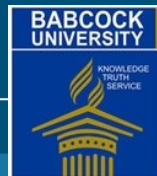


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## LEST WE FORGET!

As we inch closer and closer to the end of the year, one cannot but reflect on the goodness of the Lord towards us individually and as a faith-based intellectual community. The first half of this school year has been particularly eventful, what with the flurry of activities before, during and after the university colloquium, series of faculty and staff development programs, orien-

tation programs, seminars, workshops, new students' orientation aimed at helping them adapt to university life (for freshmen), and help our graduate students to understand our culture, and capacity building for student leaders. With the privilege of hindsight, the words of Ellen G. White aptly captures our sentiments as we forge on with the divine mandate given to us as stewards: "We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall

forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history. I wish you all Godspeed, and pray that He will bid us all WELLDONE!



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## OUR VISION

A driving force for transforming Babcock University into a center of excellence through assuring institutional effectiveness.

## OUR MISSION

To uphold Babcock University as a center of excellence, through quality development and management of personnel and materials in teaching and learning, research, and spirituality.

## OUR CORE VALUES

Trust in God  
Integrity  
Persistence  
Excellence  
Diligence  
Service

Loyalty to Seventh-day  
Adventist Heritage

## Inspiration

### WORSHIP WITH A BEDLAM OF NOISE

It is impossible to estimate too largely the work that the Lord will accomplish through His proposed vessels in carrying out His mind and purpose. The things you have described as taking place in Indiana, the Lord has shown me would take place just before the close of probation. Every uncouth thing will be demonstrated. There will be shouting, with drums, music, and dancing. The senses of rational beings will become so confused that they cannot be trusted to make right decisions. And this is called the moving of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit never reveals itself in such methods, in such a bedlam of

noise. This is an invention of Satan to cover up his ingenious methods for making of none effect the pure, sincere, elevating, ennobling, sanctifying truth for this time. Better never have the worship of God blended with music than to use musical instruments to do the work which last January was represented to me would be brought into our camp meetings. The truth for this time needs nothing of this kind in its work of converting souls. A bedlam of noise shocks the senses and perverts that which if conducted aright might be a blessing. The powers of satanic agencies blend with the din and noise, to have a carnival, and this is termed the Holy Spirit's working. When the

camp meeting is ended, the good which ought to have been done and which might have been done by the presentation of sacred truth is not accomplished. Those participating in the supposed revival receive impressions which lead them adrift. They cannot tell what they formerly knew regarding Bible principles. No encouragement should be given to this kind of worship. The same kind of influence came in after the passing of the time in 1844. The same kind of representations were made. Men became excited, and were worked by a power thought to be the power of God.

- Culled from *Selected Messages*, vol. 2, pp 36,37, by Ellen G. White

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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?"

-Mahatma Gandhi

## MAKINDE ENVISIONS A "GOOD-TO-GREAT BABCOCK"



For Prof. Makinde, "good" is not enough

**P**resident/Vice-Chancellor, Professor J. A.

Kayode Makinde, has cast the vision of a good-to-great Babcock University for the future. Speaking during one of the sessions at the annual university colloquium exercise, facilitated by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness in August 2015, Professor Makinde traced the origin, achievements, and

challenges which the institution has encountered on its path to development. He projected that in the next five to ten years, Babcock University would be

a place where people would run to for light in the midst of darkness. He also said that Babcock would be a place where

people would stand for the right in the face of wrong, and where everyone would strive for excellence and greatness.

In the last decade, at least, the University Colloquium series has been one of the traditions that have been kept alive at Babcock. As an annual event which usually kick-starts every academic session, it is a forum for faculty and staff to converge and brainstorm on how to better

deliver on the university's vision and mission. This year's colloquium with the theme "Sustaining the Vision through Our Mission in a Changing Society" was a reflection of the university's present land-



Pastor S. H Bindas, preaching at the Colloquium Sabbath Divine Service



Facilitators of the fund-raising and grant-writing workshop. L-R: Julio Ochoa, Maria Elena Noriega, & David Burgess

scape and also served as the compass to chart the course for the future. The weeklong event began with a two-day intensive training on the fundamentals of fundraising and successful grants— seeking, facilitated by Purple Bee Educational Services from the United States of America. Highlights of the activities for the week included daily devotionals, special musical renditions, topical presentations done in a panel approach, and breakout sessions tailored towards the need of every staff. President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Northern Nigeria, who is also a co-chairman of the Babcock

### COLLOQUIUM PHOTOSPEAK



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## VICE-CHANCELLOR CHARGES NEW STUDENTS AT ORIENTATION

**B**abcock University's President/Vice-Chancellor, Professor J. A. Kayode Makinde, has charged 'freshmen' students to walk against the tide of society's negative influence by directing their energy in seeking God rather than self-entitlements and indulgences. Professor Makinde gave the new in-takes the tall order in a sermon titled "Don't Let Nobody Mess with You(th)."



