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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the October edition of ANCHOR, this school year! The Lord has remained faithful to us, and has continued to sustain us. This school year has already started with exciting activities, some of which you may not be aware of until you pick up your copy of ANCHOR. Please, remember

to share with us how you apply the principles gotten from our colloquium theme: "Educating for Eternity". May each of the students that you have encounter with this school year be saved because of your contact with them. May you see every moment as an opportunity to present Christ to our wonderful students! And may heaven be the reward for all of us!

We appreciate your feedback. Thank you for all your support and cooperation.



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OUR VISION

A driving force for transforming Babcock University into a center of excellence.

OUR MISSION

To uphold Babcock University as a center of excellence, through the development of excellent employees and students, quality service delivery in teaching, learning, research, and biblical spirituality

OUR CORE VALUES

Trust in God
Integrity
Persistence
Excellence
Diligence
Service
Loyalty to Seventh-day
Adventist Heritage

Inspiration

True Reform Is Heart Reform

Those who would work in God's service must not be seeking worldly gratification and selfish indulgence. The physicians in our institutions must be imbued with the living principles of health reform. Men will never be truly temperate until the grace of Christ is an abiding principle in the heart. All the pledges in the world will not make you or your wife health reformers. No mere restriction of your diet will cure your diseased appetite. Brother and Sister will not practice temperance in all things until their hearts are transformed by the

grace of God.

Circumstances cannot work reforms. Christianity proposes a reformation in the heart. What Christ works within, will be worked out under the dictation of a converted intellect. The plan of beginning outside and trying to work inward has always failed, and always will fail. God's plan with you is to begin at the very seat of all difficulties, the heart, and then from out of the heart will issue the principles of righteousness; the reformation will be outward as well as inward.

Those who elevate the standard as nearly as they can to

the order of God, according to the light God has given them through His word and the testimonies of His Spirit, will not change their course of action to meet the wishes of their friends or relatives, be they one or two or a host, who are living contrary to God's wise arrangement. If we move from principle in these things, if we observe strict rules of diet, if as Christians we educate our tastes after God's plan, we shall exert an influence which will meet the mind of God. The question is, "Are we willing to be true health reformers?"

- White, 1896, *Special Testimonies*, Series A, No. 9, p. 54

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Your true power is not in your difference, but in your consistency of being different. The world will always adjust to consistency, yet struggle with change."

- Shannon L. Alder

INSTITUTE FOR FAITH INTEGRATION HOLDS WORKSHOP FOR 2ND BATCH OF NEW DOCTORS



**Professor Barnabas Mandong,
Dean, Benjamin S. Carson (Snr.)
School of Medicine**

Following the successful take-off of the Benjamin S. Carson (Snr.) School of Medicine, and the ground-breaking achievement of its first fruit of 13 pioneer medical doctors graduated in January 2017, the medical program has continued to record success stories. This is evident in the second batch of medical doctors who recorded 100% success in the MBBS qualifying examination. With this landmark result, Babcock University's medical education programme is fast asserting itself as a force to reckon with

In order to realize Babcock's mission of raising not just medical experts, but mission-focused medical practitioners, who will minister healing and hope to their patients, the Office of Institutional Effectiveness conducted a faith integration workshop for the new doctors. The workshop took place on October 09, 2017 at the President/Vice Chancellor's administrative

boardroom. The theme for the workshop was "Mercenary or Missionary Doctors?"

While delivering the devotional message, the Director for chaplaincy services, Dr. (Mrs.) Victoria Aja admonished the new doctors to be doctors with a difference, noting that the difference is the God factor in their training at Babcock University. She said that the spiritual content of their training emphasizes the need to be missionary doctors. Dr. Aja advised them to continue to learn, as continuous training and retraining will sharpen their skills. She also stressed the need to be humble and not be carried away by the glamor and glitz of the medical profession. Aja further charged them to continue to abide in Christ, who is the greatest physician.

