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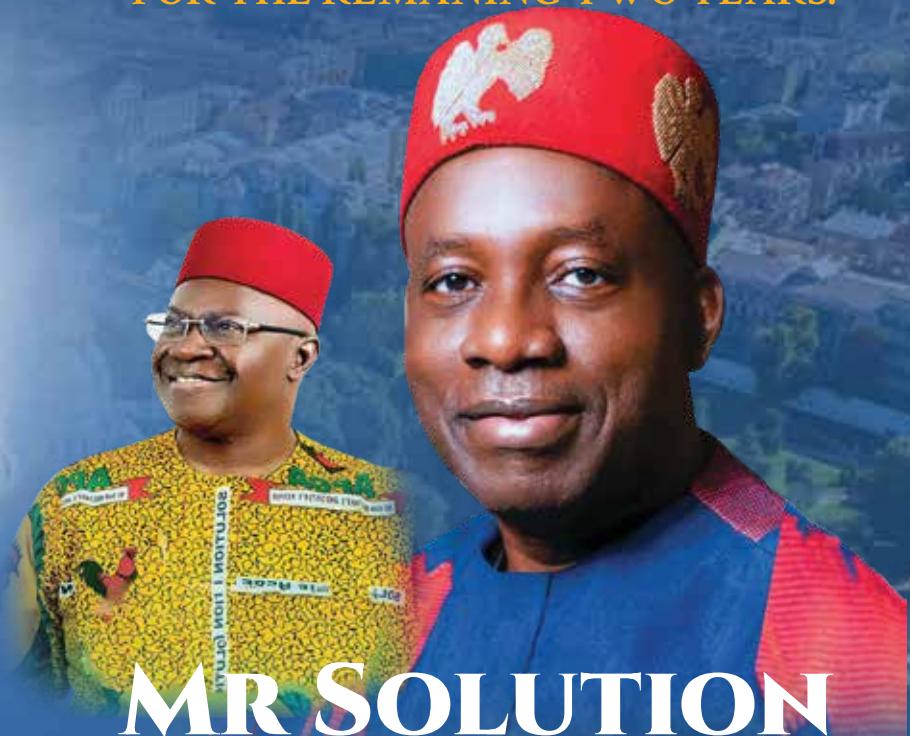
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FOR THE REMANING TWO YEARS!



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JUNCTION





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Arinze Okamelu, Esq.
Editor-in-Chief, Igbo Trumpet Magazine

Six Quality Editions... and Still Counting!

Indeed—wow!

Once again, Igbo Trumpet Magazine takes its rightful place in your hands, proudly unveiling the 6th Edition under the purposeful and performance-driven administration of the distinguished Ezeakajiugo, Sir (Barr.) MCK Ubah, KSC—now firmly established in public consciousness as the Digital Pee Gee of our great town union.

This milestone is no small accomplishment. It is a testament to vision backed by action, leadership fortified by resolve, and governance anchored on service. For this remarkable feat, we render profound gratitude to Almighty God, the ultimate author and finisher of all noble endeavours.

When leadership is intentional and execution is deliberate, results inevitably follow. This edition stands as *prima facie* evidence of what can be achieved when purpose meets perseverance. Our appreciation goes to the indefatigable Team Ezeakajiugo, led by Ezeakajiugo Sir Barr. MCK Ubah, whose collective commitment has ensured that this wheel of information continues to turn—notwithstanding the inherent challenges that attend such an under-

taking.

As we place this edition before you, we invite you to take judicial notice of the administration's measurable strides across critical sectors: infrastructure, security, sports development, education, and human capital advancement in Igbo-Ukwu. Notably, these initiatives are in harmonious alignment with the progressive and people-centered vision of His Excellency, Prof. Charles Chukwuma Soludo, CFR, the Executive Governor of Anambra State—an alignment that reinforces policy coherence and sustainable development.

I urge you to grab a copy and immerse yourself in its rich, carefully curated contents—meticulously assembled by our editorial team to add warmth, insight, and inspiration to your Christmas and New Year celebrations.

As we celebrate these milestones and look ahead, may the Almighty God endow us with greater grace, renewed strength, and a most prosperous 2026.

Happy Reading.

Arinze Okamelu, Esq.
Editor-in-Chief



FROM THE CHAIRMAN, EDITORIAL BOARD, TRUMPET MAGAZINE

TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO PLAYS ITS HALF-TIME!



Ndi Igbo-Ukwu and esteemed friends of Igbo-Ukwu, ekeneem unu!

Best compliments of the seasons and wishing you a prosperous New Year ahead!

It is with immense pride and a deep sense of community spirit, 'kindred spirit' we call it, that I stand before you today to mark a momentous occasion: the successful conclusion of our regime's half-tenure or what we have tagged our HALF-TIME, in the best sportsmanship spirit, as well as another bumper edition of our beloved community magazine, "The Igbo Trumpet".

As Chairman of the Editorial Board, I have had the privilege of working alongside a great team of dedicated writers, upbeat photographers, and editors—all volunteers—who have poured their hearts into capturing the mood and essence of our town, particularly in the last four months of 2025.

This magazine is more than just pages of text or a beautiful album of sizzling photos; it is a mirror reflecting our shared experiences, joyous occasions, painful bereavements, shared challenges, our triumphs, and the vibrant tapestry of life that makes our beloved Igbo-Ukwu community unique.

In this edition, we aimed to highlight the stories that often go untold: the tireless work of our elected executive officers and other local volunteers; the inspiring achievements of our youths' clubs, and the rich history embedded in our villages and landmarks.

We have strived to foster connections across the segments of our people, raise new heros that would take over from the fading generation of achievers; spark new benchmarks and conversation, and strengthen the bonds that tie us all together as one community.

The success of this endeavour belongs to every one of you who have stood behind us these past two years. To the individuals who made us shine, who shared their stories and events with us, the local businesses and philanthropists who supported us, and to you the readers who engage with our content—you are the reason we do this!

As we look ahead, the Editorial Board remains committed to



delivering a publication that is relevant, engaging, captive of fleeting moments, and truly representative of our community's voice or mood. We invite everyone to get involved, share your perspectives, and help us shape the future editions. We still have six more editions to deliver within the next two years ahead.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and your unwavering belief in the power of community storytelling and refreshing journalism. We can all be incredibly proud of what we have achieved together.

Here's to our town, our stories, and our 6th edition!

Once again, do enjoy a happy and prosperous New Year ahead!

Signed:

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, BA (Hons), LL.B (Hons), BL, PGD, MBA, D.Lit/Juris, Mnim, KSC, AmbP-UN etc., Chairman, Editorial Board.



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YEAR 2025 IGBO-UKWU NEW YAM FESTIVAL:

HRH IGWE ALEX AZIKE IDU 3 OF IGBO-UKWU
PERFORMS NEW YAM FESTIVAL IN A GRAND
STYLE, ANOTHER GOOD SCORE FOR TEAM
EZE-AKAJIUGO.

It was more than expected: a celebration of love, culture and new yam festival at the peak of communal conviviality & happiness as ndi igbo-ukwu and friends across the world celebrated this year's edition of igbo-ukwu unity new yam festival on the 1st of august, 2025! To god be all the glory!



YEAR 2025 IGBO-UKWU NEW YAM FESTIVAL:

Below are Sights and Sounds from the epochal ceremony that drew hundreds and thousands of folks, tourists and lovers of the rich Igbo-Ukwu culture and tradition.

The IDU Committee on NEW YAM FESTIVAL headed by Nwaezefunamba Bro. Lithraco Ogbonnia has again made ndi Igbo-Ukwu prouder than ever!

Team Eze-Akajiugo
...digital community leadership at its best! "





BEYOND INDIVIDUALS:

Why the Iri Ji Festival of Igbo-Ukwu Must Be Embraced by Corporate Organizations -

The Segofs Energy Group & Geneith Pharmaceuticals Ltd Example!

The Iri Ji Festival (New Yam Festival) of Igbo-Ukwu is more than just a cultural calendar event; It is a sacred celebration of heritage, unity, identity, and community pride. It is a festival that brings together sons and daughters of the ancient town, both at home and in the diaspora, to give thanks for the harvest, honour to the Almighty, and renew bonds of brotherhood. But as the years go by and the cost of organizing such a grand cultural gathering continues to rise, a question arises: Who sustains this beautiful tradition?

This year, the 2025 Edition of the Iri Ji Festival stood at a crossroads. With the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU)

Their noble gesture is a shining example of how corporate organizations, especially those founded or led by indigenes--can, and should--embrace cultural preservation as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). Supporting the Iri Ji Festival is not just about tradition; it's about community branding, legacy building, youth engagement, tourism promotion, and socio-economic stimulation. It's about giving back to the roots that raised you.

Their intervention was not only timely but transformational. It brought colour, dignity, and excellence to the celebration. It showed what is possible when businesses remember their roots and reinvest in their origin stories.

The truth is this: if we want the Iri Ji Festival to grow, to shine even brighter, to attract national and global recognition, we must institutionalize it beyond the goodwill of overburdened individuals.

Going Forward: A Call to Action

We must begin to mainstream corporate involvement in our cultural events. Let this 2025 edition be a clarion call to other corporate bodies with Igbo-Ukwu DNA; whether in oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, banking, ICT, real estate, media, or manufacturing, to join this noble cause.

Let them sponsor floats, music, masquerade displays, documentaries, youth activities, and community awards. Let them brand stages, light up the town, and ensure that the festival becomes a tourism brand and cultural export.

Because culture is not just what we celebrate. It is who we are. And to sustain who we are, we need more Segofs Energy Groups and Geneith Pharmaceuticals.

To our heroes of the 2025 Edition; Daalu rinne!
You have set the bar high, and we are proud.

Let the Iri Ji Festival of Igbo-Ukwu, and other cultural programs, continue to grow, not just in tradition, but in vision, partnership, and legacy.

Arinze Okamelu,Esq.

"If you rejoice over injustice because it favors you; one day you shall cry for justice and it shall elude you" ...



making it clear that the sponsorship of the festival does not fall within the provisions of its constitution, the burden would have naturally fallen once again on individuals; often overtasked, underappreciated patriots who must scramble resources to uphold our heritage.

But history was rewritten this year.

Enter two visionary corporate champions— Segofs Energy Group and Geneith Pharmaceuticals Ltd —who rose to the occasion and changed the narrative.

These organizations, led by our proud and illustrious sons— Ugo Igbo-Ukwu, Chief Bart Nwibe and Ezeugochimalueze, Sir Ben-Chika Uzoagu (for Segofs Energy Group), and Ebebechukwu-Uzo, Sir Emma Umenwa, and Umennanyelugo, Nze Goddy Umenwa (for Geneith Pharmaceuticals Ltd)— took up the challenge with heart and honour. They refused to let the flame of our cultural pride be dimmed. They saw the festival not as a burden, but as a worthy investment in the soul of a people.

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THE MASQUERADE IN IGBO-UKWU: RETHINKING A TIMELESS HERITAGE FOR A MODERN COMMUNITY

Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President-General on Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment

For generations, the masquerade tradition—Mmanwu—has stood as one of the most profound cultural pillars of Igbo-Ukwu and the wider Igbo civilization. It is a heritage older than memory, a sacred institution handed down from our forebears, carrying within it the philosophies, values, discipline, and spirituality of our people.

Yet, as events of recent years continue to unfold—most recently during the Ehulu Cultural Day of 9th November 2025—new questions have emerged about the relevance, conduct, and future direction of masquerade activities in our town. These conversations, though sometimes difficult, are crucial for the peaceful coexistence, cultural sustainability, and collective progress of Igbo-Ukwu.

The Cultural Backdrop: Ehulu Festival and Its Significance

The annual Ehulu celebration, held at the Amaehulu Town Hall environ, remains one of Igbo-Ukwu's most spirited traditional observances. Dedicated to Ehulu, the revered Mother-Deity and custodian of the Amaehulu estate, the festival reflects centuries of history preserved by the Akajiofos, who continue to safeguard the rich spiritual knowledge surrounding this deity.

But beyond the religious undertone lies a vibrant social component, especially the procession and performance of masquerades—an essential feature of virtually all Igbo traditional festivals. It is within this context that fresh debates have resurfaced concerning the conduct and purpose of masquerades in contemporary times.

Understanding the Place of Masquerades in Igbo Cosmology

Masquerades are more than art, dance, or spectacle. In Igbo worldview, they are the embodied spirits of ancestors—a bridge between the visible and invisible realms. Through masks, costumes, movements, music, chants, and symbolic paraphernalia, they communicate messages from the ancestral world, enforce moral discipline, and reaffirm communal identity.

Historically, masquerades have served several key functions:

1. Spiritual Intermediaries

They represent the return of ancestral spirits, maintaining continuity between past, present, and future generations.

2. Agents of Social Order and Justice

In pre-colonial times, certain masquerades executed judicial duties—enforcing decisions, punishing offenders, and maintaining societal balance.

3. Cultural Educators

Through their dramatic expressions, they teach moral lessons, recount historical events, and pass sacred knowledge to younger generations.

4. Community Bonding and Festivity

Masquerades enliven festivals and ceremonies, uniting families, clans, and visitors in shared

cultural celebration.

5. Artistic Expression

Their masks, raffia, velvets, beads, feathers, and symbolic motifs such as python imagery or maiden faces form one of the richest indigenous art cultures in Africa.

The Mystique and Paraphernalia: What Makes a Masquerade?

From ancient times to now, certain elements have defined the masquerade identity:

Masks (Ihu Mmanwu) – carved wooden or crafted fabric masks that represent maidens, warriors, ancestral spirits, or mythical animals.

Full-body costumes – raffia, colourful fabrics, beads, omu palm fronds, feathers, velvet (ododo), etc.

Altered spiritual voice – via traditional sonovox devices like okpili or odu achalla.

Musical accompaniment – ogene, ekwe, udu, oja, and rhythmic percussion that create the spiritual ambience.

Sacred accessories – mirrors, symbolic pots, staffs, and ritual objects.

Weapons and Implements: What Tradition Actually Permits

Certain masquerade types—especially warrior masquerades such as Agaba or Mgbadike—traditionally carry: Canes, Machetes, Axes



These objects symbolize authority, fearlessness, and protection.

They are not traditionally meant for violence against innocent observers.

Importantly:

Matches and unregulated fire displays are NOT traditional elements of Igbo masquerade culture. These are recent additions with no roots in ancestral practice and pose serious safety concerns.

The Modern Challenge: Culture, Safety, and Social Harmony

In recent years, isolated incidents have occurred where some masquerades have acted outside acceptable boundaries—harassing or intimidating community members, clashing with Christians, or carrying out unruly behaviour.

Such conduct is not part of Igbo tradition and contradicts the very purpose for which the ancestors instituted masquerades.

To sustain and preserve this heritage, Igbo-Ukwu must now adopt:

Clear policies regulating masquerade outings

Defined codes of conduct for all masquerade groups

Responsible leadership oversight under the

authority of Amaehulu Town Hall and the apex community leadership

Community-wide enlightenment to educate both masquerade performers and residents

Tradition must never become a tool for disorder or intimidation.

Reinventing the Masquerade Institution for Today's Realities

Our masquerade system can flourish in modern times—if we choose renewal rather than neglect or abolition. A progressive framework will ensure that masquerades remain:



Culturally relevant

Spiritually meaningful

Socially constructive

Legally compliant

Safe for everyone—Christians and non-Christians alike

Key pathways for modernization include:

-Cultural Education: Showcasing masquerade history in documentaries, books, and school programs.

-Tourism and Creative Arts: Turning masquerades into globally admired cultural performances.

-Modern Social Commentary: Using masquerade satire to address corruption, environmental concerns, youth behaviour, and community development.

-Technology Engagement: Digital archives, VR experiences, and online platforms to promote our heritage to a global audience.

-Human Rights and Safety: Strict rules prohibiting violence, aggression, or discriminatory practices.

-Community Empowerment: Integrating masquerade festivals with local development initiatives.

A Call for Balanced Understanding

Masquerades are not the problem—misconduct is. Our ancestors created Mmanwu to entertain, educate, protect, and unite—not to harass or intimidate.

As a community rooted in both tradition and modern progress, we must preserve this heritage with wisdom, discipline, and forward-thinking strategies.

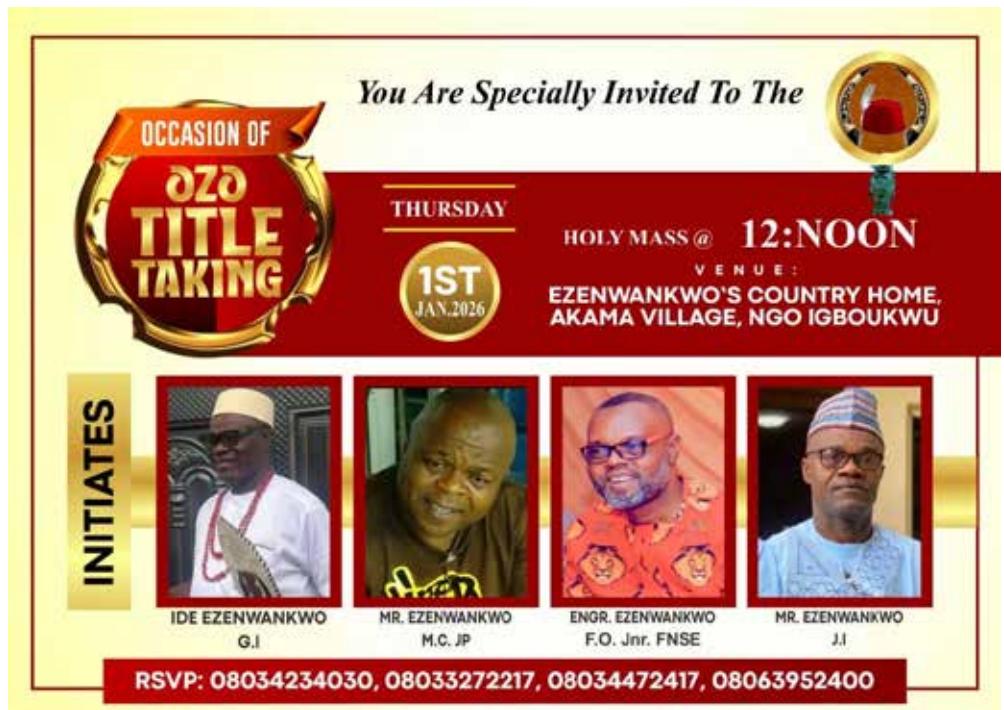
Let the conversation continue.

Let the policies be drafted.

Let culture be uplifted—not abused.

And above all, let Igbo-Ukwu chart a future where tradition and modernity walk hand-in-hand, for the peace and progress of our people

IDE WARD 22 CROWNED



To the glory of God Almighty, Eze Ozo Gabriel Ikechukwu Ezenwankwo, Badike Bamma, has today the 1st of August, 2025, been crowned as the Ide of Ward 22, Akama, Ngo Igboukwu by His Royal Highness Igwe Alexander Ejike-meuwa Onedibe Azike, the Idu 3 of Igboukwu.

We pray for increased wisdom, knowledge and understanding upon him as he takes his staff of office as a Distinguished member of the Idu Cabinet of Igboukwu.

May his reign be peaceful, impactful and fruitful not only to his immediate constituency but to Igboukwu people in general.

Congratulations, my respected senior brother and mentor.

Ezenwankwo F. O. Jnr. FNSE.



THE ALOR 2 OF IGBO-UKWU,
CHIEF SIR ONYEKACHI NNABUGWU,
CELEBRATES HIS 2ND GRAND NEW YAM FESTIVAL,

AUGUST 30, 2025 IN HIS PALATIAL VILLA, OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU.









WITH WHAT LEGACIES WILL THE GENERATIONS OF NDI IGBO-UKWU BE REMEMBERED?

LET'S REFLECT, LET'S CHALLENGE OURSELVES...TAA BU GBOO!

By Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie
Personal Assistant to the President General on Media, Mass Mobilization, and Enlightenment

Gratitude: The First Step to Legacy

Ndi banyi ekeneem unu! □

Every morning begins with gratitude. I thank God for life, for another day to make a difference, and for the gift of peace in Igbo-Ukwu and beyond. Peace is not just a blessing—it is the soil from which development and progress grow. Without it, human endeavor comes to a halt.

But gratitude alone is not enough. Every day, we must ask:

> "What have I contributed to human progress since I discovered my purpose?"

This reflection starts with family, extends to village and town, and eventually touches the world. It is more than self-appraisal—it is a reckoning with our life's mission.

Looking Back: Foundations Built by Our Forebears

The older generations of Ndi Igbo-Ukwu left legacies that still inspire us today:

All primary schools in Igbo-Ukwu before 2000

Community-built secondary schools: BSSI and GSSI

Anambra State Museum (enhanced by IDU USA)

Igbo-Ukwu Post Office

Commercial banks: Union Bank Plc and Igbo-Ukwu Microfinance Bank Ltd

Health centers across all three quarters of Igbo-Ukwu

Village halls, churches, and the IDU Hall at Amaehulu

These were more than structures—they were bold statements of vision, leadership, and community pride.

> "The legacies of the past are the compass for the present and the blueprint for the future."

Present Generation: Building Our Own Footprints

Fast forward to today (2012 to date). What will our generation leave behind?

Achievements so far include:

Upgraded Obiuno Comprehensive Health Center

Obiuno Mega Civic Center

Improved roads under Team Eze-Akajiugo (2016–2020)

Youth empowerment programs, scholarships, and social interventions

Yet the question remains:

> "Beyond infrastructure, what enduring mark will define us?"

The next generation—Gen Z (born 1997–2012), tech-savvy, socially conscious, and entrepreneurial—will look to us as the foundation of their progress.

Icons of Progress: Honoring Our Pioneers

We honor those who built the pillars of our community:

Ogbuefi FO Onyekwulu – schools, health centers, IDU Hall

Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi – Igbo-Ukwu Post Office

Chief Tanu Umeweni – Igbo-Ukwu Museum

Igbo-Ukwu Establishment Group – banks, health institutions

Hospitality pioneers – Jubilee, Moonshine, and Rosons Hotels

Industrial innovators – Kojo Motors, Engr. Emeka Okafor's cottage industries

Mbido Cultural Organization – attracting federal establishments like National Yam House and National Arts Gallery

These were not just achievements—they were seeds of progress that continue to flourish.

Our Challenge: What Will We Leave Behind?

Team Eze-Akajiugo has a vision for the present generation:

1. Tangible legacies – infrastructure, civic centers, health facilities, and roads
2. Social impact – enlightenment through publications (Igbo-Ukwu Trumpet Magazine, Unity Diary, etc.)
3. Kindred spirit – nurturing communal love, unity, and cooperation
4. Cultural continuity – instilling the mantra: Chetanu na anyi bu ofu!

> "The legacy we leave is measured not just in bricks and mortar, but in the hearts we touch and the lives we inspire."

Call to Action: Be Part of the Legacy

Ndi banyi, the future of Igbo-Ukwu is unfolding. Each of us has a role:

Support focused community leaderships like Team Eze-Akajiugo

Contribute to youth programs, infrastructure, and knowledge-sharing

Leave behind a footprint—big or small—that the next generation can build upon

Expect a greater Igbo-Ukwu than we inherited. Together, let us write the story of a thriving, united, and prosperous homeland.

> TAA BU GBOO! Today is the day to start building your legacy

THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE NA OZO SOCIETY OF IGBO LAND: A BRIEF HISTORY.



A PAPER PRESENTED BY NZE BARRISTER (DR) MCK UBAH (EZE-AKAIUGO NA IGBO-UKWU & PEE-GEE OF IGBO-UKWU).

Introduction:

"The Handbook on Nze Na Ozo Igbo-Ukwu" has this to say about the prestigious Nze Na Ozo Society of Igbo Land:

'The Ozo Institution is one of the oldest and ancient traditional institutions in Igbo Land. Through this institution, Igbo communities recognize and honor citizens whose character portray the true Igbo spirit.'

What is this true Igbo spirit?:

The true Igbo spirit encompasses Odinani (traditional spirituality) and a dynamic culture focused on community, resourcefulness, and personal destiny. Central to this spirit are the concepts of Chi (personal fate) and Ani (the Earth Mother Goddess), emphasizing individual responsibility for success and a deep connection to the land. The spirit is characterized by fierce independence, a commitment to the common good, and resilience in the face of adversity, as seen through their adaptability and innovative approaches to life.

People who internalize and live out the true Igbo spirit, and the Igbo cultural values of honesty, hard work, truthfulness, extended family system of kindred love, Igbo food culture as well as clothing culture etc are to be initiated into this society.

Put simply, a typical member of the Ozo Institution is a typical Igbo man and an embod-

iment of Igbo nobility but only natives of a given community take their Ozo title. No stranger comes into a community that is not his ancestral homeland to take the Ozo title. It is community-to- community specific unlike the generic Chieftaincy titles that any one can take from any community that offers the title to the person.

Therefore, according to Wikipedia, the Nze N'Ozo society is an ancient and revered Igbo cultural institution pre-dating colonial rule, serving as a spiritual, moral, and leadership pillar. Members, known as "Nze" or "Ozo," are men of upright character, financial standing, and community service who embody truth, justice, and wisdom.

Initiation into Nze Na Ozo Society:

The initiation is a sacred, expensive rebirth, and Ozo holders are seen as moral exemplars, community counselors, and custodians of tradition and justice. While symbolic of prestige, the institution also plays a vital role in community governance and dispute resolution.

Origin and Significance

Ancient Roots:

The Nze N'Ozo institution is one of the oldest and most spiritually significant in Igboland, existing long before colonial contact.

Spiritual and Moral Foundation:

It is a sacred institution that connects the community to the ancestral realm, with members serving as spiritual intermediaries and the moral compass of society.

Symbol of Leadership and Integrity:

The Ozo title symbolizes excellence, leadership, and community service, requiring individuals to uphold a high standard of truthfulness and justice.

Whoever Can Be an Ozo Titleholder must possess the following qualities:

- * Moral Character: Candidates must be men of impeccable character, known for their integrity and commitment to truth.
- * Financial Capacity: The initiation is elaborate and expensive, requiring significant financial investment and community contributions.
- * Community Service: Aspiring title holders must demonstrate a history of community service and altruistic endeavors.
- * Freeborn Status: In many communities, individuals are required to be "freeborn" and free from ancestral taboos or the stigma of the "osu" (outcast) caste, which however has been abolished in most Igbo communities today.
- * The Role and Responsibilities of an Nze Na Ozo member are as follows:

* Moral Exemplars: Ozo holders are expected to live as role models for the community, embodying wisdom, truth, and justice.

* Community Governance: They participate in important community decision-making processes and offer guidance and counsel to family and community members.

* Dispute Resolution: Nze N'Ozo members are considered fair adjudicators and are relied upon to resolve disputes within the community. (Nze adi atu mobu sia asi).

* Cultural Custodians: They serve as custodians of Igbo traditions and cultural heritage, helping to transmit them to future generations.

The Initiation Proper into the Society serves as:-

A Sacred Rebirth: The initiation process is a spiritual "rebirth," symbolically dying and being reborn as a titled elder (Nze) bound by sacred conduct.

Rituals and Ceremonies: The process involves multiple complex rituals, feasting, and communal celebrations to integrate the individual into the spiritual and social fabric of the community.

Conclusion:

Modern Relevance and Challenges of Nze Na Ozo Society can be viewed thus:-

* Enduring Significance: The Nze N'Ozo institution remains a significant aspect of Igbo cultural heritage, symbolizing high collateral status, leadership, and community commitment.

* Challenges to Tradition: Like many traditional institutions, the Ozo title faces challenges from modernization, Christianity, and changing societal values, which have led to discussions and criticisms regarding its exclusivity and internal practices.

A Paper Presented to mark the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the glamorous culture-centric Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club of Lagos on the 9th of November, 2025 by a notable member of the prestigious Nze Na Ozo Igbo-Ukwu as well as a patron of the club, Nze Eze-Akaiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, BA (Hons), LL.B (Hons) BL, MBA, D.Lit/Juris., AmbP-UN, KSC. He is also the President-General of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU, and the Event's distinguished chairman.





NDI NZE N'OZO

EZE-AKAIJUGO SIR BARR DR MCK UBAH ATTENDS TO THE SPECIAL INVITATION MEETING BY NZE N'OZO IGBO-UKWU AT THE UMUDEGE VILLAGE CIVIC CENTER IGBO-UKWU...A HAPPY MEETING IT WAS!



**OBIUNO DEVELOPEMENT UNION, ODU, HOLDS ITS AUGUST MEETING
AS NDI NZE N'OZO OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU ATTEND EN MASSE...DATE
WAS 30TH OF AUGUST, 2025 AT AHIAGU OBIUNO SECRETARIAT
IGBO-UKWU**





OKORO NIGHT PARTY

IN CELEBRATION OF PRE-INDUCTION CEREMONY OF

DR CHIPIOKE CALLISTUS EMEKA

INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE N'OZO IHUOWELLE NGO IGBO-UKWU...



A HISTORIC CELEBRATION: NZE DR. CHI JIOKE EMEKA (AJIBOYE IGBO-UKWU)

INDUCTED INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE NA OZO IGBO-UKWU

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In a resplendent display of tradition, culture, and community pride, NZE Dr. Chijioke Emeka, fondly and respectfully known as Ajiboye Igbo-Ukwu, was formally initiated into the esteemed institution of NZE NA OZO Igbo-Ukwu (Ebe Ozo Ihuowelle). This landmark occasion was not only a personal milestone for the initiate but also a resounding affirmation of Igbo-Ukwu's enduring cultural heritage.

