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## How to be servant leaders, by Oloyede



**LEADERS:** The VC, Prof. Oloyede congratulating the newly inaugurated student leaders last Thursday

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The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has challenged the newly elected leaders of the Student Union, University of Ilorin, to listen to their colleagues who have elected them and consult widely before making decisions so that they can be servant leaders. He also tasked them to follow their instincts after consulting because they will be responsible for their actions.

Prof. Oloyede said this as part of his address, entitled "No Condition Is Permanent", delivered while inaugurating the 2010/2011 University of Ilorin Student Union executives and representatives last Thursday (July 15, 2010) at the Faculty of Arts Board Room, University of Ilorin.

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## Agaja wants traditional bone setters checked

Professor of orthopaedic trauma surgery at the University of Ilorin, Samuel Babatunde Agaja, has called for a strict control of what he called the menace of traditional bone setters so that the negative consequences of their practices could be curbed in the society.



**Prof. Agaja delivering his inaugural lecture last Thursday**

Prof. Agaja made this submission last Thursday (July 15, 2010) while delivering the 92nd inaugural lecture of the University of Ilorin, entitled "Surgery, the Anchor of Life". The don decried the mystery surrounding the practice of traditional bone setting and called for a scientific inquiry into the practice to checkmate the excesses of the practitioners.

According to him, traditional healing need not be shrouded in an esoteric garb given that Hugh Owen Thomas, who is regarded as the father of orthopaedics in England, published a book in which he outlined his method and techniques of treating fractures. He then charged those bone setters to document their art rather than cause more harm to patients. *(Contd. on page 4)*

## Leadership is a trust; trust is a burden, says VC

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In the speech woven around the concept of servant leadership, Prof. Oloyede traced the idea of servant leadership to the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad, (SAW) who said that “the leader of a people is their servant.”

While espousing the concept, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted its eleven characteristics as understood by Robert Greenleaf and his followers and related them to the students’ needs. The eleven characteristics identified, he said, are calling, listening, empathy, healing, awareness, persuasion, conceptualisation, foresight, stewardship, growth and community building.

Addressing the new student leaders of the University, the Vice-Chancellor, who is also the President of the Association of African Universities (AAU) said, “My dear students and leaders of today and tomorrow, today’s occasion opens another chapter in your lives. You are being entrusted with the leadership of our 21,108 students. Leadership is a trust and trust is a burden. You have willingly offered yourselves to bear the burden and it is your responsibility to bear it well. Bearing it well is essential because you won’t bear it forever. *No condition is permanent*: before this time next year, willingly or unwillingly, you will be relieved of the burden of leadership in your respective capacities for another set to proceed from there. This is your time, use it judiciously, positively and productively. Henry Austin Dobson said something memorable: “Time goes, you say? Ah no! Time stays, we go!” You will soon go! The question is: what will you do before you go?”

Prof. Oloyede tasked the students to assist the University in implementing the plans that it has for them. He described the habit of destroying University property and defacing walls as unbecoming and urged students to always be forthright in what they do. He advocated a paradigm shift from *aluta* to *aloha*, saying that “if some students are fascinated by crisis, the way a snake would fascinate a bird – a silly little bird – you as leaders should be able to convince them on the futility and counter-productivity of violence”. Speaking further, he said, “I urge you to make a good use of the opportunities lying ahead of you by being selfless and disciplined. Prepare yourselves. Express yourselves. Organise yourselves. Discipline yourselves and be yourselves in all that you do. Always remember the sons and daughters of whom you are.”



**ON BOARD: Mr. Abayomi, the Student Union President, delivering his address**

While commenting on the speech of the new Student Union President, Mr. Abayomi Azeez Olaitan, the Vice-Chancellor said that the President gave an impression of a leader who did not get into office by accident. He also said that the University dam and the botanical garden are recreation centres open to students and which would be upgraded continually. The Vice-Chancellor reiterated that the University management is open to good ideas from any source from time to time. Responding to the request by the Student Union President to relax visiting hours to hostels, the Vice-Chancellor said that part of the best practices the University imbibes from many world-class universities is that visitors are allowed into the common room, not into the private rooms of students.