The President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Stephen Tayo, in his remarks congratulated the new doctors and thanked them for making Babcock University proud in posting a 100% success rate in their professional qualifying examination. He said to them

"Do not stop learning." He admonished them to see everybody they encounter in their professional ladder as a source of learning, hinting that there is knowledge revolution in our world today where new knowledge emerges every day.

Professor Tayo also charged the doctors to establish a network of peers, classmates, and colleagues as such networking efforts come to bear later in the life of members. He charged them to always remember their alma mater, saying "we will miss you all." Tayo went further to enjoin them to exemplify the core values of the University, noting especially that integrity and serv-

ant leadership should be their hallmark. "As Christian doctors, when you encounter patients at the point of death, let them meet Christ in you before

they die, give them a hope of the second coming of Jesus Christ," said Tayo.

In his keynote address, the Dean of the Benjamin S. Carson (Snr.) School of Medicine, Professor Barnabas Mandong, said the Adventist Health System was founded



**Professor Ademola S. Tayo
President/Vice Chancellor**

on the belief that God intends us to enjoy both health and healing. For the 33 years of Jesus' sojourning on earth, the greatest part of His life was spent on healing the sick. He therefore posited that the Christian physician's foremost responsibility is to treat every patient as a child of God, challenging the doctors to build their practice on the tripod of "Care, Compassion and [professional] Competence." The Professor of Pathology advised them to shun all unethical conducts and medical malpractices, saying "as young doctors, you will face temptations from your senior colleagues who will want to size you up to know your stand." He also said "having received education for eternity, practice medicine for eternity." Director for the Ellen G. White Research Center, Professor Adelowo Adetunji, added his thoughts on how the new doctors can be missionary health workers. Ad-



**Professor Adelowo Adetunji
Director, E. G. White Research Center**

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dressings them on “Christian Medical Ethics,” Adetunji established divine inspiration, integrity and the authority of the word of God (the Bible) as baseline for Christian medical ethics. Professor Adetunji charged the new professionals to bear in mind the main purpose of the healthcare profession, which is to preserve life. “That has to be achieved by caring for and nurturing the sick back to good health when possible. Even when death is inevitable, the physician is to ensure that the patient

dies comfortably and with hope.”

Others who spoke at the one-day workshop were the Chief Medical Director (CMD) for Babcock University Teaching Hospital, Professor Franklin Ani, and the Director for Quality Assurance & Control, Mr. Nwabueze Agbanyim. Ani, while sharing his personal experiences and rise in the medical profession stated that every physician needs Jesus. He enthused that “sometimes, we miss the purpose of God even when we are in God’s purpose.” The CMD

recounted the story of his medical sojourn in the United Arab Emirates, where he had gone in quest for money, but that God arrested him and converted him to a missionary.

Mr. Nwabueze Agbanyim thanked all the facilitators, and challenged the new doctors to make a difference in the medical world.

A Special attraction at the Workshop was a musical rendition by *Unity Chorale Nigeria*, who sang “**I Have a Dream**”, by

Some of the new doctors who spoke at the end of the workshop expressed their

satisfaction with the workshop and their enthusiasm for medical missions. Dr. Oladunmade Adelodun said “this workshop taught me to put God first and in the center of my career and to point patients to Him who can heal holistically.” For Doctor Udoinem Stephen Uforo, “the workshop was simply amazing and educative.” Dr. Ovat Faithman, who considered it a privilege to have participated in the workshop, enthused that it was “well organized and motivational.”

Also, Doctor Abighe Og-hogho Emamezi hinted that “the workshop has helped me [to] understand that I can impact lives regardless of the resources available.” Doctor Akinboboye Olutosin believes that with the lessons learnt at the workshop will “take me to places I never imagined possible.”



Chief Medical Director for Babcock University Teaching Hospital, Professor Franklin Ani, addressing the new doctors at the workshop



A cross section of participants at the workshop

OIE Slogan



- Pre:** Prevent inefficiency
D: Detect challenges
A: Act on them
T: Transform through negotiation/education

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