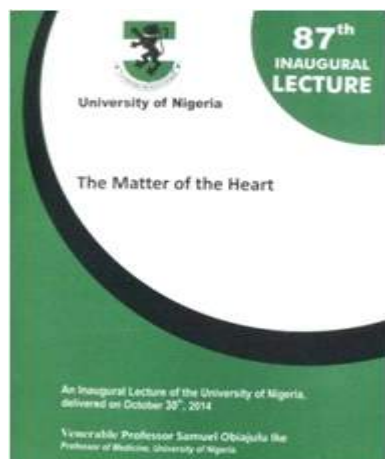


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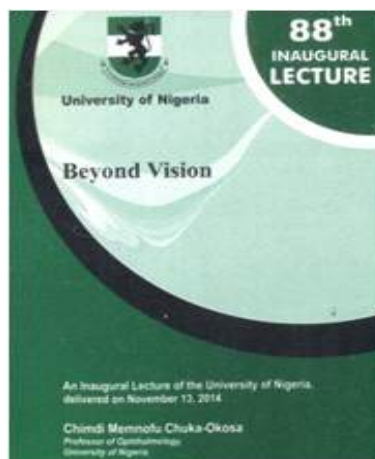


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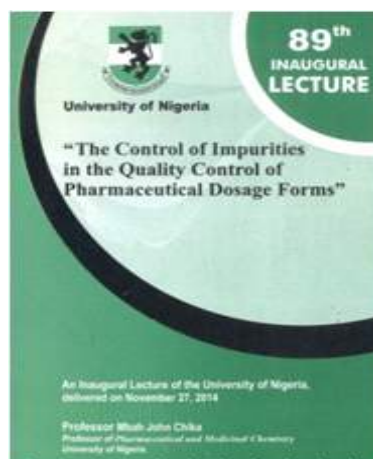
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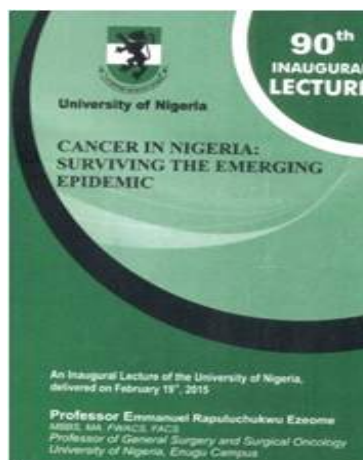
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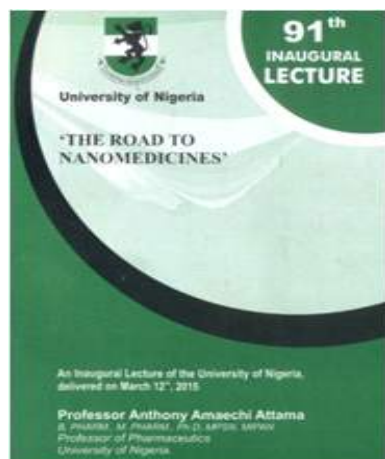
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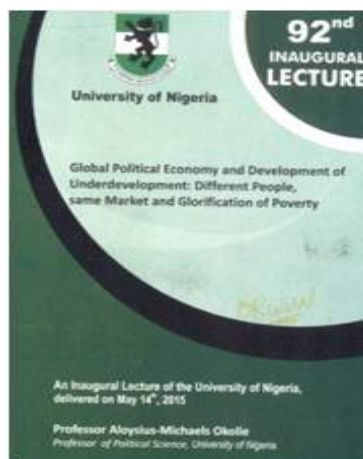
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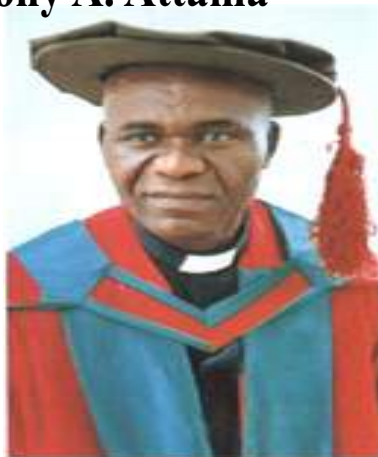
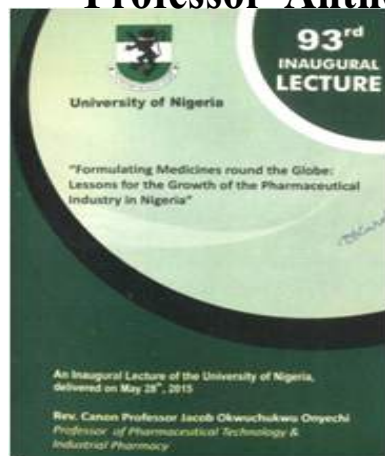
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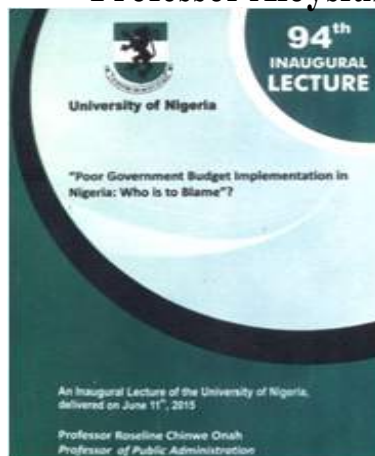
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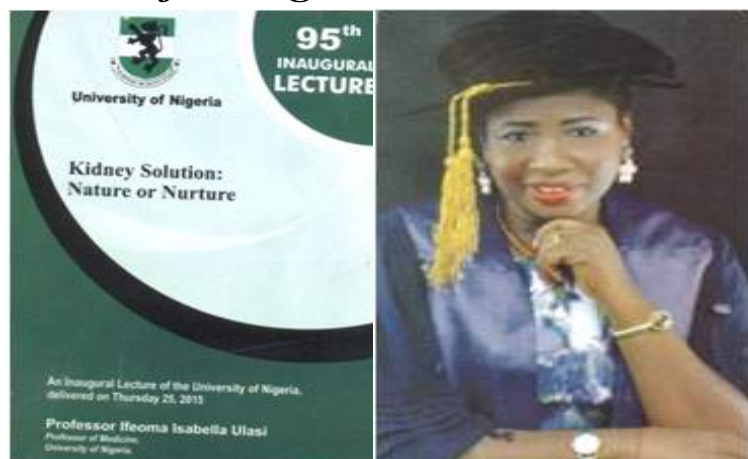