The ceremony, suffused with solemnity and grandeur, brought together an array of dignitaries whose influence and stature span across Igbo-Ukwu and the wider Igbo nation. Their presence underscored the unity, pride, and cultural renaissance that the Ozo institution continues to inspire.

Royal Endorsement and Cultural Significance

The distinguished attendance of H.R.H. Igwe Alex Azike Idu III symbolized the deep bond between Igbo-Ukwu's ancient monarchy and its custodian institutions. His participation lent unparalleled legitimacy and weight to the proceedings, reinforcing the sacred alignment between traditional authority and the Ozo institution—long regarded as the cornerstone of Igbo socio-cultural governance.

Leadership, Excellence, and Community Inspiration

Chief Engineer Nnamdi Ifeakor Odu III, an exemplar of professional achievement and community service, highlighted the seamless integration of tradition with modernity. His presence reminded the youth of the importance of embracing their roots while pursuing global excellence.

Similarly, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr. McK Ubah, President General of Igbo-Ukwu, reinforced the collective commitment of the people to preserve and advance their cultural institutions. His unwavering support for this initiation ceremony underscored the community's recognition of

Dr. Emeka's integrity, contributions, and leadership.

The ceremony also celebrated continuity and lineage. NZE Eze-Ogboogu Pius Adimmuo represented the enduring custodianship of Igbo-Ukwu's traditions, while NZE Eze-Agunachembe Cletus Onyemenam, a distinguished business leader, exemplified the vital link between economic empowerment and cultural sustainability.

High Chief Emmanuel Azike, a revered member of the Igbo-Ukwu Hall of Fame, contributed wisdom and perspective that enriched the proceedings, affirming the crucial role of chieftaincy institutions in safeguarding the community's heritage and guiding its progressive journey.

A Legacy of Inspiration

The initiation of NZE Dr. Chijioke Emeka into the NZE NA OZO Igbo-Ukwu stands as a luminous testament to Igbo-Ukwu's cultural pride, unity, and leadership. This historic event honors not only the exemplary character of the initiate but also serves as an enduring beacon for future generations—encouraging them to cherish, uphold, and advance the rich traditions that define the Igbo-Ukwu people.

Amidst a rapidly changing world, this grand celebration reminds us all of the importance of preserving cultural identity, nurturing community cohesion, and celebrating excellence in every form.

For Team Eze-Akajiugo



IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE &
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GRAND INDUCTIONS INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE N'OZO IGBO-UKWU: EZE-IKEMBA AJIBOYE DR CHI JIOKE CALLISTUS EMEKA JOINS THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE NA OZO IGBO-UKWU.













N'OZO TITLE-TAKING CEREMONY...

Some top echelon leadership of the prestigious Nze N'Ozo Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu gather in the homestead of Nze Umennanyelugo IK Okeke-Umeaja of Umuechefu-Obiuno in Igbo-Ukwu preparatory for the Grand Induction of his first son into the prestigious Nze N'Ozo Society of Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu. Date: 9-10th August, 2025



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A SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION LIKE NO OTHER:



IGBO-UKWU YOUNG DYNAMIC CLUB

OF LAGOS CELEBRATES 25 YEARS ANNIVERSARY!

...AS TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO PARTNERS WITH THE IGBO-UKWU YOUNG DYNAMIC CLUB OF LAGOS 'MAKA ODINMA IGBO-UKWU', RIDING ON THEIR 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION'S THEME OF 'THINK HOME PHILOSOPHY'! GRAND FINALE WAS THE 9TH OF NOVEMBER, 2025!



In a bigger strategic objective and plan to make a colorful outing during their 25th Anniversary Celebration, the Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club of Lagos, IYDCL, rolled out a big plan in partnership with team Eze-Akajiugo, as led by Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah, towards realising this spectacular objective. And it worked like magic!

The Club began by sharing its detailed plans with Eze-Akajiugo himself, who is the President-General of Igbo-Ukwu's central leadership and this collaboration became the biggest success story of collaboration

between indigenous Igbo-Ukwu clubs and the apex leadership of Igbo-Ukwu in recent history under the broad theme of 'Think Home Philosophy', a legacy philosophy of late OkwadikeIgbo-Ukwu, His Excellency, Chief Dr 'Emeka Ezeife! May God continue to bless his soul, Amen!

The Club's central executives began with having breakfast meetings with the PG in his Lagos Corporate Chambers and later moved the meetings down to his Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu countryhome, AkajiugoGraceVilla, so as to be in close touch with the realities on ground a few months before the grand finale.

From Eze-Akajiugo's countryhome home, the meetings moved to Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu where they conducted an on-the-spot general feasibility study of Amaehulu Town Hall estate so as to keep their plans closer to their chests.

From Amaehulu Town Hall, the club moved over to the palatial countryhome of one of their patrons, Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam of Amir Group Ltd where he happily entertained all to a sumptuous lunch in line with the Igbo-Ukwu kindred spirit!

The Club's central executives, together with Eze-Akajugo, ended the happy day with a courtesy visit to the Palace of HRH Igwe Alex Azike, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu to receive a royal blessing from the traditional ruler.

All these were scripted to foreshadow the grand finale of the Club's 25th Anniversary Celebration which was billed to hold on the 9th of November, 2025 immediately after the Anambra State Guber Election in which His Excellency, Prof C.C Soludo was billed to enjoy a landslide win for a second tenure. And all these came to pass to the glory of God, Amen!

And in all of these, Igbo-Ukwu won big time!

More stories on the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club of Lagos... watch out!

Report filed by:
Arinze Okamelu Esq.











THE GRAND FINALE OF THE SPECTACULAR
25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
OF IGBO-UKWU YOUNG DYNAMIC CLUB OF LAGOS

ON THE 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025!



PUTTING OKWADIKE'S "THINK HOME PHILOSOPHY" TO WORK



A Spotlight on the Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club (IYDC) Lagos—A Generation Driven by Love, Unity, and Purpose

Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie,
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Umuibe m, dalu nu!

On Saturday, November 9, 2025, the city of Lagos momentarily bowed in admiration as the Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club (IYDC), Lagos Chapter unveiled a Silver Jubilee celebration that radiated class, unity, and an unmistakable sense of purpose. Their graceful procession into the exquisitely adorned Celebration Hall set the tone for what became a historic 25th anniversary—an evening that validated their identity as a socially conscious, philanthropic, and forward-driving body.

This landmark celebration, meticulously planned and superbly executed, lived up to the buzz that preceded it. Villa Park Hotels & Towers, Amuwo-Odofin, played host to an impressive gathering of dignitaries, cultural ambassadors, peer organisations, and supporters from across Nigeria and beyond.

At the forefront of the ceremony was our revered royal father, HRH Igwe Alex Azike, Idu III of Igbo-Ukwu, whose presence brought dignity and ancestral blessing to the occasion. The ceremony was steered by none other than the "dynamic and "digital President-General of Igbo-Ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah, whose leadership footprint continues to shape community consciousness and cohesion.

From Abuja, Nze Dr. Ajiboye Chijioke Emeka (Eze-Ikemba Ozo Opuruiche na Igbo-Ukwu) flew in to honour the club. From Spain, the ever-calm but influential Nze Eze-Dikeakonobi Arinze Uzuke, producer of the acclaimed ASCONI wines, arrived in solidarity. They joined another pillar of support, Nze Ezeonyebuchi V. Okoye, the man behind the sleek GUCCII Wine brand—all highly esteemed patrons of the Club.

The Lagos Chapter Chairman, Akuluouno Edozie Nnoli, and the

Club's Lord Mayor, Nze Eze-Chukwubuikem Uchenna Ezenwoye of UcheCee Technical Group, could hardly contain their joy as they watched their long-nurtured vision unfold in grand style. Master of Ceremony, Barr. Arinze Okamelu, elevated the atmosphere with an engaging delivery befitting an event of such magnitude.

Before long, the hall experienced what many described as the first true "rain of Naira and dollar showers in recent Lagos events—a testament to goodwill, excitement, and the Club's impeccable reputation.

THE BIGGER PICTURE — IGBO-UKWU AS THE TRUE BENEFICIARY

Beyond the glamour came a profound community impact. In line with the Club's earlier pledge to the President-General, the IYDC Lagos reaffirmed its commitment to giving Amaehulu Town Hall Estate in Igbo-Ukwu a massive facelift. This single gesture aligns perfectly with Okwadike's "Think Home Philosophy, now championed with renewed vigour under Team Eze-Akajiugo.

Once again, the President-General's strategic alliances across Igbo-Ukwu communities—both at home and in the diaspora—are yielding measurable dividends. Indeed, as our people say: "O na-adị ka egwuregwu, mana ihe na-egosi onwe ya. God alone deserves the glory!

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR COMMUNITY UNITY AND DEVELOPMENT

True progress comes through collective effort. Strengthening the Igbo-Ukwu bond requires intentional steps:

1. Understanding the Community's Needs

Regular consultations—surveys, town halls, and focus-group engagements—help identify our strengths, challenges, and developmental priorities.

2. Building Trust

Honesty, accessibility, and consistency foster confidence. Our people respond to sincerity more than speeches.

3. Presence and Participation

Standing with the community in moments of joy, hardship, or celebration reinforces unity. A leader who stands with his people earns their loyalty in return.

These principles are already redefining Igbo-Ukwu's trajectory. In just over two years, the Team Eze-Akajiugo era has introduced a refreshing wave of coordination, enlightenment, and purposeful engagement. Truly, this is divine.

A CELEBRATION TO BE REMEMBERED

The 25th Anniversary of IYDC Lagos was more than an event; it was a statement—bold, visionary, and deeply rooted in the spirit of otu obi. For Igbo-Ukwu, every milestone achieved by her sons and daughters becomes a collective victory.

As we always say: If it is not written or captured, it may as well have never happened.

History honours those who document their journey.











THE AKAJIUGO YEARS: A TESTAMENT TO VISIONARY LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY REBIRTH IN OBIUNO & IGBO-UKWU



EZE-AKAJIUGO SIR BARR. (DR) MCK UBAH, PG, IGBO-UKWU.

On that blessed 28th day of December, 2016, history took a new turn in Obiuno Quarter as Akajiugo, Sir Barr. MCK Ubah—as he was then addressed—assumed office as Chairman of Obiuno. He did not come to experiment; he came fully equipped with a clear roadmap, an uncommon passion, and a leadership philosophy anchored on delivering lasting value and building legacies capable of influencing the future of Igbo-Ukwu as a whole.

His emergence marked the dawning of a new chapter—real visionary leadership in action. (For a deeper chronicle, see the book “The 4 Golden Years of the Eze-Akajiugo-Led Administration of Obiuno Community (2016–2020) available at www.igbo-ukwu.org).

Building a Think-Tank, Building a Future

Akajiugo immediately assembled a compact team of exceptional minds—his personal “think-tank.” One of them was Eze-Ogbogu Hon. Javis Adinmuo, JP, who served as personal adviser and remains today a key ally to the executive leadership of the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU).

With this team, Akajiugo unveiled his sectorial blueprint—a master plan for transforming Obiuno into a modern, livable and prosperous homeland, using the Ahiagu axis as a development hub-and-spoke similar to Central Manhattan in New York or Broad Street on Lagos Island.

This bold plan aligned with earlier visionary thoughts of great Obiuno icons—Chief (Dr) Chris Ikechi Ezech (Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu); Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi (Okeide Igbo-Ukwu); Ebekuodike Sir Eddy Muoemenam; Chief Engr. Dom Okafor, FNSE, and other forward-thinking patriots who had envisioned Ahiagu Market Square as the community’s natural development hub.

The Foundations Were There—But the Gaps Were Many

Before Akajiugo’s arrival, some institutions already stood around Ahiagu Square—Obiuno Country Club, Church-run primary and secondary schools, the small health post, a local morning market, bars, and a few hotels. Yet, the roads—lifelines of development—were terribly impassable.

Except for the privately-funded road from the Nnabugwu sons—Sir Okey Gosac Okoli and Sir Eddy Muoemenam—most routes around the square were narrow, flooded, and nearly unusable.

Security was weak. The community had no meeting hall. The health center was barely functioning.

In summary: Obiuno needed a revolution.

The Blueprint Emerges—and the Work Begins

Akajiugo presented his transformational blueprint at Sir Eddy Muoemenam’s residence before key leaders including Engr. Onuora Nnabugwu, Mr Chidi Okoli, Ugwumba, Okeide, Ochendo, Akudo, Eze-Ezinwanne Ambassador Nze Felix Chuks Okoye, the late EllyFoam, and others.

One decision changed everything: Obiuno Mass Return Celebration would be used as the launchpad to unlock the development agenda. And indeed, it worked like magic.

The Nnabugwu family committed to transforming the Health Centre.

Ebekuodike pledged support for the Mega Civic Center and sponsored the architectural designs through Arc. Charly Egbudom.

Engr. Dom Okafor invested heavily in internal roads. The stage was set.

The Day Obiuno Exploded With Hope – 28th December, 2018

During the Grand Finale of the Mass Return, Obiuno witnessed unprecedented generosity:

Major Donations

N50 million from the Nnabugwu sons for the Health Centre (which ultimately exceeded N350 million by completion).

N10 million from Ebekuodike for the Mega Civic Center.

N5 million from Eze-Ezinwanne Ambassador Nze Felix Chuks Okoye, in addition to the road he was constructing.

N5 million from the late Otua-Ogbajie Elias Okonkwo (EllyFoam) plus daily truckloads of stones from Abakaliki to accelerate construction.

Many others gave generously. A new spirit filled Obiuno—the spirit of collective greatness.

Transformation Unleashed

Akajiugo engaged the church to open the corridor needed to extend the major Ahiagu road—exactly as Ebekuodike promised. Today that road stands as a testimony for all to verify.

The Nnabugwu sons went further—drilling boreholes, erecting new buildings, and powering the Health Centre into the ultra-modern institution commissioned by the Anambra Governor on 5th August 2025.

Even after leaving office, Akajiugo—now Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah—continued networking for the facility’s sustainability, attracting partnerships with UNIZIK Teaching Hospital and Anambra State Government.

This was not luck.

This was vision, consistency, and collaboration.

Birth of the Igbo-Ukwu Patriots

A major turning point was the emergence of the Igbo-Ukwu Patriots—a coalition of tested, passionate, and development-driven men including:

Chief Dr Greg Ezeilo, FCA;
Rt Hon. Dom Okafor, FNSE;
Engr Obinna Nduka;
Engr Onuora Nnabugwu;
O’Bassey Osuokwu;
Sir Barr JBC Obikwelu;

Barr Tochukwu Ejeziem (Ochi-na-nwata);
Aarinze Okamelu, Esq;
Hon. Javis Adinmuo, JP;
Amb. Charles Ogbueli;
and of course our indefatigable PG,
Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah.

Their combined synergy produced the August 5th miracle—a moment that looked like a movie scripted in Heaven.

From Obiuno to Igbo-Ukwu: A New Era

Today, the same Akajiugo who once chaired Obiuno now sits on a higher pedestal as President-General of Igbo-Ukwu.

Under his watch since December 30, 2023, Igbo-Ukwu has witnessed dramatic improvements:

Amaehulu Town Hall transformed inside and outside

Creation of the new IDU White House / National Secretariat

Implementation of the Strategic Action Plan ahead of schedule

Multi-sectoral development across all quarters

Visitors during the Eze-Agunechamba’s father’s funeral could hardly believe it was the same Amaehulu Town Hall they once knew.

This is what purposeful leadership looks like.

Why Visionary & Transformational Leadership Matter

A visionary leader sees farther than others. A transformational leader ignites the people to achieve that vision.

Together, they:

Give direction

Inspire innovation

Build commitment

Unite stakeholders

Turn dreams into realities

Igbo-Ukwu must continue choosing leaders of courage, competence, and character—men with mental, emotional, and intellectual capacity... not mediocrity. Greatness requires ngabasi, not timidity.

As the saying goes:
Only great trees that bear sweet fruits receive stones.

The Journey Continues...

This is yet another long reflection inspired by Eze-Akajiugo—
a reminder that Igbo-Ukwu is on the move, rising steadily toward greatness.

May peace abide with us all as we expect even more remarkable achievements ahead.



By Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie
Personal Assistant to the President-General
(Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment)
Dated this 7th day of December, 2025

HAPPY BIRTHDAY YOUR LORDSHIP.

May your episcopacy continue to be a blessing to us, and may God crown your years with goodness. May your lines remain in pleasant places. Happy birthday my lord.



To God be all thanks and glory. Sir Tim, Lady Pauline Nonye, Sir Chukwudi, Lady Nonye Anigbogu. They are all my husbands. I am very proud of you. God bless and sustain you in your services to him and to mankind. Ndu Umeweni.

EZE-AKAJIUGO SIR BARR (DR) MCK UBAH, THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU POSES WITH SOME OF IGBO-UKWU'S MOST HIGHLY REMARKABLE AND EXEMPLARY KNIGHTS SUCH AS:

1. Late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife
2. Late Akpokuodike Sir Eddy Muoemenam, and
3. Sir Tim Okechukwu Anigbogu

Cardinal Peter Ebere Okpaleke
Bishop of Ekwulobia, Nigeria



May God's name be glorified as we keep working in His Vineyard as we continue to pray for the sweet repose of the giant soul of late Ide JNC Ezeife, Amen!

...Team Eze-Akajiugo

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah presenting a copy of Igbo-Ukwu's Strategy Document to late Akpokuodike Sir Eddy Muoemenam after a church service at Our Saviour's Church, TBS, Lagos. May his gentle soul continue to rest in peace, Amen.

Eze-Akajiugo and Sir Tim Okechukwu Anigbogu during the latter's courtesy visit to the former in Igbo-Ukwu.

KNIGHTHOOD INVESTITURES

THE GRAND INVESTITURE CEREMONY INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS KNIGHTHOOD OF THE ORDER OF ST. CHRISTOPHER ON THE 30TH OF AUGUST, 2025 BY THE DIOCESE OF AGUATA, CHURCH OF NIGERIA, ANGLICAN COMMUNION HELD AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, EKWULOBIA.

Photos below show His Lordship, the Bishop, His Grace, Dr Samuel EZEOFOR and his wife while others are some distinguished Igbo-Ukwu Knights and Ladies who were invested on that day.

The PG of Igbo-Ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah, KSC, veteran worthy Knight of the church, was among those who felicitated with the new Knights and Ladies.

Congratulations to all the newly inducted worthy Knights and Ladies of our church. May your new calling be an additional impetus and zeal to continue to work in the Lord's Vineyard and service to humanity

Congratulations

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, Your Brother and Pee-Gee of Igbo-Ukwu.

For: Team Eze-Akajiugo.



MY NOBLE KNIGHTS AND LADIES, SIR AND LADY CHUKWUDI ANIGBOGU, SIR AND LADY THANKGOD UCHE ONYEKA, SIR AND LADY OBIORA EKEDUM, WELCOME INTO THE KNIGHTHOOD, TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY.

IDU GENERAL DELEGATES MEETING

IN PROGRESS INSIDE THE AMAEHULU TOWN HALL

ON THE 4TH OF AUGUST, 2025





OKPENSI: RECONNECTING WITH OUR ROOTS IGBO-UKWU CELEBRATES ANCESTRY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE



**Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, PA
to the President-General on Media, Mass
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In the sacred heart of Igbo-Ukwu, Ezihu village ushers in the annual observance of Okpensi — a timeless ceremony that honours our forebears, celebrates enduring legacies, and renews the invisible bond between the living and the departed.

True to tradition, neighboring villages join the festivities on the next Eke market day, ensuring that Okpensi resonates across the town as a continuous festival of remembrance and unity.

Families present offerings — fowls, goats, rams, and cows — each a symbol of gratitude, continuity, and respect. Okpensi is not merely ritual; it is the essence of who we are.

OKPENSI AND THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE OF REMEMBRANCE

Honouring ancestors is a practice shared across cultures and continents. From Mexico to Japan, communities worldwide recognize the value of memory, lineage, and spiritual continuity:

Mexico — Día de los Muertos: Families craft vibrant altars adorned with flowers, candles, photos, and beloved foods, welcoming ancestral spirits in a celebration of joy and familial connection.

China — Qingming Festival: Descendants clean graves, offer food, burn incense, and pray, reinforcing lineage and familial honour — mirroring the essence of Okpensi.

Japan — Obon Festival: Lanterns guide ancestral spirits home, accompanied by communal dances and feasts. The veil between the living and the departed becomes delicately thin.

Roman Catholic Traditions — All Saints' & All Souls' Days: Families gather to pray, light candles, and honour both saints and ancestors, acknowledging the sacred thread that binds generations.

These examples demonstrate a universal truth: cultures that remember their forebears remain grounded, united, and spiritually resilient.

Our ancestors are not relics of the past; they are the pillars of our humanity. **To forget our roots is not progress** — it is disconnection.

Through Okpensi, Igbo-Ukwu aligns with global cultures that honour memory, heritage, and the continuum of life.

THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF OKPENSI IN IGBO-UKWU

- 1 Strengthens identity and lineage
- 2 Reinforces morality, discipline, and family cohesion
- 3 Enhances emotional and communal wellbeing
- 4 Supports local artisans, economy, and cultural tourism
- 5 Complements spiritual life without conflicting with Christianity

CALL TO ALL KINDREDS

As Ezihu leads the rites, all other kindreds prepare for their turn on the next Eke:

- Hold family planning and preparatory meetings
- Preserve elders' stories and oral histories

-Clean compounds and ancestral sites

-Teach the youth the songs, meanings, and roles of the rites

-Promote peace and reconciliation among families

-Document celebrations for posterity

Tradition thrives only when intentionally preserved and renewed.

A MESSAGE TO THE YOUTH

Modernity is welcome, but your roots remain your foundation. Ignoring culture leaves a void; embracing it builds:

- Identity
- Balance
- Confidence
- Belonging

Do not elevate foreign traditions above your own — celebrate Igbo-Ukwu boldly, proudly, and knowingly.

IN CONCLUSION

Okpensi is identity.

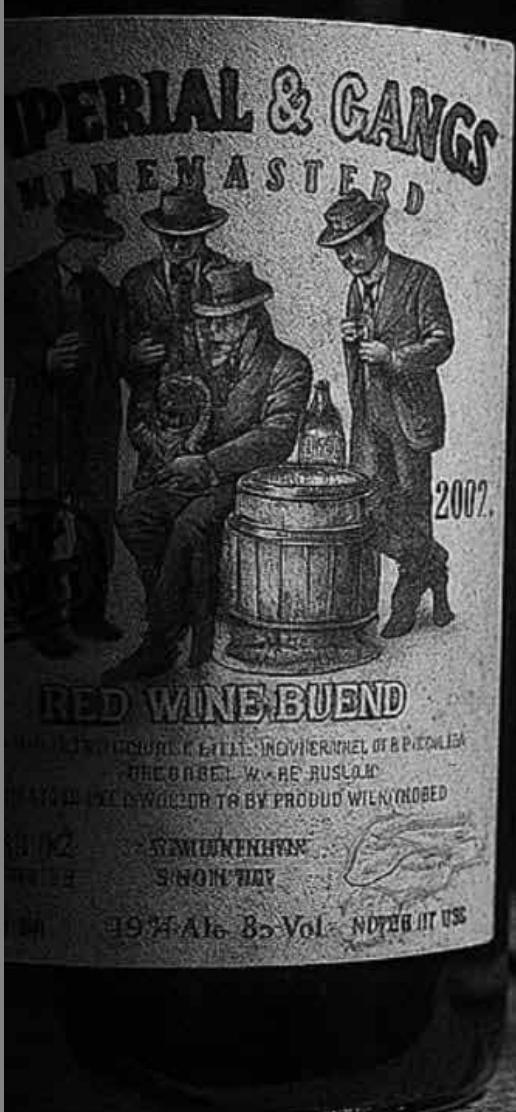
Okpensi is memory.

Okpensi is the bridge between yesterday and tomorrow.

As the next Eke market day approaches, may Igbo-Ukwu rise not only in ritual, but in restored heritage, renewed unity, and reverent tribute to those who came before us.

May Okpensi bring rebirth, continuity, and pride.

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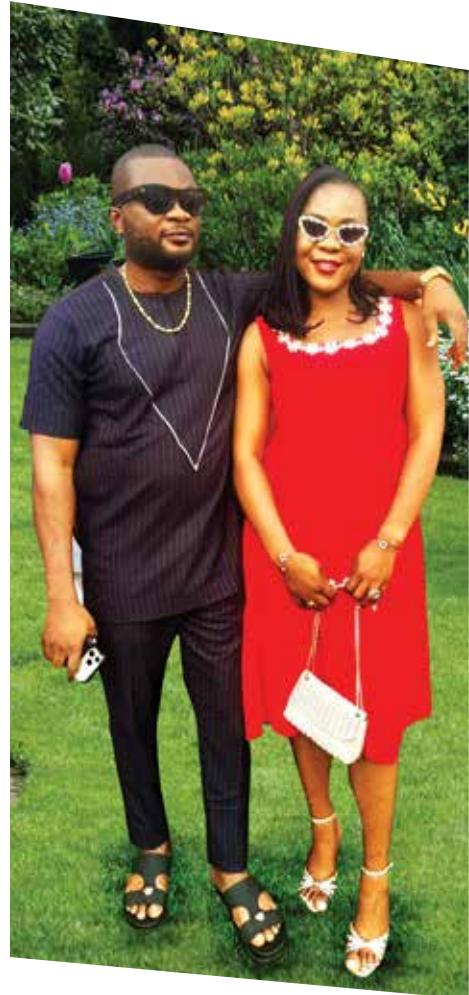
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IDU-LAGOS BRANCH

HOLDS ITS LAST MEETING OF YEAR 2025: SPECIALLY APPLAUDS THE PEE-GEE OF IDU FOR HIS SPECTACULAR PERFORMANCE AS CHAIRMAN DURING ITS FUNDRAISING EVENT OF 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2025!

The PG of IDU Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah was among those who attended the last meeting of IDU Lagos Branch which held on 30th November, 2025 at the Igbo-Ukwu Town Hall, Orile Lagos as Eze-Akaolisa Andy Madumelu, FCA delivered a Free Lecture on Nigeria's New Tax Administration Law.

Official report had it that over N25m was raised during the Union's September 28 Fundraising ceremony which was chaired by the PG himself while HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu was the royal father of the day.

The Branch's Chairman, Sir Chuks Anigbogu and his Exco were hailed by ndi Igbo-Ukwu for sterling outing during the event.

Report was filed by;
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IDU Lagos Branch (P. R. O.)





IDU-EXCO AND GENERAL DELEGATES MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER, 2025



A DAY OF CELEBRATION AND GLORY FOR NDI IGBO-UKWU IN THE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE!



IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE & HIS
EXCELLENCY PETER OBI

Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President-General on Media, Mass Mobilization, and Enlightenment

IDU Lagos Branch: A Beacon of Pride and Progress

On Sunday, 28th September 2025, history was made in Lagos as Ndi Igbo-Ukwu came together to celebrate community, culture, and achievement. Under the distinguished chairmanship of Pee-Gee Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah, the gathering raised funds to upgrade Igbo-Ukwu Hall Lagos and honored the victorious 2024 Christmas Gold Cup-winning football team.

The day radiated with royal splendor, graced by HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu III, his Queen Ocheze, and a distinguished cabinet, including Ezechikwado Dr. IK Muo, Ichie Eze-Eziokwu Josephat Awuligwe, Ichie Ezeuchechukwu JT Okeke, and Ide Ezeokoli.

A Gathering of Titans and Philanthropists

The event drew leaders, philanthropists, and progressives of Igbo-Ukwu, including:

Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi, Okeide Igbo-Ukwu

Chief Dr. Chris Ikechi Ezechukwu, MFR, Chancellor of Christopher University & Chairman, John Holt Plc

Rear Admirals 'Akpu' Chinwuba and Chief Sir Barr Paul Egwuonwu, Ochiagha Igbo-Ukwu

Akpokuodike Sir Eddy Muoemenam served as Chief Launcher, while Arinze Okamelu, Esq. commanded the stage as Master of Ceremony. Their charisma and dedication ensured a program of elegance, purpose, and inspiration.

Love Without Borders: A Philanthropic Overflow

The generosity of Ndi Igbo-Ukwu was extraordinary:

Nze Eze-Amaluemenwanne Emma Azike – N2

million

Ajiboye Dr. Chijioke Callistus Emeka – N1 million

Ezenwagu Dynasty – N3 million

Hon. Jack Ofoma (Ofoma Foundation) – N2 million

Mr. Mark-Anthony Okoye (Maccan International Ltd) – N1 million

The pinnacle of the day: a brand-new 100KVA sound-proof generator worth N35 million, announced by Sir Eddy Muoemenam and Ebubechukwuzo Emma Umenwa, to power Igbo-Ukwu Hall Lagos—sparking spontaneous ovations and jubilation.

A Celebration of Unity, Progress, and Culture

Over N25 million in donations poured in for hall upgrades, AC installations, and more. Special recognition went to IDU Lagos Branch executives, volunteers, youth, and the women's wing, whose tireless efforts ensured success.

The event also highlighted Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu FOUNDATION scholarships and the Sir Eddy Muoemenam Education Scholarship, alongside distribution of 150 bags of rice to selected Ndi Igbo-Ukwu.

As the day drew to a close, one truth resonated:

> Chetanu, na anyi bu ofu!
(Remember, we are one!)

In IDU Lagos, Igbo-Ukwu wins and shines, showcasing a community of borderless philanthropy, love, and unity to the world.

