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MTU GETS A BRAND - NEW SAXOPHONE FROM SEGUN AWOSANYA

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Mr Segun Awosanya (Middle), Ag. Dean of Students' Affairs, Dr Moses A. Abiala (2nd from left) representing the VC, and the Ag. HOD Music Department, Dr. Ayodamope Oluranti (4th from right, in a handshake with the donor) and other staff receiving the Saxophone

Mr. Segun Awosanya, President/Founder Social Intervention Advocacy Foundation (SIAF) and the coordinator of the social media campaign, tagged #EndSARSNOW, delivered a brand-new Saxophone to the University on Tuesday, 8th February, 2020. We recall that Mr Awosanya made the pledge to donate a Saxophone to the Music Department on the 29th of January, 2020, at a lecture organised by the Alumni of Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship to commemorate the

life and times of Martin Luther King Junior. The event took place at Mountain Top University and he was one of the guest speakers.

Receiving the donation on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Dr Moses A. Abiala, Acting Dean Students' Affairs, conveyed the deep appreciation of the Vice-Chancellor to the donor and prayed for God's blessings on him as he continues his good work. Present at the presentation of the gift, were Dr Ayodamope S. Oluranti, Acting Head, Music Department, Dr Joseph, the Coordinator ESM programme, among others.

NO JOBS IN NIGERIA BECAUSE INDUSTRIES ARE NOT GROWING – VC

When the MFM Digest crew came to interview the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Elijah Ayolabi, in his office on the 18th of February 2020, it turned out to be an explosive encounter that touched on numerous challenges in the education sector in Nigeria. The VC was in his factual element, responding to questions succinctly and correcting widely held misconceptions about the education sector. Asked what he thought about the growing unemployment in the country seeing that graduates are turned out in large numbers from the many universities in Nigeria, the VC took a deep breath and gave an answer that surprised everyone in his expansive office. According to him, a university is a place where people are trained to be better not necessarily to graduate and work in specified areas. He further stated that industries in Nigeria are not growing, because of that, there are no jobs in the country. Therefore, university graduates must be creative to apply all the discipline and training acquired in the university. They must be innovative and not depend on paid employment. Unfortunately, a good percentage of graduates in Nigeria expect to get paid employments upon graduation and when the jobs are not forthcoming, frustra-

tion sets in. So youths must go to universities with a mindset to come up with a new idea in their specific sector and not necessarily depend on paid employment because there

“So youths must go to universities with a mindset to come up with a new idea in their specific sector and not necessarily depend on paid employment because there is a glaring dearth of industries in Nigeria.”

is a glaring dearth of industries in Nigeria. The VC stated that at Mountain Top University, there are vocational programs for students so that when they graduate they can fend for themselves without necessarily depending on paid employment. He stressed that Mountain Top University is determined to train independent, industrious, and self-reliant youths who will not add to the growing army of unemployed graduates in the country.

The MFM digest crew noted that discipline and freedom go side by side but asked the VC how he is able to balance both at Mountain Top University. The VC responded that no freedom is free in the final

analysis and that is why the students are given the university handbook upon admission. According to him, the university maintains a zero level tolerance for deviant attitudes like smoking, indecent dressing, and all forms of immorality. Asked if the university had any experience with students who indulged in such behaviour, the VC honestly admitted that there were minimal experiences but the university authorities try to control them without necessarily destroying the child or the university. However, some offences attract automatic expulsion on campus, for example, drugs, sexual immorality, and some others. According to him, occult activities cannot take place in the university because the students are strictly monitored 24 hours every day.

When the VC was asked to throw more light on the quality of lecturers at Mountain Top University, his response was immediate and authoritative. He explained that many people do not know much about how the university environment operates. According to him, professors did not fall from the moon. Mountain Top University is specifically grooming professors and that is far better. The university is young;

therefore, it won't be proper to engage many professors at this stage. In any case, being a professor does not make a lecturer the best. He noted that the middle-class lecturers provide a good workforce for a young university like Mountain Top University. A professor is full of grandeur and self-importance, often time involved in many administrative functions that may affect the running of the university outside his specified academic functions. But the middle-class lecturers are ready to work, they are ready to build, and ready to sacrifice their times for the growth and benefit of the university. So when they are groomed in that way to professorial level, they become a part and parcel of the university, having imbibed the values and principles of the institution.