Rev. Canon Professor Jacob O. Onyechi



Professor Roseline C. Onah

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Professor Ifeoma I. Ulasi

Prof Ozumba, on behalf of the university management, staff and students, commiserated with the family of the bereaved, and prayed God to grant the soul of Mr Anude a peaceful place of happiness.

At the burial ceremony were principal officers of the University of Nigeria, Including: Prof. Charles Igwe, who represented the Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar, Mr. Anthony Okonta and the Bursar, Dr (Mrs) Chineye Eze Obi,

Also present at the event were the Dean, Faculty of Education, Prof. Uju Umo, former Dean of the Faculty of Education, Prof. Ezeudu, Deputy Registrar, Vice-Chancellor's Office, Dr (Mrs) Margret Odukwe, among other dignitaries.
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University Librarian loses Father

The father of the University Librarian, Late Mr Anude Okafor was buried on Thursday, 25th of June 2015 at his country home, Enugu-Agidi, Anambra State. Mr Anude died on the 4th of May, 2015 at the age of 90.

In a condolence letter addressed to the University Librarian, Dr (Mrs) Chinwe Ezeani, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nigeria, Prof. Benjamin Ozumba, described the death of Mr Anude as a loss to the fellowship of the academia.

“We observed with happiness that his early education and professional trainings both in Nigeria and the U.K must have exposed him to appreciate the importance of sound and moral education and character he impacted on all his children. He carved a niche for himself in his calling and recognition well deserved in his profession”, he said



University Librarian, Dr (Mrs) Chinwe Ezeani, at the funeral church service of her father, Late Mr Anude Okafor



The University Librarian and her husband, Prof Emmanuel Ezani (seated) and some officers of the University of Nigeria at the burial of the Librarian's father.



Representative of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Charles Igwe, and Dr (Mrs) Odukwe, commiserating with Dr Ezeani. Sitting beside her is the Registrar, Mr Anthony Okonta