If you want, I can also design a fully formatted magazine layout version with pull quotes, sidebars, and captions so it's ready to drop into a publication—making the visuals match the grandeur of the event.

IDU-LAGOS BRANCH

HOLDS ITS FUNDRAISING LAUNCHING TOWARDS
EQUIPPING ITS LAGOS HALL LOCATED IN ORILE-IGANMU LAGOS...









NIGHT-OUT WITH CHIEF ENGR BART

PRE-TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE CEREMONY NIGHT-OUT AT CHIEF ENGR BART NWIBE'S ETITI VILLAGE IGBO-UKWU RESIDENCE PREPARATORY TO THE THE DAUGHTER'S TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE...



SHARING IGBO-UKWU KINDRED SPIRIT AND COVIVIALITIES...

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TALKING ABOUT ANALOGUE AND DIGITAL LEADERSHIP:



WHAT THE IDEAL DIGITAL LEADER SHOULD BE — THE IGBO-UKWU EXAMPLE!

By Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie
Personal Assistant to the President General
(Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment)

Leadership, in its truest form, cannot be reduced to a mere collection of apps, devices or online tools. Effective leadership is fundamentally human—rooted in relationship, empathy, presence, and sincere communication. While technology enhances access and broadens engagement, digital leadership thrives only when it is powered by genuine interpersonal connection.

Yet, many modern leaders still hide behind emails, forwarded messages and sterile text communication, believing they have "engaged" their people. But real leadership is presence. It is listening. It is showing up.

This is where Team Eze-Akajiugo stands out.

While widely celebrated as a digital leadership era for Igbo-Ukwu, the secret of this administration's success is not technology itself—it is the human heart powering the technology. This is digital leadership enriched by relational engagement, not an armchair, remote-control model of governance.

Team Eze-Akajiugo is present—physically, socially, emotionally and digitally. Their leadership is seen among the people, with the people, and for the people. That is the distinction.

TEN (10) DIGITAL LEADERSHIP LANDMARKS OF TEAM EZE-AKAIJUGO SINCE DECEMBER 30, 2023

1. Real-Time Broadcasting of IDU General Assembly Meetings

Since February 2024, every IDU General Meeting has been streamed live—no breaks, no excuses. Any Igbo-Ukwu son or daughter with a smartphone can now attend meetings from anywhere in the world.

A historic first. A complete game changer.

2. Launch of the Official Igbo-Ukwu Website

With the unveiling of www.igboulwu.org, the community now has a digital gateway for global access to its heritage, programs, opportunities and people.

Seeing is believing... afunanyi ekwe!

3. Online Access to IDU Publications

From "Igbo-Ukwu: The Igbo Cradle" to the groundbreaking 100-page Strategic Action Plan (2024-2028) presented in February 2024, IDU's intellectual resources are now globally accessible. This regime has already delivered far beyond the promises of that document in less than two years.

4. Dynamic IDU Social Media Platforms

Multiple WhatsApp communities now serve as arenas for real-time engagement, including:

- IDU General Notice Board
- IDU Interactive Arena
- IDU Social Events
- IDU EXCO & Elected Officers Platforms
- IDU Lovers of Culture
- ...plus many affiliate groups that connect Ndi Igbo-Ukwu worldwide.

5. Use of Zoom for Emergency Decision-Making

No delays. No bureaucracy. Leadership responds in real time.

6. Acquisition of Communication & Media Equipment

Modern devices now support quality broadcasting, online meetings and real-time coverage of community events.

7. Periodic Executive Online Broadcasts

Direct communication from leadership to the people—transparent, accessible, and real.

8. Digital Release of the Igbo-Ukwu Unity Calendar (2025-2028)

And the upcoming Igbo-Ukwu Unity Diary (2025) further deepen digital mobilization.

9. Preservation of a Digital Photo Archive

A comprehensive image bank documenting the culture, history and daily life of Igbo-Ukwu.

10. Physical Presence + Digital Broadcasting of All Events

Team Eze-Akajiugo attends community events in person, while simultaneously ensuring global access through live digital coverage.

This is why the administration is fondly called: "The Digital Leadership of the Digital PG."

DIGITAL VS ANALOGUE LEADERS: UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCE

Many young people today assume that because they were born in the digital era, they automatically understand digital leadership. But true digital leadership is not age—it is vision.

Bill Clinton was a lawyer with little IT background, yet he midwifed the technological policies that shaped the modern world.

Similarly, a so-called "analogue-era" person can be more digitally intelligent than someone born in the age of smartphones—if they possess foresight, sincerity and the right team.

True leadership is not about gadgets; it is about seeing a need and assembling the right minds to execute solutions.

THE GLOBAL SHIFT: FROM ANALOGUE TO DIGITAL THINKING

Drawing from Ramesh Shankar's insights (May 28, 2021), leadership has evolved dramatically in six key ways:

A. Sequential → Parallel

Yesterday's step-by-step processes are now replaced with fast, parallel actions powered by technology.

B. Hierarchical → Team-Based

Leadership is no longer top-heavy. Ideas now flow from everywhere.

C. Perspiration → Inspirational

Fear-based authority has died. Leaders must inspire.

D. Clarity → Ambiguity

Digital leaders must excel in uncertainty and make bold decisions even without perfect information.

E. Long-Term → Short-Term Cycles

The world now moves in quarters, not decades. Adaptability is key.

F. Known → Unknown

Modern leadership is a journey through unpredictable terrain. Those who can guide their communities through the unknown will succeed.

THE IGBO-UKWU TESTIMONY

Team Eze-Akajiugo embodies all these traits. They lead by example. They embrace technology without abandoning humanity. They show the way, not just tell it.

This blend—analogue wisdom + digital innovation—is what has given Ndi Igbo-Ukwu the most effective leadership model in our contemporary history.

This is digital leadership with a human soul. This is transformational leadership. This is the Igbo-Ukwu example



IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE
PA TO THE PEE-GEE, IDU.

A GOODWILL MESSAGE OF HOPE AND PROGRESS

TO BSSI-OBA

FROM THE GOOD PEOPLE OF IGBO-UKWU ANCIENT
AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL TOWN!

On behalf of the apex leadership, the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu and the good people of Igbo-Ukwu Ancient and Archaeological Town, I bring you this Goodwill Message of Hope and Progress as you hold your AGM.

May your deliberations and final resolutions bring you joy and progress in the years ahead both in your personal lives and that of your Alma mater. May peace and unity continue to yours all through the new year and beyond.

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year ahead!

Signed:

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, BA (Hons), LL.B (Hons), BL, PGD, MBA, D.Lit/- Juris., KSC, AmbP-UN. President-General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU. Please visit Igbo-Ukwu @ www.igboukwu.org







IGBO-UKWU DEVELOPMENT UNION (IDU)

Headquarters: Amaehulu Igbo-ukwu, Anambra State
Office of the Personal Assistant to the President General on
Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment

Date: 10th November, 2025

His Excellency,
Prof. Charles Chukwuma Soludo, CFR
Governor of Anambra State
Olu Atu Egwu Ndi Anambra, Oku Nyelu Ife Ndi Igbo

Your Excellency,

RE: HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RE-ELECTION

On behalf of the President General and the entire Igbo-ukwu Development Union (IDU) worldwide, I am honoured to extend our profound congratulations to you on your well-deserved re-election as Governor of Anambra State.

Your resounding victory reflects the trust, admiration, and unwavering confidence that Ndi Anambra, including the sons and daughters of Igbo-ukwu, have in your visionary leadership, intellectual capacity, and commitment to building a prosperous Anambra. Indeed, the voice of the people has affirmed once again that Soludo is a divine gift to Ndi Igbo.

Your Excellency, Igbo-ukwu and Isuofia share a bond that is historical, cultural, and geographical. This age-long relationship gives us the boldness to make a passionate appeal:

In this second tenure, we humbly request that Igbo-ukwu be transformed and developed to reflect the beauty, order, and progress of Isuofia and Ekwulobia. Your proximity and shared heritage make this vision possible, and we are confident that your administration can achieve it.

We also wish to draw your urgent attention once again to the erosion menace currently devastating Umudege and Obiuno areas of Igbo-ukwu. This environmental challenge has become a serious threat to homes, farmlands, and access roads. We trust that your leadership, known for practical solutions, will intervene decisively.

Your Excellency, our love, loyalty, and confidence in you remain unwavering — demonstrated clearly through our votes and support. We pray that your second term ushers in unprecedented peace, prosperity, and development across Anambra State.

Once again, congratulations, Your Excellency.

Long live Anambra State.
Long live Igbo-ukwu.
Long live Prof. Charles Chukwuma Soludo, CFR.

Yours sincerely,

IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE
Personal Assistant to the President General on
Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment
Igbo-ukwu Development Union (IDU)

A CONGRATULATORY LETTER
TO THE GOVERNOR
BY THE GOOD PEOPLE OF IGBO-UKWU.

COMMUNITY SECURITY MANAGEMENT AND VIGILANTE SERVICES...



The current Commissioner of Police in Anambra State, Nigeria, CP Ikioyer Orutugu, held a strategic meeting with all the 179 PGs of Anambra State under the aegis of the Anambra State Town Unions Council, ASTUC, in Amawbia State Police Command where he briefed the apex community leaders on some emergent security matters ahead of the Yuletide and New Year Seasons.

Eze-Akaijugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah of Igbo-Ukwu, who is the Committee Chairman on General Assembly of ASTUC, while giving the closing prayers thank the Commissioner for creating time to hold such an all-important meeting with them and handed Anambra State Communities to God because, according to him, if God Almighty does not keep watch over a city, in vain the night watchman keeps awake. The Vote of Thanks was given by the ASTUC chairman, Chief Vin Dike, who is also the PG of Oraifite.

We recall that CP Orutugu assumed duty as the 35th Commissioner of Police for the Anambra State Police Command on February 10, 2025, succeeding CP Nnagbo Obono Itam.

Before this role, he served as the Commissioner of Police in charge of the Counter Terrorism Unit at the Force Headquarters in Abuja.

Later on, the Senior Special Adviser to the Governor of Anambra State on Community Security, Mr Ken Emeakai, held a close door briefing with the community leaders.

Earlier, the PGs and the Traditional Rulers of Aguata LGA had a brainstorming session with the Aguata Mayor, Prince Dr Chibize Oforbiye, where he refreshed their minds on the strategic importance of understanding the provisions of the new Anambra State Homeland Security Management Law 2025.

Below are some of the photos culled from both events.

Report filed by:
Team Eze-Akaijugo



COMMUNITY SECURITY MANAGEMENT AND POLICING



In Loving Memory: Celebrating the Life of a Matriarch



Transition To Glory of our Matriarch

With gratitude to God Almighty, the Azike Onedibe Royal Family of Umume and Nwogu Ezeonyenwe of Obeagu, brother of Umudege Village Igboekwu, Aguata Local Government area of Anambra State announce the passing onto glory of our Matriarch, Mother, Sister, Aunt, Mother-in-law, Queen Mother and Grandmother

Late NONO CATHERINE NNUIHE EZEONIDIKE AZIKE ONEDIBE (NEE NWOGU EZEONYENWE) (MAMA IDU 111 OF IGOBUKWU)

88 years

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 2026 | Vigil Mass by 4:00pm
at Her compound Umudege Village Igboekwu

THURSDAY, 8TH JANUARY 2026, | Body leaves Apex Mortuary for brief stop at her father's compound then to Her residence at Idu 111 Palace Igboekwu by 6:00am.
9:00am | **Requiem Mass** by His Eminence, Cardinal Peter Okpalaeke at St. Martin Catholic Church, Igboekwu.
Interment follows immediately after the Mass.

SUNDAY, 11TH JANUARY 2026 | Outing/Thanksgiving Mass by 9:00am at St. Martin Catholic Church, Umudege Igboekwu.

Signed:
HRH Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa
Azike Onedibe (Idu 3 of Igboekwu)
For The Family
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R.S.V.P:
08023249262, 08033408907,
08059997900

The Royal Palace of Idu III of Igbo-Ukwu invites friends, well-wishers, and admirers to honor the extraordinary life of Late Nono Catherine Nnuihe Ezeobidike Azike Onedibe (Nee Nwogu Ezeonyenwe) — a mother, sister, aunt, mother-in-law, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose presence touched every life she encountered. She was the beloved mother of H.R.H Igwe Ejikemekwu Alex Azike Onedibe (Idu III of Igbo-Ukwu), whose life and reign have been deeply inspired by her unwavering love and guidance.

A woman of grace, faith, and resilience, Late Nono Catherine lived a life defined by devotion to family, service to her communi-

ty, and steadfast commitment to her faith. Her legacy is one of warmth, wisdom, and nurturing care — qualities that endeared her to generations of her family and the people of Igbo-Ukwu.

□ Honoring Her Life

The celebration of her remarkable journey will take place over a series of solemn and meaningful rites:

Wednesday, 7th January 2026: A Vigil Mass at her husband's compound in Umudege Village, Igbo-Ukwu, marking the beginning of her final farewell.

Thursday, 8th January 2026:

6:00 AM: The final procession departs from Apex Mortuary, with a poignant stop at her father's compound, before moving to her residence at the Palace of Idu III.

9:00 AM: A Requiem Mass at St. Martin's Catholic Church, Igbo-Ukwu, led by His Eminence, Cardinal Peter Okpalake, celebrating a life of faith, love, and service. Interment will follow immediately, giving her a restful place among her ancestors.

Sunday, 11th January 2026: 9:00 AM: Thanksgiving and outing Mass at St. Martin's Catholic Church, Umudege, Igbo-Ukwu, as family and friends come together to give thanks for a life so beautifully lived.

Late Nono Catherine's life reminds us that true legacy is measured not by wealth or fame, but by love, devotion, and the lives we touch. She leaves behind a family fortified by her wisdom, a community inspired by her compassion, and a heritage that will be cherished for generations.

As we bid her farewell, we celebrate a life well-lived — a matriarch whose spirit, grace, and nurturing soul will forever remain a guiding light for Igbo-Ukwu and beyond.



Signed:
Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie
Personal Assistant to the
President-General on Media, Mass
Mobilization & Enlightenment

IGWE IGBO-UKWU BURIES HIS BELOVED MOTHER!



The Palace of Idu III of Igbo-ukwu announces the glorious transition and burial rites of our beloved mother, sister, aunt, mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother,

Late Nono Catherine Nnuihe Ezeobidike Azike Onedibe (Nee Nwogu Ezeonyenwe) — mother of H.R.H Igwe Ejikemekuwa Alex Azike Onedibe (Idu III of Igbo-ukwu).

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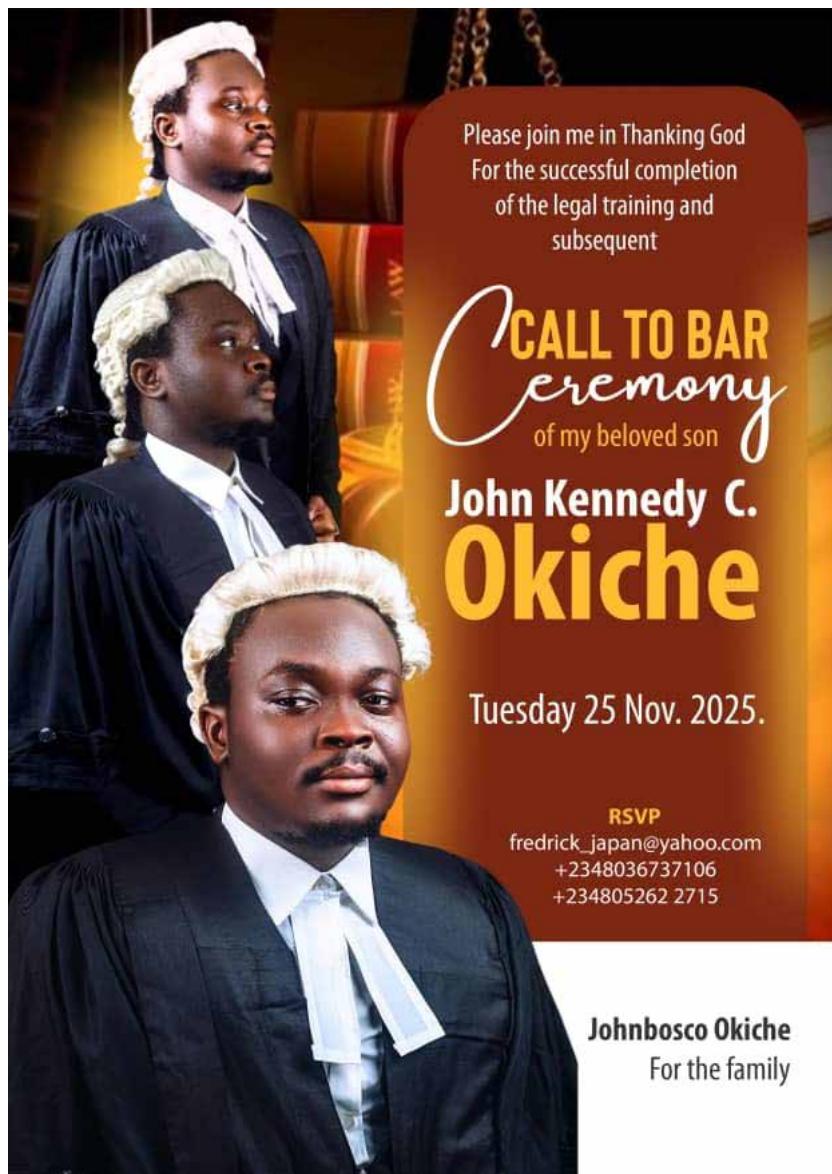
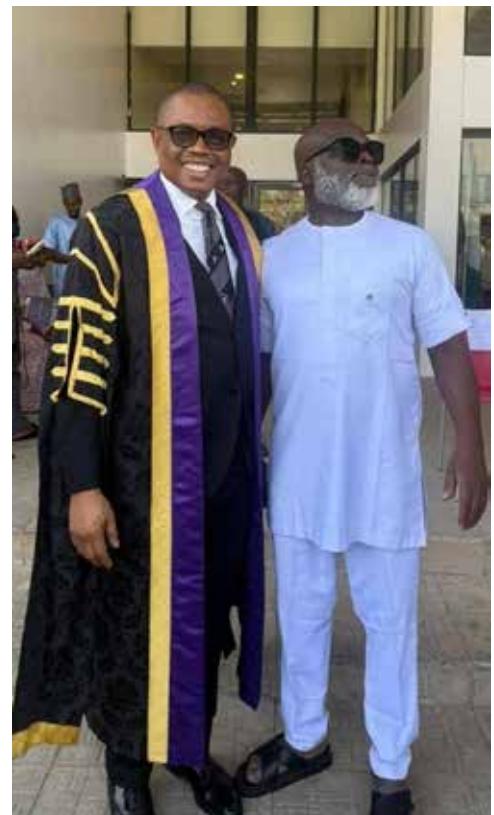
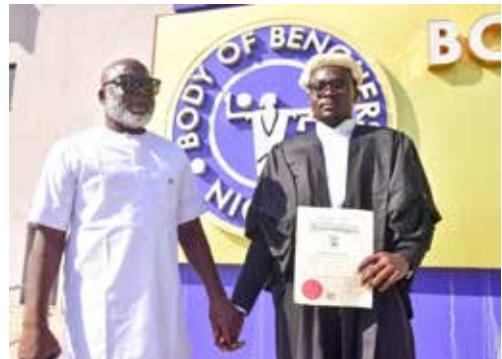
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CALL TO BAR

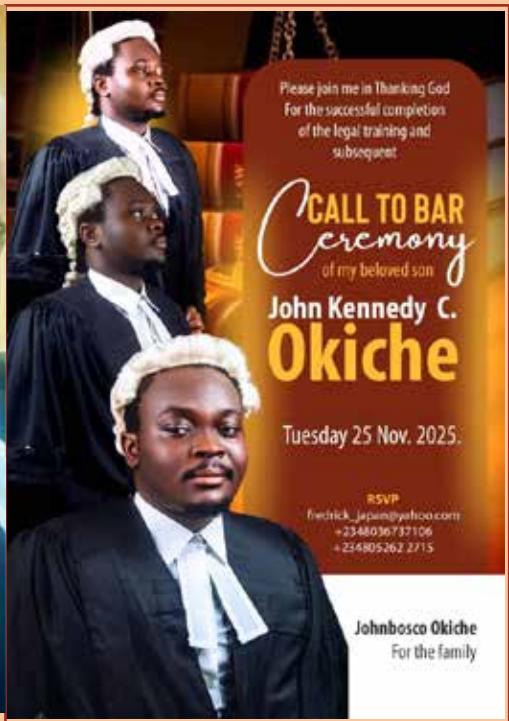




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CONGRATULATES BARR. JOHN KENNEDY C. OKICHE
ON HIS CALL TO THE NIGERIAN BAR!

WE ALSO REJOICE WITH THE ENTIRE FAMILY OF
UME-OCHIAGHA JOHN-BOSCO OKICHE
ON THIS STERLING ACHIEVEMENT OF A LIFETIME!



THE YOUNG MCK UBAH JR. GRADUATES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA, EDMONTON CANADA...19TH OF NOVEMBER, 2025. EZE-AKAJIUGO AND FAMILY CELEBRATE MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENT TO THE GLORY OF GOD...AMEN!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE UBAH FAMILY ON THE GRADUATION OF MCK UBAH JUNIOR FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA, CANADA



Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President-General, Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU)

In a moment that radiates pride across Igbo-Ukwu and beyond, the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU) joyfully celebrates with Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah, and his distinguished family on the successful graduation of MCK Ubah Junior from the prestigious University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

This outstanding achievement stands as a glowing emblem of discipline, resilience, and purposeful upbringing—values carefully nurtured by his eminent parents. At a period when Nigeria's economic realities, especially the daunting dollar-to-naira exchange rate, have made foreign education a formidable venture, this milestone shines with even greater brilliance.

Pursuing academic excellence abroad demands far more than financial commitment. Many young scholars, when exposed to the liberal lifestyle of Western societies, often drift from the foundations that shaped them. Yet, in the midst of these challenges, MCK Ubah Junior has held firmly to his roots—remaining grounded, morally anchored, and guided by the virtues of his heritage.

Our elders captured this kind of formative excellence succinctly:

“Nne ewu na-ata agbara, nwa ya ana ele ya anya na onu.

(The kid learns by watching the mother goat graze.) This proverb mirrors perfectly the character and comportment displayed by this young man—a reflec-

tion of the dignity, discipline, and integrity exemplified by his father.

Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah, the esteemed President-General of IDU, continues to be a beacon of responsible leadership within and beyond Igbo-Ukwu. His commitment to building a generation of well-rounded, culturally rooted, academically sound young leaders is evident in this proud parental and communal victory.

This graduation represents far more than one family's joy—it is a collective triumph for Igbo-Ukwu. It showcases the enduring strength of family values, the impact of exemplary mentorship, and the promise of a new generation poised to elevate the legacy of their fathers.

As IDU joins the Ubah family in celebration, we extend our warmest and most heartfelt congratulations to MCK Ubah Junior. His accomplishment is both a personal victory and a source of inspiration to young people across Anambra State and Nigeria.

May this be the beginning of even greater heights, and may he continue to carry forward the noble ideals of his father while advancing the pride and identity of Igbo-Ukwu in every sphere of life.



IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE &
HIS EXCELLENCY PETER OBI

UNIVERSITY GRADUATIONS

AND AWARD OF HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREES...

AS MR CHIJOKE CALLISTUS EMEKA RECEIVES A PRESTIGIOUS HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



...AND NOW HENCEFORTH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS
DR CHIJOKE CALLISTUS EMEKA!

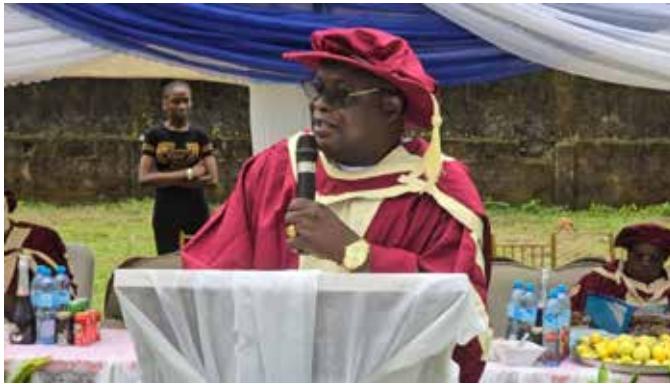


Congratulations to our own Ekene Emeka as he graduates in Masters (LLM) in Petroleum and Environmental Law.

ACONSI 2ND MATRIX/CAPPING CEREMONY

ACONSI UNVEILS A RADIANT ERA AT ITS SECOND MATRICULATION & CAPPING CEREMONY

...A Resplendent Celebration of Dreams, Duty, and Destined
Greatness at Igbo-Ukwu



Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President General on Media Mass Mobilization and Enlightenment

The 31st of October, 2025 will remain etched in the institutional memory of Apex College of Nursing Sciences, Igbo-Ukwu (ACONSI)—a day when the campus at Ihuowelle Ngo, Igbo-Ukwu sparkled with colour, hope, and noble aspirations. The college marked its 2nd Matriculation and Capping Ceremony with a spectacle that blended academic dignity with cultural vibrance.

Under an atmosphere charged with excitement and purpose, stakeholders from various spheres—education, community leadership, healthcare management, parents, guardians, and the new inductees—gathered to honour the future torchbearers of nursing and midwifery in Anambra State, and indeed, Nigeria.

A Convergence of Distinguished Personalities

The event enjoyed the esteemed presence of its Chairman, Ezeakajugo Sir Barr. MCK Ubah, KSC, whose poise and statesmanship elevated the ceremony's significance.

Other eminent guests included:

Professor Uchenna Nwosu, MD (Odenigbo Igbo-Ukwu) – Visitor to the College

Chief Bart Nwibe (Ugo Igbo-Ukwu) – Chairman, Board of Directors, Apex HealthSystem Group

Chief Chika Monanu (Osuofia Igbo-Ukwu) – Chairman, Niger Optical Services Ltd.

Ogbuehi Barr. Ifeanyi Chukwurah (Odu Nkwelle-Ezunaka) – Chairman, Governing Council, ACONSI

Ezechimalueze Sir Ben-Chika Uzoagu – Member, Apex HealthSystem Board & ACONSI Governing Council

Sir Peter Nwegbu representing Ichie Ezeabatam Ntiajuokwu, Ichie Ward 16, Igbo-Ukwu

The Anambra State Director of Nursing Services, Mrs. Dike Christiana, was represented by Mrs. Felicia Afam, who delivered the goodwill message of the state's Nursing Services Department.

Welcoming Over 90 Fresh Scholars

More than 90 students from the Departments of Nursing and Midwifery were officially welcomed into the ACONSI community. Their immaculate white attire and bright expressions captured the spirit of the calling they have chosen—service, humanity, and unwavering dedication.

Leading the academic procession were the college's administrative heads:

Pastor Promise Ekeagba, FAIPH – Provost

Mr. Obike Chianakalam – Registrar

Ms. Mary Naomi Ujah – Bursar

Ms. Oluigbo Nnenna – Librarian

Mrs. Nweje Susan – Head, Nursing Department



Their sense of fulfilment as they ushered the matriculants into their new academic chapter was unmistakable.

Moments of Colour, Emotion, and Inspiration

The day flowed with graceful choreography—uplifting hymns, captivating speeches, ceremonial highlights, and the official unveiling of the college's maiden almanac. The matriculation cake cutting ignited loud applause, symbolizing institutional unity and a collective march toward excellence.

But the moment that gripped every heart was the capping of the students. As each white cap was gently placed, the hall glowed with emotion—parents beaming with pride, students humbled by the weight of responsibility, and lecturers filled with optimism for the future these young scholars will shape.

Words of Wisdom from the Podium

In his keynote address, Chairman of the Occasion, Ezeakajugo Sir Barr. M.C.K. Ubah, offered a masterfully delivered message—encouraging the students to embrace discipline, cultivate professional ethics, and pursue excellence with purpose. His fatherly counsel resonated deeply with the audience.

Professor Uchenna Nwosu, MD took the audience down memory lane, revisiting the pioneering story of the Apex HealthSystem Group. He highlighted its mission to strengthen Nigeria's healthcare workforce through quality education and commended Ndi Igbo-Ukwu for their steadfast support.

The Provost, Pastor Promise Ekeagba, congratulated the students for qualifying to join the institution and urged them to embody the college's core values of integrity, compassion, and service. He further appreciated the Governing Council and the Apex HealthSystem Board for their unwavering contributions to the institution's growth.

A Celebration of Purpose

The ceremony concluded with joyful photography, warm exchanges, and prayers for the journey ahead. It was more than an academic event—it was a testament to vision, determination, and a shared belief in the transformative power of education.

Congratulations to ACONSI!

Congratulations to all the new matriculants!



**GRADUATIONS AND AWARD OF HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREES....
2ND MATRICULATION AND CAPPING CEREMONY OF THE APEX
COLLEGE OF NURSING SCIENCES IGBO-UKWU, ACONSI....**



UNIVERSITY GRADUATIONS AND AWARD OF HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREES...

AWARD OF HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION TO DR OKWY M. EZEANI OF HOMS GROUP LTD...



Classic Weddings & Traditional Marriages

TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE: MR CHIKA NDUKA ONWUMELU (DE BLESSED) OF UMUNONO VILLAGE OF OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU GETS MARRIED AGAIN...



