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From left to right are:

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- 2. Eng. Abuchi Anyanrah (Secretary-General)
- 3. Hon. Ebene Obodoakwe (2nd Vice PG)
- 4. Eze Akajiugo Sr. Ben (Dr.) MCK Ubah (President-General)
- 5. Hon. Nzuibe Uweazuokor (1st Vice PG)
- 6. Mr. John Abuchi Udeagu (Asstt. PG)
- 7. Mr. Chris Udegburam (Auditor)
- 8. Mr. Chibuka Ezenwoya (Auditor)
- 9. Nze Eze-Ugoakoronobi Inuka Prince Umwoduakwe (Treasurer)
- 10. Evangelist Prince Zephu Chidoke Umehokoli (Auditor)
- 11. Mr. Superfund Osobike (Financial Secretary)
- 12. Mr. Nwagwu Okali (Presser II)
- 13. Nze Sr. Asaphokor Agorokwe (Asstt. Fin. Sec. but not in the picture)
- 14. Person 1 (Vacant seat)
- 15. Person 2 (Vacant seat)



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ENGR CHUKWUMA CYRIACUS OKAFOR ABANOBI...EZE  
AKUABATA N IGBO UKWU CEO EGOVILLA HOTEL AND SUITES  
LOCATED AT IGBO UKWU OBIUNO VILLAGE AGUATA LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT ANAMBARA STATE NIGERIA.

PLOT 2&3  
EZE AKUABATA  
STREET  
OBIUNO VILLAGE IGBO  
UKWU AGUATA  
ANAMBARA STATE.  
NEAREST BUS STOP  
OFOKAJA JUNCTION  
AND AHIAGU OBIUNO  
JUNCTION





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## IGBO-UKWU REIGNS SUPREME IN THE AGUATA EASTER FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT 2026

It was a day of reckon for the ancient city of Igbo-ukwu, when the community was paired to play Umuchu community in the Aguata Easter Football Tournament, powered by Dr. Chibueze Ofobuikwe, Mayor Aguata (Chairman of Aguata Local Government Area).

Despite that Igbo-ukwu barely had enough time to assemble and prepare their team, the trojans stepped out in full confidence, not only to fly the community's flag, but to project and protect the name. At the end of the ninety (90) minutes, on the Saturday 28th of March 2026, in the game that took place at the Ezinifite Football Arena Community Secondary School, the score line was 1 -0 in favour of the archeological city. This quarter-finals victory placed Igbo-ukwu closer to the Semi-finals and finals of the Local Government trophy.

The video that was shared in many platformed by the Secretary General of Igbo-ukwu Football Association (IFA), Mr. Edochie Nkannebe, showed that the level of Sports Tourism that is ongoing in the Igbo-ukwu community is high. The fans that accompanied the team to Ezinifite, venue of the championship was also awesome.

Thank goodness that the fitness and reparation of the players was made easy due to the ongoing Zaifa Cup competitions.

While appreciating the team that executed and secured the needed victory against Umuchu, the President of the Igbo-ukwu Football Association (IFA), Emeka Igwilo, said that the football Association, through Coaches : Ugochukwu Ezeanyaeche, Evarist Muojekwu and Ikechukwu Nwangwu selected the team that made Igbo-ukwu proud.

The 23-man squad will fight and win the trophy that is billed for three million naira only (N3,000,000.00) for the Champions, Two million naira only (N2,000,000.00) for the Runner Up and One million naira only (N1,000,000.00) for the 3rd place winner.

Among the Igbo-ukwu ambassadors that are on the front line for the championship included Emeka Madumelu (Etiti), Kingsley Umeafornta (Umudege), Ikechukwu Umeh (Umudege), Nnamdi Umeh (Umudege), Ifeanyi Emerionwu (Umudege), Chinedu Ezenwune (Umudege), Arinze Onyekaonwu (Ezihu), Sunday Onyekaonwu (Ezihu) and Chimezie Onyejiako (Ezihu). Others are Victor Ekebosi (Ngo), Uche Umeobi (Ngo), Chibuike Okafor (Ngo), Chukwuma Okeke (Ngo), Emeka Mbamalu (Ngo), Nwachukwu Daniel (Ngo), Nnaemeka Anulunwa (Obiuno) and Ebube Mbaebie (Obiuno). Emeka Anigbogu (Ezigbo), Chibuike Ijezie (Ezigbo), Chisom Okonkwo (Ezigbo), Ebuka Obodokwe (Akukwa), Sunday Okeke (Akukwa) and Ilfeanyi (Akukwa) are also on the list

As the victory celebration at Ezinifite continues to resonate, it is hoped the community will have opportunity of scaling through the Semis up to the finals come April 8.

Meanwhile the Model Nursery and primary school will meet Central School in the finals of the Igbo-ukwu Development Union (IDU) South Africa Branch Cup at the Holy Triniyy Church field on Easter Sunday 5th April 2026.

The gladiators of Ezihu, Umudege, Obiuno and Ngo villages that qualified for the semifinals of the Zaifa Cup will also trade tackles on who plays in the competition powered by Nze Ukwuomakpoligbo Chukwudi Ezeife (Zaifa), come Easter Monday 6th April 2026.

By Emeka Igwilo  
President, IFA  
March 30, 2026

# IGWE OF IGBO-UKWU, HRH ALEXANDER EJIKEMUWA AZIKE-ONEDIBE BURIES MOTHER IN A GRAND STYLE!

DATE WAS 8TH JANUARY, 2026



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## UNVEILING SOME OF IGBO-UKWU'S GENTLE GIANTS AND SILENT PERFORMERS! (Part 1)



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

In this very Igbo-Ukwu community of ours, and in life generally, there are awesome or extraordinary people who seem ordinary in the public space, but are the very sparks of joy, catalysts, and drivers of the real change that makes our community and the world thrive and flow prosperously.

If you're in agreement with the above, say: Eeey, but if otherwise, say: Naay! Never to worry, let's drill deeper!

Umuibe ekeneem unu!

Let me re-assert that in our community and in life generally, there are extraordinary individuals who move through the public space with a quiet, seemingly ordinary grace. They do not seek the spotlight or demand recognition, yet they are the silent anchors that keep our world steady. Like a soft light in a dim room, their presence is felt more than it is seen, manifesting in a warm smile for a stranger, a steady hand during a crisis, or the consistent dedication they bring to their daily tasks. These are the people whose "ordinariness" is merely a cloak for a profound inner strength and a heart that beats for the collective good of our people.

Eze-Omeiheukwu Dr Azubike L. Ezeife MD, of SICA., Prof Benji Udoka Nwosu, the America-based medical doctor and researcher, Dr Sunday Nwosu of USA, Nkenakpaonye Engr. Emeka Okafor of OANDO Port-Harcourt, Engr. Ikenna Okonkwo, fns of ACOMEF, and Nze Engr Ezedinachi Ebuka Onyemelukwe, are such awesome examples from the professional elites category. Dr Okwy Ezeani of HOMS GROUP; Eze-Amaluemenwanne Emma Azike, Nze Dr Ajiboye Chijoike Emeka, Eze-Ikemba Ozo Oporuiche, Ezego Stanley Chizoba Ezeafulukwe, the

Lagos-based business mogul, and Nze Sir Ambassador Chuks Felix Okoye, Eze-Ohamadike Eze-Ezinwanne of South Africa, represent the side of our business elites.

These individuals are the true sparks of joy and the catalysts for the real change that makes our community and world thrive. While society often celebrates grand gestures and loud proclamations, these quiet drivers of diverse empowerment, strategic developments and prosperity, understand that sustainable growth is built through small, intentional acts. They are the ones who listen when others only want to be heard, who plant seeds of kindness in neglected places, and who inspire those around them to be better simply by being themselves. Their influence is like a ripple in a pond —starting from a single, humble point and expanding to touch lives they may never even meet.

Indeed, Team Eze-Akajiugo has a midas touch that discovers these gentle giants of our community. They have insisted that the labours of our foremost Igbo-Ukwu establishment group... Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu, Okeide Igbo-Ukwu, Odenigbo Igbo-Ukwu, Ochikota Igbo-Ukwu, Osuofia Igbo-Ukwu, to name but a few must never be in vain.

And like the legendary Ogbuefi Chiefs F. O. Onyekwelu and IPO Nwosu, Team Eze-Akajiugo has sworn that Igbo-Ukwu must not flounder nor retrogress, but must reclaim her pride of place in beyond the 21st century industrial revolution. Yes, we can!

Ultimately, it is these "ordinary" heroes of our community, when well galvanised and harnessed by a discerning influential leadership, who ensure that our society remains prosperous and vibrant. By focusing on what they give to the community rather than the accolades they receive, they re-define what it means to be a successful and progressive community.

They remind us that real beauty and power are not found in status or fame, but in the genuine connections we forge and the positive marks we leave on each other's hearts. In a world that often feels rushed and indifferent, these beautiful souls are the steady heartbeat that keeps us moving forward, proving that the most profound changes often begin with the most unassuming people.

Team Eze-Akajiugo warmly salutes all of you!