According to Prof. Oloyede, among the best practices which the University has adopted from other institutions include creating a Faculty board room for each faculty. He also added that the Faculty of Arts toilets are the model toilets provided by the University. He further told the new leaders that it is their responsibility to attract and make friends with their opponents who lost the election.

In his address at the occasion, the new Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. S. H. Umoh, charged the student leaders and all other students to be worthy ambassadors of their alma mater. He urged them to imbibe character and learning that the University stands for and be good and responsible students always.

The new Student Union President, in his maiden speech entitled “Our Destinies In Our Own Hands”, which he said he captioned to capture the tradition of speech giving established by the Vice-Chancellor, highlighted some of the concerns of students which the Vice-Chancellor addressed one after the other. Prof. Oloyede also made his phone number available to the students so that they could contact him whenever there deem it necessary.

## Slash your salaries, NIREC tells federal lawmakers

**T**he Nigeria Inter-Religious Council (NIREC), the body of fifty Muslim and Christian religious and traditional leaders in the country, has called on the members of Senate and House of Representatives to drastically reduce their salaries and allowances.

NIREC made this call in a communiqué signed by its Executive Secretary/ National Coordinator and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, with the co-Chairmen of the body, the Sultan of Sokoto and President General of the Nigerian Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs (NSCIA), Alh. Muhammad Sa'ad Abubakar and the President of the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) and National President of the Pentecostal Fellowship of Nigeria, Pastor Ayodele Joseph Oritsejafor, at the end of its second quarter general meeting that held last week (Wednesday July 13, 2010) in Owerri, Imo State.

According to the body, government at all levels, given the depressing state of the national economy, should adopt austerity measures while the National Assembly should take the lead in that direction. It also calls for the abolition of indigene/settler dichotomy to be replaced with common citizenship that accords every Nigerian full civil and political rights anywhere he/she lives.

According to the communiqué, a copy of which was made available to *Unilorin Bulletin*, the apex interfaith relations body in the country

- calls on Governments at various levels to put in place strategies to reduce and possibly eradicate the incident of kidnapping, armed robbery and other social vices from the polity;
- warns religious preachers who preach inciting sermons to desist from such;
- urges devotees of the two religions to espouse dialogue as a useful tool of encouraging peaceful co existence amongst the people;
- affirms its dedication to work assiduously towards the resolution of conflicts occurring from interactions of peoples in a multi-ethnic and multi-religious society in order that the impact of the Council would be felt by all and sundry;
- calls on Governments at all levels, groups and all Nigerians, particularly the Faith-based Organisations, to put in place policies aimed at promoting peace and religious harmony in Nigeria by encouraging socio-economic justice, transparency and good governance;
- calls on the media (both electronic and print) to abide by the ethics of their profession by reporting events factually and accurately;
- urges the Government to closely monitor the Niger Delta Amnesty Programme to ensure that the Post-Amnesty Phase remains on course;
- urges the National Assembly and the States House of Assembly to expedite action on the constitutional Amendments;
- commends the Government on the appointment of a new INEC Chairman and his team and urges the Government to ensure the conduct of credible, fair and transparent elections in 2011 where people's will shall prevail;
- urges parents and guardians to counsel their children and wards not to allow themselves to be misled and used as thugs/miscreants to destabilize the polity;
- calls on politicians to ensure that the country is politically stable to encourage foreign investment;
- calls on Resident Doctors to please call off their strike for humanitarian reasons and continue with negotiation;
- calls on the Federal, State and Local Governments to formulate effective policy measures that will drastically reduce unemployment especially of youths by creating avenues for meaningful employment.
- commends the Federal Government on the recently announced minimum wage and urges the Government to put in place basic facilities to ensure that the wage increase impacts positively on the lives of workers;
- urges the States and Local Governments to facilitate the establishment of NIREC branches in order to spread the message of religious harmony to the grassroots.