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TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE CEREMONY OF THE PRETTY
DAUGHTER OF EZE-OGBOOGU HON JAVIS ADINMUO....



THE GRAND WEDDING OF THE PRETTY DAUGHTER OF CHIEF ENGR BART NWIBE FNSE

Classic Weddings & Traditional Marriages

IN PORT-HARCOURT ON THE 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

SWEET ECHOES AND REFRESHING MEMORIES FROM THE BEAUTIFUL WEDDING OF UGO IGBO-UKWU'S DAUGHTER LAST SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER, 2025:

A HEARTFELT APPRECIATION MESSAGE TO NDI IGBO-UKWU LIVING IN THE GARDEN CITY OF PORT-HARCOURT!

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu ekeneem unu!

On behalf of the apex leadership of Igbo-Ukwu, I am writing this message with a heart brimming with joy and gratitude for the overwhelming warmth and hospitality you showed me and other visiting folks of Igbo-Ukwu including HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu and some members of his Cabinet, during our last Saturday visit to your city in honour of the wedding ceremony of the pretty daughter of Chief Engr Bart Nwibe fnse, Ugo Igbo-Ukwu. It was indeed awesome and worthy of our deepest appreciation and warmest gratitude.

My journey was not just a trip; it was a profound reunion with my extended family, old school friends, associates and greater ndi Igbo-Ukwu living in that beautiful Garden City that drips with crude oil; your warm and kindred reception made me feel instantly at home.

From the moment I arrived, I was enveloped in an embrace that spoke volumes of our shared heritage and unbreakable bonds. The sight of your joyous faces and the depth of your welcome filled me with immense pride and rejuvenation. From the Airport, Chief Engr Dom

Okafor FNSE positioned a chauffeur-driven black 470 model Lexus SUV for my use throughout my two days trip including a hotel reservation at the bespoke Golden Tulip Hotel Port-Harcourt, fit only for President-Generals! I cannot thank Honourable EDO enough for this VIP treatment and hospitality accorded me and other Igbo-Ukwu stakeholders.

Although Ugo Igbo-Ukwu, the bride's father, had made extensive travel, hotel and other logistic arrangements for some of us, but some other amazing Igbo-Ukwu folks including Chief Sir Ben-Chika Uzoagu, Nze Sir Eze-Ekwueme Kotraco Okoli-Udeafor, Nze Eze-Nwachinemelu Engr Walter Ofordum, and EDO himself took it upon themselves to privately host us in their palatial homes one after the other as a mark of kindred love, honour and warm reception. These gestures brought back and rekindled that forlorn Igbo-Ukwu kindred spirit of old! We thought we could extend our stay in this lovely Garden City by a few more days of jollifications and good life!

Even my good friend, Nkenakpaonye Engr Emeka Okafor, could not hold back his joy that he also volunteered to travel down with me the following day to Igbo-Ukwu in his beautiful one-in-town black SUV apart from other hosting good-time he provided us during the day of the wedding! It's awesome!

The thoughtful arrangements, the delicious meals, the vibrant, kindred banters and conversations we all had, and most importantly, your genuine presence—each gesture was a testament to the strength and spirit of our community, even across the miles. HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu was equally received specially at the Igbo-Ukwu Town Hall, Port-Harcourt to show a warm royal reception and honour. I deeply thank you all!

Your thriving presence as united sons and daughters of Igbo-Ukwu in this city, (IDU Men and IDU Women-wing), is a beacon of hope and resilience, showcasing the enduring values we cherish. Your success is our collective success, and I was truly inspired by the positive strides you are making in your respective endeavours.

In summary, the beauty of a united community of kindred folks with a shared future lies in the unconditional love, warm reception, unwavering support for each other, and profound sense of belonging and cooperation it provides. It creates an intricate, resilient tapestry of shared life experiences and mutual respect that enriches every individual's journey and offers a safe haven in a challenging world like ours.

I left the Garden City on Sunday morning with cherished memories that will forever warm my heart and an even stronger belief in our unity. Nkenakpaonye Engr Emeka Okafor made my journey to Igbo-Ukwu the best road travel experience in years! I cannot thank him enough!

May you all continue to hold onto the traditions and values that define us, while I urge you to avoid those pitfalls that threaten our unity and may our Igbo-Ukwu community continue to prosper.

Thank you, once again, for making our visit so memorable. You have not just accorded me a reception; you have gifted ndi Igbo-Ukwu an experience of pure, unadulterated belonging.

With the deepest appreciation and warmest regards, may God continue to bless Igbo-Ukwu!

Signed:
Eze-Akajugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah,
Your Brother & Pee-Gee
For: Team Eze-Akajugo





THE CLASSIC WEDDING OF
MR CHINEDU OKONKWO OGAMBA AND LILLIAN CHIDIMMA OBIECHI
IN ABUJA.

DATE: 13TH DECEMBER, 2025.



The 13th day of December, 2025 is a special day to remember in the family of Chief Christopher Okonkwo - Ogamba, Akudo Igbo-Ukwu as his first son Christopher Chinedu took his heartthrob, Lillian Chidinma Obiechi of Oraifite, to the alter to sign the dotted line, 'for better or for worse', before their parents, ndi Igbo-Ukwu, Oraifite and the world, at the Our Lady Queen of Nigeria, Pro-Cathedral Catholic Church, Area 3 Garki in Abuja.

It was a wedding of class, glamour and panache as many VIPs were specially drawn from both communities to share love with the new couple. The wedding reception took place under the distinguished chairmanship of Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. Dr MCK Ubah, the PG of Igbo-Ukwu. Other VIPs included Chief & Noono Rob Ezeife, Ahaejiejemba Igbo-Ukwu, Chief Engr Dom Okafor FNSE, Member representing Aguata LGA in the Green Chambers; Ezeagunechemba Cletus Onyemenam of Amir Group Ltd., Eze-Ikemba Ozo Opuruiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka, member of Igbo-Ukwu Hall of Fame; Engr Onuora Nnabugwu, Nwaezefunamba Bro Lithraco Ogbonnua,

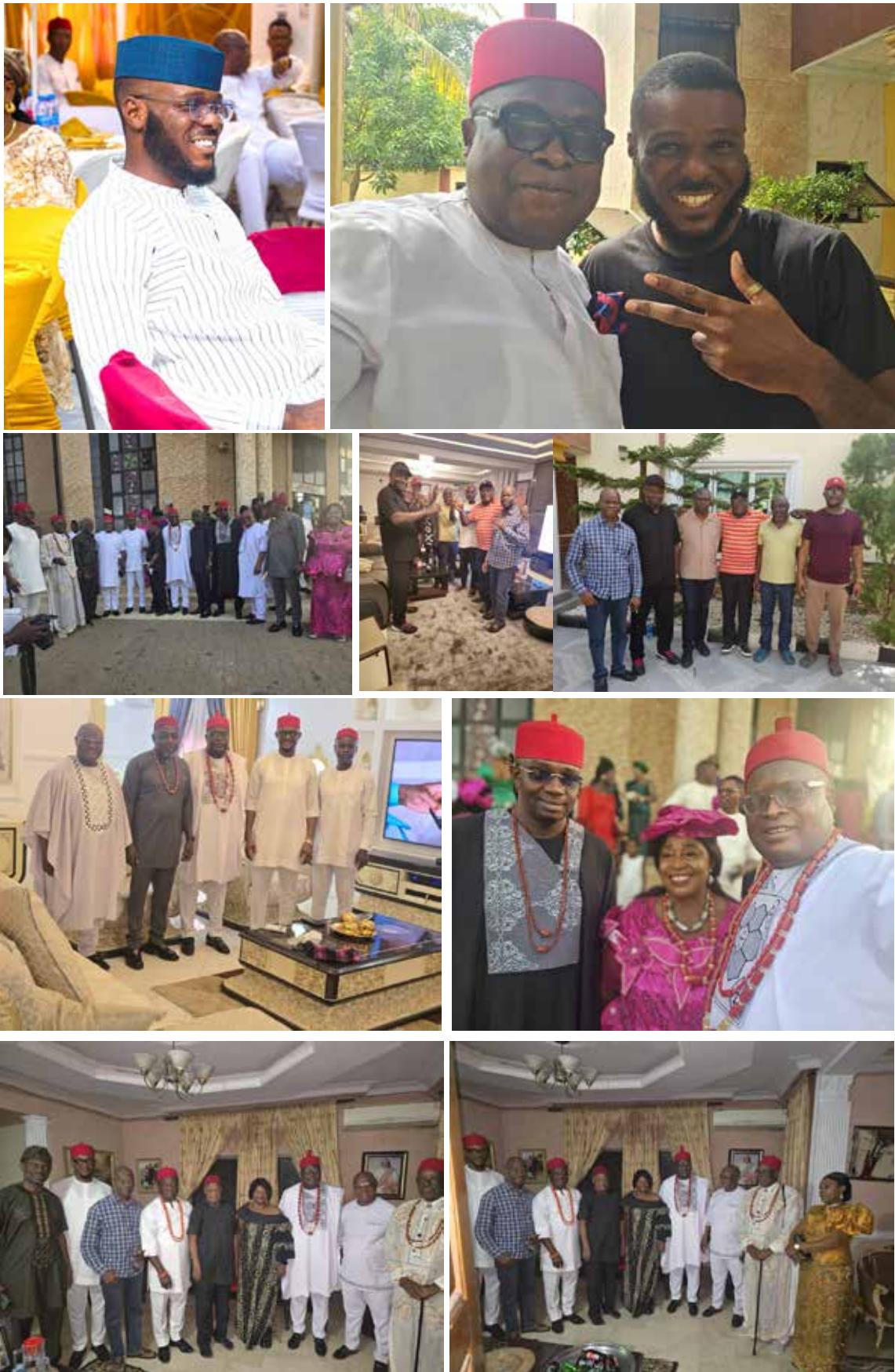
Chief Peter Ezeife, Nze Teddy Ezeike among others.

It's a day to remember in the lives of ndi Igbo-Ukwu as it was a convergence of kindred unity and convivialities.

The PG of Igbo-Ukwu took time to share love with some top flight Igbo-Ukwu folks that converged in Abuja for this special occasion. First, Nze Teddy Ezeike, Nze Engr Walter Ofordum from PH, Sir Tripple J Mgbadike, Ezeaghauche, hosted the PG and other great folks in his cozy house to breakfast. Similarly, Dr Obinna Ezeobi also hosted the group during lunch time before the wedding began while Chief Rob Ezeife hosted the group after the wedding Reception ended. It was a great moment for ndi Igbo-Ukwu...

Happy Wedlock Mr and Mrs Chinedu Okonkwo Ogamba!

THE CLASSIC WEDDING OF
MR CHINEDU OKONKWO OGAMBA AND LILLIAN CHIDIMMA OBIECHI
IN ABUJA.



Chief Rob and Noono Chinwe Ezeife host some Igbo-Ukwu folks in his Abuja Private Residence amidst kindred bonding and convivialities...All is well that is well enjoyed by all.... Igbo-Ukwu amakaaa!



SOME IGBO FOLKS ARE TREATED TO SUMPTUOUS BREAKFAST BY CHIEF PECHEZ EZEIFEKA AHEAD OF THEIR FINAL DEPARTURE AFTER AKUDO SON'S WEDDING...EZE-AKAJIUGO PREACHES UNITY, KINDRED SPIRIT AND PROGRESS IN IGBO-UKWU OF OUR SWEET DREAMS...



The salient outcome and collateral benefit resulting from this weekend classic wedding of Mr & Mrs Chinedu Okonkwo Ogamba in Abuja are profoundly far-reaching maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu. It's a unifying meeting where some high upwardly mobile kinsmen and folks of the couple gathered with love and one accord as a people united by share destiny and heritage. It offered the much lacking opportunity for communal bonding and brainstorming platform to ventilate on ways to move Igbo-Ukwu forward as well as highlight collateral projections that would impact Igbo-Ukwu in ways that would make Igbo-Ukwu the most lovable, livable and prosperous homeland, east of the Lower Niger.

From the collateral profiles and track records of these great folks in the photos above, one would definitely fathom the quality of their thoughts and therefore infer that Team Eze-Akajiugo would do its best to cultivate them 'maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu', particularly the relatively new faces among them. These folks are certainly part of new face of Igbo-Ukwu in the 21st century.

Our host for today is the business mogul and hospitality giant, Chief Peter Ezeifeka of the famed Pechez Hotels Ltd Abuja.

Eze-Chinyelugo Sir Engr Dom Okafor FNSE, our Representative for Aguata LGA Federal Constituency in the Green Chambers, is in the House as

Walter Ofordum flew in from the Garden City of Port-Harcourt.

Eze-Ikemba Ozo Opuruiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka, a renowned Partner of the green energy giant, Felicity Solar Inc, Abuja regional office, has been playing very supportive roles as the special host of the Lagos team led by Eze-Akajiugo.

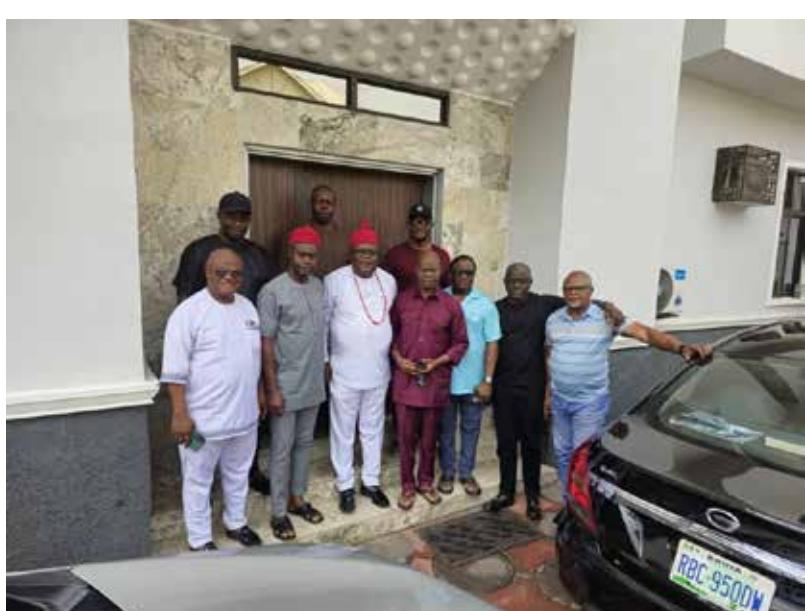
Dr Obinna Ezeobi, top flight General Manager of NCDMB is also in the House.

Again Nze Ezedinachi Engr Sir JP Ebuka Onyemelukwe cannot be left out. In fact he is one of Igbo-Ukwu's fastest upwardly mobile contractor in the FCT and very desirous of being part of Igbo-Ukwu's greatest in the days and months ahead. Please join us to welcome EZEDINACHI EBUKA JP ONYEMELUKWE to the House of upcoming Philanthropist of Igbo-Ukwu!

As we proceed to our various boarding gates in the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport Abuja, may God continue to be there for all of us, Amen!

May God continue to bless Igbo-Ukwu, Amen!

Team Eze-Akajiugo



THE ECHOES AND BEAUTY OF OUR LAST WEEKEND VISIT TO ABUJA... FAR BEYOND AKUDO IGBO-UKWU SON'S WEDDING...

WHAT WAS IN THAT VISIT FOR IGBO-UKWU?



Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah,

Ndi banyi ekeneem unu!

On Friday, 12th December 2025, I left Lagos for Abuja, Nigeria's Federal Capital Territory, in the company of my good friends, Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam, President of Amir Group Ltd., and Nwa-Ezefunamba Bro. Lithraco Ogbonnia, the Chairman of Obiuno Quarter of Igbo-Ukwu and a veteran business leader.

We all had one common mission in mind, which was to attend that 'promised colourful' wedding ceremony of the charismatic son of Chief Christopher Okonkwo Ogamba, Akudo Igbo-Ukwu. His name is Mr Chinedu Christopher Okonkwo, alias Sporsh! And that wedding lived up to its promised billing: classy, glamorous, and a unifier!

Beyond his father's name, Sporsh himself has long walked himself into the hearts of all of us through his humble, respectful, and charming interpersonal relationship with us as well all those he comes in daily contact. He's quite an urbane young man who seeks to carve his own niche in life irrespective of his perceived family background.

Since after returning to Nigeria with a master's degree from the prestigious University of Birmingham in the UK, he has proven that Nigeria is still a country young people can still succeed in entrepreneurship if resilience, determination and focus are brought to bear on one's set goals. He plays in the real estate sector and consultancy.

Sporsh, as some of us fondly call him, is a good sportsman, a stylish tennis player (both Lawn and Table). Like what Tiger Woods does in the game of golf, Sporsh plays tennis so well, such as the style we describe as entertainment and business-like tennis. He is one of the leading tennis players in the Eze-Akajiugo Tennis Court, located behind my countryhome, the AkajiugoGraceVilla Obiuno, Igbo-Ukwu, alongside such other distinctive star players as Umeokaiwu Barr. Zuby Ezech, (son of Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu), Mr Valentine Chukwudi Ezeifeke (son of late Prince Sam Ezeugonna), and Nze Umeozodinobi Chimezie Okoye, (son of late Ezedioramma Omoba), etc., each time we are home for Yuletide and New Year Seasons. This year-end promises to be another sizzling fun-time for all accredited lovers of tennis games in my country home.

However, beyond this wedding was another highly valuable but immeasurable benefit which underpins kindred bonding and community

progress. The value extraction is beyond what words alone can express or convey: the hidden beauty or essence of kindred or kinsmen intentionally bonding together for community development and progress.

Just think about an event that pulled together some of Igbo-Ukwu's brightest and most upwardly mobile businessmen and professionals including Oduigboejeogu Engr Onuora Nnabugwu, Honourable Chief Engr Dom Okafor FNSE, Nze Teddy Ezeike Ezeaghauche, Ezeagunechemba Cletus Onyemenam, Nwaezefunamba Bro Lithraco Ogbonnia, Eze-Nwachinemelu Engr Walter Ofordum, Dr Obinna Ezeobi, Chief Pechez Ezeifeke, Eze-Ikemba Ozo Opuruiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka of Felicity Solar Inc., Nze Ezedinachi Engr Sir JP Ebuka Onyemelukwe among others. Of course, yours sincerely was there as the people's unifier!

This class of men is a representative sample of the new face of Igbo-Ukwu in the 21st century industrial revolution. Drop any idea in this room and you're sure to receive immediate solution and financial backup and much more! This is a salient outcome of this weekend outing in Abuja, and to put it more broadly, the real essence of kinsmen bonding together for community development.

Therefore, the essence of kinsmen bonding together for community development lies in leveraging shared identity and mutual trust to achieve collective goals that individuals could not reach alone.

The real beauty and essence of kindred or kinsmen bonding include:

Social Cohesion:

Deepened bonds strengthen the community's social fabric, leading to enhanced stability and cooperation. This unity makes the community more resilient to external and internal challenges.

Mutual Support Systems: Kinship networks often serve as informal safety nets, providing emotional, financial, and practical support during times of need (e.g., illness, natural disasters, or personal crises).

Trust and Cooperation: Pre-existing trust among kinsmen facilitates cooperation and reduces the friction often found in diverse groups. This inherent trust makes it easier to pool resources, share knowledge, and collaborate on projects with shared governance.

Preservation of Culture and Values: Bonding together helps in passing down shared values, traditions, and cultural heritage to younger generations. Community projects often reflect and reinforce these shared identities.

Mobilization of Resources: Kinship ties offer a potent mechanism for mobilizing human, financial, and material resources quickly and efficiently. This can accelerate development projects from building schools and infrastructure to establishing community enterprises.

Collective Action and Influence: A united front allows the group to advocate more effectively for their needs with local or national government bodies, granting them a stronger collective voice than they would have individually.

In essence, these bonds transform individual efforts into a powerful, sustainable collective force for progress, rooted in a shared history and a common future maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu.

So long...

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah,
Your Brother and Pee-Gee

HAPPY Birthday

With hearts full of joy and gratitude to God, the Ezeilo family invites you to join us in celebrating a truly extraordinary milestone — the 100th birthday of our beloved matriarch, Ezinne Monica Nwokuabia Ezeilo .

Details are in the invitation.

Thanks, as we look forward to celebrating and enjoying with you.

Fr Louis



HAPPY
*Birth*day



Bro. Ikenna Okonkwo

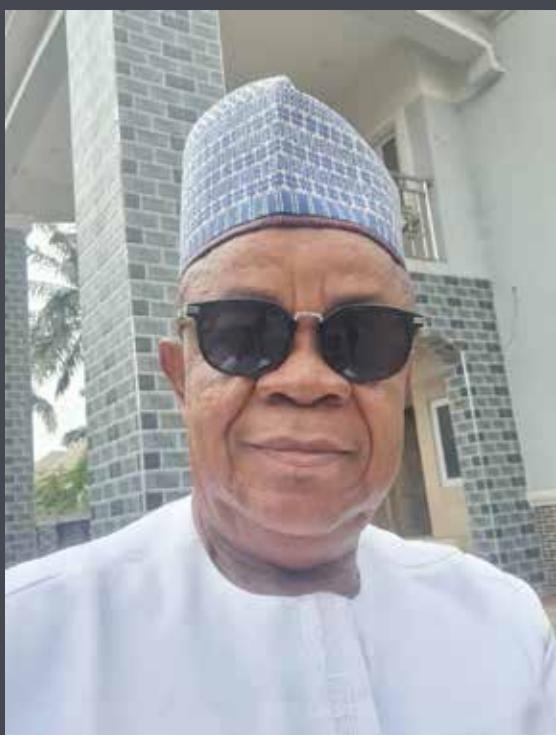
Chi a Ọ ga ekwekwa ji, when we are forgetting to celebrate Engr. Bro. Ikenna Okonkwo. Nwanne jụlụ obi. It is his 54th birth Memorial today. Let's keep shouting out to him the brainy and hearty one. Resilience and success is his title as a private individual and certified leader especially in the church. He remains a confirmed human developer. Calling him a philanthropist is an understatement, but just know that he is Agape personified.

He is away to South America - Argentine Capital, Buenos Aires - for a conference with the effect of time difference, but we won't forget. More years and more blessings.

MEET ENGR IKENNA OKONKWO, FNSE, PROPRIETOR OF ACOMEF. He is one of the frontline promoters of sports and educational development, not only in Igbo-Ukwu, but in the whole of Aguata sub- regions. He hails from Ward 10 of Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu.

Team Eze-Akajiugo appreciates his unflinching support to our youths and sports development.

Team Eze-Akajiugo.



Happy Birthday, Arc. Okey Ezeh!
Chairman/CEO, Delly-Kay International Ltd.

...a man whose brilliance radiates across many fields—a true polymath whose life story is painted in bold strokes of excellence, passion, and service

Arc. Okey Ezeh is not just an architect by training; he is an architect of vision, of opportunity, and of transformation...and embodies the rare blend of intellect and heart that continues to inspire all who cross his path.

On this Birthday Celebration, I wish him many more fruitful years ahead...

Congratulations,sir!

Arinze Okamelu,Esq.

AKAOMAJIDEAKU ARINZE OKONKWO CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY...

DONATES MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS TO ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU AS WELL AS COMMISSIONS THE REROOFED PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCK ETC



SYMPHONY OF GRATITUDE: Mrs. Anulika Okonkwo Revitalizes Obiuno Primary School, Igbo-Ukwu

In a display of heartfelt generosity and profound gratitude, Mrs. Anulika Okonkwo, the gracious and ever-amiable wife of Mr. Arinze Okonkwo (Akaomajideaku), President of Mic Vazok Nigeria Ltd, has breathed new life into Obiuno Primary School, Igbo-Ukwu. Nestled within the serene grounds of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the school—once marred by neglect and disrepair—has now been transformed into a vibrant beacon of hope and learning, a tribute to the formative role it played in shaping her husband into the man he is today.

For years, Obiuno Primary School bore the scars of time: a dilapidated four-classroom block, leaking roofs, and walls that had long cried out for care. Today, thanks to Mrs. Okonkwo's visionary philanthropy, the school stands renewed—its structures restored, its classrooms brightened, and its spirit rekindled.

Described by the community as a "silent miracle," the renovation encompassed a complete replacement of crumbling roofs, installation of modern ceilings, fresh coats of lively, welcoming paint, and new facilities designed to inspire both joy and learning. Beyond the classrooms, pupils can now enjoy a playground teeming with life, volleyball and basketball courts, and a restored bandstand equipped with a 12-set venom repair system.

Mrs. Okonkwo's generosity extended to the school's cultural and recreational life, donating a full musical ensemble—including drums, trumpet, keyboard with stand and adopter—while also gifting sports and games equipment: football and volleyballs, a volleyball net, traditional 'ncho' sets, chess and ludo boards, ensuring that play and learning now walk hand in hand.

In an emotional reflection, Mrs. Okonkwo revealed that her act of giving is her way of saying "thank you" to the school that nurtured her husband. She recounted how young Arinze Okonkwo often spoke fondly of his time at Obiuno Primary, particularly of a beloved teacher, Mr. Obisii, who taught Arithmetic with stern love and prophetic encouragement.

"Whenever he struggled with Arithmetic," Mrs. Okonkwo shared, "Mr. Obisii would call him out in the school compound

and say, 'My dear, you will not waste; you will become someone in life.' Those words stayed with him, guiding him to the man he has become."

Though Mr. Obisii has passed on, his influence endures—immortalized through the school's renewed spirit and Mrs. Okonkwo's transformative gift.

Originally intended as a modest commissioning, the event quickly blossomed into a jubilant celebration, drawing the entire community to honour this remarkable act of benevolence. Distinguished dignitaries graced the occasion, including:

- Mr. Arinze Okonkwo (Akaomajideaku) representing his wife
- Sir Barr. MCK Ubah (Ezeakajiugo), President General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU)
- Hon. Leonard Ogbonnia (Lithraco), Chairman, Obiuno Development Union (ODU)
- Chief Christopher Okonkwo, Ezeakudo Igbo-Ukwu
- Parish Priest, St. Patrick's Catholic Church
- Community leaders Ide Olisakwe Nwakaibie (Ward 10, Umuezemuka) and Omekananya, Mr. Ifeanyi Oforkaja
- Arinze Okamelu, Esq.
- Members of the Parents-Teachers Association, alongside pupils and teachers whose joy filled the air.

Special recognition was given to the Head Teacher, Mrs. Nwankwo Beatitude Chika, for her steadfast support throughout the project. In a moving gesture, pupils and staff presented Mrs. Okonkwo and her husband with a token of appreciation—a small gift for an act whose impact is immeasurable.

Speaking through a representative, Mrs. Okonkwo reminded all that "The good we sow in the lives of children will never be wasted." Her vision, compassion, and gratitude illuminate the truth of her words, standing as a timeless example that giving from the heart creates legacies that endure.

Indeed, Obiuno Primary School now shines not just as a place of learning, but as a living testament to gratitude, love, and community spirit—an enduring symphony of hope orchestrated by a remarkable woman.

**AKAOMAJIDEAKU ARINZE OKONKWO
CONGRATULAES TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO**

...IT WAS A HUGE ACHIEVEMENT THESE PAST 2 YEARS!



SPECIAL VISITATIONS:

THE PG PAYS SPECIAL VISIT TO MR C.J. IBEH OF UMU-UMERSIEGBU WARD 11 OF NGO IGBO-UKWU



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HON NORBERT IJEZIE PAYS A SPECIAL
PRIVATE VISIT TO THE PG OF
IGBO-UKWU IN HIS AKAJIUGOGRACE-
VILLA PRIVATE RESIDENCE, OBIUNO
IGBO-UKWU...

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A SPECIAL VISITOR TO THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU:

**PROF UCHENNA NWOSU, ODENIGBO IGBO-UKWU PAYS
A SPECIAL VISIT TO THE PG MAKI ODINMA IGBO-UKWU...**



**PROF FABIAN OKAFOR, SEEN HANGING OUT
WITH SIR BARR. MCK UBAH, EZE-AKAJIUGO.**



Prof Fabian Okafor, current chairman of IDU Committee on 2011 Constitution Review. Odenigbo Igbo-Ukwu was a former chairman of the same Committee.

IGBO-UKWU BUILDING MATERIALS TRADERS FORUM

Igbo-ukwu being the cradle of Igbo civilization and the archaeological town always do their best in uniting and orchestrating brotherly love wherever they find their self.

In the spirit of brotherhood, the indigenous people of Igbo-ukwu , who are into building materials/plumbing trading based in Lagos deemed it wise to unite themselves, that's brought the birth of Igbo-ukwu building materials traders forum based in Lagos state.

Today was a remarkable day as we held our last meeting of the year/End of the year party.

To God be the glory

On the other note, On our mist was our digital PG of Igbo-ukwu development union,Nze MCK Ubah (Ezeakajugo) ,who was also accompanied by his counterpart, The president general of Akpo town, who received him as steps in his domain,

Also in the event was the president general of Odunade building materials market,who on his own gave the younger ones an inspiration and encouragement talk,

The likes of Mr Mike Nwesgu(Micado),Mr Wilson Umeoduagu, Sir Agozie Anaemena (AA Dennis)Mr Nonso Ekwuchi(Okewa) and Mr Chukwuma Okafor Abanobi(Awuja C), CEO White House sanitary and Egovilla hotel and suites Obiuno Igbo-ukwu was there present.

There was assorted drinks and foods which was sponsored by some of our Brothers, May God replenish their pockets.

We pray and hope that next year will be more better than this year,we ask God to continue to bless us, provide for us and protect our various business .