In the subsequent editions, Team Eze-Akajiugo will highlight more of these great but silent achievers that God blessed Igbo-Ukwu with! But note if Team Eze-Akajiugo has not discovered you, you must be living in the moon or outer space! Stay tuned!

Peace to you!

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



## THE GRAND INDUCTION

OF DR OKWY EZEANI INTO THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE N'OZO SOCIETY OF  
IGBO-UKWU AS NZE EZE-OKWUCHUKWUBUNDU NA IGBO-UKWU!





# THE GRAND INDUCTION



## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD, IGBO TRUMPET MAGAZINE!



Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah, EsqBA (Hons), LLB (Hons), BL, PGD, MBA, D.Lit/Juris, mnim, KSC, AmbP-UN, President-General of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU.

Ndi banyi,

Welcome to the '2nd Half' of our term of four years in the service of Igbo-Ukwu. It's been wonderful, though, naturally challenging! With God, all things are possible! I am very proud of my team, Team Eze-Akajiugo, as you can see us well prepared to serve. We will deliver Igbo-Ukwu to the promised land.

Like you know, a successful leadership team is a cohesive group of executives who align around a shared strategic vision, leverage their diverse expertise to make informed decisions, and prioritize organizational health over individual departmental interests to inspire and guide the entire community. On this, we will continue to stand to deliver more superior results and score more golden goals in our remaining tenure of less than two years now. Congratulations Team Eze-Akajiugo!

And like what our soccer team is doing in Aguata, I am therefore proud to recast the report of our IFA President, Hon. Emeka Igwilo. In both teams, Igbo-Ukwu wins big time!

...Eze-Akajiugo, Eze-Odebeatu Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah, Team Captain and Chairman, Editorial Board, Igbo Trumpet Magazine.

## EDITORIAL:

### A SEASON OF RENEWAL, LEADERSHIP, AND LEGACY



The April–August edition of Igbo Trumpet Magazine comes at a defining moment in the life of Anambra State and the broader Igbo nation; a season marked by renewal, purposeful leadership, and the enduring strength of our cultural heritage.

At the forefront of this edition is the second term inauguration of His Excellency, Professor Charles Chukwuka Soludo, CFR, as the Governor of Anambra State. This milestone is not merely ceremonial; it reflects the collective will of Ndi Anambra and a reaffirmation of confidence in a leadership vision anchored on innovation, economic transformation, and people-centered governance. As his administration begins a new chapter, expectations remain high, and hope even higher, that the strides recorded will deepen into lasting prosperity for our people.

Equally compelling in this edition is the remarkable leadership journey of Ezeakajiugo Sir Barr. MCK Ubah, the current President General of the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU). In a time when many leadership roles risk becoming symbolic, Sir Ubah has distinguished himself as a working President General—one who embodies action, commitment, and measurable progress. His tenure appears to be redefining community leadership, setting a new standard for service, accountability, and grassroots development. Indeed, his example challenges others to see leadership not as a title, but as a responsibility to uplift and transform.

This edition also captures the rich cultural tapestry of our people through a series of colorful and deeply significant events. We reflect on the burial ceremonies of the mother of His Royal Highness, Igwe Alexander Ejikemeuwa Azike and the father of Lord-Mayor Ifeanyi Okoye (Ozopuruiniego)—occasions that individually, drew together tradition, honour, and communal solidarity. We celebrate the prestigious Ozo title-taking of Nze Eze-Akpuka, Rear Admiral Umeanuka Chinweuba Rtd, and Dr Okwy Ezeani of Homs Group Ltd., as Eze-Okwuchukwubundu Na Igbo-Ukwu, rites steeped in prestige and cultural symbolism, reaffirming the values that bind us as a people. Additionally, we pay tribute to the life and legacy of Late Sir Edwin Mmuoemenam, whose grand burial ceremony was a testament to a life well lived and a legacy worth preserving.

These events, among others featured in this edition, are more than social highlights; they are reflections of who we are; a resilient, proud, and culturally rooted people who continue to honour our past while shaping our future.

As always, this edition of Igbo Trumpet Magazine is rich, engaging, and thoughtfully curated. It offers our readers a blend of governance, community development, culture, sports, and human stories that inspire and inform.

We invite you to sit back, relax, and immerse yourself in these pages. There is much to learn, celebrate, and reflect upon.

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

# IGBO-UKWU GENERATIONAL SUCCESSION: STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN!



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

In our Igbo-Ukwu community of today, where are the young suckers that will grow when the old banana tree gets too old to continue to bear fruits? Of a truth, our community needs a fresh crop of upwardly mobile men and women who are passionate and ready to take over from the present flagship members of what we know as the 'Igbo-Ukwu Establishment Group' in order to continue from where their energy seems to be dropping down or waning.

We therefore need a clear road map or succession plan for this new group to clearly emerge and follow up in order for us to have fresh energy, capital injection, and development zeal or impetus from our succeeding generations. In what ways has Team Eze-Akajiugo been able to oil, stimulate, or kick-start this productive engine of progress for continued prosperity through some innovative strategies maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu?

## An Introduction:

To ensure a community does not wither like an ageing orchard, leadership must move beyond passive observation and actively cultivate the "suckers"—the vibrant offshoots—already germinating at the base of the established structure.

Here is a pragmatic roadmap to facilitate this vital transition.

## Some Pragmatic Suggestions:

### The Architecture of Intentional Shadowing:

True succession is not a hand-off at the finish line, but a shared lap in the middle of the race. Community leadership must institutionalize "Shadow Seats" within the establishment group. By pairing every seasoned executive or elder with a high-potential protégé for a fixed term, the community ensures that the nuances of power, institutional memory, and strategic maneuvering are transferred through osmosis rather than a frantic, last-minute briefing.

### The Incubation of Autonomy:

Fresh capital and development impetus require a "sandbox" where the next generation can lead without the fear of stifling traditionalism. Leaders should carve out autonomous project zones—innovation labs or youth-led task forces—granted their own budgets and decision-making authority. This allows upwardly mobile men and women to prove their mettle, iterate on new ideas, and build the confidence necessary to eventually steer the larger ship.

### Digital and Cultural Literacy Exchanges:

Succession is often stalled by a widening gap in tools and language. A pragmatic community implements "Reverse Mentorship" programs, where younger members train the establishment in emerging technologies and modern social trends. This levels the playing field, fosters mutual respect, and ensures that when the transition occurs, the organization's infrastructure is already modernized and compati-

ble with the new leaders' vision.

### Standardizing the Meritocratic Pipeline:

To prevent the "sucker" from being choked by favoritism or stagnation, leadership must define a transparent, merit-based advancement map. By establishing clear KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) for leadership readiness, the community removes the guesswork from succession. When the path to the top is visible and governed by objective achievement, it attracts the most ambitious and capable talent who crave clarity and fair play.

### The Ritual of Graceful Exit:

A forest can not renew if the old canopy blocks all the light. Community leadership must curate a culture of "Legacy Transition," where stepping down is viewed as an elevation to an advisory or "Elder Emeritus" role rather than an ending. By creating prestigious positions for retiring leaders that focus on wisdom-sharing rather than day-to-day control, the establishment can vacate the driver's seat without feeling discarded.

### Capital Infusion and Entrepreneurial Synergy:

Finally, to inject fresh impetus, the community must bridge the gap between traditional wealth and new-age innovation. Establishing a "Community Venture Fund" managed by the rising cohort—under the oversight of the establishment—creates a literal stake in the future. This aligns the financial interests of both generations, ensuring that the new crop of leaders has the resources to build upon the foundation they inherit.

Here are other alternative viewpoints and suggested action plans...

Everyone seems to agree with me that the strength of a forest is rarely found in its oldest trunks, but in the vigorous shoots emerging at their base.

To ensure a community such as Igbo-Ukwu does not wither when its current leaders tire, we must stop viewing succession as a distant event and start treating it as an active cultivation. This requires a deliberate shift from a "holding" mindset to a "handing over" philosophy.

The first step is the creation of a shadow cabinet structure. Pragmatic leadership should pair every veteran "flagship" member with a high-potential protégé in a formal, one-on-one apprenticeship. This isn't just about observation; it's about shared decision-making. By giving the next generation a seat at the table today, we ensure that when they take the reins tomorrow, the seat is already warm, and the rhythm familiar.

To inject fresh capital and impetus, the community must establish a "Venture Leadership" fund. This strategy treats new ideas from young professionals like internal startups. Instead of forcing youth to wait for their "turn," the establishment provides the financial backing and institutional cover for them to execute modern projects. This proves their mettle and demonstrates that the community is a place where innovation is rewarded, not stifled.

A clear map for emergence requires a Digital Bridge Initiative. We must empower the upwardly mobile to modernize the community's infrastructure—from communication platforms to data-driven resource management. By tasking the youth with technological stewardship, the establishment gracefully cedes control over the tools of the future, allowing the new crop to build the very systems they will eventually lead.

Succession must also be codified through a Rotation Mandate. Pragmatic leaders should institute term limits or "sunset clauses" for specific

committee roles, creating a predictable, non-confrontational pipeline of vacancy. When the path to the top is visible and scheduled, the most talented individuals are more likely to stay and invest their energy locally rather than seeking recognition elsewhere.

