

DIGNITARIES FLOOD ILESHA AS PRO-CHANCELLOR BURIES FATHER

• Prof Bala Condoles Odekunle Family



The Pro-Chancellor, Prof. Odekunle (M), the VC, Prof. Bala (6th from Left), Council members and Management staff in a group snapshot at the party

Last weekend will go down in the annals of history as the quiet town of Ilesha, Osun State stood still as the Chairman, Federal University of Technology, Minna Governing Council, Prof. Femi Odekunle hosted a plethora of dignitaries across Nigeria for the funeral ceremony of his beloved father, Pa. James Folorunsho Oladosu Odekunle, aged 102 years.

The funeral ceremony which was well attended by many eminent personalities brought together academics, captains of industry, administrators, friends and family members from various walks of life.

The outing and thanksgiving service took place at the famous Methodist Church of Nigeria, Otapete Cathedral, Ilesha, Osun State.

In his sermon, the Cathedral Priest, Rev. Joseph Nnamuwem enjoined dignitaries to live a life worthy of emulation and to learn from the exemplary lifestyle of late Pa. James Folorunsho Oladosu Odekunle, adding that just as it is expected of every mortal on earth, Pa. Odekunle had answered the call of his creator.

Rev. Nnamuwem urged members of the Odekunle family to accept the demise of their patriarch in good faith as believers in line with the teachings of Christ.

After the outing service, all roads led to the King's Mega Event Centre, along Old School Board road, Ilesha where dignitaries were hosted to an elaborate party amidst pomp and utmost gaiety. There was a lot of local and continental cuisines for guests to eat to their satisfaction as well as assorted drinks.

The serenity of the ambience was superb and did not just create a platform for guests who honoured the family's invitation to merry alone, but also provided a unique opportunity for old friends to do some catching

up and for new friendship to be established.

The musical interlude provided by a Juju artiste, Yound Ade took guests at the event down memory lane and brought back fond feelings of camaraderie as the Pro-Chancellor and the University's Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *fsssn*, and other Council members took to the dance floor to display some amazing steps that were reminiscent of their good old days.

Speaking with Campus News at the event, Prof. Odekunle expressed appreciation to the University Management for finding out time to mourn and celebrate with the Odekunle family over the demise of their beloved father, adding that they would forever be grateful to the University Council and Management for the show of support and solidarity.

The Pro-Chancellor described his late father as a thorough disciplinarian and a peace-maker who lived a life worthy of emulation, while noting that the entire community and family would miss his fatherly advice and counselling.

"Having been responsible, focused, disciplined and blessed, I faithfully believe he will receive great good in the great beyond because God had tested him in the crucible of life and must have found him worthy as he overcame life's tribulations- familial, developmental, occupational, marital, parenting, even spiritual. It is noteworthy that within two weeks of his passing, he sent us, as it were, two additional great-grand sons," the Pro-Chancellor enthused.

Also speaking during an exclusive interview with Campus News, Prof. Bala urged the Odekunle family to be consoled based on the fact that their father lived a very fulfilled life that is worthy of emulation.

The Vice-Chancellor commended the Odekunle family for the hospitality accorded the visiting team from the University and assured them of the University's support.

It will be recalled that Pa. James Folorunsho Oladosu Odekunle died on Thursday, September 6, 2018 and was interred on Friday, September 7, 2018.

FUTMINNA STAFF COOPERATIVE DECLARES N16.5M PROFIT

• VC Task Cooperatives To Invest In Hostel Accommodation

Despite the turbulent events that characterised its activities in the last one year, the Federal University of Technology, Minna Staff Multi-Purpose Society Limited has declared a profit of N16,503,104.48 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

This declaration was made during the 23rd Annual



The representative of the VC, Prof. Udensi delivering the VC's address at the AGM, while the Cooperative Society President, Mal. Ashafa watches with keen interest

General Meeting (AGM) of the Cooperative held at the CPES Hall, Bosso Campus, Minna.

The profit represented a shortfall of N1,757,029.89 as against the N18,260,134.35 declared for the year ended 2016 at the last AGM.

Speaking further, the Treasurer of the Cooperative Society, Mal. Ahmed Isyaku commended members for investing in the Cooperative Society, adding that the Cooperative was well placed now to cater for their needs based on its robust financial base.

He disclosed that the total thrift savings of the Cooperative as at 2017 stood at N617,492,433.00, while the total cumulative outstanding balance stood at N468,364,447.69.