Our regards goes to the chairman of the forum,Mr Ndubisi Akachukwu (Arinokgroups),Mr Ezeifeke Valentine (kingval) the PRO and other executive who sees that today events was a reality.

Thanks and God bless us

Truly, we are one

Long live Igboukwu building materials/plumbing materials dealers forum,Lagos.

Long live Igboukwu

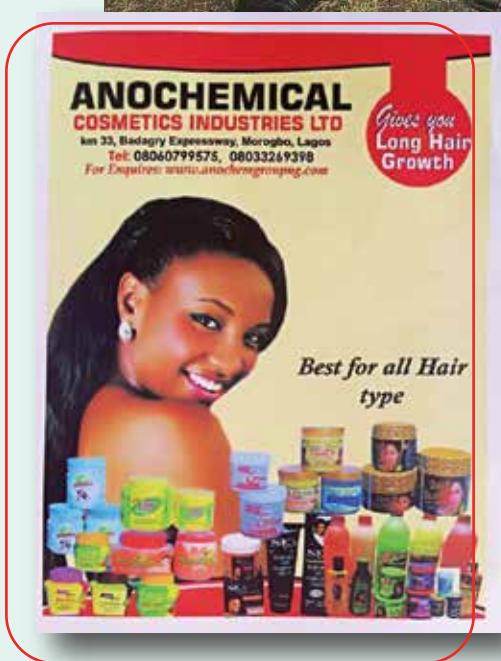
Below is photos from today events.

Ezeifeke Valentine Chukwudi
PRO



CHIEF ANTHONY OKAFOR,

EZENWAGU IGBO-UKWU & PEACE AMBASSADOR FELICITATES
WITH TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO!



TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO *Play*
HALF-TIME

WISHING NDI BANYI...A MERRY CHRISTMAS AHEAD...

"YOUR ATTITUDE DETERMINES YOUR ALTITUDE..."



...BELIEVE ME, A LOT IS LOOKING UP AT OUR AMAEHULU TOWN HALL IGBO-UKWU IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS AWAY!



Ndi Igbo-Ukwu ekeneem unu!

Let me start by saying that, indeed, things are looking up in our beloved Igbo-Ukwu community. The phrase "things are looking up" is an idiom that means that a situation is improving or becoming more hopeful, especially after a period of difficulty or troubled times.

Again, let me explain what I mean by saying: "Your attitude determines your altitude." Back in the years when I began listening to some famous motivational speakers including Zig Ziglar, I fell in love with this expression: "Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude." It is actually a motivational saying that emphasizes that one's mindset and approach to life are more critical to success than one's natural talents or skills.

Therefore, I make bold to say that a positive and determined mindset is a cornerstone for personal and professional growth, enabling individuals to soar to great heights irrespective of their inherent talents.

In the weeks and months ahead, our Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu will wear a beautiful new look away from its bushy exterior and decrepit dark interior.

Our Current Efforts and Pipeline Deals...

-Replacing that decrepit old-fashioned terrazzo-floor with beautifully laid modern granite tiles that can withstand agelong human traffic. This project will cost about N12m. Already, Professor Benji Nwosu, a quintessential physician and medical researcher based in the USA, has fully paid in his N4m to kick-start the work. Again, his Big Brother, Dr Sunday Nwosu, another fantastic son of Igbo-Ukwu, a highly brilliant medical doctor and philanthropist, has promised to pay in another N4m in a couple of days.

- The thickly bushy exterior 'look and feel' of our Amaehulu Town Hall compound will also wear another refreshing new look, courtesy of our upwardly mobile kinsmen of the Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club of Lagos IYDCL who promised to handle the interlocking project with N10m. The good news is that they have committed to paying in 70% or N7m of this amount this coming week. Already, for both inside and outside projects, we have conducted all the pre-project execution arrangements: procurement and other feasibility studies in strategic readiness to plug in and play...

- The donation of some fully packaged air-conditioning units to Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu by the Group President of ASJAY ELECTRONICS LTD. These units are about 5 in numbers to be delivered as soon as the interior works, adequate security, electrical service lines for the ACs and dependable power supply are in place asap.

- Already, our Honourable Representative for Aguata Federal Constituency Seat in the National Assembly Abuja, Chief Engr Sir Dom Okafor FNSE, Nze Ezechinyelugo, has installed full solar lights inside our Amaehulu Town Hall and the IDU National Secretariat. We now have 24/7 reliable power supply in and outside the Amaehulu Town Hall compound Igbo-Ukwu.

-Again, we are expecting the arrival of 100 units of golden chairs for executive and other special uses inside the Amaehulu Town Hall, courtesy of Eze-Ikemba Ozo Opuruiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka, Group Partner, Felicity Solar Inc..

-Team Eze-Akajiugo's Half-time program for the Yuletide Season IDU-AGM is still loading! Expect a lot of goodies...

-Our 6th Edition of the authoritative Igbo Trumpet Magazine is still loading...please subscribe now: advert placements, Goodwill Messages, Condolence messages to Igwe Igbo-Ukwu on the death and burial ceremony of his mother come 8th January, 2026...hurry now while offers last...

- And much more...

We think to grow richer in mind and executive legacies maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu...

Lots of love to you ...
And Merry Christmas!

Eze-Odebeatu
For: Team Eze-Akajiugo.





Our digital PG Nze Ezeakajiugo and his friends at Oquinis Oforejiejemba Aguata wife's burial.



Special Visit to the King: HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu by a Special Delegation from Ebe Ozo Obiuno led by its Chairman, Nze Ezeohamadike Felix Chuks Okoye. The PG of Igbo-Ukwu and Nze Eze-Ogboogu Hon Javis Adinmuo jp were also part of the delegation. Date: May 15, 2025



"YOUR ATTITUDE DETERMINES YOUR ALTITUDE... OUR COMMUNITY IS AS GREAT AS ITS LEADERS..." Please Support Team Eze-Akajiugo to make Igbo-Ukwu greater than we met her...



Merry
Christmas...!

Lots of love from all of us
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REPORT ON THE ENDORSEMENT OF PROF. C.C. SOLUDO AND SPECIAL HONOUR TO HON. ENGR. DOM OKAFOR (FNSE) BY AGUATA UNITED TRADERS ASSOCIATION, MGBUKA OBOSI — HELD AT THE RESIDENCE OF ENGR. DOM OKAFOR, IGBO-UKWU (2/11/2025)

polling-unit leaders, women groups, youth mobilizers and grassroots structures across Aguata LGA

Their collective presence re-emphasized the strategic importance of the meeting and the seriousness with which Igbo-Ukwu and Aguata approach their political destiny.

Three Major Pillars of the Day

The outing served three major, interconnected purposes:

1. A Formal Honour to Hon. Engr. Dom Okafor (FNSE)

The Aguata United Traders Association presented an award to Hon. Okafor—celebrating his quality representation, legislative effectiveness, accessibility, and continuous engagement with the needs of the people.

2. A Unified Endorsement of Governor Soludo for Re-election

In one voice, the traders, leaders and community stakeholders affirmed Governor Soludo as the preferred candidate for continuity, stability and progress in Anambra State.

3. Mass Mobilisation & Voter Enlightenment for November 8, 2025

The gathering also served as an enlightenment forum to reawaken civic responsibility—making it clear that every single vote matters, and Igbo-Ukwu must speak loudly at the polls.

Why Governor Soludo Earned the Endorsement — Key Achievements Reminded to the People

Hon. Engr. Dom Okafor extensively highlighted the accomplishments of Governor Soludo's administration—achievements that have resonated across communities in Anambra State:

Massive recruitment of teachers and renewed investment in public education

Free antenatal and delivery services, significantly supporting maternal health

Road construction and infrastructural renewal across local government areas

Prudent financial management, with the government emphasising that these achievements were realized without bank borrowing

Expansion of ICT and digital governance, positioning Anambra as a modern, innovation-driven state

These performance indicators formed the backbone of the traders' endorsement, reinforcing the belief that continuity means accelerated development.

A Call to Action for All Sons and Daughters of Igbo-Ukwu & Aguata

In my capacity as the officer saddled with media, enlightenment and mobilisation for our community, I emphasized the need for collective political participation as we approach November 8, 2025:

Ensure your voter registration and eligibility are in order

Mobilise your family, neighbours, church members, market groups and youth circles

Use the strength of our community unions and traders' networks to coordinate movement and support for voters on election day

Maintain peace, respect the process, but demonstrate our power through numbers

Spread correct information—remind others what is at stake and why continuity is vital

We must not leave our future to chance. The polling units must feel the presence of Igbo-Ukwu.

Conclusion

The endorsement of Governor Soludo and the honour bestowed on Hon. Engr. Dom Okafor stand as clear testament to our community's readiness to shape its political and developmental future.

Igbo-Ukwu and the entire Aguata have declared that we are not spectators—we are active participants in governance. We know what we want; we know what we stand for; and we are prepared to defend it with unity, strength and decisive action.

As we march toward November 8, 2025, let our resolve be one voice, one purpose and one direction—to deliver massively for Governor Soludo and ensure continued growth, stability and progress for our people.

To every trader, youth leader, woman mobilizer, ward chairman, PU representative and support group—your presence is valued, your voice is powerful, and your vote is the key.

Ifiayi Ohazulume Ijezie
Personal Assistant to the President General on Media,
Mass Mobilisation & Enlightenment.

Written by: Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President General on Media, Mass Mobilisation & Enlightenment

In what could best be described as a powerful convergence of community strength, political awareness, and developmental commitment, the Aguata United Traders Association, Mgbuka-Obosi, joined by leaders and stakeholders from across Igbo-Ukwu and the wider Aguata region, gathered at the stately Igbo-Ukwu residence of Hon. Engr. Dom Okafor (FNSE) for a historic outing.

This momentous event served as a dual celebration—first, the formal recognition of Hon. Okafor, the distinguished Member representing Aguata Federal Constituency, for his impactful and people-oriented representation; and secondly, the unified endorsement of Professor Charles Chukwuma Soludo, the Executive Governor of Anambra State, for a second term in office.

In a remarkable demonstration of solidarity, the traders collectively announced a N1,000,000 support donation to Governor Soludo's re-election bid—an unmistakable sign of confidence and preparedness ahead of the November 8, 2025 gubernatorial contest.

A Gathering of Pillars and Torchbearers of Our Community

The event drew a rich assembly of respected leaders whose presence added weight and credibility to the day's activities. Among them were:

Eze-Akaijugo Sir Dr. MCK Ubah, President General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union

High Chief Pius Adimmuo (Eze-Ogboogu), Former PG, Igbo-Ukwu

Chief Basil Osuokwu (Eze-Omenyili Ora)

Hon. Evarist Uba (Oba Nnabuenyi), SA to the Governor on Markets & Parks

Hon. Chike Anyaonu, MD, Anambra State Housing & Urban Development Corporation

Numerous councillors, ward executives,

ANAMBRA STATE POLITICS...

REFRESHING RE-ELECTION ENDORSEMENT TO GOVERNOR SOLUDO

GOVERNOR SOLUDO RECEIVES A REFRESHING RE-ELECTION ENDORSEMENT FROM NDI IGBO-UKWU AT THE ST PAUL'S CENTRAL SCHOOL FIELD IGBO-UKWU. A CHEQUE OF N50M WAS PRESENTED TO HIM BY THE IGBO-UKWU STAKEHOLDERS AND PATRIOTS ON BEHALF OF IGBO-UKWU. DATE WAS 5TH OF AUGUST, 2025. INEC HAD SCHEDULED BOTH THE GUBER ELECTION AND THE ANAMBRA SOUTH SENATE SEAT ELECTION FOR THE 8TH OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

ELECTIONS RESULTS: GOVERNOR SOLUDO RECEIVED A LANDSLIDE RE-ELECTION VICTORY AS THE GOVERNOR OF ANAMBRA STATE FOR ANOTHER TERM OF FOUR YEARS WHILE SENATOR EMMA NKACHUKWU (ONODUGO) OF APGA WON.

IKUKUOMA NICHOLAS UKACHUKWU WHO CONTESTED ALONG WITH IYOM DR UCHE EKWUNIFE AS DEPUTY UNDER THE APC FLAG LOST THE ELECTION TO GOVERNOR SOLUDO + DR IBEZIM AS DEPUTY OF APGA.



DR GEORGE MOGHALU OF LABOUR PARTY



WOES NDI IGBO-UKWU TO VOTE FOR HIM AS GOVERNOR,
PAYS A COURTESY VISIT TO THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU



Go And Get Me Anambra, You Have My Full Support — Tinubu Tells Ukachukwu



....presents APC Guber flag to him and his running mate, Ekwunife

President Bola Ahmed Tinubu has expressed his optimism about the All Progressives Congress (APC) emerging victorious in the upcoming Anambra State governorship election.

The President made this known on Monday when he presented the APC flag to the party's candidate in the State, Evan Nicholas Ukachukwu, and his running mate, Senator Uche Ekwunife, when he received them their at the State House in Abuja.

During the presentation, Tinubu told Ukachukwu to "go and get me Anambra," as he handed over the party flag, to signal his full support and confidence on the candidate and his running mate's ability to win the election. The President assured the candidates that the party would stand by them "come rain, come shine," emphasizing that victory is paramount.

"We are going to work with you. We are going to stand with you come

rain come shine. That is all I can assure you. The party is supreme, but victory is superior and very important," the President said.

Tinubu commended the leadership of the party at both national and state levels for their efforts towards the success of the candidate and the party during the gubernatorial primary of the party in April.

He particularly praised the choice of Senator Ekwunife as Ukachukwu's running mate, describing her as a "round peg in a round hole."

"Distinguished Senator Ekwunife, your choice as our candidate's running mate is a superlative one. I have no doubt of the party's victory with you and our flagbearer. We are putting you forward in order to hold the party in trust for us and achieve victory for us. You and our candidate have been described as giant killers, and I wish you both success," he said.

The flag presentation was attended by prominent party members, including the National Chairman of the APC, Dr. Abdullahi Ganduje, and the Chairman of the APC Governors' Forum, Governor Hope Uzodinma of Imo State. The Chief of Staff to the President, Rt. Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila, was also in attendance.

With the party flag in hand, Ukachukwu and Ekwunife are poised to take on the challenge of winning the Anambra State governorship election, backed by the support of President Tinubu and the APC leadership.

~ Chibunna Esedo, anipr.

BE YOUR BROTHER'S KEEPER AS TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO VISITS A SICK TEAM-MATE ABIG CHINEDU ONWUMELU, WHO'S PROVOST 2 IN THE IDU EXCO.





APGA FINAL CAMPAIGN TRAIN COMES TO IGBO-UKWU... —



ANAMBRA STATE GOVERNORSHIP ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

IN ACTION AS DISTINGUISHED SENATOR IYOM DR UCHE EKWUNIFE HOSTS NDI IGBO-UKWU IN HER FATHER'S HOMESTEAD ON THE 3RD OF AUGUST, 2025 AHEAD OF ANAMBRA GUBER ELECTION FIXED FOR THE 8TH OF AUGUST, 2025. TEAM EZE-AKA JI-UGO AND OTHER IGBO-UKWU STAKEHOLDERS AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE APC GRACE THE OCCASION IN A KINDRED SOLIDARITY AS NNUKWU ADA IGBO-UKWU AND A MERIT CHIEF, ADAUGO IGBO-UKWU!



THE D-DAY OF THE GUBER ELECTION IN ANAMBRA STATE AS THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU TOURS ROUND THE POLLING BOOTHS ACROSS IGBO-UKWU TO ENSURE PEACE AND ORDER REIGN....8TH NOVEMBER, 2025



ANAMBRA STATE POLITICS...

THE AGUATA LGA MAYOR'S COMMUNITY:

UMUCHU WELCOMES AGUATA MAYOR HOME AS A MARK OF HONOUR
FOR QUALITY REPRESENTATION IN OFFICE THUS FAR...



ASTUC AGUATA

LAST OFFICIAL MEETING OF THE YEAR 2025 AT IGBOUKWU TOWN HALL ON 7/12/25



The chairman ASTUC AGUATA Hon Ken C Okoli (IDE) welcomed all in attendance, opening prayers were said by 13.13GMT.

Igboukwu Town presented colanuts which were accepted by ASTUC AGUATA. Ichie representing the traditional ruler said the prayers after the colanuts were evenly distributed.

The minute of 2/11/25 meeting at Ezinifite Town hall was read out by the Vice secretary. Motions of adoption were moved and supported after some corrections were made.

On his speech as Igwe' Rep., Ichie thanked ASTUC for unity of the 14 towns in Aguata. Ichie encouraged ASTUC & Town leadership to always be steadfast and dedicated to duties assigned to them. Uga PG on behalf of ASTUC AGUATA appreciated Ichie for representing the Igwe Igboekwu.

Auxiliary bishop in his congratulatory speech, thanked all for the massive support to Mr Governor's re-election. IDE' leadership was appreciated for Aguata LGA leading in the Gubernatorial election votes casted.

PG Umuchu Hon Ifeanyi Equity was presented to ASTUC AGUATA by PG Uga who observed the election on 8/9/25. Equity supported ASTUC AGUATA with #50,000 & promised clearing all Umuchu debt to ASTUC AGUATA. Equity presented his Reps and made the promised payments.

PG Isuofia thanked ASTUC AGUATA for turning out in numbers during the welcome back home of Mr Governor at Central School Isuofia.

Health workers from Aguata came for awarenesses on Measles/Rudella vaccine which will be administered on 4th to 13th Feb 2026 to children from 9 months to 14 years. Towns were advised to disseminate the information.

Correspondence:

1. PG Uga invites ASTUC on 6/1/26 to house opening of his bro
2. Patron Jude Okeke (Isuofia PG emeritus) invites ASTUC on 4/1/26 for traditional wedding of his 2nd son
3. ASTUC AGUATA is invited by IDU III Igboekwu for his mother's funeral on 3/1/26
4. Aguluezechukwu invites ASTUC on 3/4/26 for Ofalla festival of their traditional ruler

Names of towns owing ASTUC AGUATA were called out and payments were made. Those that haven't cleared theirs were told to do so before 31/12/25.

IDE encouraged every community to always adhere to tenureship calendar.

Names of communities and their election dates including those to observe the elections were announced.

Attendance was noted

Food and drinks were presented by Igboekwu Town to ASTUC AGUATA.

The two hours meeting ended by 15:13GMT with closing prayers said.

Ikenga Community will host next ASTUC AGUATA meeting by 1st February 2026.

That's the end of the year' meeting and compliments of the season.

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SPECIAL VISITS:

CHIEF ZOO-ZOO EUSEBIUS ONYEMELUKWE AND FRIENDS VISIT EZE-AKAJIUGO SIR BARR DR MCK UBAH, THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU IN HIS AKAJIUGOGRAVEVILLA OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU AHEAD OF THE ANAMBRA SOUTH SENATE SEAT ELECTION FOR THE 8TH OF NOVEMBER, 2025.



EDO SUPPLIES SOLAR LIGHT TO POWER BOTH THE IDU NATIONAL SECRETARIAT AND THE AMAEHULU TOWN HALL IGBO-UKWU...



EDO HOSTS IGBO-UKWU APGA STAKEHOLDERS IN HIS OBIUNO PRIVATE RESIDENCE,
EZE-AKAJIUGO DELIVERS A KEYNOTE ADDRESS...



EDO HOSTS FINAL APGA TOP STAKEHOLDERS IN HIS HOUSE TO ROUND OFF GUBER ELECTION CAMPAIGNS FOR THE NOVEMBER 8TH GOVERNORSHIP ELECTION IN ANAMBRA STATE...



NZE EMMA AZIKE,

Member, Igbo-Ukwu Hall of Fame,
Eze-Amaluemenwanne na Igbo-Ukwu.

FELICITATES WITH TEAM EZEAKA-JIUGO

*I Congratulate Team Eze-Akajiugo on their
second year in office with remarkable
achievements and unbroken promises.*

TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO *Play*
HALF-TIME



REPORT ON THE CONDOLENCE VISIT OF MR. IFEANYI OFOKAJA (OMEKANNAYA), MEMBER OF TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO.



By Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie

Personal Assistant to the President General of Igbo-ukwu on Media, Mass Mobilization & Enlightenment.

In a remarkable display of solidarity, respect, and community spirit, Mr. Ifeanyi Ofokaja, popularly known as Omekannaya, son of the late Ide Ofokaja, and a proud member of Team Eze-Akajiugo, led a distinguished delegation to the family of Late Mazi Okoyeocha Nwankwo of Umuezeokodo Umuechefu Village, Obiuno Igbo-ukwu, for the burial ceremony of their beloved matriarch, Late Madam Catherine Olieji Okoye Nwankwo.

The condolence visit, which took place in Obiuno, was more than just a family affair—it became a grand homecoming and a powerful expression of unity within the community. As custom demands, Omekannaya, in his usual show of generosity and cultural consciousness, presented a cow, assorted drinks, and a condolence purse to his in-laws, symbolizing his deep respect and shared grief with the bereaved family.

The event was graced by an impressive gathering of dignitaries and prominent sons of Igbo-ukwu, further underlining the influence and goodwill of Ifeanyi Ofokaja within and beyond Obiuno. Notably in attendance were:

The President General of Igbo-ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr. M.C.K. Ubah,

A former President General, Nze Pius Adimmuo (Eze Ogboogu),

The President of Amir Group, Chief Cletus Onyemenam (Eze Agunachembe, Ochendo Igbo-ukwu),

Barr. Arrinze Okamelu, alongside several community leaders, stakeholders, and members of Team Eze-Akajiugo.

The turnout was simply overwhelming. A mammoth crowd accompanied Omekannaya to his in-laws' compound, creating an atmosphere of love, respect, and admiration. The show of support was a clear testament to his popularity, humility, and strong community ties. Despite the crowd, orderliness prevailed as all patiently waited until it was the team's turn to pay their respects—another evidence of the discipline and coordination characteristic of Team Eze-Akajiugo.

The presence of Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr. M.C.K. Ubah, the dynamic and people-oriented President General of Igbo-ukwu, further elevated the event. His attendance reaffirmed the inclusive leadership style that continues to unite the great sons and daughters of Igbo-ukwu under one progressive vision.

The ceremony concluded in a harmonious and dignified manner, leaving the bereaved family deeply comforted and the community proud of one of their illustrious sons—Ifeanyi Ofokaja (Omekannaya)—a man who continues to uphold the values of culture, respect, and service embedded in the spirit of Team Eze-Akajiugo.

Long live Team Eze-Akajiugo!

Long live Igbo-ukwu!

HEALTH MATTERS...

GOVERNOR SOLUDO UPGRADES OBIUNO HEALTH CENTRE TO OBIUNO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTRE IGBO-UKWU.
DATE: 5TH AUGUST, 2025.



Strategic preparation and final inspection visit to the Obiuno Health Centre Facility by Team Eze-Akajiugo and members of the GEORGINA NNABUGWU FOUNDATION on the 3rd of August, 2025 ahead of the planned commissioning of the Health Centre by the Governor of Anambra State scheduled to hold on the 5th of August, 2025.



Chief Mrs. Edna Nwobi Diabetes Foundation, August 2025 Edition, Holding At The St. Barnabas Church Hall, Igbo-ukwu. Photos show the PG of Igbo-Ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah, Chief Mrs Edna Nwobi and others at the Health Program.

HEALTH MATTERS...

GOVERNOR SOLUDO UPGRADES AND COMMISSIONS THE OBIUNO HEALTH CENTRE FACILITY, IGBO-UKWU.

Photos show the arrival of Governor Soludo and his political machinery to Obiuno Health Centre, Ahiagu Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu. Date: 5th of august, 2025. It was also the season of political campaigns for the november 8th 2025 gubernatorial election in Anambra State. The vacant senate seat on account of the death of senator ifeanyi ubah for anambra south was also up for refilling.

Both the Anambra gubernatorial and Anambra- South Senate vacant seat elections campaigns mixed together in the air of that moment.

Governor Soludo used the occasion of the Obiuno Health Centre to inform ndi igbo-ukwu.







CONGRATULATIONS

TO YOU, EZE-OTIGBA CHIJIOKE CJ EZEIFEDIBA ON
YOUR GRAND INDUCTION INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS
NZE NA OZO SOCIETY OF
IGBO-UKWU!



HOMS GROUP LTD YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH TEAM EZE-AKAIUGO AS AN OBIUNO BENEFICIARY RECEIVES NIM BUSINESS SUPPORT....



SPECIAL FELICITATIONS FROM:
NZE SIR ENGR. EZEDINACHI EBUKA JP ONYEMELUKWE &
ENGR. LADY LOLO OBIANUJU PRECIOUS ONYEMELUKWE FNSE



TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO *Play*
HALF-TIME



Ezedinachi na Igbo-Ukwu &
Eze-Akajiugo na Igbo-Ukwu
During the last August 2025
New Yam Festival at the Igwe Palace

Ezedinachi na Igbo-Ukwu is a worthy Knight
of St. Mulumba (KSM) & a former Federal
Board Member University of Benin Teaching
Hospital (UBTH).

IGBO-UKWU COMMUNITY CELEBRATES A RARE ACHIEVER!

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ENGR. LADY LOLO OBIANUJU PRECIOUS ONYEMELUKWE, FNSE

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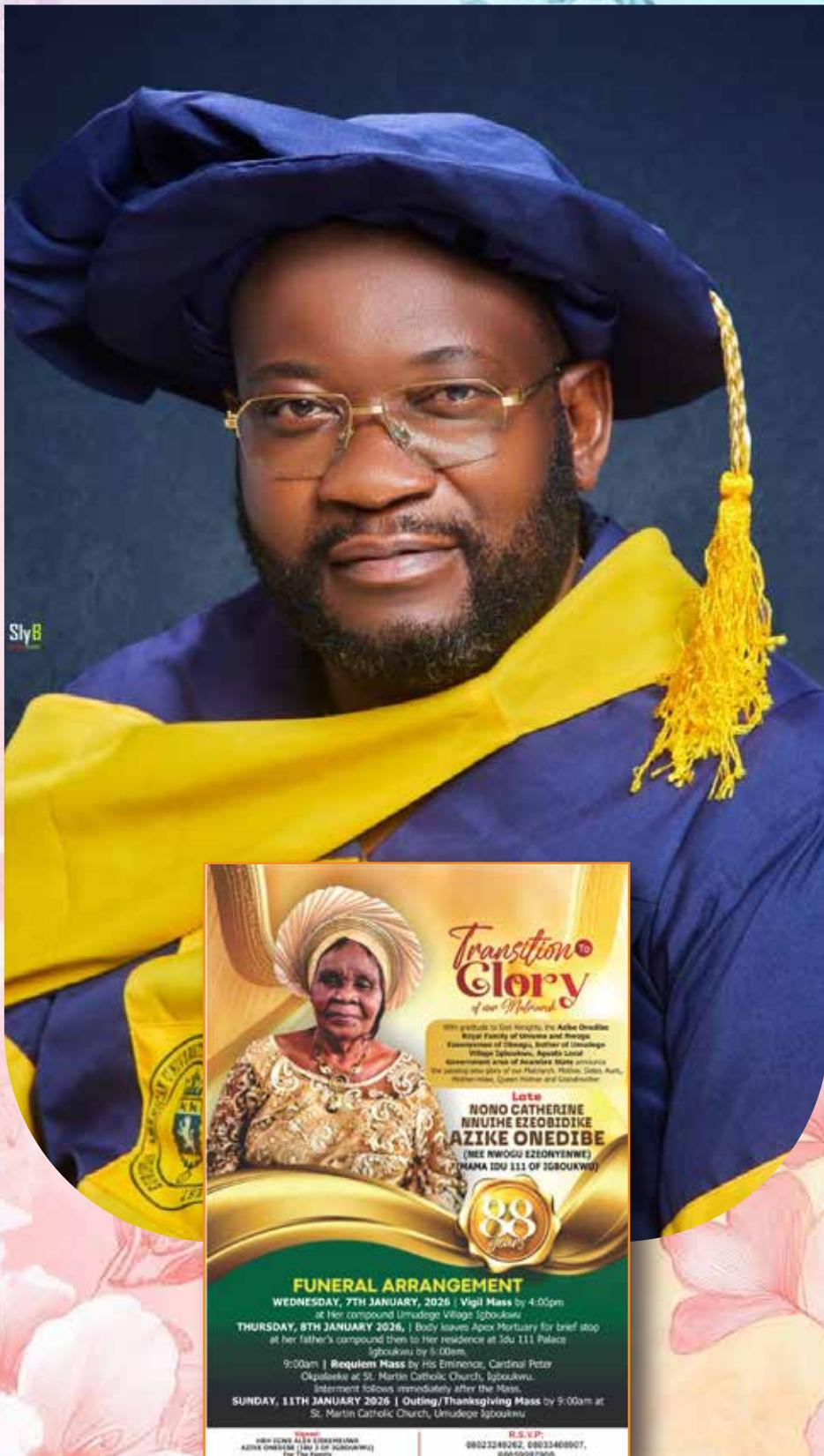
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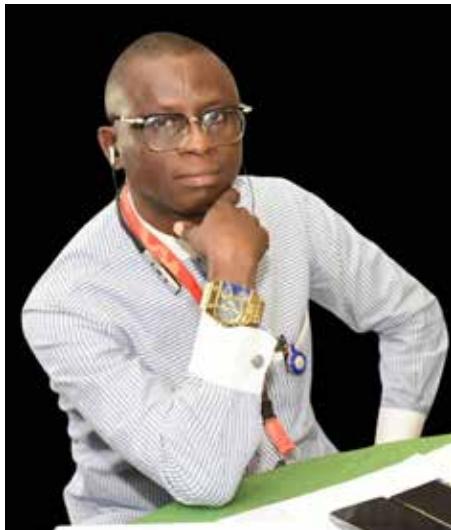
I commiserate with the HRH Igwe Alex Azike, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu and his family on the passing of their mother, Noono Catherine Nnuihe Azike (nee Nwogu Ezenyenwe) who left this world on the 28th of September, 2025.