Finally, we must foster a culture of Inter-generational Intelligence. This means moving beyond occasional town halls to host "Reverse Mentorship" sessions where young professionals brief the establishment on emerging global trends. When the current leadership shows a genuine willingness to learn, it builds a foundation of mutual respect. This ensures that the eventual transition is not a takeover, but a seamless evolution of power.

## A Synthesis of Ideas and Strategic Action Plan:

We must recall that Igbo-Ukwu has attempted to institutionalize so many Action plans towards creating a generational succession and action plans. There was this Vision 2010 powered by Chief Dr Chris Ikechi Ezeh, mfr, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu some decades back. This was followed by Vision 2020 and later the Igbo-Ukwu Renaissance Retreat, IRR, of between February 23 and 25, 2018 at Dannic Hotels Ltd Enugu initiated by Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi, Okeide Igbo-Ukwu. These were genuine efforts by the Establishment Group to plan for a great future for Igbo-Ukwu. Though the IRR Report was discussed and accepted by ndi Igbo-Ukwu at Amaehulu Town Hall under the leadership of Nze Eze-Omenyilioha Basil Osuokwu, as Acting President-General of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU but the succeeding regime of Sir Christian Ikeh jettisoned the Report and it was filed away.

It was however the digital leadership of Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah Esq that exhumed the reported and breathed life back into it for representation and adoption as a working document. It's hoped that this report should form part of the new IDU Constitution under review presently. Some vital aspects of this report harp on some of the above suggested ideas and action plans for making Igbo-Ukwu better for the coming generation to seamlessly enjoy.

Indeed, Igbo-Ukwu's greatness and prosperity, in the years ahead, are in sight! With all the above strategies and action plans being intentionally pursued by succeeding leaderships of Igbo-Ukwu, the emerging horizon showcases a great promise that some day in no distant future, Igbo-Ukwu shall be a role model and reference point in the sub-region.

## By:

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah,  
President-General of Igbo-Ukwu  
Development Union, IDU.

March 28, 2026.

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# INSIDE AMAEHULU TOWN HALL



AND ITS COMPOUND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE!

TEN NEW BEAUTIFUL THINGS YOU MUST SEE AT AMAEHULU TOWN HALL IGBO-UKWU TODAY...!

Team Eze-Akajiugo...one love binds us together...!

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu daalu nu!Great things are happening in Igbo-Ukwu Groundze-ro...

Today, the good news from Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu as filed in by Hon. Umeokoli Ezeokana, our indomitable Home Youths Coordinator & Chairman of Ward 23 reveals that:

1. The whole front-view of the Compound of our Amaehulu Town Hall has been fully tiled up and completed as programmed, courtesy of the Igbo-Ukwu Young Dynamic Club of Lagos led by Akuluouno Edozie Nnoli;
2. The Five units of 3-tonnage packaged ACs inside the Hall have been fully installed (ready for use), courtesy of Ezeakonobi Dr Sabastine Umeobi of ASJAY ELECTRONICS LTD;
3. The 100 units of gold royal chairs have been fully displayed inside the Hall, ready for use, courtesy of Eze-Ikemba Ozo Oporuiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka
4. The ongoing fencing and security gatehouse projects are on track;
5. The beautiful granite marble floor tiles are shining and ready for use courtesy of Prof Benjamin Udoka Nwosu and Dr Sunday Nwosu;
6. The inner walls of the Hall have been repainted including new fans, adequate lightings and corporate window blinds fully installed...all courtesy of Team Eze-Akajiugo;
7. The toilets and other inner conveniences are all beautiful and ready for use;
8. The inner solar lights for Amaehulu Town Hall and the National Secretariat offices are all powering 24/7, courtesy of EDO, Chief Engr Dom Okafor fns (Eze-Chinyelugo)
8. The outside street solar lights that brighten up the Amaehulu Town Hall Estate at night courtesy of Team Eze-Akajiugo are all working optimally.
9. Hon Umeokoli Ezeokana, our Home Youths Coordinator & Chairman of Ward 23 has further promised to paint the poles free of charge in appreciation of what Team Eze-Akajiugo is doing...
10. As we write, the outside Walls of both the National Secretariat and that of the Amaehulu Town Hall are being repainted to bring out the total beauty of the newly completed interlocking project, courtesy of Team Eze-Akajiugo

## NOTE:

IDU General Assembly Holds on 27th (EXCO) and 28th February, 2026...just a week today... please try and be home to physically behold these beautiful developments in your homeland...they all come through the helping hands of our own people...the Igbo-Ukwu kindred spirit... If you can not join physically, join virtually via the zoom link to be provided by our media team.

Don't forget to visit Igbo-Ukwu via [www.igboukwu.org](http://www.igboukwu.org)

Below are the current 'look and feel' of both our outside and inside of our Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu...

Praise God, Somebody!

PEACE TO YOU!

Team Eze-Akajiugo



EUREKA, WE HAVE RECOVERED OUR PRIDE: COME TO AMAEHULU TOWN HALL TO BEHOLD THE REFRESHING BEAUTY AND WONDERS THAT COME WITH THE MAKING OF IGBO-UKWU WHITE HOUSE AND TOWN HALL THAT ALSO DOUBLE AS THE FUTURE OF GREAT EVENTS CENTRE IN IGBO-UKWU.

IT'S AN AMAZING BEAUTY TO BEHOLD...

WE DEDICATE THIS SUPER SIGNATURE ACHIEVEMENT BY TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO TO THE UNWAVERING COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT OF NDI IGBO-UKWU AS POWERED BY THE IGBO-UKWU KINDRED SPIRIT... YOU MADE IT TO HAPPEN... THANK YOU!

AMAEHULU TOWN HALL IS NOW YOUR EVENTS CENTRE NEXT DOOR! HOW TO MAKE YOUR BOOKINGS WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING OUR 28TH OF FEBRUARY, 2026 IDU MEETING...PLEASE JOIN US!

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu ekeneem!

Please come to our Amaehulu Town Hall estate, Igbo-Ukwu, to see the refreshing beauty and wonders brought to bear on the making of a new community White House and Town Hall, that will soon begin to function as the biggest Events' Centre in our community.

As you enter that axis from the Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu junction towards the Amaehulu Town Hall estate, you will witness a breathtaking metamorphosis as the White House and Community Hall beckons at you with a shining pride...and as it ascends from a once ghost, fearfully bushy and abandoned monument of vision to a beautiful reality, evolving into a masterpiece of environmental radiance, ambience, elite brilliance and civic pride. Every drop of sweat by Team Eze-Akajiugo, and every beam of hope raised towards the making of this new wonderland, serves as a testament to our collective ambition and passionate vision, upscaling the very fabric of our Amaehulu Town Hall neighborhood into a realm of modern elegance.

This is not merely a renovation or improvement; it is the birth of a landmark, where sophisticated design of tasteful furnishings meet purposeful utility, creating a "White House" that stands as a beacon of progress and a sanctuary for our shared future.

Step inside our Amaehulu Town Hall today to experience the awe of beauty and wonders in the making of a classic meeting hall and events centre where the air is thick with the promise of unforgettable celebrations and transformative gatherings. From the soaring ceilings of joyful people's assembly that capture the light of love, to the intricate details that whisper of luxury, air-conditioned atmosphere equipped with digital information technology, 24/7 solar-powered lights and luxury royal chairs fit only for kings and Honourables, this space is being meticulously crafted to host the milestones of our lives. We invite you to come and see this unfolding marvel—a premier destination where community spirit is refined by excellence and every corner reflects the magnificent spirit of our people.

Well done, Team Eze-Akajiugo!

Below are the beautiful sights and wonders that is today our Amaehulu Town Hall estate...remember that I informed the other day that the external walls are being repainted soon after the interlocking project was completed. This is our third time of retouching it...beauty is in the eyes of the beholder...Team Eze-Akajiugo loves beauty of both mind and body...

Peace to you!

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah,\* Your Brother and Pee-Gee.





## 27TH FEBRUARY, 2026 IDU EXCO MEETING IN PROGRESS!

The Executive Council Meeting of the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU) is seen taking place in the main bowl of Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu.

New Year Budget Setting and other critical deliberations are ongoing towards the growth, unity, and sustainable development of our dear community.

The leadership is fully engaged, reviewing key matters that directly affect our people and setting the tone for impactful resolutions ahead of tomorrow's Bi-Monthly Statutory Delegates Meeting

This is to sensitise and strongly remind all statutory delegates, branch representatives, and stakeholders that attendance tomorrow is very important

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The decisions being shaped at this executive level will be further deliberated upon, strengthened, and consolidated at the delegates' meeting.

Let us all turn out in large numbers, fully prepared and committed to contributing meaningfully to the progress of Igbo-Ukwu.

Together, we build  
Together, we advance

Team Eze-Akajiugo



# IGBO-UKWU GENERATIONAL SUCCESSION: STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN!



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# ALL HAIL THE GROUP PRESIDENT OF HOMS TECHNICAL COMPANY LTD AS HE PREPARES TO JOIN THE PRESTIGIOUS NZE N'OZO SOCIETY OF IGBO-UKWU!