### Fast Facts File

#### *Did you know?*

- According to the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, given the Chinese policy of one child per family and high rate of abortion of female foetuses, by 2020, there will be at least 24 million 'bare branches' or men destined to stay single because there are no enough wives to go round.

## Nigerian industries urged to produce medical instruments

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“Our traditional bone setters, just like most traditional healers, are known in the hospital practice for failures and complications of their practice with patients presenting in the hospital... eight cases that were badly managed by traditional bone setters were studied. Four of the cases were children under the age of ten years. The youngest patient was a girl aged 3 years. Three of the children lost their right upper limb through above elbow amputation and the fourth child lost her right lower limb through above knee amputation,” he said.

Prof. Agaja also said that in order to reduce orthopaedic trauma cases, all commuters must be compelled by law to use seat belts while they are in cars and motorcycle passengers must also wear the crash helmet.

According to the orthopaedic trauma surgeon, the trauma of surgical cases could be prevented and reduced in Nigeria by equipping hospitals, making roads standard and conducting honest driving tests. He also called on Government to foster ethnic and religious harmony and secure Nigerians better as many of his patients were victims of armed robbery and violent clashes.

He also noted that iron and steel companies need encouragement to fabricate orthopaedic implant and instrument just as he cited the manufacture of Agaja/Odebole Adult Cervical Traction Device as an instrument which needs mass production and distribution because of its usefulness and cost effectiveness.

The don, who described surgery as the physical manipulation of a bodily structure, said that a good surgeon requires art and science skills including an abundance of common sense, patience, love and competence in manual skills. Prof. Agaja quoted a 16<sup>th</sup> Century Frenchman, Ambrose Pane, in highlighting the rationale behind surgery: “surgery is performed to eliminate that which is superfluous, restore that which is dislocated, separate that which has been united, repair that which is defective or join that which has been disjointed.” He disclosed that bleeding, infections and pains were the major challenges which confronted the early surgeons and that discoveries in blood transfusion, antiseptics and anaesthesia heralded the modern era in surgery.

The lecture, which the Vice-Chancellor and Chairman, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, described as an opportunity for the meeting of town and gown, was attended by traditional rulers from Egbe, the academic community, guests from within and outside Nigeria and many students of the University.

## ANAN seeks partnership with Unilorin

**T**he Kwara State Branch of the Association of National Accountants of Nigeria (ANAN) has expressed interest in collaborating with the University of Ilorin in several areas including exchange of ideas on new trends in the training of accountants and on sensitising accounting students who are progressing towards graduation on the importance of joining the professional body upon their graduation.

The Kwara State Branch Chairman of the Association, Alhaji Abdulhamid Adi, said this while presiding over the July 2010 edition of the monthly meeting of the Association held last Wednesday (July 14, 2010) at the University of Ilorin.

Alhaji Adi noted that he had encountered some lecturers who still use the materials of yesteryears to teach the students of today, a situation which he said is unacceptable.

He also noted that training on professionalism is a trend among most professional bodies and students of the University therefore need to be educated on the importance of being ANAN members.

While chatting with *Unilorin Bulletin*, the Coordinator of ANAN, University of Ilorin Chapter, Mr. S. E. Aliu, appreciated the management of the University of Ilorin for its support to, and hosting of the meeting. He also expressed the hope of his Association that the University will sponsor its members to the Mandatory Continuing Professional Development (MCPD) Programmes which ANAN has compelled its members to attend at least once every year.