Speaking earlier, the President of the Cooperative Society, Mal. Mohammed Ashafa Aminu thanked members of the Cooperative Society for their well-documented support which had culminated in the success recorded by the new executives, saying that he was committed to the ideals and principles of his campaign promises during the last election.

The President stated that the Cooperative Society had introduced series of innovative drives aimed at effective service delivery for members, including the integration of information and communication technology in its operations in line with global best practices.

He informed members at the AGM that the present executives are working assiduously towards recouping all funds that are tied down due to lack of deduction and poor record keeping by the former executives.

"The Dama land case is still in the court and we have tried to settle out of court as advised by the former Vice

-Chancellor, Prof. Musbau Akanji but the other family joined in the case are not willing to accept our offer. Let me assure you all that, we will do everything possible to recoup every penny spent on the land," he disclosed.

In his address, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *fsssn*, congratulated shareholders on the occasion of the AGM, adding that the event had further showed that the Cooperative Society is financially stable and healthy.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Emmanuel Udensi urged the various Cooperative Societies in the University to invest in hostel accommodation on campus in order to assist Management to address the problem of hostel accommodation for students.

He expressed satisfaction with the activities of the various Cooperative Societies on campus and urged them to continue to be transparent in their dealings as well as to protect members' investment.

This is the first AGM to be organised by the Mal. Mohammed Ashafa Aminu-led executives after taking over the mantle of leadership during the last AGM.

APPOINTMENTS

(i) Ag. Dean

The Vice-Chancellor has approve the appointment of **Prof. Isah Uthman Kasim**, Department of Physics, as the Acting Dean, School of Physical Sciences (SPS), pending the re-run election for appointment of a substantial Dean.

(ii) Renewal

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the renewal of appointments of **Prof. Joseph Oneh Abu**, as a Visiting Professor to the Department of Food Science and Technology, for a period of one year, with effect from January 10, 2019 and **Nkemdilim A. Ofodile**, as a Visiting Lecturer to the Department of Mechatronics Engineering, for a period of one year with effect from December 11, 2018.

(iii) Retirement

The Management has approved the mandatory retirement from service for **Prof. Bukar E. N. Dauda**, Department of Chemistry, with effect from September 21, 2018.

ANUPA LECTURE

The Association of Nigerian University Professional Administrators (ANUPA), Federal University of Technology, Minna Branch cordially invites the University community and the general public to its **Public Lecture** slated as follows:

Theme: "UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION - The Past, The Present and The Future."

Lecturer: Dr. Idris Jibrin, Former Registrar, Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State.

Chairman: Prof. Abdullahi Bala, fsssn, Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna.

Date: Thursday, November 29, 2018.

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: Caverton Lecture Theatre, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, Main Campus.

FITNESS!

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The University Sports Committee cordially invites staff, students and the University community to its monthly Walk Exercise slated as follows:

Date: Saturday, November 24, 2018

Time: 6:30 a.m. prompt

Departure Point: Front of University Gate, Bosso Campus.

WEDDING CEREMONIES

Chief Saleh Jankaro (KSM), Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), cordially invites the University community and the general public to the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony of his daughter, **Elizabeth Saleh Jankaro (Larai)** with **Jerry Stephen Baba**, which will by the grace of God take place as follows:

Sendforth Prayer

Date: Friday, November 30, 2018

Time: 3:00pm prompt

Venue: Bitrus Sawa Square, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Bosso Campus.

Church Wedding

Date: Saturday, December 1, 2018

Time: 10:00am prompt

Venue: St. Malachy Catholic Church, Bosso, Minna, Niger State.

Reception follows immediately at Bitrus Sawa Square, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Bosso Campus.

YORUBA FORUM

This is to inform all members of Yoruba Forum, FUTMinna Chapter, that the distribution of their 2018 end of year welfare package is as follows:

Date: Saturday, November 24, 2018.

Time: 11:00am - 4:00pm prompt.

Venue: Bitrus Sawa Square, Bosso Campus.

CAMPUS NEWS LAUNCHES MOBILE APP

This is to inform our esteemed readers that FUT, Minna Campus News has launched its Mobile App.

Interested persons can visit the android play store, search "**Futminna Campus News**" to download the App.

You can also follow us via our twitter handle **@infounitfutmx** and our Facebook page **Futminna Infounit** for real time update on live events, details of upcoming activities on campus, exclusive pictures of events and lots more.