I pray that God strengthens your family at this time even as the burial holds on the 7th of January 2026



CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW:

THE EFFORTS OF TWO PROFESSORS TO MAKE IGBO-UKWU FUNCTION BETTER!
MEET PROFESSOR FABIAN OKAFOR, CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE
AND PROFESSOR UCHENNA NWOSU, ODENIGBO IGBO-UKWU



CRAFTING A CONSTITUTION FOR TOMORROW: UPDATE FROM THE IDU REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Committee has convened several times, both virtually and physically, with attendance that has been reasonable and commitment that has been profound. Each gathering has been marked by a spirit of seriousness and devotion to duty, reflecting the weight of the responsibility entrusted to the Committee. Members have not only shown up, but have leaned in—debating, refining, and contributing with a sense of ownership and pride.

Communication has been broadened to include a dedicated email address for the submission of memoranda by interested groups and individuals. While the volume of responses has not been as robust as anticipated, the Committee remains deeply grateful to those who have taken the time to send in thoughtful contributions. Every submission has been given careful attention and consideration, and these inputs are now guiding the Committee's work in meaningful ways.

In terms of progress, the Committee adopted a phased approach to its review. Chapter 1 of the Constitution has been thoroughly examined, and the painstaking process of redrafting is already underway. Chapter 2 is currently under review, with the Chapter 3 scheduled to follow immediately thereafter. The target is clear: to complete the entire exercise by the end of the first quarter of next year. This timeline is ambitious, but the

Committee is unwavering in its resolve. The work is being carried out methodically, comprehensively, and with a deep sense of responsibility to posterity.

The promise of the expected outcome is inspiring. Igbo-Ukwu will soon have a constitution that reflects its values, responds to its needs, and projects its vision for the future. Yet, this noble task cannot be accomplished in isolation. The Committee earnestly calls for the cooperation of all stakeholders—leaders, unions, youth, women, and the wider community. Your support, encouragement, and constructive feedback will be the wind beneath the wings of this endeavor.

The 2025 IDU Constitution Review Committee is not merely revising a document; it is laying the foundation for a stronger, more united Igbo-Ukwu. Together, with patience and collaboration, we will craft a constitution that stands as a symbol of our collective identity and aspirations.

We count on your support.

Barr. Toochukwu Ejeziem (Ochi-na-nwata)
Secretary, IDU 2025 Constitution Review Committee.

The IDU Constitution Review Committee, under the distinguished chairmanship of Prof. Fabian Okafor, continues to press forward with passion and resilience in its historic assignment of revising the constitution of the Igbo Development Union. Though the composition of the Committee has been anything but stable—expanding from an initial twenty-two members to thirty-three at the directive of the IDU leadership, the enlarged body has embraced its task with renewed vigour. What might have been a distraction has instead become a source of strength, as members channel their diverse perspectives into a collective determination to deliver a document worthy of Igbo-Ukwu's aspirations.

PRESS RELEASE

Date: 6th December 2025

IDU, UMUDEGE DEVELOPMENT UNION & MINISTRY OF WORKS CONDUCT JOINT INSPECTION OF IKENGA-IGBO-UKWU-EZINIFITE EROSION CONTROL PROJECT



The 1st Vice - PG

The Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU), in collaboration with the Umudege Development Union and the Ministry of Works, has carried out a comprehensive joint inspection of the ongoing Ikenna-Igbo-Ukwu-Ezinifite Erosion Control Project on Saturday, 6th December 2025.

Inspection Delegation

The inspection team comprised:

Team Eze-Akajiugo (IDU Leadership):

Hon. Uwaezuoke Nzukwe – 1st Vice President, IDU

Hon. Engr. Ebere Obodokwe – 2nd Vice President, IDU

Umudege Development Union:

Comrade Jude Okeke – Leader

Ezeanozie Echezona

IDU Special Government Projects Monitoring, Supervisory & Advisory Team:

Arc. P.O.C. Osunkwo – Chairman

Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie – Secretary & Representative of the President General, Ikenga

Ministry of Works:

Technical representative present on-site

Purpose of the Exercise

The joint inspection was initiated to:

Verify the true dimensions and progress of the erosion control work

Assess compliance with approved engineering standards

Inspect critical erosion channels and bush pathways requiring intervention

Strengthen transparency, community monitoring, and accountability

Inspection Activities

The team went through the erosion channels and adjoining bush paths to obtain first-hand assessment of the structural work, alignment, depth control, and water diversion measures. Key technical clarifications were provided by the Ministry of Works engineer during the tour.

Community Support & Acknowledgment

Following the inspection, the leadership of the Umudege Develop-

ment Union, led by Comrade Jude Okeke, hosted the team to light refreshments at the Umudege Civic Center.

During the interaction, Comrade Okeke expressed heartfelt appreciation to the Governor of Anambra State for responding to the long-standing cries of the community for erosion intervention. He noted that the project represents a major relief for residents who have suffered environmental degradation for many years.

Commitment to Quality Delivery

The IDU leadership reaffirmed its unwavering commitment—under the guidance of the President General, Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah—to ensure strict supervision and timely completion of the erosion control project.

The Union emphasized that continuous community oversight remains essential to guaranteeing high-quality delivery.

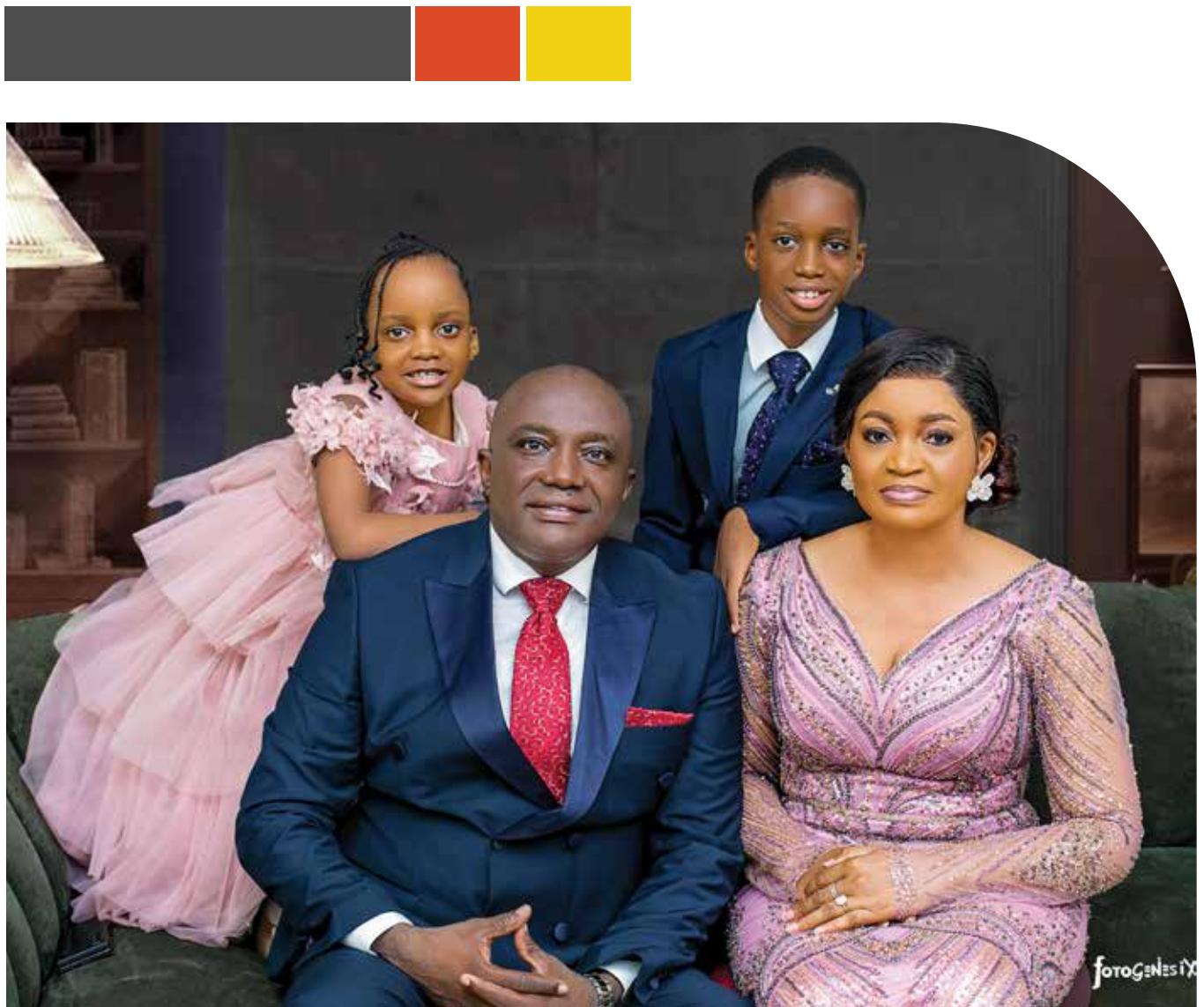
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IFEANYIOHAZULUME IJEZIE
Secretary, IDU Special Government Projects Monitoring Team
Personal Assistant to the President General
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TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO PARTNERS WITH NKENAKPAONYE
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ENGR. OKAFOR EMEKA'S PROFILE

Engr. Okafor Emeka is a certified professional Electrical Engineer that graduated from university of Nigeria Nsukka in 1998.

He is a serial entrepreneur and a business leader of the fastest growing manufacturing industry and software development company called FEMEX TECHNOLOGY LTD & ORBITAL CREATION TECHNOLOGY LTD respectively.

He has built the first Artificial Intelligent (AI) Open Research laboratory and IT Hub called "ORBITAL SILCON VALLEY" in Anambra State.

Engr. Okafor has 23 years' experience as a Senior Mechanical Rotating Equipment Engineer with Oando Energy Resources Nigeria Ltd [OERNL], formerly Legacy Nigerian Agip Oil Company Ltd (NAOC). He is a maintenance management expert for GENP/SIEMENS/SOLAR Turbines, Turbocompressors, Turbogenerators, Turbopumps and ATLAS COPCO Air Compressors. He was trained locally and internationally at reputable institutions ENI UNIVERSITY and major Original Equipment Manufacturing (OEM) facilities around the world.

He is a professional members of Nigeria Society of Engineers (NSE), Council of Registered Engineers of Nigeria (COREN), Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) and Institute of Electrical Electronic Engineers (IEEE)

A devoted Christian, dedicated ordained Deacon, a Rotarian and a global award-winning partner in Christ Embassy/Loveworld ministry.

He is an extravagant philanthropist and a community leader who has done great things through "Emeka and Ifeoma Okafor foundation" both local and intercontinental. He has assisted communities and state through his foundation in the following areas:

- 1) Establishment of ICT Centres at Town School, Central School, and Ezihu primary school, at Igboukwu.
- 2) Establishment of Reading Culture Competition Trust fund at CKC Igboukwu since 2018.
- 3) Construction of 1.5 km Solar Electric Power street Light, ND-DC standard at Ihuakaba Ezihu-community.
- 4) Completion of Private Heaven Industrial Park with a potential employment capacity between 55 and 120 personnel at Igbo-Ukwu Town.
- 5) Provision of employment opportunities, medical intervention supports and educational grants to members of his community and other communities in the state.

Engr. Okafor Emeka is lovely married to Mrs Ifeoma Okafor. The matrimonial union is blessed with two adorable children Chukwuemeka and Ifechukwu Okafor. He is a native of Igbo-Ukwu in Anambra state and lives in Port-Harcourt River State.

Track Records of Intellectual outputs and philanthropy of Engr. Emeka Okafor

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH BASED
TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENT IN
NIGERIA.

PRESENTED BY ENGR. OKAFOR
EMEKA
AT
CHUKWUEMEKA ODUMEGWU
OJUKWU UNIVERSITY(COOU)
ON
WORLD INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY DAY MAY 1ST 2025.



OVERVIEW

- University Research – Based Technology Advancement refers to the innovations and technological breakthroughs that originate from research conducted in academic institutions
- Universities play a crucial role in driving technological progress through a dedicated research programs and partnerships with industry



CRITICAL AREAS OF PARTNERSHIP

- Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning.
- Renewable Energy & Sustainability
- Quantum Computing
- Cybersecurity
- Plastic Waste – Product Management
- Electro-Mechanical Design and Production.



IMPACT OF UNIVERSITY -INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIP

COMMERCIALIZATION	SOCIAL BENEFITS	EDUCATION
• Many university innovation become startups or licensed to existing companies	• Solve real –world problems in Engineering, health and communication	• Involving students in cutting – edge research that prepares the next generation of innovators.



UNIVERSITY-INDUSTRY COLLABORATION

- University –Industry collaboration is a powerful partnership where academic institutions and private companies work together to drive research, innovation and real world problem-solving.
- They can collaborate effectively in the following ways:



BENEFITS OF COLLABORATION – A CASE STUDY

- FOR UNIVERSITIES : Access to real –world problems, funding, and opportunities for students.
- FOR INDUSTRY: Innovation, access to academic talent, and long term research without maintaining large R & D teams.

Notable Case Studies of successful University-Industry Collaboration across different sectors as shown



RESEARCH CENTERS & INNOVATION HUB

It is important that Universities and Company establish dedicated centers focus on high-impact areas like AI and Renewal Energy Hubs.

ORBITAL SILICON VALLEY AT IGBO-UKWU

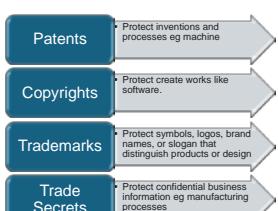
The first AI and IT Innovation Research Centre in Anambra state



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP) AGREEMENT IN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

IP MATTERS IS VERY CRITICAL IN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITIES AND INDUSTRIES:

- This allows the University or Companies to license or commercialize research Projects and protect against unauthorized usage. This will allow both parties to enjoy the fruits of their labor.
- IP agreement define who own what, how IP is shared and how profits are distributed amicably for both parties.



CONCLUSION

The University research can be theoretical, applied, or both, mostly leading to great disruptive innovations and new technologies.

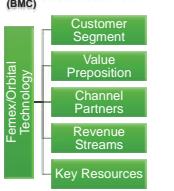
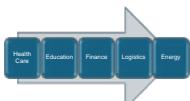
My two companies Orbital and Femex Technology Ltd are already formalizing a collaborative agreement with COOU that will lead to groundbreaking research, new product development with great societal impact.

This the opportunity to dust out all commercial viable research projects from the university libraries and through IP agreement transform them into marketable products.

Orbital and Femex have the physical infrastructure and financial capability to make this unprecedented noble DREAMS into a

THANK YOU

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<p>ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) FOR AFRICAN ENGINEERS PRESENTED BY ENGR OKAFOR EMEKA TO THE NIGERIA SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS AGWADA BRANCH DURING INAUGURATION CEREMONY ON 20th APRIL 2025</p> 	<p>INTRODUCTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is an Entrepreneurial Mindset? This is a way of thinking that enables individuals to recognize opportunities, take initiative and innovate to create values. 	<p>THE DNA COMPONENT OF AN ENTREPRENEUR</p>  
<p>BUSINESS MODEL CANVAS (BMC)</p>   <p>ENTREPRENEURS FAIL IN AFRICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of market demand Inadequate marketing and customer acquisitions Lack of focus on customer need Poor hiring and team management Overdependence on single customer or supplier Overexpansion and too much overhead Legal issues and compliance 	<p>START UP BUSINESS IDEAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a problem Check Market Potential Passion Driven Customer Centric  	<p>BUILDING A STRONG BRAND CASE STUDY – PEARL</p>  
<p>BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY FOR AI IN AFRICA</p>  	<p>BECOMING A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS ENTREPRENEUR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a 4-5 year-old problem with a solution Develop a solid business model Driving & Utilizing Marketing Strategy Market Focus and Persistence 	<p>ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE(AI) FOR AFRICAN ENGINEERS</p> <p>All Business in Africa is promising opportunity due to rapid digital transformation and growing interest in technology -driven solutions</p> 
<p>HOW TO BUILD AI PROJECTS</p>  	<p>BUSINESS IN AFRICAN CONTINENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on real world problems Pursue locally Invest in local data collection Train and hire local talent 	<p>MAJOR CORE AREAS OF AI DEVELOPMENT</p>  <p>Machine Learning vs Deep Learning</p> 
<p>OPEN AI RESEARCH INCUBATION HUB</p>  	<p>CONCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entrepreneurial spirit is a way of thinking that pursues change instead of waiting for it and the final GOAL is to achieve financial independence, personal fulfillment by creating and managing Business Ventures We need to position AFRICA-NIGERIA as a leader in Inclusive and responsible AI development. For Africa AI is a strategic asset pivotal to achieving the aspirations of Agenda2063 and sustainable development goals (SDGs). It promises to ignite new industries, fuel innovation and create high value jobs while preserving and advancing African Culture and integration. 	<p>HOW TO BECOME AI BUSINESS ENTREPRENEUR IN AFRICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start Small Learn Continuously Collaboration Think Long Term 
		

Another 50 sets of Solar Electric lights for Ihuakaba community development making it a total of 100 sets in a row.

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HOW ENTREPRENEURS CAN COLLABORATE WITH UNIVERSITIES TO COMMERCIALISE THEIR RESEARCH OUTPUT.

PRESENTED BY

ENGR. OKAFOR EMEKA

INTRODUCTION

- The Mission of Universities have changed in this 21st century based on the knowledge Economy and the Universities has become a key element of innovation system both as human capital provider and seed bed for new firms.
- The Nigerian economy is consumer driven and we need to run an industrial based economy like other western world with the collaboration of the Nigerian Universities as a source knowledge power provider.
- The University shall be ready for technology transfer that will spin off Companies.This is the era for all the academic universities to transition to Entrepreneur Universities in Nigeria.
- Henceforth there must be a Legislation a strategic action plans, Specific Initiative and Policies aiming to increase the collaboration between universities and entrepreneurs.
- Therefore collaborating with Universities to commercialize their research output can be a mutually beneficial relationship for entrepreneurs and academic institutions.
- Here are some steps entrepreneurs can take to collaborate effectively
- With Universities.

IDENTIFY RELEVANT RESEARCH BASED ON IDEA GENERATION.

- Novel idea and solution can stem from research conducted by universities therefore Entrepreneur can identify the universities.
- Building a relationship between the researchers, Professors and students to create a conducive environment for the research project to thrive
- Accessing research project through Licensing Agreement.
- Sponsoring Research Project by Giving Grants to through the universities to Professor and Students.

PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT.

- Develop the Prototype, Solution or Minimum Viable Product that are based on the research Output.
- The Prototype should demonstrate the core features and functionality of the intended solution or Product.
- The prototype is at Embryonic State for the Entrepreneurs to invest more fund to turn it into a marketable product or solution.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION.

Secure intellectual Property rights through patents, trademarks and copyrights and trade secrets to protect the innovation from competitors.

Ensure Compliance with relevant regulations and standards governing the industry to avoid legal issues and potential set backs.

BUSINESS MODEL DEVELOPMENT

DEFINE A VISIBLE BUSINESS MODEL THAT OUTLINE HOW THE PRODUCT WILL CREATE VALUE FOR CUSTOMER, AND GENERATE REVENUE AND SUSTAIN THE VENTURE.

SECURING FUNDING

- Entrepreneurs may need to secure Funding to support commercialization process.
- This fund can come from Venture Capital investors, Government grants or university funding programs or angel investors to finance product development, marketing and operations.

PRODUCTION AND SCALE UP

- Develop a manufacturing plan to produce the product while maintaining quality standards, cost efficiency and supply chain management.

GO TO MARKET STRATEGY

- Develop a comprehensive Marketing and sales strategy, create brand awareness, acquire customer and drive sales.
- Identify and establish appropriate distribution channel to reach the target Customers efficiently.
- The channel strategies can be through direct sales, e-commerce, retail stores, or strategic partnership.

LAUNCH AND COMMERCIALIZATION

LAUNCH THE PRODUCT IN THE MARKET, MONITOR ITS PERFORMANCE, GATHER FEEDBACK BASED ON THE CUSTOMER INSIGHT AND FEEDBACK, DEVELOP AN IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO DRIVE GROWTH.

CONTINUOUSLY MONITOR AND EVALUATE THE COMMERCIALIZATION PROCESSES TO ENSURE MILESTONE S ARE BEING MET AND ADJUST THE STRATEGY.

CONCLUSION

- By following these steps and leveraging the expertise of researchers, entrepreneurs, business professionals and stakeholders, Research Output can be successfully transformed into a commercial product that delivers value to customers and generates sustainable Revenue for the business.

THANK YOU

THE IGBO-UKWU TECH AWAKENING:

ENGR. EMEKA OKAFOR LIGHTS THE PATH TO NIGERIA'S NEW INNOVATION FRONTIER
... as COOU embraces a transformative partnership



By Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijzie
Personal Assistant to the President general on media mass mobilization and enlightenment.

In every generation, certain individuals rise as pathfinders—men whose ideas challenge boundaries and whose actions interpret the future long before it arrives. Today, in the ancient and culturally eminent town of Igbo-Ukwu, such a figure stands tall: Engr. Emeka Okafor (Nkenakpaonye), a visionary whose pioneering spirit is rewriting the technological story of Anambra State and Nigeria at large.

With quiet determination and an unmistakable passion for innovation, Engr. Okafor has planted a seed of transformation in Ezihu, Igbo-Ukwu—the Private Haven Industrial Park, a multifaceted technological ecosystem that now houses a state-of-the-art AI laboratory, an industrial manufacturing hub, and a research-oriented residential facility. It is nothing short of a declaration that the South East can innovate at world-class scale.

At the heart of this bold initiative are two groundbreaking enterprises:

* Orbital Creations Ltd — the AI & Digital Innovation Centre

A vibrant nerve centre where young talents are already interacting with advanced computing systems, developing code, and conceptualizing innovations that speak the language of the future.

* Femex Technology Ltd — manufacturing with a modern spine

A robust production facility redefining local industry through efficient serviette and tissue manufacturing, while integrating advanced 2D/3D printing technology.

This dual model reflects a profound truth: technology and industry, when harmonized, can accelerate community development at an unprecedented scale.

Yet, Engr. Okafor went further. Recognizing the infrastructural vulnerabilities that often hinder progress in Nigeria, he installed:

A 13.5kVA Off-grid 3-phase Solar Power System, and

Starlink Satellite Internet, delivering uninterrupted, high-speed global connectivity to the hub.

These are not mere amenities—they are symbols of intent. They signify a commitment to excellence that refuses compromise.

COOU Steps Forward: Academia Meets Industry

On Saturday, 30th August 2025, the Research Management Office (RMO) of Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University (COOU) arrived at Private Haven Industrial Park—a visit inspired by Engr. Okafor's fervent call for a symbiotic partnership between the university and the emerging tech cluster in Igbo-Ukwu.

Their reception was nothing short of inspiring. They walked through humming production lines, glowing server rooms, and innovative workspaces where the possibilities of technology were visible, tangible, and alive.

Inside the polished conference room, Engr. Okafor addressed the delegation with heartfelt gratitude and compelling clarity. He praised the Vice Chancellor, Prof.

Kate Azuka Omenuga, fnipr, for her progressive, hands-on leadership, and spoke of the global standard in which universities and industries collaborate—citing the revolutionary models of MIT, Google, and Mercedes.

> "Our universities and our industries must not run on parallel tracks, he emphasized.
"They must meet, merge, and multiply value—creating solutions that speak to our realities.

Anchoring this emerging collaboration is Engr. Prof. John Paul I. Illoh, Director of the Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Office (IPTTO), COOU—an illustrious son of Igbo-Ukwu committed to bridging the gap between research and market-ready innovation.

Speaking for the Vice Chancellor, Prof. J.C. Ifemeje, Director of RMO, assured that COOU is prepared to formalize the partnership through an MOU, noting that the university recognizes the enormous potential embedded in such a collaboration.

A Gathering of Great Minds

The event also attracted distinguished figures from academia, government, and the community, including:

Prof. Herbert C. Illoh, Professor Emeritus of Botany, OAU

Barr. Tochukwu Ejeziem, SSA to Hon. Engr. Dom Okafor

Dr. Mrs. Illoh, respected educationist

Arinze Okamelu, Esq

COOU delegates: Dr. C.S. Ekesobi, Dr. Izuchukwu Ifedi, Engr. Dr. Nwanneka Mmonwuba

Their presence affirmed the significance of this technological leap for Igbo-Ukwu.

Inside the Private Haven Industrial Park

The industrial estate is deliberately structured into three major domains:

1. Femex Industrial Hub

Manufacturing centre for tissue, serviettes, paper cups, and 2D/3D printing.

2. Orbital AI/IT Hub

Design, development, prototyping, drones, robotics, and advanced AI solutions.

3. Campus Hostel & Executive Lodge

A research-friendly accommodation facility for academic-industrial collaboration.

This structure positions Private Haven Industrial Park as one of the most strategically designed tech communities in the region.

A Legacy in Motion

What Engr. Emeka Okafor has built is more than infrastructure. It is a symbol of faith in local capacity.

It is a model of industrial courage.

It is the beginning of an era where young Nigerians can dream, build, and compete globally—from their own homeland.

A new Silicon Valley may very well be rising in Igbo-Ukwu—not crafted with noise or extravagance, but with discipline, innovation, and a quiet determination that commands respect.

As the world watches, Igbo-Ukwu stands at the threshold of a renaissance.

I salute the vision of Nkenakpaonye, Engr. Emeka Okafor.

Congratulations to him.

Congratulations to COOU.

And congratulations to Igbo-Ukwu, Anambra State, and the entire South East.

The future has begun—and it began here at home.

Motivations and Inspirations.

Between mediocrity and masterpiece, choose better on which to apply your mind!



Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah.

...Eze-Akajiugo advises those who spend their energies on negative acts and conducts that undermine the growth of their personal lives, families, and the larger communities.

In Igbo-Ukwu today, there are discordant waves of activities orchestrated and powered by some folks, almost the same set of folks across our town who are hell-bent to scatter the existing joy, happiness, progress, development we are building so hard to restore and entrench maka odimma ndi banyi.

I hereby appeal to this set of people to please give us a chance to continue with our progressive movement to make Igbo-Ukwu greater than where we met her. In the end, it would be better for us all and our future generations. We have long passed the age and era people jokingly say that 'na ana adihu nma bu uru ndi Nze!' Please, I beg us: let's give Igbo-Ukwu a chance to experience undiluted peace and progress.

I have once talked about this subject matter: "Your attitude determines your altitude!" If you apply your mind in the right direction, you get a better result because it takes the same amount of energy or calories to think for an excellent result and a poor mediocre outcome. This is the choice before everyone. Make your choice rightly, I beg you!

In essence, one's mind should prefer to strive for a masterpiece or excellence and not mediocrity or negative thoughts. While mediocrity offers comfort

and ease in the short term, the pursuit of excellence leads to personal growth, fulfillment, and lasting impact.

Let's dig deeper into the world of knowledge. Please come along and don't drop the dial.

Here are key reasons why pursuing a masterpiece is generally considered preferable:

Growth and Development: Striving for excellence pushes you beyond your comfort zone, forcing you to learn, adapt, and develop new skills. Mediocrity often leads to stagnation, where growth slows or stops altogether.

Impact and Significance: Excellent work stands out and makes a difference, whether in a career, a personal project, or a community. Mediocre effort often goes unnoticed and rarely results in anything truly impactful.

Fulfilment and Self-Worth: Utilizing your full potential and working at your best provides a profound sense of satisfaction and self-respect. Settling for "just enough" can lead to regret and a feeling of an unlivable life.

Opportunity and Respect: Excellence attracts opportunities and respect from others. People who consistently deliver quality are seen as reliable and indispensable, while those content with average results may become irrelevant over time.

Internal Motivation:

The drive for a masterpiece often comes from internal motivation and a commitment to one's own standards rather than external pressure.

Mediocrity, by contrast, can be driven by a fear of failure or a desire to avoid criticism.

It is important to note that pursuing excellence is not about achieving an impossible standard of "perfection," which can cause anxiety and self-criticism. Instead, it is about:

1. Continuous Improvement: Focusing on getting a little better each day and using mistakes as learning opportunities.
2. Intentional Effort: Deciding to bring your best effort to whatever you do, regardless of the task's size.
3. Accepting Imperfection: Acknowledging that the final product might not be flawless, but the process of striving for the highest possible quality is what matters.

Ultimately, the mind that prefers the pursuit of a masterpiece chooses growth, purpose, and a life of greater potential over the temporary comfort of settling for average.

Keep following peace and progress over negative indulgence!

Thanks,

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah.
Your Brother and Pee-Gee



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Transition To Glory
of our Mother

With gratitude to God Almighty, the Azike Onedibe Royal Family of Unueme and Nwogu Ezemeyenwe of Obasagu, brother of Unueme Village Igboekwu, Aguleri Local Government area of Anambra State welcome the passing into glory of our Mother, Mother, Sister, Aunt, Mother-in-law, Queen Mother and Grandmother

Late
NONO CATHERINE
NNUIHE EZEONIDIKE
AZIKE ONEDIBE
(NEE NWOGU EZEMEYENWE)
(MAMA IDU 111 OF IGBOEKWU)

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years

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 2026 | Vigil Mass by 4:00pm
at Her compound Unueme Village Igboekwu

THURSDAY, 8TH JANUARY 2026, | Body leaves Apex Mortuary for brief stop at her father's compound then to Her residence at Idu 111 Palace Igboekwu by 6:00am.