*Alh. Adi (middle) and other officials of the KWARA State Branch of ANAN*

## TIME WILL TELL

*Text of the Address Delivered by the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Ilorin and President of the Association of African Universities (AAU), Professor Is-haq O. Oloyede, at the Opening Ceremony of the Conference of the Committee of Deans of Education in Nigerian Universities at the University of Ilorin on Thursday May 20, 2010 at the University Auditorium*

It is my great pleasure and honour to welcome you all to this occasion. I especially welcome our Education Deans across various Nigerian universities to the University of Ilorin and appreciate them for choosing our University as the venue of their conference. It is our utmost joy to host meetings of this kind as part of deepening our academic culture. It is also our hope that this august Committee will still come to the University of Ilorin in the nearest future. I congratulate the Dean of Education, Prof. D. O. Durosaro, on bringing these eminent Nigerians here. Once again, you are welcome.

I believe that the rationale for conferences emanates from the realisation that two good heads are better than one and that a problem discussed is a problem solved. If we continue to come together, share experiences, exchange ideas, discuss problems, analyse issues, propose options and suggest solutions, the fact remains that we will get it right. I commend our Deans of Education on their thoughtfulness in this regard and I hope the Committee will continue to grow from strength to strength to the betterment of our education, which is the bedrock of our development. Only *time will tell* the many gains that will accrue to the country through conferences like this, especially when such gains are properly harnessed.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, John Godfrey Saxe once wrote a beautiful poem titled “The Blind Men And The Elephant.” In the poem, he presented us how six blind men of Hindustan went to “see the elephant” and to describe how it looked like, they placed their hands on different parts of its body, one after the other. The first believed that an elephant is like a wall, having placed his hand on its sturdy side. The second thought it was like a spear, having held its tusk. The third opined that it was like a snake because his hands were on the elephant’s “squirming trunk”. The fourth contended that an elephant is no less than a tree, based on the impression he had when he placed his hand around its knee. While the fifth who touched the elephant’s ear swore it is very much like a fan, the sixth that seized its swinging tail averred that an elephant is like a rope. The poet then concluded his poem thus:

And so these men of Hindustan  
Disputed loud and long  
Each in his own opinion  
Exceeding stiff and strong.  
Though each was partly in the right  
And all were in the wrong.

With due respect to our education managers, policy makers and implementers, I think the efforts channelled to the development of our education system since most part of the last fifty years have been like the efforts of the six blind men of Hindustan in describing the elephant. Each effort appears to be partly in the right but ultimately, it appears that “all were in the wrong”, a situation reflecting in the state of education in Nigeria today, which we all know. It is for this state of our education that it is intriguingly considered fashionable in some quarters for Nigerians to seek University education outside the shores of Nigeria in neighbouring countries like Togo, Mali, Ghana, etc. not to talk of other African, Asian, European and North American countries. This is why I think our Committee of Deans of Education in Nigerian Universities has a lot of work to do, on behalf of us all, in charting a way forward for us especially at this auspicious time that Nigeria is becoming fifty. Education is everything to an individual or nation and without education, there is no wherewithal.

While I do not think we lack the power of ideas as a nation, it is apparent that we lack the power of commitment. Put differently, I believe that the ideas that will transform the education sector are there within the files but the political will to synthesise and translate them to reality is missing. Everybody seems to do what he likes and nobody seems to care with some people “partly in the right” but the system at large in the wrong. Let me cite a single example: the issue of mother-tongue education.

While people like Prof. Babs Fafunwa would clamour for mother-tongue education, backing such calls up with the results of practical experiments like the Ife Project and a person like Tai Solarin would emphasise, as far back as 1965, that the “Nigerian child will NEVER imbibe to the fullest every strand of education as long as the medium of instruction is a foreign language”, the reality of our education is that we do not implement our own policies and we undermine our own laws. While the policy that children should be taught through the indigenous languages of their immediate environment in early years of primary education remains extant, how many schools implement it? How many University students are literate in their native tongues? We have a big problem with us because the educational system we run seems to be ultimately de-Africanising and de-Nigerianising our children, making them Euro-American in *to-to*, in thinking, in tongue and in taste. This should not be the case.