Asked to throw more light on the permanent site of the university, the

VC's answer was revealing and informative. He pointed out that the biggest challenge with the permanent site is the Ogun River. The university management has appealed to the Ogun State government to help in re-channelling the water and it is believed that the governor will do his best in that regard. Besides the challenge of the Ogun River, the permanent site is a world-class establishment which will ultimately project the image of the university and help in achieving a state-of-the-art university environment. He pointed out that a lecture theatre is near completion and a world-class library construction by the Men of Valour (MOV) is about to commence at the permanent site. According to him, it is a gradual process but the university will surely get there.

Comparing other universities with Mountain Top University, the VC

noted that MTU is poles apart from other universities in terms of quality education, morals, environmentally friendliness and facilities. He also said that MTU's school fees are the lowest in the country. While those in Arts pay N450,000, those in Sciences pay N520,000. MTU is not a profit-based institution like many other private universities. The idea behind establishing MTU is to help humanity, help the youths, and re-write the narrative that only the rich can afford quality university education in private universities. On his achievements in the university as the principal officer, the VC maintained that he tries to do his best with the vision and abilities God has given to him stressing that any lover of excellence will agree that Mountain Top University has been driven by a God-given, divinely inspired mandate.

KOYA TRAINING FOR MTU STAFF

The University Management under the auspices of our indefatigable Vice-Chancellor- Prof. Elijah Adebawale Ayolabi organized an enriching training programme for all Academic Staff of MTU in a bid to make them ICT compliant in the delivering of their lectures. The programme which was held at the ICT building on 20th February, 2020

was a great time to benefit from the knowledge of our facilitator Mr Orji Chidi from SOFTCOM. The facilitator exhibited brilliance and high level of technological skill while delivering the lecture. The training session that lasted for almost two hours was lively as the academic staff of MTU were ready to learn and update themselves with 21st century skills needed for effective

discharge of their duties. Series of questions, comments and observations were dished out to the facilitator who did justice to all the questions and observations raised.

In the course of the training, the staff were informed that in order to have access to the Koya features online as a new user, you have to visit <https://mtu.koya.co>

to login; input your email address and the verification code sent to your email; create a password; click on Set Password and begin accessing all Koya's features. On the other hand, as a returning user, to gain access to Koya, you just have to visit <https://mtu.koya.co> to login, enter your email address and password then click on Sign In.

As a user, you have the privilege to set up your profile page by editing your number, change password and add your picture. The Koya platform

has so many features such as: My Courses (where you can add new courses from the list of over 300 courses on the platform); upload your lecture notes; set assessment and create assignments. Features on the platform include: announcement feature (where you can pass information across to your students); Conversations feature (where you can have conversations with your students through question and answer feature) and lastly,

in case you need an assistance with any of Koya's features or you want to make an inquiry, you can contact them at support@koya.co and they will be glad and ready to assist you.

With these innovations and advancement MTU is set to establish her place in the league of technologically and digitally compliant institutions in Africa and around the world.

GEOSCIENCES STAFF AND STUDENTS VISIT IBESE AND ERUWA ON FIELD-WORK

In a demonstration of the core values of Mountain Top University that students should be trained in both theoretical and practical aspects of their respective disciplines, the Geosciences Department embarked on a week long trip to Dangote Cement Quarry, in Ibesse, Ogun State and the crystalline basement area of Eruwa in Oyo state for a field work. The students were led by their Coordinator, Dr. James Adeoye and other lecturers, Michael Okunubi and Rotimi Peter Akinwale on the field trip so as to fully prepare the students to face the realities of their profession. The field

work took place from the 18th to 24th of February, 2020.

The essence of the field work was to teach 200 and 300 level Geophysics students how to do geological mapping, appreciate and get acquainted with in-situ fresh exposed sedimentary and crystalline rocks in Nigeria. They were also equipped with skills of exploring the nation's mineral and water resources, as well as gained knowledge on how to mitigate earth's natural hazards.