The Heavens themselves seem to part, casting a divine radiance upon the proceedings as if acknowledging a choice made in perfect harmony with the ancestors. In these rare moments, the air grows heavy with a sense of destiny fulfilled, and the very atmosphere vibrates with a celestial "Hallelujah," celebrating an industry leader whose character has finally met its match in a title of equal weight and honor, Nze Dr...

The Elements also join this symphony of joy, with the winds carrying the rhythmic echoes of drums across distant valleys and the earth steadying itself beneath the feet of the man to be newly crowned. It is as if the natural world recognizes the restoration of balance that a great person brings to their community. Rain might fall as a gentle benediction, or the sun may shine with a sudden, piercing clarity—each a form of optimum ovation from a world that thrives when virtue is officially wedded to authority. Dr Okwy Ezeani is a rare generational personality who has rightly been inducted yet into another prestigious fold or rare breeds, the Igbo-Ukwu Hall of Fame!

This union of spirit and tradition creates a legacy that transcends time, turning a personal milestone into a communal triumph. As his titles get ready to be proclaimed on the 21st of March, 2026, the joy is not found in the symbols of office, but in the realization that greatness has accepted the duty of service. The resulting harmony between the seen and unseen worlds serves as a powerful reminder that when honour is bestowed upon the deserving, the entire universe rises in a standing ovation to witness the birth of a new era.

God has never changed His words... And so shall it be on the 21st of March, 2026, Amen!

Team Eze-Akajiugo  
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Ndi banyi ekeneem unu,

On the 21st of March, 2026, all roads will lead to Umudege Village of Igbo-Ukwu, precisely, to the palatial residence of Dr Okwy M. Ezeani, of HOMS GROUP LTD. For many years, I have known this gentleman, philanthropist, and God's servant who goes about doing good works that impact human lives and greater public, behind the cameras! Believe me, Dr Okwy Ezeani is a rare breed!

We at Team Eze-Akajiugo are excited to be part of his success story. He, it was who, doles out millions of naira every year to empower our Igbo-Ukwu Youths across the three Quarters of Igbo-Ukwu under Team Eze-Akajiugo Youths' Empowerment Program, and he does that without much funfair. He has single-handedly sponsored many other projects such as the current 4-year-life-span first-ever Igbo-Ukwu Unity Calendar (2025-2028) produced and launched by Team Eze-Akajiugo in December 2024. Please see the Publications portal of [www.igboukwu.org](http://www.igboukwu.org) to download your copy if you still need more of it.

You see, eh, when the truly noble among us accept the mantle of a traditional title, such as joining the prestigious Nze N'Ozo, it is more than a mere earthly induction or ceremony; it is a profound realignment of the cosmos. Igbo-Ukwu, under the distinguished leadership of Team Eze-Akajiugo, has taken notice of this upcoming spectacular event.



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March 22nd, 2026 was a special day to remember in the contemporary history of Ozo title-taking ceremonies in Igbo-Ukwu. In particular, it was the day when Dr Okwuchukwu Mercillinus Ezeani and his ever adorable wife joined the prestigious rank of Nze N'Ozo Igbo-Ukwu.

That particular weekend was a deeply exciting one, filled with a lot of beautiful ceremonies around Igbo-Ukwu and neighbouring towns that included high profile burials and Ozo title-taking ceremonies.

In particular, Igbo-Ukwu witnessed one of such high-profile Ozo title-taking ceremonies at Umudege Village. It was a ceremony that followed some other glamorous ones in the recent past that drew most of Igbo-Ukwu's greatest folks from across all parts of Igbo-Ukwu and beyond.

Perhaps its validation and endorsement as a highly successful event, aside its grandeur and bespoke entertainment, was the presence of very important personalities, VIPs, of pan-IgboUkwu origin, highly successful business men, politicians, media celebrities, and other distinctive professionals, including almost all the traditional rulers in Aguata and beyond led by our own Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu, HRH Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa Ezeobidike Azike-Onedibe. It was a one-in-town event. The man of the day was Dr Okwy Ezeani of HOMS GROUP LTD. Of his four accredited titles yesterday by Ndi Nze N'Ozo Igbo-Ukwu was the very last one-in-town Nze N'Ozo title of 'Eze-Okwuchukwubundu Na Igbo-Ukwu'!

All hail:  
Nze Dr Okwy M. Ezeani, Eze-Okwuchukwubundu Na Igbo-Ukwu!  
A highly accomplished business man, loving father and darling husband, he is also a member of the prestigious Igbo-Ukwu Hall of



Fame. Before his induction, Dr Okwy Ezeani has consistently been empowering Team Eze-Akajugo's Youth Empowerment Program that runs across the three Quarters of Igbo-Ukwu since the Team's assumption of office. Every year since 2024, he drops at least N3m to be deployed to empowering people of special need. He was the man that singlehandedly powered the current 'Igbo-Ukwu Unity Calendar 2025-2028', a project that cost him over N7m. There are other projects he is currently doing in Igbo-Ukwu behind cameras. With time, we will unveil them. So this man has an admirable pedigree before adorning this red-cap. And our people say: who the cap fits, let him wear it! Onye rua uka, ofu na anyal!

In fact, with his induction of yesterday into this prestigious guild of

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traditional red-cap Chiefs, it reinforces as well as brings to our four courts, that Ozo title-taking is not for all comers or money-miss-road kind of people. Typical of most great universities graduations, their graduates must be found worthy both in character and learning! So it is with the initiates into the prestigious Nze N'Ozo Society of Igbo-Ukwu, and indeed Igboland!

The highly cerebral Ichie Ezechikwado Dr IK Muo has said it all, 'ichi ozo' is not for all comers. You must truly deserve it in all measurement metrics or indices. I ga akwadosi ike, I ga agbasi ike na uzo obuna eji ama nwoke zulu ezu! Beyond money or 'being rich', you must have character and integrity, the sum total of what we call collateral reputation, gravitas or ngabasi! We know there could be a few exceptions, just like all human affairs, but ideally, Nze na Ozo institution is not a typical 'social club' where only money matters greatly! Character, integrity and nobility matter so much beyond being rich.

In fact, in Igbo-Ukwu, to enter the prestigious Nze na Ozo society of Igbo-Ukwu, an aspirant must first embody a character profile defined by impeccable moral integrity and spiritual purity. He must be "transparently honest," a man of his word who never tells a lie, as his tongue is symbolically sanctified (often through a rite called 'isa ire' or 'ika nma') to speak only the truth.

Socially, such an intending folk must be a highly responsible and respected male citizen of the very community, typically married with children, and one who has managed his own household successfully. Non- indigenes cannot be inducted into Nze N'Ozo Igbo-Ukwu! In fact, it's Umunna/kindred/village/Quarter-based or specific!

Crucially, such a folk must be free from any criminal record or "abomination" (alu), such as theft or murder, and must not have been found guilty of fraud or public embezzlement. So you can see, it's not just about being rich or wealthy because most so-called rich or wealthy people are not free from the above. Ichie Gilbert Ezedike made all these valid points crystal clear

yesterday whilst he was conducting the initiation rites of Nze Dr Okwy Ezeani and his brother. I was very proud of the way Ichie Ezedike painstakingly followed through this process to the admiration of all who witnessed this colourful ceremony.

Even though membership is fundamentally reserved for the wealthy and the affluent, wealth alone is never a sufficient qualification. The initiation process is notoriously expensive, requiring the aspirant to provide vast quantities of livestock (cows, goats, rams), food, assorted drinks and fresh up-wine called Nkwu enu palm wine for elaborate community feasts, as well as paying significant cash sums to the existing guild of members. Note that cheap 'Ngwo' version of local drink is not part of it!

Because these Nze naOzo "title-taking" ceremonies can cost millions in today's currency, a poor man, no matter how honest, is traditionally excluded from the Ozo society unless he has wealthy sponsors who can vouch for his character and fund his entry.

The social profile of a would-be member also demands that he be a "person of visible and reasonable financial resources" who can perform the title rites without "strain or stress." He is expected to have achieved a high level of personal distinction, often through any responsible occupation, trade, or professional excellence.

Furthermore, in many communities, he must have already performed "junior" titles or lower-grade ceremonies like iwa akwa, otu ogbo or age grade initiations before he is permitted to aspire to the ultimate Ozo status, demonstrating a lifelong commitment to communal service and tradition.





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Nwannem, let no one decieve you, ichi ozo is not a child's play....iga agbasi ike, isu ogonogo oyibi eso ho!

In essence, while the Nze na Ozo society is an



"achieved status" rather than an inherited one, it represents a unique intersection of material success and ethical discipline. It is not for the "rich or poor alike" in a democratic sense; rather, it is an elite guild for the wealthy-but-honest. Once initiated, the member becomes a "living ancestor" and the moral conscience of his community, enjoying privileges such as wearing the red cap and eagle feather, while bearing the heavy responsibility of acting as a fair adjudicator and protector of the people. Don't forget this aspect: onye Nze bu isi asaa! You gerrit?