Pst. Job Ndamayisa Tsado of FUT, Staff School cordially invites the University community and the general public to his Solemnization of Holy Matrimony with **Sis. Christy Ramatu Nnadzwa Yisa**, which will by the grace of God take place as follows:

Engagement:

Date: Friday, December 7, 2018

Time: 2:00pm prompt

Venue: Baba Paul Sala's Compound, Defianfu, Doko, Niger State.

Church Wedding

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2018

Time: 10:00am prompt

Venue: Deeper Life Bible Church, Bosso, Minna, Niger State.

Reception follows immediately at LT 2, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Bosso Campus.

CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Christian community, Federal University of Technology, Minna cordially invites the University community and the general public to their **Christmas Carol And Service Of Nine (9) Lessons** slated as follows:

Theme: "SALVATION TO THE WORLD, Matt 1 vs 21"

Hosts: Very Rev. Emmanuel C. Nnaji
Chaplain, Chapel of Grace

Rev. Fr. Nelson G. Onuh
Chaplain, St. Malachy

Date: Sunday, December 9, 2018.

Time: 4:00pm prompt.

Venue: Chapel of Grace Auditorium, Bosso Campus.

COUNSELLING TIP

Stop comparing yourself with others. Know that there are diversities of people and gifts and there is no competition in destiny. Realise that everyone has his or her strengths and weaknesses. Maximise the strength of your ability to fulfil your destiny.

**Guidance and Counselling Unit,
Students' Affairs Division.**

ANUPA CORNER

If money is your hope for independence, you will never have it. The only real security that a man will have in this world is a reserve of knowledge, experience and ability.

INVITATION!

Mr. Ugboaja, Stanley Uzoamaka rpa, of the Information and Publications Unit cordially invites the University staff and friends to the funeral ceremony of his father, late Chief. Benjamin Onwuka Ugboaja (Onye mme mme) scheduled as follows:

Thursday, 6th December, 2018:

Night of Tributes at his country home in Umuojisi Autonomous Community, Isiekenesi, Ideato South LGA, Imo State.

Friday, 7th December, 2018:

Requiem mass @ St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Isiekenesi, Ideato South LGA, Imo State.

Interment follows immediately after mass at his Compound.

Condolence visits: 7th and 8th December, 2018.

Outing & Thanksgiving Mass: Sunday, 9th December, 2018 @ St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Isiekenesi, Ideato South LGA, Imo State by 10:00am Mass.

Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, November 12, – Friday, November 16, 2018)

SN	RECEIPTS	₦
1	Collection of Certificate	452,000.00
2	Transcript	320,000.00
3	Replacement of ID Card	1,000.00
4	Turnitin	15,000.00
5	Semesterial Result	800.00
6	Statement of Result	2,000.00
7	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	48,000.00
8	Clearance Fees	207,000.00
9	Proficiency in English	10,000.00
10	Purchase of Academic Gown	30,000.00
11	Diploma Certificate	7,000.00
12	Entrepreneur Training	18,000.00
13	Hostel Fees	4,690,000.00
14	Change of Course	60,000.00
15	Inter University Transfer Form	20,000.00
16	Campus Radio	404,400.00
17	Teaching Practice	6,000.00
18	Acceptance Fees	460,000.00
19	Post Graduate School Fees	4,989,000.00
20	Pre Degree Form	299,500.00
21	Under Graduate School Fees	52,724,100.00
22	Pre Degree School Fees	6,181,750.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	70,945,550.00
	PAYMENTS	
23	Contractors/Suppliers	
	(i) Staff	
	(a) Advances	3,239,936.00
	(b) Refund	8,659,389.40
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) Sarki Pawa - Service	39,200.00
	(b) Prince Az Zahra Lodge - Hotel Bill	166,500.00
	(c) Falana Suite Ltd. - Hotel Bill	204,700.00
	(d) M. B. Shukura Nig. Ltd. - Supply	299,250.00
	(e) O. Oladejo - Supply of Newspapers	39,200.00
	(f) Sarki Pawa - Service	13,900.00
	(g) Committee of Vice-Chancellor - Subscription	1,700,000.00
	(h) Yomex Graphic Printer - Supply	1,350,000.00
	(i) Niger State Water Board - Water Bill Sept. 2018	244,000.00
	(j) " " - Lifted Water	134,500.00
	(k) Doko Int'l Hotel Ltd - Hotel Bill	386,275.00
	(l) External Examiner - Honorarium	1,456,935.00
	(m) Kadforex Integrated - Supply	28,535,815.00
	(n) Abidine Limited - Supply	33,060,018.00
	(o) Chibuke Global Business Solution Ltd - Supply	1,966,000.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	81,495,618.40