He based his message on the apostolic letter of Paul to Timothy in 1Timothy 4:12. Makinde noted that though the devil and the society would make us believe otherwise, being young is not a license to act stupidly or experiment with

destructive behaviors, warning that choices made at this stage of life can have a positive or negative impact on loved ones for the rest of life. Citing the youth and life of the President of the USA, Barack Obama, Makinde said that there is no background that can stop the fulfilment of God's plan for us. He also advised the congregants not to "waste your present because it is the savings account for the future."

The orientation program, which was held from August 28 - 31, 2015, featured various presentations aimed at giving transitional information to the new students in major domains of the students' life on campus. These include academics, spiritual, social, financial, and the physical (Health). Presentations in these areas were geared towards helping the students in connecting with the various segments of the institution, shaping their expectations of the environment, and showing them how to be involved in the diverse activities within the university.

## ... "GOOD TO GREAT BABCOCK" – cont'd from page 2

University Governing Council, Pastor Stephen H. Bindas was guest preacher for the Colloquium Sabbath Worship.

The climax of the colloqui-

um were the re-consecration and the potluck services, which held on the colloquium Sabbath, and were moments of spiritual and physical refreshing.

The grand finale of the week's event was the Family Fun Day which was a moment for families of faculty and staff to come together and socialize.



## 'WATCH OUT FOR THE LITTLE THINGS; STAY ON THE LORD'S SIDE' - Ojewole tells BUSA Officials, New Faculty & Staff

**T**he Associate Vice-President for Spiritual Life (AVP, SL), and the University Pastor, Dr. Afolarin Olutunde Ojewole, has admonished Officers of the Babcock University Students Association (BUSA) to watch out for the little things of their lives. Dr. Ojewole gave the admonition during an orientation program organized for the BUSA officials by the Empowerment Unit of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness. The admonition was contained in a devotional message delivered by the AVP, SL.

While delivering the message, Ojewole hinged on the Bible book of Luke 16:11&12. He illustrated that the Titanic Ship didn't need a big iceberg to bring it down; only a

little hole could have sunk it in a matter of hours. He also illustrated that a little air introduced into the airplane that is not the one meant for it can bring it down, and that a little poison added to one's food can lead to death. He noted further that one doesn't need a big assignment to prove that he has a big talent. He, therefore, charged the student leaders to watch out for the little things of life – especially little carelessness that, if unchecked, could become big and lead to negative consequences. He admonished them on the need to be trustworthy as their position is a call to servant leadership.

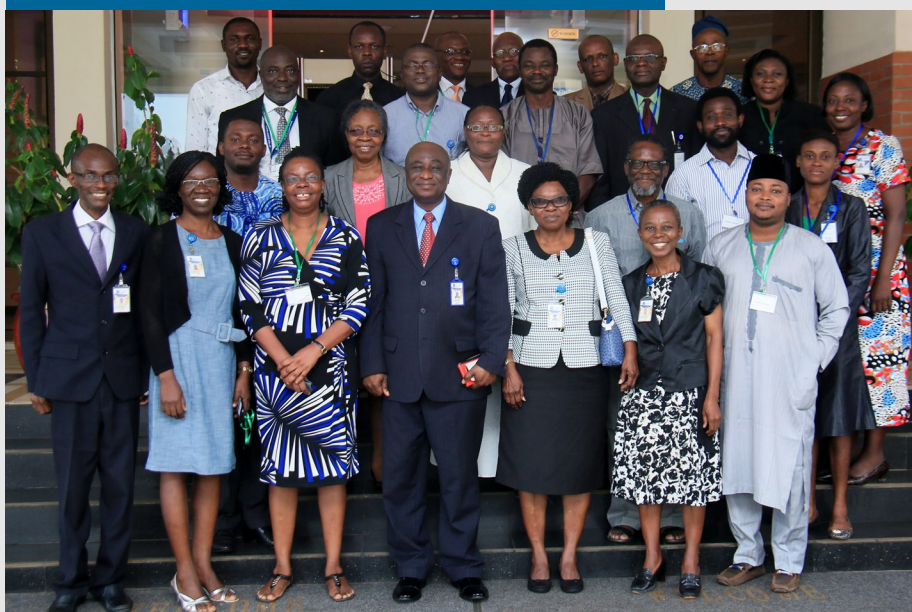
In another forum, the University Pastor charged newly employed faculty and staff at Babcock Univer-



Pastor Dr. Afolarin Olutunde Ojewole  
Associate Vice-President, Spiritual Life

sity to consider themselves as missionaries working for the Church. Citing Joshua 5:13, he noted that as missionaries in "God's own university", everyone is drawn into the battle between good and evil, and between God and Satan. "In this battle, there is no demilitarized zone; you are either for God or for the enemy," said Ojewole.

## RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



Senior Vice-President, Professor Iheanyichukwu Okoro (middle, front row) with participants at the Babcock University Health Research Ethics Committee (BUHREC) Training which took place in the University.

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- D:** Detect challenges
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