Meanwhile, let's keep celebrating the man of the moment:  
Nze Dr Okwy Ezeani, Eze-Okwuchukwubundu Na Igbo-Ukwu!

Team Eze-Akajiugo was naturally part of this bespoke or spectacular ceremony this past weekend...

Igbo-Ukwu is beautiful ...Igbo-Ukwu amakaa!

Please join Team Eze-Akajiugo to keep making Igbo-Ukwu greater and lovelier than we met her!

Peace to you and do have a great week ahead!

By:  
Eze-Akajiugo...  
Eze-Odebeatu Sir (Dr) M.C.K. Ubah, Esq.  
Your Brother and Pee-Gee.



FINALLY, THE EAGLE HAS LANDED...WHO THE CAP FITS, LET HIM WEAR IT:  
ALL HAIL IDE LINUS ODIKA AS HE STEPS FORWARD TO BECOME THE FIRST ICHIE IN OUR  
CONTEMPORARY TRADITIONAL HISTORY...



...EZE-AKAJIUGO...EZE-ODEBEATU INVITES YOU TO BE PART OF THIS HISTORIC MOMENT OF THE ANCIENT AND  
LONG-RESPECTED UMU-EZENNOBE CLAN, WARD 8, OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU! TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY

Ndi banyị, ekeneem unu!

With great joy in my heart, I hereby convey my undiluted gratitude to our highly esteemed leadership of Ebe Ozo Obiuno, under the distinguished Onyeisi Nze Umeiheukwu Nwabueze Nkeonye, Eze-Ohamadike Eze-Ezinwanne Sir Ambassador Chuks Felix Okoye (Chairman), Chief Eric Nwafor Nwobi, Okeide Igbo-Ukwu (BOT Chairman) and His

Majesty, Chief Sir Onyekachi Nnabugwu, Ume-Okpatazuora and Alor 2 of Igbo-Ukwu! This is great honour done to my people, who have long enjoyed undisputed collateral reputation and nobility as Umu-Ezennobe of ancient origin in Igbo-Ukwu!

Of a truth, eh, nke bu eziokwu bu na, the moment we have long awaited is finally here: the eagle has landed, marking a triumphant end to our patient anticipation. As the saying goes, the fowl has come home to roost, bringing a sense of inevitable justice and completion to our journey as a respected Clan of great people. In this season of recognition and grand Ozo title-taking, who the cap fits, let him wear it, for true leadership and merit can no longer be denied. Today, our village, Ihumabiam Ward 8, has stood up to be counted, etching its name into history with a newfound pride that resonates through every heart.

Over six years ago, when Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah, took the prestigious Nze N'Ozo title of Igbo-Ukwu... being a true descendant of the ancient and noble 'Ezennobe Clan of Igbo-Ukwu', he prayed unto God that this New Gate of joy and honour he first opened, would never flounder but

flourish more and more! This is just the beginning!

Please join Umu-Ezennobe, today's Ihumabiam Ward 8 to celebrate and honour our own IDE LINUS ODIKA as he majestically steps forward to join the prestigious rank of ICHIES of Igbo-Ukwu...

The details of this ceremony are as announced via the attached 'Invitation Card' by the Ancient and Ancestral Ebe Ozo Obiuno gburu gburu!

To God be all the glory! And from here, we move...forward ever, backwards never!

In God, we trust!

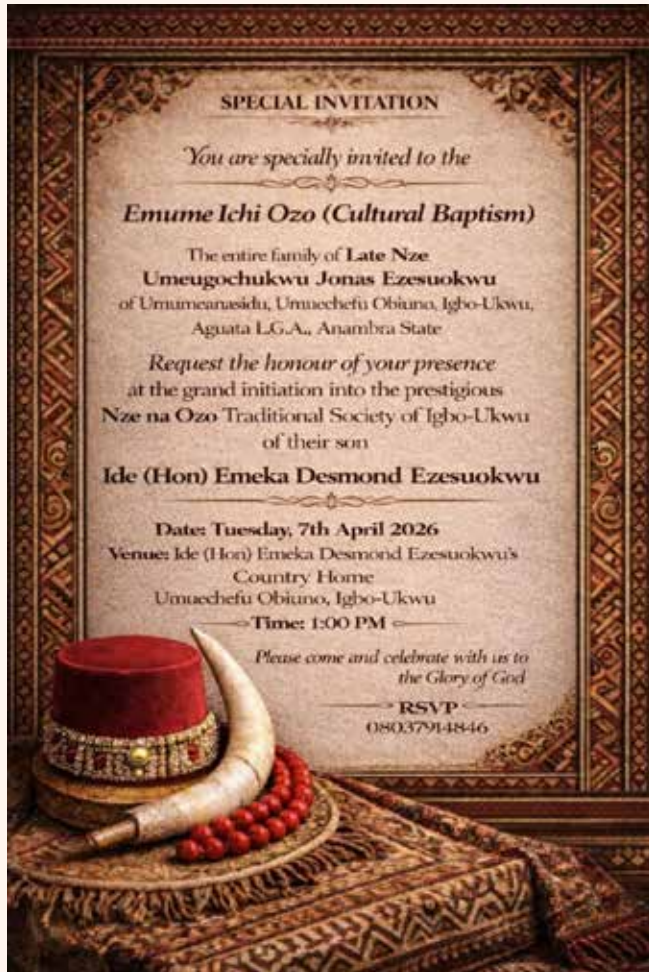
Eze-Akajiugo, Eze-Odebeatu Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, Akaji-Ofo of Umu-Ezennobe, Ward 8, Obiuno Quarter, Igbo-Ukwu & Your President-General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union!



## CHANGE OF GUARD AT IHITE QUARTER: MR JUDE NNAJIOFOR TAKES OVER FROM MR IFEANYI ONYEKA AS CHAIRMAN. CONGRATULATIONS!



# INVITATION TO OZO TITLE TAKING CEREMONY: THE PRIDE OF OUR CULTURE



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The entire family of late Nze Ume-Ugochukwu Jonas Ezesuokwu of Umumeanasidu kindred, Umuechefu village, Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu cordially request the honour of your presence at the grand initiation into the prestigious Nze na Ozo Traditional Society of Igbo-Ukwu of their son.

Ide (Hon) Emeka Desmond Ezesuokwu

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Date: Tuesday, 7th April 2026  
Time: 1pm  
Venue: @ Ide (Hon) Emeka Desmond Ezesuokwu country home Umuechefu village, Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu.

Come and see the beauty of our culture and tradition

By Omekannaya Ifeanyi Ofokaja



**TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO COMMISERATES WITH LORD-MAYOR IFEANYI OKOYE (OZOPURUINIEGO) ON THE DEATH OF HIS BELOVED FATHER...PA JIDEOFOR E. OKOYE!**



**BURIAL CEREMONY TAKES PLACE ON THE 26TH (NIGHT OF TRIBUTES) AND 27TH (BURIAL CEREMONY) MAY HIS GENTLE SOUL REST IN PEACE, AMEN!**

**Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, For: Team Eze-Akajiugo**

**LATE PA JIDEOFOR EZEKIEL OKOYE**

**BURIAL CEREMONY**

**DATE: 26th May 2024 (Night of Tributes)**

**TIME: 7:00 PM**

**VENUE: St. Peter's Catholic Church, Lagos**

**PROGRAMME:**

- 7:00 PM - Prayers
- 7:30 PM - Sermon
- 8:00 PM - Music
- 8:30 PM - Prayers
- 9:00 PM - Dismissal

**INVITEES:**

- Members of the Family
- Members of the Church
- Members of the Community
- Members of the Government
- Members of the Judiciary
- Members of the Legislature
- Members of the Executive
- Members of the Media
- Members of the Public

**MESSAGE FROM ANGLICAN:**

At the death of a man, we are reminded of the words of the prophet Isaiah: 'For we are all like grass, and we are all like flowers that fade. We have all our beauty like the grass that withers and all our labour like the flowers that fade. For the grass withers and the flowers fade, but the word of our God stands forever.'

**MESSAGE FROM LADIES:**

Dear Sir, we are sorry to hear of the death of your father, Pa Jidefor Ezekiel Okoye. We pray for the soul of the departed and for the comfort of the bereaved family.



# IGBO-UKWU HOSTS 2025 CULTURE DAY

AT THE CENTRAL SCHOOL FIELD,  
NEAR NKWOR IGBO-UKWU.

DATE: 30TH DECEMBER, 2025.



## CELEBRATE FAMILY THANKSGIVING



MR JOHN AND MRS MARY OGUERU OF KOJO MOTORS GROUP CELEBRATE  
FAMILY THANKSGIVING AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IGBO-UKWU. DATE: 26TH  
DECEMBER 2025! TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!



# HAPPY Birthday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO A DEPENDABLE MAN OF THE PEOPLE, WORTHY KNIGHT AND TRUSTED COMMUNITY LEADER: EZE-ULUKANACHUKWU SIR CHINEDU OKOYE, CEO, CHINKOYE GROUP LTD!