Education is the hope of any nation and the development of such countries as Japan, Germany, China and India is closely associated with the use of their native languages in driving their developmental goals. We have the capacity to develop our languages without undermining our adopted English language as it is done elsewhere. I was in South Africa recently and some people there believe that part of the progress being made by their country is predicated on the promotion and adoption of more additional languages, including Zulu and Xhosa, to the official languages of English and Afrikaans shortly after the end of apartheid. The country has eleven official languages but in Nigeria, we have one, which does not actually belong to us. I am concerned about the level of our misplaced enthusiasm when I come across “educated” Nigerians whose children cannot speak their own languages and I think the “education” of such individuals deserves quotation marks, a sentiment I think you will share with me.

At the University of Ilorin, part of our effort of redressing this situation is that we are expanding the scope of our Department of Linguistics and Nigerian Languages. For several years now, the Department has not been living up to its name because it graduates students majoring in Linguistics and Yoruba, one Nigerian language only. The University has concluded arrangements to recruit scholars of Hausa and Igbo languages as lecturers very soon so that the Department, in partnership with the Arts and Social Science Department in the Faculty of Education, will produce experts and trained teachers in the languages in order to promote them further. In fact, starting from the next session, Hausa and Igbo courses will be offered in the University of Ilorin as part of our modest contributions to the language question. We believe that *time will tell* that this is a right step in the right direction and we expect that other universities will tow the same line of providing further opportunities for the teaching and learning of Nigerian languages. The University solicits the assistance of this Committee in actualising this objective.

In conclusion, permit me to end this address the way I ended the address I delivered to you at an occasion like this as members of the Collaboration of Education Faculties in West Africa (CEFWA) when you came for your conference here last February 9 for an obvious reason: you are one and the same. “I wish you a wonderful sojourn in Ilorin, renowned as the home of peace and scholarship. I enjoin you to also explore our serene campus, visit our faculties, interact with our staff and students and note your observations. While we assure you that your compliments will be taken as perfume, which is to be smelt, not swallowed, we are confident that your criticisms will take us farther and make us better.”

Thank you one; thank you all for your attention.

## Unilorin alumni hold congress on Thursday

**A**s part of its readiness to host the national convention of the University of Ilorin Alumni Association which is coming up very soon, the Unilorin Branch of the Association will be holding a general congress this Thursday (July 22, 2010) at the Alumni Secretariat, University Main Campus.

According to a statement signed by the President of the University Branch of the Association, Prof. B. L. Adeleke, the congress starts at 12 noon. Members are also enjoined to pay their annual dues of N1,000.00 only.

All registered and prospective members within the system are expected to be in attendance.

## It's time we advance beyond doctors' strike, by VC

**T**he Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has expressed hope in a Nigeria that will soon advance beyond putting human lives at risk before doctors can have their demands met.

Prof. Oloyede, who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Kolade L. Ayorinde, said this while receiving a delegation of the West African College of Physicians (WACP) Nigeria Chapter, which paid him a courtesy visit as part of its 34<sup>th</sup> annual general and scientific meeting, themed "Physicians, Politics and Policies of Health Care in Nigeria: The Inextricable Web", last Tuesday (July 13, 2010).

The Vice-Chancellor noted that the interrelationship among physicians, politics and policies is interesting to him given the way politics has affected the healthcare policy making in Nigeria, a situation that makes Nigerians to always await a time they will enjoy quality quality health services. He noted that the issue of strike affects individual Nigerians and the corporate image of medical doctors. He also underscored the importance of getting round the issue of rights without embarking on strike actions.