The students will never forget the experience in a hurry.



Geosciences staff and students setting out for mapping at Dangote Cement Quarry at Ibesse Ogun State



The Geoscientists relaxing on a boulder of porphyritic granite at Eruwa, Oyo State with a batholith exposure behind

TIT - BITS**WORDS ON
THE MARBLE**

*“Do not be
deceived: God
is not mocked,
for whatever
one sows, that
will he also
reap”*
Galatians 6:7
(ESV)

*“You are free
to choose but
you are not free
to alter the
consequences
of your
decisions.”*

**Ezra Taft
Benson**

From the office of the Vice— Chancellor

- The university results for the first semester have been submitted and the senate has held to consider them.
- The university management has acquired additional hostels within Prayer City to accommodate the growing number of students.
- More lecture rooms are also being built to take care of the growing number of students.
- There are plans to increase manpower across all the sections in the university.
- Post Graduate programs will commence in the university during the 2020/2021 academic session.
- More international students would be admitted into the university.
- There are also more applicants from other universities to join MTU. MTU accepts inter-university transfers.

From the office of the Registrar

- In February, there was a training for members of staff convened and facilitated by the Registrar with the title ‘Paper Processing for Statutory Meetings’. A similar training took place in December, 2019.
- There has been tremendous improvement in quick and on-time information for the university community.
- Three Youth Corps members resumed at the registry.
- More staff are needed at the registry to undertake the huge load of work there.
- The printer in the office is under immense pressure because other sections use it for printing jobs.

PHOTO NEWS

A group photograph of the Geosciences staff and students at Dangote Cement Quarry, Ibese, Ogun State.



Out cropping lime stones beds extending more than 1.5km at Dangote Cement Quarry, Ibese, Ogun State



The Geoscientists on exposed migmatite rock at Eruwa, Oyo State

VOLUNTARY STAFF DONATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

ACADEMIC STAFF:	NON-ACADEMIC STAFF:
PROF. AYOLABI ELIJAH ADEBOWALE	MR SHOLA ROTIMI OLAGUNDOYE
DR. OJO JAMES OLANIPEKUN	MRS. IBIRONKE VERONICA BAKARE
MR SAMUEL AYODELE MAJEKODUNMI	MR FELIX OLALEKAN OYEWOLE
DR. (MRS) OPEYEMI O. AYODELE	MR ABIODUN DONALD BABATUNDE
DR. AKANDE RAPHAEL OLUWOLE	MR. OLAWOLE, O. FESTUS
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STAFF BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

DATE	NAME	DEPARTMENT/POSITION
March, 3rd	Dr Joshua O. Omokehinde	Accounting & Finance
March, 5th	Prof. Ayoola Patrick Olalusi	Food Science and Tech.
March, 7th	Timothy Wemimo David	Physics
	Dr (Mrs) Atinuke Idowu	Food Science and Tech.
March, 10th	Rotimi Peter Akinwale	Geosciences
March, 14th	Olufunso Olubango-Olufowobi	Philosophy & Religion
	Dr Moses Oyetunji	Computer Science & Maths
March, 19th	Adenike Esther Soyinka	Registry
March, 27th	Dr Semiu Oduro Kareem	Physics
March, 30th	Gabriel Abah	Biological Sciences
March, 31st	Taleatu Taofiki Akinwunmi	Accounting & Finance

OUR MISSION

The mission of Mountain Top University is the provision of excellent facilities for the training of

men and women in various academic, professional and vocational disciplines in an atmosphere that will enhance the simultaneous development of their spiritual, mental and physical faculties, in order to produce morally upright and academically sound graduates with specialised skills and value systems, who will be independent, invariably self-employable and who will be able to impact positively on the development (be it in leadership, academic, public and the industrial sectors) of their communities, the Nigerian society and the global community at large

OUR VISION

The Mountain Top University is envisioned as a dynamic centre of academic excellence in the liberal tradition for the production of top-rate, morally sound graduates of distinctions who will be globally competitive for outstanding impact on the Nigerian societal and global development.

CORE VALUES

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Skill

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