My dear Nze Sir Chinedu Okoye, Eze-Ulukanachukwu Na Igbo-Ukwu,

On this special day of your life on Planet Earth, and on behalf of the apex leadership and good people of Igbo-Ukwu, I bring you fraternal greetings and felicitations! Happy birthday to you!

Indeed, you're a man who truly embodies the essence of service and integrity. You are more than just a trusted friend; you are a dependable pillar for the people; an events planner and manager; a constant source of strength and wisdom for everyone who has the privilege of knowing you.

Your life is a masterclass in reliability and humility, showing us all what it means to lead or serve with a heart for the community while remaining grounded in your values as a professional clearing agent, freight forwarder, and business man.

As you celebrate another year, we, at Team Eze-Akajiugo, honour your unwavering devotion as a worthy Knight of St Christopher, KSC, a respected Nze na Ozo of Ebe Ozo Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu, and a committed leader. Your dedication to the greater good and your faith-driven courage inspire everyone around you to reach higher and give more.

May this day bring you the same joy and peace you so selflessly provide to others, marking the start of a year filled with even greater impact and abundant blessings.

Happy birthday from all of us!

Eze-Akajiugo... Eze-Odebeatu Sir Dr MCK Ubah, Esq.,  
Your Worthy Brother Knight & President-General.

HAPPY  
*Birthday*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES FROM A PRESIDENT-GENERAL OF A GREAT COMMUNITY TO HIS KING...IGWE OHAZULUME, IDU 3 OF IGBO-UKWU....TWO LOVELY LEADERS WHO ENJOY THE BEST WORKING RELATIONSHIP, EAST OF THE LOWER NIGER!



**IGWE EJKEMEUWA EZEObIDIKE  
ALEXANDER AZIKE**  
Idu III of Igbo-Ukwu



Iduuuuuu.....!

Igweeee....!

Igwe Ohazulume ...!

Long live Your Royal Highness!

On this auspicious occasion of your Birth Anniversary, I extend my warmest felicitations to you, our King, Igwe Igbo-Ukwu! As I do this on behalf of my dear family and the good people of Igbo-Ukwu, I am profoundly celebrating a bond that transcends the mere formalities of our cordial community leadership and statecraft. This connection is rooted in a profound mutual respect for each other and a shared vision for the peace, progress and prosperity of our beloved community, thus reflecting a rare and powerful synergy between two two of us.

As we stand together, our partnership serves as a testament to the strength of unity, proving that when leadership is guided by a common purpose, mutual respect and love, the resulting harmony can

pave the way for an era of unprecedented communal development, peace, progress and stability.

Over the years, our relationship is more than a diplomatic alliance; it is the best working relationship ever within our sub-region, characterized by trust, wisdom, and an unwavering commitment to our people. In the quiet exchanges of counsel and the bold execution of our community's policies and guiding laws, we both exemplify how tradition and modern governance can intertwine to create a legacy of excellence.

Today, as you mark another year of life, the air is filled with the spirit of camaraderie, honoring a monarch whose reign is bolstered by the steadfast support of a presidential ally.

Congratulations, Your Highness!

For and on behalf of my dear family and Team Eze-Akajiugo!

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



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, OUR DEAR TEAM MEMBER AND FRIEND: OMEKANNAYA IFEANYI OFOKAJA, A CHIP OF THE OLD BLOCK, A TRUE SON OF LATE IDE OFOKAJA JAY OFOKAJA OF OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU!**

Yes, it has become true to life that some people are destined to be famous, either by birth, achievement, or serendipity. There's nothing any one can do about it! Even the timeless William Shakespeare had long established it much more succinctly: 'some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them' (please see: "Twelfth Night, Act 2, Scene 5")

The above exposition is not limited to the life story of our good friend and brother, Omekannaya Ifeanyi Ofokaja, who remains a passionate member of Team Eze-Akajiugo. Yes, he is a jolly good fellow like his late father, who was also my very good friend, a man I had christened the 'National Orator of Igbo-Ukwu and a lover of the microphones! Yes, late Ide Ofokaja Jay Ofokaja was a wordsmith, oma anya okwu...he never wavered as long as public oratorical theatrics were concerned. We all learned from his table...May his giant soul continue to rest in peace, Amen!□

Yes and quite undoubtedly, whether whispered by the stars or forged in the fire of human will, some people are destined for the spotlight—their names etched into history by the grace of birth, the weight of achievement, or the sudden, golden stroke of serendipity.

True brilliance cannot remain in the shadows, for those born for greatness will always find their way to the world's stage, whether through a legacy inherited, a mountain climbed, or a singular, life-changing moment of chance. So is Omekannaya Ifeanyi Ofokaja...

Together, we inform our people, we make our people aware, we carry our people along and we inspire our people through the spectacular lenses of Team Eze-Akajiugo on what we do as a winning team, a group of brilliant minds designed for a community like Igbo-Ukwu, 'na oge ikpe azua!

Yes, as you already know, Team Eze-Akajiugo remains committed to the service of our great community and is as passionate

in service as Omekannaya towards the unprecedented transformation of Igbo-Ukwu beyond its declared agenda!

Happy Birthday to you Omekannaya Ifeanyi Ofokaja...a true chip of the old block...carry go, we love you! May God continue to be there for you all your beautiful years ahead!

Lots of love from all of us @ Team Eze-Akajiugo!

Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah, Your Team Captain and Pee-Geel



HAPPY  
*Birthday*

## BIRTHDAY HOMAGE TO SIR COSMAS EJEZIEM, KSM Teacher, Leader, and Servant of the People.



On this glorious day, I celebrate my elder brother, Sir Cosmas Ejeziem KSM (Agbalanze), Palace Secretary and an outstanding member of the Igbo-Ukwu community.

Agbalanze is not just a name - it is a living symbol of resilience, wisdom, and service. From the days of pioneering the famous revolution that restored peace to Umudege Village under the auspices of Ezinwanne Age Grade, to his outstanding stewardship in IDU Lagos Branch, and \*Youths Social Club Lagos, as \*Secretary General, he has consistently stood as a defender of justice, unity, and progress.

Starting off early in life as an auxiliary teacher whose words shaped minds, he became a notable master of ceremony whose voice made the difference at different events, a community organizer whose leadership continues to provide direction, and a prayer warrior whose faith strengthens the church.

His moral wealth and reputational capital far outweigh

material possessions, for he is rich in honour, integrity, and the love of his people.

Today, as Palace Secretary, Agbalanze carries the mantle of tradition and administration with dignity and candour. His influence, though quiet at times, is profoundly woven into the very fabric of our social and political life. His legacy is indeed secure, his impact is undeniable, and his name will continue to echo in the corridors of leadership and service in our community.

On this note, therefore, I say happy birthday to you my dear brother and my mentor. You are a pride to the Ejeziem Dynasty. May the Almighty God continue to crown your years with strength, wisdom, and divine favour.

Congratulations, Agbalanze.

© Barr. Toochukwu Ejeziem  
(Qchj-na-nwata)



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3rd Degree Investiture on 28/3/26 at the Basilica of the Most Holy Trinity, Onitsha. Investees Sir and Lady Cosmas Ejeziem. To God be the Glory.

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BY SHEER ACT OF PROVIDENCE AND TO THE GLORY OF GOD, IGBO-UKWU WILL KEEP CELEBRATING EACH YEAR THE JOINT-BIRTHDAY TICKET OF HER TWO REMARKABLE SONS, EACH A GREAT ACHIEVER IN HIS OWN RIGHTS...!

HAPPY  
Birthday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CHIEF DR. CHRIS IKECHI EZEH, MFR., UGWUMBA IGBO-UKWU, CHANCELLOR, CHRISTOPHER UNIVERSITY, MOWE, NEAR LAGOS...!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, NZE BASIL OSUOKWU (O'BASSEY) EZE-OMENYILIOHA, FOUNDER, NZE BASIL OSUOKWU EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION...!



CHIEF DR. CHRIS IKECHI EZEH, MFR.,  
UGWUMBA IGBO-UKWU



EZEOMENYILIORA,  
NZE BASIL OSUOKWU

Ndi Igbo-Ukwu ekeneem unu!

Two days after, the optimum ovations that followed the Birthday Celebrations of two highly remarkable sons of Igbo-Ukwu, Chief Dr Chris Ikechi Ezeh, mfr, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Nze Eze-Omenyilioha Basil Osuokwu, have refused to die down! This is how it should be, and that is how it has been so for years now, particularly with the dawn of the social media! And may God continue to sustain this tempo even higher, even with each successive year, Amen!

And this is how it should be given the sterling track records and collateral reputations of the two celebrants, our Birthday Big Boys, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Omenyilioha O'Bassey! I tell you, our pan-Igbo-Ukwu social media including WhatsApp platforms are still vibrating with sincere messages and prayers for them and their families.

This truly shows or demonstrates that we truly value our kinsmen, particularly in times like now when everyone strives to register his/her love and prayers for them. One good turn, they say, deserves another! Indeed, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Omenyilioha never waver in their show of love to us when moon goes round on its orbit to present any of us in the Birthday glitz light! It is love that makes the world go round!