*R-L: Mrs. J. A. Fadayomi, ag. University librarian; Prof. Ayorinde, Mrs. Egbonu, Prof. Omotoso and other members of WACP delegation during the courtesy visit*

Speaking earlier, the Chairman of the Nigerian Chapter of the College, Prof. Ifeoma Egbonu, described Ilorin and the University of Ilorin as warm and hospitable, a reason which she said accounts for hosting the conference 23 years after it was last held in Ilorin and six months after hosting the National Conference of Paediatricians.

Prof. Egbonu said that the College trains physicians in the areas of Medicine, Internal Medicine, Community Health, Laboratory Medicine, Paediatrics and Psychiatry and that last month, Physicians from francophone West Africa were inducted into the College, which was founded in 1976.

She disclosed that the College has trained 1,500 physicians within the year in various specialisations and the training programme of the College is cost-effective. Apart from training on how to conduct medical research, she said that the College accredits medical institutions and holds a conference once a year.

Speaking during the visit, the Chairman of the Local Organising Committee and Fellow of the College, Prof. A. B. O. Omotosho, appreciated the University for its support to the College which he said contributes to the healthcare delivery in Nigeria. He said the conference in Ilorin would further advance functional healthcare system in the country.

Speaking with *Unilorin Bulletin* on the industrial action embarked on by resident doctors at a cocktail party organised by the University in honour of the delegates, one of the delegates, Dr. Abdulrasheed Abdulrahim, disclosed that decisions to go on strike are usually painful for doctors to take. He added that at such meetings where decisions to go on strike are considered, the atmosphere is usually tense as passionate arguments to protect the interest of patients are made but doctors have to take such painful decisions atimes because Nigerians do not get their rights unless they demand for them. He noted that whenever doctors go on strike, they do so not to demand privileges, but rather to their demand for rights.

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## Unilorin appoints Umoh new Dean of students

The authorities of the University of Ilorin have appointed Prof. Sunday Harrison Umoh of the Department of Counsellor Education as the new Dean of Student Affairs. He succeeds Prof. Sulaiman Abdulkareem who recently assumed the Vice-Chancellorship of Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin.

Prof. Umoh joined the services of the University of Ilorin in 1983 and rose through the ranks to become a Professor in 1999.

At various times, he had been Head of the Department of Guidance and Counselling, as was known then, Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Education (1992-1995) and acting Dean of the Faculty of Education, University of Ilorin (2004) and acting Dean, Faculty of Education, Niger Delta University, Bayelsa State (2005).



*Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. Umoh*

Prof. Umoh attended Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tennessee, USA (1973 – 1977), David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tennessee, USA (1975-1976), Tennessee State University (1978-1979) and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee (1979-1982) for his academic degrees. During the period, he also received training in the preparation and delivery of sermons, retail trading, drug rehabilitation and statistical analysis systems in American universities.

The Dean had served as the Academic Secretary and Postgraduate Seminars Coordinator of the Department of Guidance and Counselling between 1983 and 1989. He was also the Chairman of the Faculty of Education Disciplinary Committee between 1990 and 1992.

Apart from membership of many professional associations and academic editorial boards, the Dean of Student Affairs had served as External Examiner to higher institutions of learning across Nigeria. He had also served as Team Leader of the National Universities Commission (NUC) accreditation teams to many Nigerian universities between 2000 and 2006.

Prof. Umoh has supervised at least five doctoral theses and several M.Ed projects in the Department of Counselor Education. He also has to his credit at least 35 publications in reputable national and international journals and books.