9:00am | Requiem Mass by His Eminence, Cardinal Peter Okpalaike at St. Martin Catholic Church, Igboekwu.
Interment follows immediately after the Mass.

SUNDAY, 11TH JANUARY 2026 | Outing/Thanksgiving Mass by 9:00am at St. Martin Catholic Church, Unueme Igboekwu.

Signed
HIGH SICWE ALES EKEMEWEWA
AZIKE ONEDIBE (IDU 111 OF IGBOEKWU)
For The Family

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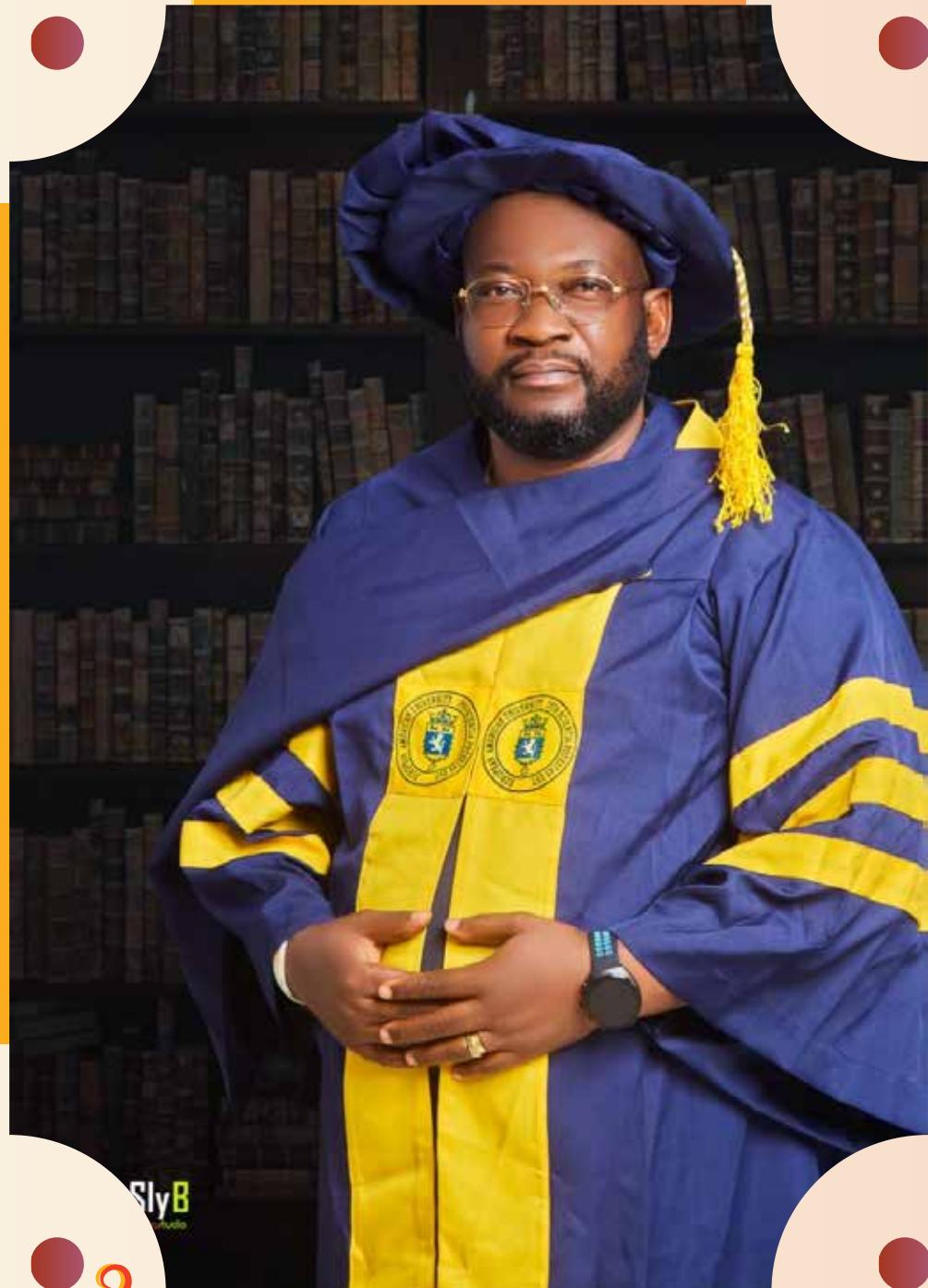
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Felicitations

I Congratulate Team Eze-Akajiugo on this great milestone achievement. As we mark the completion of their second year in office, it has simply been a Leadership with serious impact on the lives of Ndi Igbo-Ukwu. We pray that God directs you on the remaining half of your Leadership.



TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO
HALF-TIME

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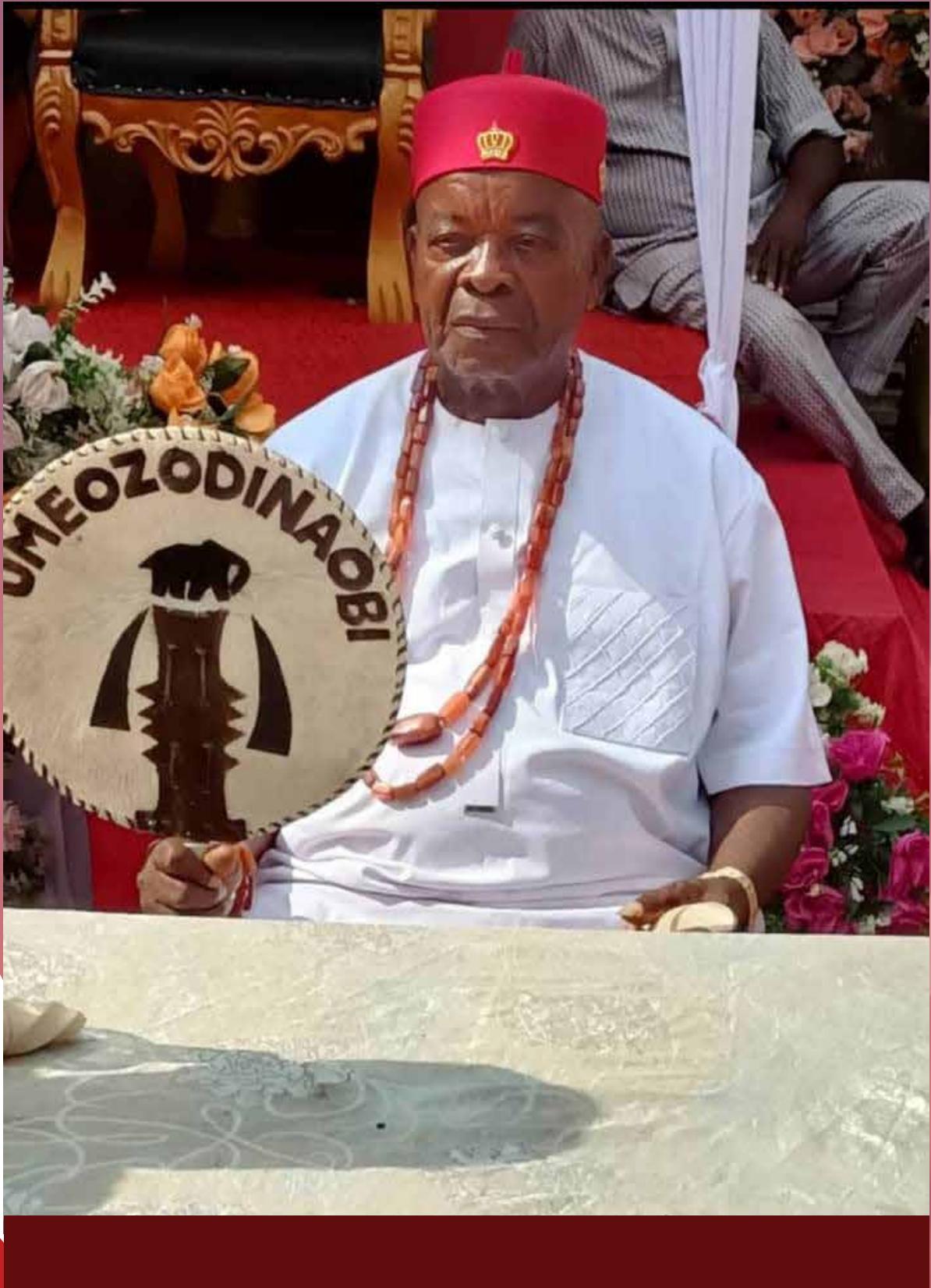
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SPECIAL VISIT TO UMUAWULU TOWN,
HOME OF HIGH CHIEF DR. AZUBUIKE A. EKWEZOZOR,
OZO EJIAMATU NA EBETEGHETE



CONGRATULATIONS

TO YOU UMEOZODINOBI
EZEIFEDIBA NA IGBO-UKWU!





Tributes

Motto: Chetano na anyi bu cfo



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15th November, 2025

The Ezeife Family,
Ihuakaba Village,
Ezihu Community, Igbo-Ukwu.

Dear Beloved Family,

CONDOLENCE MESSAGE ON THE PASSING OF LATE IDE SIR J. N. C. EZEIFE — 1ST IGBO-UKWU GRADUATE

On behalf of my dear family and the good people of Igbo-Ukwu, I wish to extend our heartfelt condolences on the passing on to eternal glory, Late Ide Sir J. N. C. Ezeife, a distinguished pioneer and one of the greatest sons of our town.

As the 1st Igbo-Ukwu graduate, first teacher, and first principal, Ide Sir JNC Ezeife shaped the educational foundation of our community and mentored many prominent men and women through his discipline, mentorship, and exemplary leadership. His impact as an educator remains deeply felt across Igbo-Ukwu and surrounding towns of Anambra State.

In public service, he was the longest-serving member of the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu and the respected Ide of Ward 28 (Ihuakaba), a man who stood firmly for truth and justice at critical moments in our town's history. His wisdom, integrity, and courage guided Igbo-Ukwu through challenging times.

Ide's passage was a great loss, but his legacy of service, leadership, and excellence will remain a light to future generations.

On behalf of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, I pray for God's comfort upon your family, and for the peaceful repose of his noble soul.

Yours faithfully,


Eze-Akajiugo, Sir Barr. (Dr) M. C. K. Ubah,
President General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (I.D.U.)

All Correspondences through: The Administrative Secretary, IDU Secretariat, Igbo-Ukwu.

A GRAND TRIBUTE TO A LIFE WELL-LIVED: CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF LATE EZE-OBIDIGBOO INNOCENT ONYEMENAM (AMIR-DE-HAMMER)

29th August 2025 – Igbo-Ukwu & Nnewi

Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie, Personal Assistant to the President General on Media, Mass Mobilization, and Enlightenment

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu, ndi banyi ekeneem unu! □

History was made, and records were set, on the 29th day of August 2025 during the Grand Funeral Ceremony of the Late EZE-OBIDIGBOO INNOCENT ONYEMENAM (AMIR-DE-HAMMER)—the illustrious founder of Amir Group Ltd. and beloved patriarch of Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam, current President of Amir Group Ltd.

Truly, it was a funeral like no other, a celebration of over nine decades of a life richly lived. From the glitz and glamour to the deep displays of love, honor, and community solidarity, the event reflected not only the stature of the deceased but also the enduring legacy of the Amir family.

The late Amir-De-Hammer was more than a businessman; he was a pioneer, an institution, and a benchmark in the auto-spare parts industry of Igbo-Ukwu and Nnewi. Through his meticulously organized apprenticeship programs, he nurtured over six generations of motor spare parts traders and entrepreneurs, whose reputations now span continents. Under the stewardship of his son, Eze-Agunechemba, Amir Group Ltd has grown into a modern industrial powerhouse with headquarters in ASPAMDA, International Trade-fair Complex, Ojo Lagos, commanding respect and admiration both nationally and across Africa.

In honoring his father, Eze-Agunechemba spared no resource, ensuring that the funeral mirrored the monumental legacy of the Amir brand while paying homage to both Igbo-Ukwu and Nnewi communities. The event demonstrated a perfect balance of reverence and grandeur, befitting a man of dual nativity and a life that impacted countless lives.

The Nze N’Ozo Society of Obiuno Quarter and the

wider Igbo-Ukwu elite turned out in resplendent attire, showcasing the rich heritage and prestige of the Nze N’Ozo tradition. Led by stalwarts such as Nze Umeiheukwu Nwabueze Nkeonye, Onyeisi Nze of Ebe-Ozo Obiuno, Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi, Okeide Igbo-Ukwu, Chief Dr. Chris Ikechi Ezech, mfr, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu, and Nze Ezeohamadike Felix Chuks Okoye, Chairman of Ebe-Ozo Obiuno, every dignitary and member came out in full force to honor a legend.

Equally noteworthy was the stellar participation of the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU) Nnewi Branch, whose support spanned the entire funeral—from planning to execution. Special commendation goes to IDU Governor Mr. Andy O. Okoli, the Branch Chairlady, the women’s wing, and past Chair Sir Rob Anagboso and his wife, for exemplifying solidarity and brotherhood. Their presence was so remarkable that I personally visited their well-positioned canopy to salute them—a gesture warmly received. Truly, as we say, “ugwu bu nkwai nkwai”—respect is earned and returned.

A heartfelt salute must also go to the entire Eze-Obidigbo Onyemenam family for orchestrating a VIP reception at Amaehulu Town Hall Estate, elevating the hall as a premier event center. Their meticulous attention to detail—inside and outside the hall—demonstrated a rare blend of taste, hospitality, and foresight.

Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam, you have done Igbo-Ukwu proud. Your commitment to preserving your father’s legacy while enhancing the stature of your family and community is exemplary. To all siblings and in-laws, our love and admiration extend to you.

Igbo-Ukwu remains illustrious, united, and eternally great. Long live the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU! Long live our ancient and archaeological town, the pride of generations!

One love binds us together. Chetanu na anyi bu ofu!

PROFESSOR BENJI UDOKA NWOSU FOUNDATION AND THE ONE YEAR MEMORIAL CHURCH SERVICE OF LATE DAME MABEL NWOSU...DATE WAS 23RD NOVEMBER, 2025 AT AKAMA KINDRED NGO QUARTER OF IGBO-UKWU.

THERE ARE A FEW OF US WHO ARE SILENT OR QUIET ACHIEVERS...

Preamble:

INDEED, LIFE THRILLS US WITH ASSORTED VARIETIES, HERE'S ANOTHER AMAZING ONE...!

PLEASE LET'S GIVE A ROUND OF HEARTY APPLAUSES TO PROFESSOR BENJI NWOSU FOR THE GOOD WORKS HE HAS DONE AND STILL VOWS TO CONTINUE DOING!

HE IS FROM THAT HIGHLY CEREBRAL NWOSU FAMILY OF MEDICAL DOCTORS OF AKAMA KINDRED, NGO IGBO-UKWU!

PROF. BENJI UDOKA NWOSU is a Professor of Paediatrics, Hofstra University and Chief of Endocrinology, Cohen Children's Medical Centre, NY USA.

Please enjoy the attached video clip for your weekend relaxation!

But still talking about "Silent or quiet achievers" in our communities are the usually 'uncelebrated' or unsung achievers of our time whose meaningful actions, good works of philanthropy and consistent contributions often go unnoticed because they do not seek fanfare or recognition. They are the dependable individuals who ensure the community functions smoothly through hard work, research, humility, and dedication. Prof Benji Nwosu is one good example within this category of citizens of our great community.

There are yet a good number of them, particularly outside Nigeria, who are doing well in their private and professional levels, including the highly cerebral Doctor Sunday Nwosu and Doctor Mark-Anthony Umeobi.

In case you don't know: Doctor Mark Antony Umeobi is that highly brilliant son of late Magnus Umeobi... he's doing great in America! Like Prof Benji Nwosu, we all met at the University of Nigeria, Enugu Campus, when I came back to the university to study Law while they were studying Medicine. More on his likes later!

Here are some characteristics of Quiet Achievers:

Humility:

They prioritize results and impact over personal praise, often downplaying their own significant role.

Consistency and Reliability: These individuals are the "go-to" people who consistently deliver high-quality work and can be counted on, often showing up early and staying late without being asked.

Proactive Problem-Solving:

They anticipate and solve problems before they become crises, making complex systems seem seamless. You know that Prof Benji Nwosu is a high-level medical researcher in the USA and yet our folks hardly know it!

Empathy and Support:

They often act as listeners, mentors, and supportive presences, using their quiet strength to help others rebuild confidence and move from hopelessness to hope.

Deep Focus:

Undistracted by noise or the need for visibility, they excel in sustained, meaningful work, focusing on quality over speed.

Let's look at their impact and importance:

While the loudest voices often get the most recognition, it's often the quieter forces who do the heavy lifting—the groundwork, emotional labour, and long-haul support that creates real and lasting change.

Building Trust:

Their honesty and sincerity help build trust where it may be broken.

Leading by Example:

They model resilience, patience, and empathy, inspiring others through their actions rather than words.

Essential for Functioning:

They are the fuel that keeps communities and workplaces running, making an immense impact that is felt widely.

The Need for Recognition

A significant challenge for quiet achievers is that their contributions can be easily overlooked. Since they do not actively seek praise, their need for recognition might be underestimated. Intentional recognition is crucial to acknowledge their efforts and prevent burnout. Team Eze-Akajiugo is set to identify and inspire these quiet achievers towards community growth and development. This is just the starting point!

Recognition for quiet achievers doesn't always need to be formal; a sincere "thank you" or acknowledging their specific valuable qualities can be very impactful.

Providing opportunities for them to share their insights in ways that suit them, such as written reports or smaller group discussions, can also be effective.

Honouring these individuals is important for fostering a community that values impact and diligence. Team Eze-Akajiugo is good to go!

Please join me to celebrate Prof Benji Nwosu who in addition to his quality energy to our Igbo-Ukwu Girls School and BSSI, has further committed a whooping N4m to support our Amaehulu Town Hall interior floor-tiling project with Doctor Sunday Nwosu pledging to remit another N4m in the days ahead!

Peace and Progress to you!

Signed:

Eze-Odebeatu Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah.

For: Team Eze-Akajiugo

Below is a brief list of the guest seated on the High Table in the picture attached herewith;

From the far left wearing a black cap is Prof Emmanuel Ejim, Professor of Cardiology and former Dean of the College of Medicine, UNTH, Enugu; next is his wife; then Prof Obinna Onodugo, Professor of Medicine and the Chief Medical Director, UNTH; then Professor Bond Anyaehie, Professor of Physiology and the new Vice-Chancellor, Nnamdi Azikiwe University; then Chief, Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah, Esq, Ezeakajiugo of Igbo-Ukwu and PG Igbo-Ukwu; Prof Benjamin Udoka Nwosu, Professor of Pediatrics, Hofstra University and Chief of Endocrinology, Cohen Children's Medical Center, NY USA; Professor Chidi Oranusi, Professor of Surgery, Nnamdi Azikiwe University and Nkenakpaonye Engr Emeka Okafor of OANDO Port-Harcourt...



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FL: Mrs. Anyanwu, MD, Igbo-Ukwu Microfinance Bank Ltd, Revd. Canon Emeka Anuju, Ven. David Obiagboso, Prof. Benjamin Nwosu, Revd. Victor Ezedinachi, Vicar, St. Barnabas Anglican Church, Igbo-Ukwu and, Arinze Okamelu, Esq





EXIT OF AN ICON

It is with great sadness and heavy heart that Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU) Lagos Branch announce the sudden passing of our beloved member, SIR EDWIN CHUKWUDI MUOEME-NAM IDU No: 240.

This sudden death happened yesterday, 18th October, 2025.

He was a pillar of our community, a successful businessman, and a dedicated philanthropist.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, IDU Lagos Branch, loved ones and the entire Igbo-Ukwu

community during this difficult time.

May his soul rest in peace

Arrangements for his burial/funeral shall be communicated to the public at the appropriate time.

Signed:
Sir Anigbogu Chukwudi,
Chairman.

Dr. Okoye Ekene,
1st Assistant Secretary.

Announcer:
Ezeokoli Dubem Michael,
P. R. O.



IGBO-UKWU COMMUNITY MOURNS THE EXIT OF
A GREAT LEGEND, PIONEER AND COLOSSUS,

IDE SIR JNC EZEIFE ④ 102 YEARS!



EZE-AKAJIUGO SIR DR. MCK UBAH, & IDE SIR JNC EZEIFE

'O mighty Caesar! dost thou lie so low? Are all thy conquests, glories, triumphs, spoils, shrunk to this little measure? Fare thee well!' (Mark Antony in "Julius Caesar: Act 3, Scene 1") The above eulogy is quite apt and befitting when describing our prodigious late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife, a mighty iroko tree of our time, a teacher, mentor, builder and community leader.

Igbo-Ukwu today joins the rest of our global community to mourn this distinguished member of the world whose life while on earth spanned across and impacted several generations of humanity for over a 102 years! Indeed, rather than mourn him, we should celebrate him because it's something worthy of us to celebrate for a long life and times well-lived!

The traditional cum cultural history of Igbo-Ukwu in the last 50 years would not be complete without the name of Ide Sir JNC Ezeife written in gold! Ditto for Igbo-Ukwu's mainstream administration and education in Igbo-Ukwu.

Ide Sir JNC Ezeife was a great pioneer of education in Igbo-Ukwu as the first university graduate of Igbo-Ukwu ever. He was also part of the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu in 1977 when HRH Igwe Z.E. Umeokoli mounted the royal throne of Igbo-Ukwu as Idu 1 of Igbo-Ukwu and therefore the oldest and longest-serving Ide of the present Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu since the last 48 years.

He was also the oldest surviving ex-student of the prestigious DMGS, Onitsha..... His rich resume is quite long and remarkable in every respect. He enjoyed longevity and lived a good life while here. Fare thee well, IDE SIR JNC EZEIFE!

Two years ago when Ide Sir JNC Ezeife clocked a hundred years on earth, that is, his 100 Years Birthday Anniversary, or the Centenary Celebration, ndi Igbo-Ukwu rose to the occasion and celebrated him as one of Igbo-Ukwu's most remarkable Centenarians following in the footsteps of late Nze Umennadi of Etiti Village Igbo-Ukwu, who was the first Centenarian to be so celebrated in history.

It was a Centennial Celebration like no other! It reigned and reinforced the rare unity of purpose and kindred spirit which make Igbo-Ukwu a unique community, East of the Niger. And that feeling of togetherness and kindred conviviality has come to stay!

Late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife was a rallying point of peace, unity and due process. To us, Ide Sir JNC Ezeife was like the proverbial conscience which is an open wound that only truth can heal it. He was truly that 'open wound and conscience' of Ndi Igbo-Ukwu, which only truth would heal in many exemplary respects!

At a time when Igbo-Ukwu was at a crossroad, when the once admirable long-enduring bond

and unity existing in the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu was threatened by some external and internal contradictions, Ide Sir JNC Ezeife became the rallying point as well as the common denominator to lasting peace and unity. We painfully recall that back then, the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu was polarized into two uneven distasteful factions of G-5 and G-17 for over three years, which adversely impacted the entire community. It was like a family divided against itself!

We must heartily give it to the late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife for standing firm and tall for what was true, right and just! He stood solidly in his personal convictions as he also stood physically like a towering mighty iroko tree and Colossus that he was in life, so that Igbo-Ukwu would get back on track and healed once and for all times.

As that dark moment in our history was getting to its breaking point and crescendo with Igbo-Ukwu advancing menacingly towards the cliff edge or precipice of anarchy and incoherence, Ide Sir JNC Ezeife stood firmly even if he was seen as the last man standing. But God loves Igbo-Ukwu exceedingly. He showed up, like the Greeks would believe, via the mystery link of 'deux machina': a new Sheriff came to town, on top the apex leadership of Igbo-Ukwu! Team Eze-Akajugo divinely arrived on the scene to replace the old cantankerous order, a 'Daniel' came to judgement to save the day and restore peace and unity back to the chequered Idu

Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu! To God be all the glory!

By reaching out and drawing from the pool of wisdom of King Solomon, the raw bravery of King David and the charming courage of Joshua, Team Eze-Akajiugo was able to break that protracted court jinx between G-17 and G-5 Groups (as they were then called); the once protracted feud and intractable debacle in the Idu Cabinet became a dismantled pyramid. Peace and Unity returned back to the Cabinet and Igbo-Ukwu once again.

Achieving this feat was not a tea party. Team Eze-Akajiugo would forever remain grateful to Chief Anthony Okafor Ezenwagu Igbo-Ukwu, a Peace Ambassador and member of the prestigious Igbo-Ukwu Hall of Fame, through whose financial sacrifices Team Eze-Akajiugo brought back that estranged unity and peace to the once chequered Cabinet. We also thank all those patriotic sons of Igbo-Ukwu who played various roles before the final blow was unleashed to usher in this long sought after peace and unity in the cabinet!

But worthy of greater appreciation by Ndi Igbo-Ukwu was late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife who, like a true father and pillar, ensured that Igbo-Ukwu never got disintegrated by always listening to as well as cooperating with Team Eze-Akajiugo while the whole process of the peace talks and reconciliation lasted.

Here was a man who insisted that rather than succumb to the crude betrayal and manipulation of due process and the long-established internal democracy of the Idu Cabinet and the IDU Constitution, the courts of our land must hear it! Ide stood as a heavy bulwark against injustice and cold manipulations by forces powered by some folks nursing inordinate ambitions and selfish interests, he would rather opt to stand alone and remain outside the mainstream Amaehulu Town Hall and indeed Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu, rather than bow down cowardly, however fragilized, fragmented or protracted the impasse lasted. And true to his vows, he never wavered nor showed up in Amaehulu for over three years until there was a change in the prevailing status quo and the return of the sweet colors of the rainbow. And God answered the prayers of Ndi Igbo-Ukwu without bloodshed!

To the glory of God and joy to the world, history was therefore made when IDE SIR JNC EZEIFE joyfully resumed his seat in the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu and finally showed up again at Amaehulu Town Hall in April last year for the first time ever after four years of avowed absence. What a grand home-coming and reunion with the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu and the mainstream leadership of Igbo-Ukwu on that blessed 27th day of April, 2024! The newly coronated Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu, HRH Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa Azike-Onedibe heaved a sigh of relief and embraced the Sage with an open arm of love and welcome back to the revered Cabinet.

With this came forgiveness, peace and unity in Igbo-Ukwu! Even internecine primordial struggles and opposition to the mainstream leadership of Igbo-Ukwu became buried for all times maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu!

What more can we say of this great legend and father of all fathers, Ide Sir JNC Ezeife (1923 – 2025)! He was indeed a towering mighty giant to behold; a spectacular walking Titan and Colossus of no mean prodigious cerebral endowment! Ide enjoyed all-round graces and blessings of the Almighty God while on sojourn here on earth!

In the exact words of Mr Arinze Okamel Esq, a frontline member of the media crew of Team Eze-Akajiugo (who is also the Editor-in-chief of Igbo-Ukwu's bestselling news-quarterly, The Igbo Trumpet Magazine), his preview excerpts below could easily pass as an end of this long discussion:

"To speak of Ide Ezeife is to speak of strength personified. He was a beacon of discipline and intelligence, a former teacher and school principal, whose mind remained sharp and focused throughout his long, vibrant life. Even in his twilight years, he stood tall; exemplifying resilience and grace. Age never diminished his spirit; it only deepened the respect and love he commanded from all who knew him."

Even during the pan-Igboukwu celebration of his "100th Birthday, it was a day etched forever in our hearts. It was a jubilant occasion filled with laughter, and stories that painted the portrait of a life well-lived. A century of wisdom, courage, and unwavering dedication to family and community."

"However, Ide's life was not without its storms. Many years ago, he faced the heartbreak loss of his beloved wife. Yet, with remarkable fortitude, he braved that storm alone, raising their amiable children with the same steadfast discipline and love that defined him. His legacy is

not just the years he lived, but the lives he shaped-- the impactful children nurtured, the community strengthened, the traditions upheld."

In conclusion of this tribute, we join to say, Death, be not proud...where is your sting, perhaps you came to late to Ide Sir JNC Ezeife!

Oh yea, Death, even when you finally came for him at last--but truly, you came late. If you keep coming like this; hmnnnn...some of us wouldn't mind. For Ide's journey was long, his impact immeasurable, and his spirit unyielding. His story is an explanation to the power of resilience, the grace of enduring love, and the honour of a life lived with purpose."

"May Ide's giant soul find eternal peace. May his memory inspire generations to come. And may we all strive to carry forward the torch of integrity, wisdom, and strength that Ide JNC Ezeife so brilliantly held aloft."

"Fare thee well, Ide! Your journey on this earth is complete, but your light will shine forever in our hearts."

"To his children and the entire Ezeife family of Ihuakaba village, Ezihu Igbo-Ukwu, please accept my deepest and sincere condolences..."

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu, please let's keep a date with the Ezeife Family and Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu when they finally come up with a definite program for the Burial Ceremony. Yes Igbo-Ukwu will be part of it! Below are some of our happy moments with late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife while here on Planet Earth.