Providence has been kind to these two illustrious sons of Igbo-Ukwu by making their birth anniversaries to coincide on the same blessed day of February 2nd. It's only God that has that prerogative to match-make couples and Birthday Celebrants! So let's rejoice with them and be glad in it! We, at Team Eze-Akajiugo, are always excited to roll out our drums in optimum praise and celebrations because these two men have really given so much to Igbo-Ukwu's growth and development in their respective ways! We deeply appreciate them for being a blessing to ndi Igbo-Ukwu, the truth be told!

Therefore, this year again, we stand in the presence of this rare alignment—a 'joint-ticket' celebration that honors not just one, but two pillars of our heritage. To celebrate these two illustrious Igbo-Ukwu kinsmen together is to witness a magnificent synergy of wisdom, strength, and legacy. While each one of them has blazed a unique trail through the years, their shared milestone today serves as a powerful testament to the unity of our kin and the double portion of grace they have brought to our lives.

We do not just count the years they have lived, but the countless lives they have uplifted, standing side-by-side as a dual beacon of inspiration for generations to come. If we go into detail here, it will take thy kingdom come to complete each person's story. We are currently working on a book that would capture their full story and impact! That great book is "Culture of Honours, Who-is-who in Igbo-Ukwu." If you think you can qualify to have your own story captured in

this book, expect to be my guest soon!

Furthermore, there is a profound beauty in shared joy, especially when it centers on two souls who have served as the architects of our community's pride. Celebrating this joint-ticket birthday is like watching two stars illuminate the same sky; their individual brilliance is undeniable, yet together, they create a light that is truly extraordinary.

This time around, as we raise our glasses to these remarkable kinsmen, we celebrate the providence that brought their journeys together on this day. May this double celebration usher in a year of multiplied blessings, where every dream pursued is met with twice the favor and every moment shared is steeped in the rich tradition of our people. Team Eze-Akajiugo will always be there to amplify and unify all their efforts maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu!

Undeniably, Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Omenyilioha are great achievers on their own rights and so, when two men of stature mark another year, it isn't just a date on a calendar; it is a cosmic event that demands the universe to take notice. To be a "Big Boy" is to possess a gravitas that pulls success, respect, and loyalty into his orbit, and when their Birthday arrives, the atmosphere shifts. There is a profound sense of divine alignment as the heavens seem to open up in a chorus of affirmation, acknowledging a life built on grit, grace, and an unwavering commitment to excellence.

This celebration serves as another common unifier for Igbo-Ukwu and it transcends the material, echoing through the halls of legacy where every achievement is celebrated as a testament to their sterling characters. As the champagne flows and the tributes pour in, the world stands still to honor two community cum industry leaders who walk with both power and purpose. It is a moment where the stars align to validate their journey, signaling that their influences are not merely earned, but heaven-sent.

In conclusion, When such men celebrate, the joy is infectious, and the very sky seems to roar in applause for the big community influencers that they are! In Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Omenyilioha, Igbo-Ukwu wins big time!

Happy birthday to you, great leaders of our community!

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

(Being a Birthday Postscript of Ugwumba Igbo-Ukwu and Eze-Omenyilioha dated 4th February, 2026.  
Akajiugo Praise Castle,  
Lagos-Nigeria.)

# ALL HAIL EZE-OGBOOGU @ 71!

HAPPY  
Birthday



Hon. Pius Adimmuo  
EZE-OGBOOGU

Ladies and gentlemen, the hour is here, let's rise up to celebrate and honor our own 'Community Mayor', a great man of the people, an honest, self-contained, and highly dependable kinsman as he marks age 71!

Today, we gather not just to mark the accomplishments of time, but to honor a man whose life has become the very heartbeat of our community in many material particulars: Eze-Ogboogu Hon. Javis Pius Chibuikwe Adinmuo, JP, a veteran community leader and former Chairman of IDU Caretaker Committee between 2013 to 2017 and today the PRO of Nze Na Ozo Obiuno as well as the Senior Special Assistant, SSA, to the President-General of Igbo-Ukwu Development Union, IDU!

To call Nze Eze-Ogboogu our "Community Mayor" is to recognize a leader who never needed an electoral ballot to earn our trust; his authority was written in the quiet acts of service he has rendered and still renders to our community; the open doors, and the steady hand he extended to every neighbour around him who is in need.

At 71, he stands as a living bridge between our history and our future, a man who had lived in big cities and has

traveled the world before settling down in the countryside; and indeed, a true "man of the people" who understands that the true wealth of a leader is measured by the depth of the roots he has planted in the lives of others.

As we rise to celebrate this milestone of his life, we recognize that his seventy-one years have been a masterclass in character, dependability, reliability, availability and compassion. His presence is the gravity that holds us together in social circles, a reminder that greatness is found not in grand titles, but in the enduring warmth of a familiar smile and the wisdom of a life well-lived.

We do not just stand to acknowledge his age; we stand to applaud the integrity he has maintained and the legacy of unity he continues to build. Here is to our mayor—a man who has taught us that to lead is to love, and to serve is to truly live.

We at Team Eze-Akajiugo celebrate you today on behalf of the good people of Igbo-Ukwu! Happy birthday to you! Congratulations!

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

## HAPPY INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY TO SEN. UCHE EKWUNIFE, ADAUGO IGBOUKWU

Some women in their generation have distinguished themselves in the service of humanity.

Sen. Uche Ekwunife not only has accomplished a lot in private and public service, but has been a lifeline and a torch bearer to many families and friends, as well as people she hardly even knows.

I use this opportunity to wish Iyom Very Happy Women's day.

Kenneth Anozie  
Executive Secretary  
Igbo Oriental Think Tank.



HAPPY  
*Birthday*

## NWAEZEFUNAMBA BRO. LITHRACO OGBONNIA (HON)

CELEBRATES HIS 67TH YEAR BIRTHDAY TODAY IN FAR AWAY TEXAS, USA



Happy birthday to a truly exceptional leader and a frontline son of our land. Although miles and oceans separate us today, the distance only underscores the profound impact you continue to have on our community from across the seas. Even in the far-off USA, your spirit remains intertwined with our roots, and your achievements bring a collective sense of pride to everyone back home. We celebrate not just the passing of another year, but the enduring legacy of a man who carries the heart of his people wherever he goes.

As you mark this special milestone, though unavoidably in USA which the sole reason only God knows and has promised to see you through, be rest assured that our collective soul is right there with you, cheering you on, praying for you, and wishing you boundless joy. You have always been a beacon of hope and a testament to the greatness that our soil produces, representing us with honour and distinction on the global stage. May this new year bring you unprecedented success, peace, and the warmth of knowing you are deeply loved and cherished by the community that raised you.

Happy birthday, dear great son of Igbo-Ukwu....

Ooh...Nwaezefunamba, we love you, and we can't wait to welcome you back home...

From all of us @

Team Eze-Akajiugo



TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO AND "IGBO TRUMPET MAGAZINE"  
CELEBRATE THE OWNER OF EGOVILLA HOTEL & SUITES IGBO-UKWU ON HIS BIRTHDAY!



Happy Birthday to you, AKUABATA 'CHUMA CYRIACUS ABANOBI, the visionary business tycoon and the heartbeat of EGOVILLA HOTEL & SUITES LTD, OBIUNO IGBO-UKWU.

Indeed, your journey as a young entrepreneur is a masterclass in courage, but it is your 'Think Home Philosophy', as propounded by the legendary OKWADIKE IGBO-UKWU of blessed memory, that truly sets you apart. By investing in our roots, you aren't just building structures; you are building a legacy and a future for us all. May your new age be as grand and impactful as the vision you carry. Keep soaring!

Consequently, we at Team Eze-Akajiugo and the Editorial Board of the glamorous and authoritative "Igbo Trumpet Magazine" bring you the warmest birthday wishes to you, a trailblazer of our time, who understands that true success begins with home. Through EgoVilla Hotel & Suites Ltd, you've shown us that the best investment one can make is in their own soil. Your 'Think Home' strategy is more than a business plan—it's a patriotic call to action for every young dreamer. May God grant you the wisdom to expand your borders and the strength to keep leading with excellence.

Our own ever dynamic AKUABATA ...AHUJA, also the CEO of the popular WHITE HOUSE STANDARD BATHROOM SOLUTIONSLTD, LAGOS, you have further proven to us that youth is no barrier to greatness when paired with a heart for one's community. May your birthday anniversary be filled with the same warmth and hospitality you've given the world in your other businesses. Here's to more milestones and even greater investments ahead!

Cheers to your more amazing years ahead!

From all of us @ ....

By: Team Eze-Akajiugo & The Editorial Board of "Igbo Trumpet Magazine".

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# GREAT POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS...

IGBO-UKWU CELEBRATES AND CONGRATULATES DR. MAUREEN UCHE UMEAKUEWULU ON HER APPOINTMENT AS CMD OF COOUTH!



Dear Dr. Maureen,

On behalf of the good people and apex leadership of Igbo-Ukwu that, I, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah Esq, warmly congratulate you on your well-deserved appointment as the Chief Medical Director (CMD) of Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu Teaching Hospital (COOUTH), Amaku, by His Excellency, Professor Chukwuma Charles Soludo, CFR Qlụ-atụ-egwu).