### LAUGH LINES

For every reader of this piece, there are two things involved: you are either a **man** or a **woman**. If you are woman, you are lucky; but if you are a man, there are two things involved: you are either a civilian or a soldier/military person. If you are a civilian, you are lucky; but if you are a soldier, there are two things involved: you either operate in the office or you operate on the battlefield. If you operate in the office, you are lucky; but if you operate on the battlefield, there are two things involved: you either kill enemies or get killed. If you kill enemies, you are lucky; but if you get killed, there are two things involved: your corpse is either carried home for a decent burial or you are abandoned on the spot. If you are carried home for a decent burial, you are lucky; but if you are abandoned on the spot, there are two things involved: you either get 'cleaned up' by wild animals or you decompose. If you get quickly 'cleaned up' by wild animals, you are still lucky; but if you decompose, there are two things involved: you either serve as manure for plants or you serve as nutrients for trees. If you become manure for plants, you are lucky; but if you end up as nutrients for trees, there are two things involved: the tree you have become is either used as fuel or is used for production. If you are used as fuel, you are lucky still but if you are used for production, there are two things involved: you are either used for furniture making or for paper. If you are used for furniture, you are lucky; but if you end up as paper, there are two things involved: the paper is either used to produce books or is used to produce tissue paper. If you are used to produce books, you are lucky; but if you are used for tissue paper, there are two things involved: you are either going to be used by a man or used by a woman. If you eventually end up in the hands of a **man**, you are lucky; but if you end up in the hands of a **woman**, ah, there are many things involved!

## University school organises prizegiving ceremony

The annual prize-giving ceremony of the University School, University of Ilorin, for the 2009/2010 academic session comes up this Thursday (July 22, 2010).

According to a statement signed by the School Headmistress, Mrs. N. A. Lawal, the programme begins at 3:00 p.m. at the school compound.

Members of the University community and the larger public are cordially invited.

### NEW APPOINTMENT – Re-Election

Name	Department	Appointment	Effective Date
Prof. O. A. Omotesho	Agric. Economics & Farm Management	Dean, Faculty of Agriculture	1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2010
Prof. A. O. Soladoye	Physiology & Biochemistry	Dean, Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences	1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2010

### Happy Birthdays To You!

S/N	Name	Department	Date of Birth
1.	Bello, Bashir O.	SIWES	18 <sup>th</sup> July
2.	Ajala, Samuel O.	Chemistry	20 <sup>th</sup> July
3.	Ande, Adeolu T.	Zoology	21 <sup>st</sup> July
4.	Olorundare, Olufunke E.	Pharmacology	21 <sup>st</sup> July
5.	Yusuf, Badmus O.	Religions	21 <sup>st</sup> July
6.	Obaitor-Zaku, Theresa O.	Health Services	23 <sup>rd</sup> July

## Unilorin in the News

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➤ The Royal Heritage Health Foundation (RHHF) has donated 200 units of insecticide treated nets to the University of Ilorin.

(‘Foundation donates nets’, same as above)

➤ The doctoral students of the University of Ilorin and their supervisors have traded blame on reasons for delay in the completion Ph.D programmes during their interactive sessions with the International Association of Universities (IAU) team.

(‘Doctoral students, lecturers trade blames’, same as above)

➤ The National Coordinator/Executive Secretary of the Nigeria Inter-Religious Council, who is also the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has said that the Council has moved beyond theoretical dialogue to a dialogue of action.

(‘Inter-religious council mobilises against social ills’, *Nigerian Compass*, Thursday, July 15, 2010, p.25)

➤ A 200 level student of Mass Communication, Adeniyi Bukola, has charged members of the Federal Executive Council to prove that they deserve the positions which they occupy in a published essay.

(‘Ministers and national development’, *National Pilot*, Thursday 15 – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2010, p.6)

➤ The Community-Based Experience and Service programme of the College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, has received a boost through the donation of insecticide-treated nets by the Royal Heritage Health Foundation, a Non-Governmental Organisation.

(‘NGO donates insecticide trended nets to COBES’, *Daily Trust*, Thursday July, 2010, p.41)

➤ While delivering his inaugural lecture at the University of Ilorin, Prof. S. B. Agaja of the Department of Surgery has called on local industries to partner teaching hospitals in the manufacture of medical equipment.

(‘NTA Ilorin news’, Friday, July 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.)

➤ A Professor of Surgery at the University of Ilorin, S. B. Agaja, has said that iron and steel industries should fabricate surgical implements and instruments to substitute imported ones while delivering his inaugural lecture at the University of Ilorin.