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...Signed:
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PROF. BENJAMIN NWOSU AND FAMILY CELEBRATE THE INSPIRING LEGACY OF THEIR Matriarch, DAME MABEL NWOSU, WITH A MEMORIAL THAT ELEVATES COMMUNITY VALUES



IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE &
HIS EXCELLENCY PETER OBI

Written by Ifeanyi Ohazulume Ijezie,
Personal Assistant to the President General
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In Igbo-Ukwu, yesterday did not unfold with the solemnity typical of memorials. Instead, it blossomed into a day filled with gratitude, reflection, and the warm embrace of community, as the family of Prof. Benjamin Udoka Nwosu held a profoundly moving memorial service in honour of their matriarch, Dame Mabel Nwosu. At 84, she completed her earthly journey and was laid to rest on November 23, 2024 — yet her influence continues to illuminate many lives.

The ceremony transcended remembrance. It became a celebration of motherhood at its finest: the power of gentle discipline, the strength of quiet sacrifice, and the enduring wisdom that shapes future generations.

Though she never sought public titles, Dame Mabel's legacy radiates through her children — accomplished professionals whose lives testify to the depth of her guidance. She nurtured:

Prof. Benjamin Udoka Nwosu, renowned Professor of Pediatrics at Hofstra University and Chief of Endocrinology at Cohen Children's Medical Center, New York.

Dr. Igwebuike Sunday Nwosu, a dedicated physician whose practice reflects the compassion he inherited from his mother.

Their achievements stand as monuments she never built with her hands, yet crafted with

love, prayer, and unwavering commitment to education and hard work.

A Royal Tribute to a Mother Who Raised Giants

Igbo-Ukwu's traditional institution honoured the memory of Dame Mabel in an extraordinary manner. His Royal Highness, Igwe Alex Ejikemewa Azike, Onedibe Idu III, graced the memorial in person — a symbolic recognition of the value of mothers whose quiet labour shapes generations more profoundly than any public accolade.

He arrived in company of respected cabinet members and red-cap chiefs, including:

Chief Engr. Nnamdi Ifeakor (Odu III of Igbo-Ukwu)

Chief G.C. Umeanuka (Eze-Ohamadike), Staff of the 10th National Assembly

Chief Umeokwonna

Ide Gabriel Ezenwankwo, Ide of Akama Ward 22

Their collective presence underscored a shared community belief: that heroes are not always in the spotlight — many are found at home, raising children who change the world.

Leadership, Academia, and Community United

The President General of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. Dr. MCK Ubah, chaired the ceremony — adding the weight of civic leadership to the day's significance. He was accompanied by Engr. Emeka Okafor (Nkenakpaonye), whose keynote address: "The Future of Artificial Intelligence in Nigeria, brought a futuristic lens to an event rooted in tradition. It was a bold reminder that honouring yesterday must go hand-in-hand with preparing for tomorrow.

The gathering also became a meeting point for some of the nation's foremost academics and medical experts, among them:

Prof. Emmanuel Ejim, Professor of Cardiology and former Dean, UNTH

Prof. Obinna Onodugo, Professor of Medicine & Chief Medical Director, UNTH

Prof. Bond Anyaehie, Professor of Physiology

& Vice Chancellor, Nnamdi Azikiwe University

Prof. Chidi Oranusi, Professor of Surgery, Nnamdi Azikiwe University

Their attendance went beyond professional courtesy — it represented a tribute to a woman whose quiet sacrifices built a family of global achievers.

A Memorial That Strengthened the Community

What transpired in Igbo-Ukwu was more than a family honouring their beloved mother. It became a model for community development — showing how families, traditional rulers, intellectuals, civic leaders, and youth can converge in unity.

The event sparked renewed reflection across the town:

Young parents drew inspiration from the values that shaped her children.

Community leaders saw the beauty of harmony beyond politics.

The youth were reminded that greatness often starts from the humblest homes.

The town experienced a shared sense of identity and upliftment.

Dame Mabel's life rekindled a universal truth: the greatest legacy is not wealth, but the character deposited in one's children.

A Legacy That Lives On

In celebrating Dame Mabel Nwosu, Igbo-Ukwu did not merely mark a passing — it affirmed a legacy. Her story reinforces that:

Homes founded on love produce global achievers.

A mother's prayers echo across generations.

A united community rises together.

Her light has not dimmed; it continues to shine through her children, grandchildren, and the many hearts touched by her journey.

And on this memorable day, Igbo-Ukwu did not mourn — it celebrated a life that continues to inspire.

CONDOLENCES

IDE EDY OSUNKWO AND BROTHERS
BURY MUM IN IHUOFOR OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU



NZE N'OZO OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU PAYS A CONDOLENCE VISIT TO ICHIE UME-CHIDUMAGA JOE UMEIBE IN HIS UMUECHEFU OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU PRIVATE RESIDENCE OVER THE DEATH OF HER DAUGHTER...



LATE MR GINGER EZECHIEDO LAID TO REST

IN HIS UMUDEGE VILLAGE PRIVATE RESIDENCE IGBO-UKWU AS TEAM EZE-AKA JIUGO,
ESTEEMED FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF THE IGBO-UKWU YOUNG DYNAMIC CLUB OF LAGOS HON-
OURS THEIR MEMBER'S FATHER...





EZE-OGBOOGU HON JAVIS ADINMUO JP BURIES COUSIN,

LATE LIVINUS NWACHI CHUKWUDOLUE OF UMUECHEFU OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU...AS EZE-AKAIJUGO JOINS HIS ODENIGBO AGE GRADE OF OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU TO HONOUR THE LATE MR. CHUKWUDOLUE. EZEAGUNECHENBA AND OTHER ESTEEMED FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY ALSO MOURN.



...CONDOLENCE VISITS TO REMARKABLE FAMILIES

Odenigbo Age Grade of Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah, Esq, PG of Igbo-Ukwu joined to console Ide Edwin Osunkwo and his brothers (Messrs Jobi Nelson (Chairman of Odenigbo Age Grade of Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu & Executive Director, De Modern Bus Service Ltd, Benin-City), Emma, Ofomata and others) on the death of their mother.

Also, Eze-Akajiugo went to condole Mr Mr Onyeka Obi on the sad demise of his beloved father, Ide Obi in his Ezigbo Umudike Village Igbo-Ukwu. Date: 6th August, 2025.



TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO AND ESTEEMED FRIENDS COMMISERATE WITH OTENKWU KEN OKOLI DURING THE BURIAL OF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW IN THE EZIHU VILLAGE PART OF IGBO-UKWU...



OTENKWU KEN OKOLI:

THE RISING CREATIVE ARCHITECT REDEFINING EVENT CULTURE IN IGBO-UKWU*



EZE-AKAJIUGO SIR BARR. (DR) MCK UBAH,

Every generation produces exceptional sons whose talents radiate beyond their immediate communities. Otenku Ken Okoli, proudly of Ezihu Village, stands today as one of the brightest creative minds shaping our modern event industry.

I vividly recall our memorable interaction at the VIP Lounge of Lagos Airport. As we prepared to board our flight to Ala-Igbo, his warm greeting—"My Pee-Geel"—echoed across the hall. We embraced as brothers do. Our brief exchange rekindled memories of his remarkable leadership during our IDU Igbo Day celebrations, including his laudable handling of the 2024 edition. This young man's coordination, foresight, and cultural pride are qualities every Igbo-Ukwu youth must emulate.

A CREATIVE POWERHOUSE WITH UNDENIABLE MASTERY

Widely known as Otenku, he has established himself as a complete events specialist—innovator, planner, manager, executor. His command of the craft became evident during his father-in-law's burial, a ceremony many still describe as "a masterclass in elite event handling. He repeated this excellence on 25 October 2025 during the prestigious burial of Dr. Ralph Uzoezie. The style, class, and attention to detail at that event remain unforgettable.

LEADING A GROWING INDUSTRY OF POSSIBILITIES

The contemporary field of event-making, event management, red-carpet orchestration and media-driven showmanship is now a major global industry. And in this space, Otenku stands tall—equipped with creativity, charisma, and the rare ability to transform ideas into premium experiences.

We also acknowledge other great minds in this industry, including our indefatigable 2nd Vice PG, Hon. Ebere Obodoekwe (Bodos). This field demands investment, consistency, and learning, yet it offers limitless opportunities for anyone willing to master the craft.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE MODERN EVENTS ECOSYSTEM

1. Event Creators:

They conceptualize, design, structure and coordinate the entire vision.

2. Event Managers:

They execute, supervise, troubleshoot, and ensure flawless delivery.

3. Red Carpet & Media:

They handle publicity, celebrities, PR control, interviews, spotlight moments.

Here, the Team Eze-Akajiugo Media Unit performs remarkably—with voices like Arinze Okamelu, Esq., and others working collectively to represent Igbo-Ukwu with finesse.

4. Aesthetics & Experience:

This is where ambience, décor, lighting, backdrops, and guest experience converge—and where Otenku excels naturally.

A CALL TO OUR YOUTHS TO TAKE UP THEIR PLACE

At this point, I must extend today's reflection beyond one exceptional youth, to our entire generation of young Igbo-Ukwu sons and daughters.

Team Eze-Akajiugo Discovery Series 2

**IGBO-UKWU YOUTHS VS. THE OLDER GENERATION:

THE NEED FOR A BALANCED SUCCESSION PATH**

Ndi banyi, here I come again—Abiagokwam ozo!

Like the legendary Bright Chimezie would say when preparing to drop a heavy question, today I raise a matter that deserves our collective reflection.

The Generational Metaphor

Across Africa, thinkers like Chinua Achebe and Prof. PLO Lumumba often use the metaphor of the life cycle of the banana plant to explain leadership transition:

The old banana tree represents the senior generation of leaders.

The young suckers stand for the emerging youths, expected to take over and ensure continuity.

In nature, the mother plant produces fruit and then bows out, making room for the suckers. But in human society, this natural process often gets distorted.

The Core Questions We Must Ask

Where are the young "shoots ready to grow into leaders?

Are they being mentored, guided, and prepared—or are they being discouraged, ignored, or cut off prematurely?

Are they losing their focus to drug abuse, idleness, cybercrime, or destructive habits?

And very importantly—do our older leaders allow healthy succession, or do they hold onto leadership space for too long?

These questions strike at the heart of leadership continuity.

A Challenge to IYC & IYF

My dear Igbo-Ukwu Youths' Council (IYC) and Igbo-Ukwu Youths' Forum (IYF)—nti adikwo?

Where are your voices in shaping the future?

Where is the collective vision?

Where is the push for capacity, leadership and community responsibility?

We cannot have youths who discuss international politics with intellectual boldness yet become silent when the future of their own homeland is mentioned.

A Truth We Must Always Remember

To be truly global, one must first be genuinely local.

No bird—no matter how beautiful its feathers—can boast of flying the world if it cannot first fly above its own compound.

As for me, I proudly affirm:
I am Igbo-Ukwu, fully and completely.

A Final Thought for Us All

Let us focus on the values, efforts, and visions that unite us—not the sentiments that divide or belittle us.

Anyị bụ otu.

We are one.

CONCLUSION: CELEBRATING A NEW GENERATION OF EXCELLENCE

Today, we celebrate Otenku Ken Okoli—a symbol of the creative future we desire for Igbo-Ukwu.

But beyond celebrating him, let us challenge ourselves to nurture more like him.

Let us build the next set of leaders.

Let us empower our youths with skills, mentorship, and opportunity.

Let us strike the balance between experience and youthful energy.

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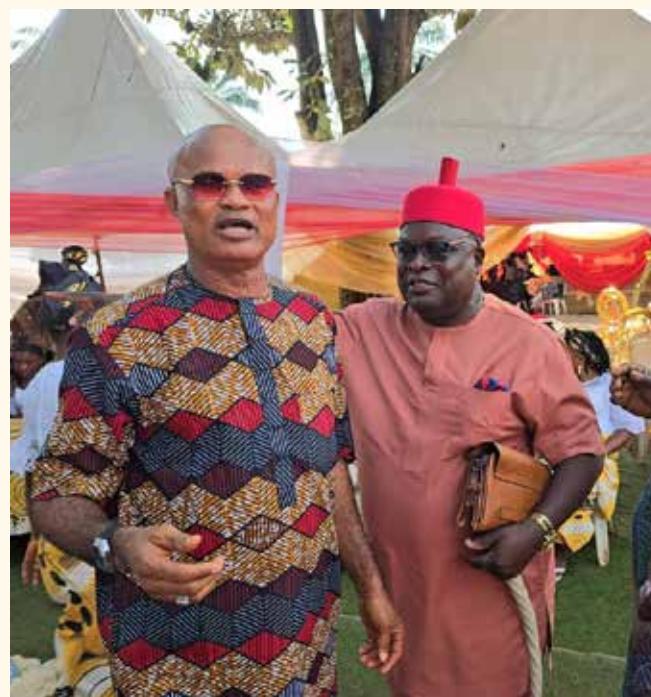
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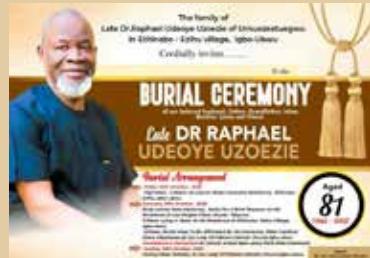
**EZE-AKA JIUGO AND EZEAGUNECHENBA CLETUS ONYEMENAM
PAY CONDOLENCE VISIT TO THE ASIEGBU FAMILY OVER THE
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LATE HON. RAYMOND UMENNA JIUBA OF UMUECHEFU OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU GOES HOME...



DR RALPH UZOEZIE GOES HOME....



IGBO-UKWU MOURNS THE PAINFUL DEATH OF LATE EMMA (EMMACO) OSUNKWO WHO DIED PENULTIMATE LAST WEEKEND...!

Eze-Akajiugo is seen consoling the wife of late Mr Emma Emmaco Osunkwo on the 23rd of November, 2025 at Umuechefu-Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu. RIP Emmaco!



PAINFUL EXIT:

Elder Charles Obum Ikwuetoghu is remembered!

TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO CONDOLES ITS TEAM-MATE MR UCHENNA OKEKE, PROVOST 1 OF IDU, DURING THE BURIAL CEREMONY OF HIS BELOVED MOTHER IN THE NGO QUARTER OF IGBO-UKWU



REMARKABLE VISIT

SOME VIPs LED BY CHIEF PETER EZEIFEKA OF PEchez GROUP ABUJA AND AN NKWOR IGBO MARKET GROUP MEMBERS (NDI OGBO JI - YAM DEALERS) VISIT THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU IN HIS OFFICE INSIDE THE IDU NATIONAL SECRETARIAT, AMAEHULU TOWN HALL IGBO-UKWU.



Press Statement



Date: November 17, 2025

ANAMBRA STATE GOVERNMENT PLANS "ONWA DEZEMBA", CONDEMNS OBIANO'S DEATH RUMOUR, AWARDS SEVERAL PROJECTS

At the 23rd Anambra State Executive Council (ANEC) Meeting, held at Light House, Awka, on November 17, 2025, the following important decisions were made:

1. "ONWA DEZEMBA"

The Council received and refined a report on plans to give Ndi Anambra the most memorable December experience ever, branded "Onwa Dezemba". The magnificent festivities, to be held at the Solution Fun City, Awka, the reconstructed and remodeled Ekweme Square, etc., are planned as a Christmas unlike any other. They will include masquerade festivals, Christmas Carols, masquerade festival, and musical fiestas with well-known Nigerian musicians, among others.

2. URGES UNIVERSITY AUTONOMY AND CONGRATULATES UNIZIK'S NEW VC

The Council urged university autonomy in choosing vice-chancellors and welcomed Professor Ugochukwu Anyaehie, the recently appointed substantive Vice Chancellor of Nnamdi Azikiwe University, wishing him a very eventful term.

3. OBIANO'S UNFORTUNATE AND IRRESPONSIBLE DEATH RUMOUR

Chief Willie Obiano, the immediate past governor of Anambra State, was the subject of a death rumour that went viral on social media. The Council strongly denounced this report, calling it sad and reckless and thanked God for the excellent health enjoyed by the state's past leader.

PROJECTS AWARDED

The Council approved:

- The sum N87,168,413.00 (eighty-seven million, one hundred and sixty-eight thousand, four hundred and thirteen naira) only, as the annual premium for the provision of asset insurance policy/coverage for the Light House, Awka, through a long-term agreement of five (5) years in the first instance.
- The sum of N171,483,629.00 (one hundred and seventy-one million, four hundred and eighty-three thousand, six hundred and twenty-nine naira) only, for modification & completion of the abandoned court building and the renovation/upgrade of associated structures within the Court of Appeal Complex, Awka.
- The sum of N330,503,966.57 (three hundred and thirty million, five hundred and three thousand, nine hundred and sixty-six naira, fifty-seven kobo) only, for the rehabilitation

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of failed portions of the Court Road and Obunagbu Road, within the Awka Metropolis.

The sum of N443,408,923.03 (four hundred and forty three million, four hundred and eight thousand, nine hundred and twenty-three naira, three kobo) only, for the supply & installation of fire-fighting equipment at the College of Nursing Sciences, Umueze-Isuofia, Aguata LGA.

The sum of N297,904,000.00 (two hundred and ninety-seven million, nine hundred and four thousand naira) only, for the supply & installation of additional furniture at the Government House Theatre and the Multi-purpose Hall of Light House, Awka.

The sum of N346,871,788.00 (three hundred and forty-six million, eight hundred and seventy-one thousand, seven hundred and eighty-eight naira) only, for the rehabilitation of failed portions of the St. Thomas Aquinas Road, GRA Awka-Min of Lands-Ekwulobia Street-Chief Abiose Ejegwulane.

The sum of N85,311,850.58 (eighty five million, three hundred and eleven thousand, eight hundred and fifty naira, fifty eight kobo) only, for the supply & installation of 32kva solar-power system at Country Club of Solution Fun City, Awka.

The sum N1,773,559,976.65 (one billion, seven hundred, seven hundred and seventy-three million, five hundred and fifty-nine thousand, nine hundred and seventy-six naira, sixty-five kobo) only, for the construction of Ikenga-Isuofia-Igboukwu Discharge Channel.

The sum of N90,450,858.84 (ninety million, four hundred and fifty thousand, eight hundred and fifty-eight naira, eighty-four kobo) only, for the construction of the Solution Park & Pay Garage at Ekwulobia, comprising office building, gate house, toilet facility, concrete floor, park gazebo with solar panel stands & park benches and perimeter fence.

The sum of N476,326,657.37 (four hundred and seventy-six million, three hundred and twenty-six thousand, six hundred and fifty-seven naira, thirty-seven kobo) only, for the extension of electricity to Iyiora Anam Community and Zion Ministry Psychiatric and Elderly Hospital, Aguleri

The sum of N240,250,645.24k (two hundred and forty million, two hundred and fifty thousand, six hundred and forty-five naira, twenty-four kobo) only, for the installation of a 3-way traffic light system at Igwe Orizu Junction (lot 1) and a 4-way traffic light system at the Nnewi Roundabout, along the Nnewi-Ozubulu Dual Carriageway, Nnewi (lot 2), with pedestrian lights at both locations.


Law Metor, PhD
Commissioner for Information,
Anambra State.
Nov 18, 2025.

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NZE EMMA AZIKE, EZE-AMALUEMENWANNE NA IGBO-UKWU.

I commiserate with the HRH Igwe Alex Azike, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu and his family on the passing of their mother, My Prayers go to your family at this time even as the burial holds on the 7th of January 2026



HEART-FELT CONDOLEANCES...

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2nd Edition was Hosted by Ngo Quarter Courtesy
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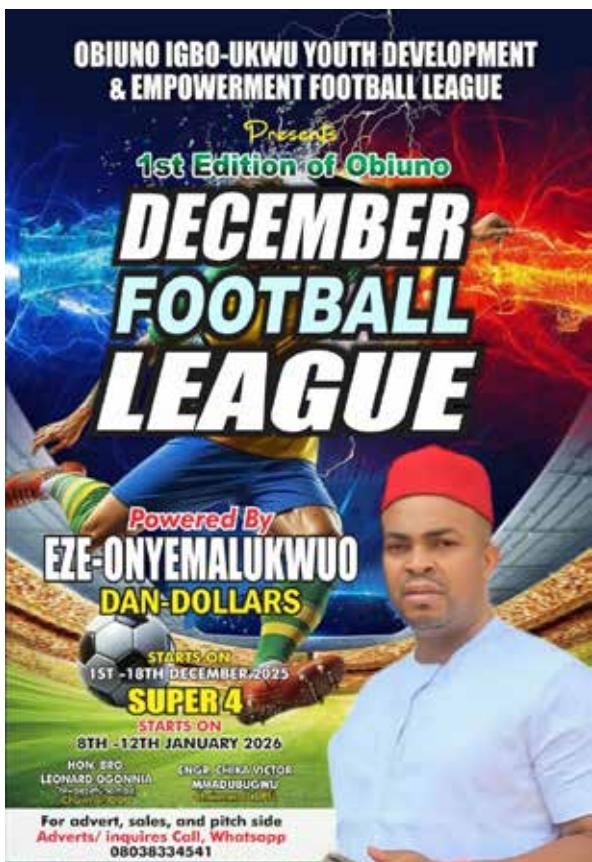


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DEVELOPMENT.



IGBO-UKWU PREMIER LEAGUE IS COMING



IFA and Youth Social Club of Igbo-ukwu agree on the use of the Youth Social Club Igbo-ukwu Stadium for the Igbo-ukwu Premier League

The President of Igbo-ukwu Football Association (IFA) Emeka Igwilo has confirmed that IFA is in discussion with the leadership of the Youth Social Club of Igbo-ukwu for the use of the Youth Social Club Igbo-ukwu Stadium for the Christmas football activities.

This development is as a result of the recent pronouncement by the State Government stopping the use of the facilities in some schools in Anambra State which affected the Girls Secondary School Igbo-ukwu where IFA uses as her second ground for the Igbo-ukwu Premier League.

While thanking the leadership of the Club for their prompt response to the request and for their understanding, the IFA president also expressed his gladness to the Igbo-ukwu Development Union for the support.

With this development, IFA Matches for the 62nd Edition of the Igbo-ukwu Premier League and 5th edition of the Eze-ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup will now take place at the Holy Trinity Church football ground and the Youth Social Club of Igbo-ukwu Stadium.

IFA fixtures will respect the days of the Club's activities especially the Day of the Club's meetings and other activities.

According to the President of IFA, this development is a good development and will unfold a new partnership that will help boost the Sports Tourism in the ancient community as well as expand the scope of the facility network across the city.

Edochie Nkannebe
Secretary General, IFA



The Games Master with his young football team, 29 Sep 2025



**Eze-Ohamadike Eze-Ezinwanne Amb. Chucks Felix Okoye...
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IGBO-UKWU DECEMBER PREMIER LEAGUE @ 62:

You're invited to be part of this year's tournament as we celebrate the 5th Anniversary Of Eze-ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup in a grand style but before then let me walk you back to memory lane as well arranged by my oga at the top a historian and an award-winning sports development advocate and president of Igbo-ukwu football association Mr Emeka Igwilo, for 62 years Igbo-ukwu football association (IFA) has been committed in preserving the legacy of Nnaanyi Chief F.O. Onyekwelu, a revered figure who championed the unity of Igbo-ukwu, the attached document shows those and teams who has through this 62 years written their names in the history book

Sponsorship for other various awards are still open as history will remember you for your support to IFA and Igbo-ukwu at large in sports development,

Teams registration is still open and on going for IDU branches and individual clubs in Igbo-ukwu, reach out to the secretary and get your team registered before the closing date.

Edochie Nkannebe
Secretary IFA/IDU
sports affair advisory

History of Past Winners of Igbo-Ukwu Premier League (IPL)

Edition	Year	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	4 th Position	Cup
		(1 st Position)	(2nd Position)	(3rd Position)		
1 st	1959	Home	-	-		Chief F.O Onyekwelu Cup
2 nd	1960	Home	-	-		"
3 rd	1961	Home	-	-		"
4 th	1962	Home	-	-		"
5 th	1963	Home	-	-		"
6 th	1964	Port Harcourt	-	-		"
7 th	1965	Port Harcourt	-	-		"
8 th	1966	Onitsha	-	-		"
9 th	1967-1970	Civil war	No competitions	-		"
10 th	1971	Onitsha	-	-		"
11 th	1972	Aba	-	-		"
12 th	1973	Benin	-	-		"
13 th	1974	Abakaliki	-	-		"
14 th	1976	Benin	-	-		"
15 th	1977	Students/Onitsha	-	-		"
16 th	1978	Benin	-	-		"
17 th	1979	Aba	-	-		"
18 th	1980	Benin	-	-		"
19 th	1981	Benin/Onitsha	No 2 nd place	-		"
20 th	1982	No winner (inconclusive finals)		-		"
21 st	1983	Students	Lagos	-		"
22 nd	1984	Benin	Lagos	-		"
23 rd	1985	Lagos	Onitsha	-		"
24 th	1986	Lagos	Benin	-		"
25 th	1987	Benin	Enugu	-		"
26 th	1988	Ilorin	Jos	-		"
27 th	1989	Onitsha 1	Onitsha 2	-		"
28 th	1990	Onitsha 2	Port Harcourt	Lagos		"
29 th	1991	Abuja	Onitsha 1	Port Harcourt		"
30 th	1992	Abuja	Port Harcourt	Nnewi		"
31 st	1993	Enugu	Benin	Gombe		"
32 nd	1994	Home	Port Harcourt	Onitsha 1		"
33 rd	1995	Onitsha	Aba	Home		"
34 th	1996	Onitsha	Port Harcourt	Home		Niger Optical Services (NOSCO)Cup
35 th	1997	Onitsha / Jos	No 2 nd place	Lagos		"
36 th	1998	Onitsha 2	Enugu	Onitsha 1		"
37 th	1999	Onitsha 2	Enugu	Lagos 1		"
38 th	2000	Onitsha 2	Port Harcourt	Aba		"
39 th	2001	Onitsha 1	Nnewi	Onitsha		"
40 th	2002	Lagos 1	Onitsha 1	Dege United		"
41 st	2003	Elephants (Dege United)	Benin	Lagos 1		Chief Christopher Okonkwo (Ezeakudo) cup
42 nd	2004	Elephants	Lagos 1	Benin		"
43 rd	2005	Benin	Elephants	Soccer Stars (Home)		"
44 th	2006	Onitsha	UNIZIK	Benin		"
45 th	2007	Anekwe United (Nnewi)	Onitsha 11	UNIZIK		"
46 th	2008	Onitsha 1	Benin	Port Harcourt		"
47 th	2009	Onitsha 2	Lagos	Benin		"
48 th	2010	Lagos	Oganigwe FC	Onitsha		Nze Christian Okoli-Udeafor (Kotrac) cup
49 th	2011	Onitsha 1	Bronze FC	Soccer Stars		Hon. Ikem Uzoerie cup
50 th	2012	Onitsha 1	Young Dynamics (Lagos)	Soccer Stars 1		"
51 st	2013	Onitsha 1	Young Dynamics (Lagos)	Onitsha 2		"
52 nd	2014	Onitsha 2	Soccer Stars 1	United Stars		"
53 rd	2015	Lagos (Sons of Jacob)	Soccer Stars 2	Soccer stars 1		Amara Martin Iheme Trophy
54 th	2016	Lagos (Sons of Jacob FC)	Omyekwelu United FC	Aba	Onitsha	Ugo Igboekwu Cup (Engr. Bart Nwile)
55 th	2017	Lagos (Big Brothers FC)	Aba	Soccer Stars 11	Brighter star	"
56 th	2018	Onitsha	Lagos (Big Brothers FC)	Brighter Stars	Okey FC	"
57 th	2019	Onitsha	Aba	No 3rd place		"
58 th	2020	Onitsha	Okey FC	Future Stars		IFA Cup
59 th	2021	Okey FC	Onitsha	PH		Eze-Ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup (Nze Chucks Okoye)
59 th	2022	Okey FC	Soccer Stars	Onitsha	Brighter star	Eze-Ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup (Nze Chucks Okoye)
60 th	2023	Onitsha 2	Soccer Stars	IDU Awka	Tempest FC Aba	Eze-Ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup (Nze Chucks Okoye)
61 st	2024	IDU Lagos Branch	Onitsha 11	Aba Branch	Olkwadike United	Eze-Ezinwanne Ohamadike Cup (Nze Chucks Okoye)
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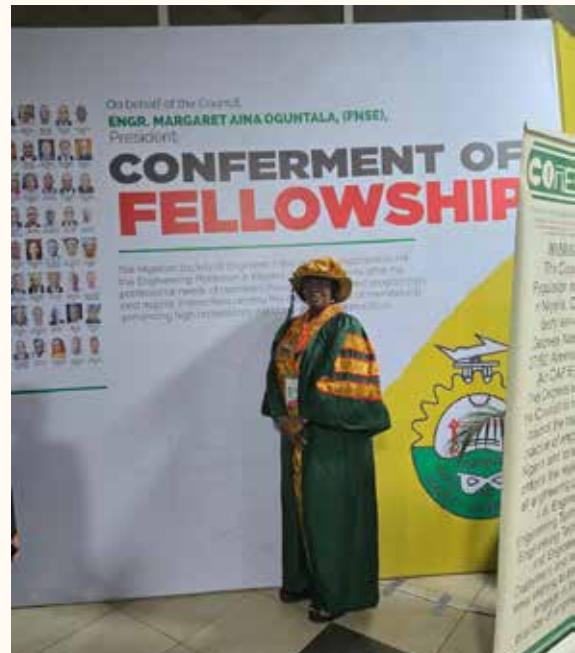
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