(‘News summary’, *Harmony F.M.* Idofian, Friday, July 16, 2010 at 8:00 p.m.)

## Unilorin in the News

- Prof. Johannes Cronje, Dean of the Faculty of Informatics and Computer Design at the Cape Peninsula University, South Africa, has said that e-learning can begin with the mobile phones while conducting a workshop at the University of Ilorin. ('Encourage e-learning with mobile phones, Cronje', *The Guardian*, Sunday July 11, 2010, p.36)
- The Chief Imam of the University of Ilorin, Prof. A. G. A. S. Oladosu, has charged Muslims to be sincere in their acts of worship. ('Oladosu stresses sincere worship', *National Pilot*, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010, p.13)
- The conclusion of a paper delivered by Barrister Saka Yusuf on "Global Desertification Crises: Threat to Climate, Peace and Economy" at a conference on Law and Climate Change held at the University of Ilorin has been published. ('Platform', same as above, p.14)

## Quotes of the Week

Power does not corrupt man, fools however, if they get into the position of power, corrupt power...the imbecility of men is always inviting the impudence of power.

– George Bernard Shaw

Experience is not what happens to a man. It is what a man does with what happens to him.

– Aldous Leonard Huxley

An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind.

– Mohandas Mahatma Gandhi

Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.

- Leo Nikolaevick Tolstoy

- Some students of the University of Ilorin have lamented 50 years of under-development in Nigeria. ('Students charge INEC', *The Herald*, Monday July 12, 2010, p.6)
- A former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Oladipo Akinkugbe, has observed that the University College Hospital (UCH) Ibadan has suffered a decline in the quality of healthcare delivery and in the quantum of research conducted in the institution in recent years. ('Why UCH suffered decline, Prof. Akinkugbe, same as above, p.27)
- The University of Ilorin has invited the University Community and the general public to its 92<sup>nd</sup> inaugural lecture in paid advertisements. ('University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria', *National Pilot*, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010, p.25; al *Daily Trust*, Monday July 12, 2010, p.29 and *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday July 13, 2010, p.49)
- The Management of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital has unfolded plans to improve the quality of its services through the in-house training programme for its staff. ('Ilorin teaching hospital to improve on quality service management', *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday July 13, 2010, p.52)
- A Professor of Anthropology at Gavilan College, California, Debra Klein, has commented during an interactive session with the Directorate of Information and Protocol, University of Ilorin, that Nigerian parents of Yoruba stock need to imbue their children with cultural pride. ('There is nothing like Yoruba hospitality, culture, says US don', *Nigerian Compass*, Wednesday July 14, 2010, p. 16)
- The Director of Membership and Programme Development at the International Association of Universities (IAU), Dr. Hilligje van't Land and her colleague, Dr. Ddembe Williams, have described the University of Ilorin as the best sub-Saharan African university they had ever interacted with. ('Thumbs up for Unilorin', *The Herald*, Wednesday July 14, 2010, p.5)
- The Executive Secretary of the Nigeria Inter-Religious Council (NIREC), who is also the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has joined the co-Chairmen of the Council, the Sultan of Sokoto and the President of CAN, in calling for religious harmony in Nigeria. ('Sultan, Oritsejafor task Nigerians on peace, justice', *The Guardian*, Wednesday July 14, 2010, p.13)
- Prof. S. B. Agaja of the Department of Surgery, Faculty of Clinical Sciences, will deliver the 92<sup>nd</sup> inaugural lecture of the University of Ilorin, entitled "Surgery, the Anchor of Life" today. ('Agaja delivers 92<sup>nd</sup> Inaugural lecture', "UNILORIN FILE", *The Nation*, Thursday, July 15, 2010, p.22)
- The University of Ilorin Health Services has taken delivery of a new ambulance from the management of the University. ('New ambulance for clinic', same as above)

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