We, as your own people, are filled with joy and pride upon receiving this exciting news of your appointment. Like we always say when our very own person excels, we joyfully say: Nkea bu nke anyi, it is not your victory alone, it is Igbo-Ukwu that wins! As a happy community, words are inadequate to thank or commend our Solution Governor, Prof. Soludo for this thoughtful recognition, which underscores his commitment to merit and healthcare

advancement in Anambra State.

Team Eze-Akajiugo and the Editorial Board of Igbo Trumpet Magazine have been following your sterling personal and family achievements over the years. Your late husband, Engr Uchenna was a great patriot whose life was painfully caught short in his early years but his solid foundation was painstakingly taken over by you to get to this enviable height. We remain proud of you!

Consequently, your enviable records as a Senior Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist at the National Hospital, Abuja, and leadership in Gynaecologic Oncology highlight your dedication to women's health and medical excellence. In particular, being a Fellow of FWACS, FMCOG, and FICS, you embody the highest standards of professionalism and integrity.

It is therefore with profound pride and a shared sense of triumph that we celebrate this continued ascent of a true Amazon like you, who is also a proud mother of four distinguished members of the prestigious Nze N'Ozo Society of Igbo-Ukwu. There is a palpable joy and a thunderous ovation echoing between heaven and earth today, as the Government of our dear State bestows this new level of honor upon an achiever like you whose life has been a masterclass in service. This elevation is not merely a title; it is a divine affirmation of her tireless dedication to our people and a testament to the fact that excellence, when paired with integrity, will always find its way to the light.

Your journey has consistently been defined by a rare blend of grace and grit, breaking glass ceilings while remaining firmly rooted in the values that define our community. To see you recognized at the highest level of our state university's medical administration, is a victory for every girl who dreams and every leader who serves without seeking reward. We stand as a united front to applaud this milestone, knowing that your presence in the corridors of power and the academia will continue to yield transformative progress and inspire a generation to follow in your illustrious footsteps.

As you step into this new chapter of leadership, we offer our unalloyed support and prayers for continued wisdom. This elevation serves as a beacon of hope, reminding us all that when a great soul rises, she lifts the entire community with her. We celebrate this well-deserved honor, confident that your legacy of impact will only grow deeper and wider, bringing even greater glory to our land and pride to our hearts.

Congratulations once again, and may God grant you wisdom and strength.

Yours sincerely,

BY: Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah,  
President-General, Igbo-Ukwu Development Union.

**TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO CONGRATULATES  
DR MRS. UCHE MAUREEN UMEAKUEEULU  
AS CMD COOUTH, AWKA**



# POLITICS

## NEWS WATCH AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN AWKA GOVERNMENT HOUSE: THE LIGHT HOUSE.

MR GOVERNOR, PROF CC SOLUDO ENTERS HIS SECOND TERM IN OFFICE WITH RESOUNDING OVATIONS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD...

Date: 17th March 2026



PROF C.C. SOLUDO ENTERS HIS SECOND TERM IN OFFICE AS GOVERNOR OF ANAMBRA STATE...

...AS THE PG OF EKWULOBIA, CHIEF EZECHUKWU, WHO HOLDS THE COMMUNITY'S TITLE OF UZOMMIRI EKWULOBIA, USES THE OCCASION TO PAY A SPECIAL WORKING VISIT TO IGBO-UKWU, APPLAUDS THE PG OF IGBO-UKWU FOR THE MASSIVE TRANSFORMATIONS TAKING PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY IN SO SHORT A TIME AFTER THE LAST MEETING OF ALL AGUATA PGs AT AMAEHULU TOWN HALL LAST YEAR...!

...UZOMMIRI EKWULOBIA DESCRIBES TEAM EZE-AKA, JIUGO AS AWESOME AND TERRIFIC IN ALL ITS SECTORAL TRANSFORMATIONS

HE CONCLUDES THAT 'SEEING IS BELIEVING!'

Umuibe daalu nu!

In what is clearly a divine arrangement or serendipity, the PG of Ekwulobia, Chief Ezechukwu, who is also the Uzommiri of Ekwulobia, visited the National Secretariat of IDU at Amaehulu Town Hall on a site seeing visit to assure himself that what was reported as massive transformation at Amaehulu Town Hall Estate is not a folk tale! This was a fallout of the last joint session/meeting of all Aguata PGs in Isuofia last month during a special peer group review of transformations in some Aguata communities.

Igbo-Ukwu Town received a thunderous ovation among PGs of Aguata LGA following the incredible developments and transformations that had taken place in Igbo-Ukwu, not too long ago last year when Igbo-Ukwu hosted the all PGs of the LGA.

The PG of Ekwulobia was full of happiness and satisfaction that Igbo-Ukwu has distinguished itself apart from other towns with all he saw today. He paid glowing tributes to Eze-Akajiugo, the PG and prayed for him for more progress in the remaining years ahead.

Both PGs met today at the Chief Alex Ekwueme Square, Awka, venue for the Inauguration/2nd Term Celebration of Prof CC Soludo in Office as Governor of Anambra State. The PG of Igbo-Ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah, who arrived late this afternoon, when the event was being rounded off on account of his Airpeace Airline flight delays from Lagos to Awka, was joined in his car by the PG of Ekwulobia. Both leaders rode in the same car down to Igbo-Ukwu.

This ceremony at Awka was very successful as many people, both the high and mighty, made it to the venue after which VIPs were specially received at the Banquet Hall of the Government House, The Light House, Awka.

Below are some sights and sounds during his visit to Amaehulu Town Hall Estate today.

To God be all the glory!

CHIEF EZECHUKWU, UZOMMIRI EKWULOBIA, PG OF EKWULOBIA VISITS EZE-AKA JIUGO SIR DR MCK UBAH, PG OF IGBO-UKWU ON A WORKING VISIT AFTER THE 2ND TERM INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF MR GOVERNOR OF ANAMBRA STATE ON THE 17TH OF MARCH, 2026.



## ASTUC NEWS, GOVERNMENT HOUSE AWKA... TOWN UNIONS NEWS:

On the 20th of March, 2026, the ASTUC - EXCO held its Quarterly Meeting inside its Headquarters, Old Government House Awka for peer group review and updates.

The PG of Igbo-Ukwu, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah, Esq, the Chairman of the ASTUC General Assembly Committee, joined other executives of ASTUC led by Chief Sir Vin Dike (Chairman - ASTUC) for the meeting. As an

extra, some women group in support women participating in Democratic Elections made a special presentation to the ASTUC EXCO. Below are some photos from the meeting



# NEWS SPLASH

## TEAM EZEAKAJIUGO CELEBRATES LAUNCH OF OHAZULUME MEDIA



Team Ezeakajiugo has extended warm congratulations to Mr. Ifeanyi Ijezie on the establishment of Ohazulume Media and Communication Company Ltd., describing the achievement as a remarkable milestone in the field of community journalism and communication.

In a statement released by the group, they expressed pride in the visionary step, noting that the launch of the media outfit marks the beginning of what promises to be a meaningful contribution to community information dissemination and societal development.

"Starting a media organization comes with its own challenges, the statement read, "but we are

confident that with determination, passion, and divine guidance, Mr. Ijezie will overcome every obstacle and achieve his goals.

The team also offered prayers for strength and success, emphasizing their belief that Ohazulume Media will play a significant role in shaping our community's narratives, and impact humanity positively.

They concluded by once again congratulating Mr. Ifeanyi Ijezie and the entire Ohazulume Media family, wishing them growth, excellence, and lasting success.

From all of us at Team Ezeakajiugo!

## TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO CONGRATULATES OHAZULUME MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION COMPANY LTD!



### WHEN TRUTH FINDS A VOICE: UNDERSTANDING MEDIA PRACTICE AND JOURNALISM IN NIGERIA

In recent times, questions have been raised about who qualifies to practice journalism in Nigeria and whether one must have a special license before speaking through a media platform. With the evolving media landscape, independent media organizations are playing a key role in community development and information dissemination.

#### JOURNALISM IS OPEN TO ALL

Journalism in Nigeria is not a licensed profession. Unlike law or medicine, individuals and organizations are free to gather, document, and publish information responsibly, as long as it stays within the law.

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Professional associations like the NIGERIA UNION OF JOURNALISTS (NUJ) promote standards, protect journalists, and provide networking. However, membership is not a legal license, and it does not invalidate the work of credible, registered independent media platforms.

#### OVERSIGHT AND ETHICS

The NIGERIAN PRESS COUNCIL (NPC) encour-

ages fairness, accountability, and professionalism. But these institutions do not restrict the freedom of expression and media practice, which every citizen and organization enjoys.

#### ABOUT OHAZULUME MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION COMPANY LTD

OHAZULUME MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION COMPANY LTD was founded to:

- PROMOTE CULTURE AND PRESERVE HERITAGE
- DOCUMENT COMMUNITY MILESTONES
- AMPLIFY IMPORTANT VOICES AND EVENTS
- PRACTICE INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, identifying, reporting, and critically examining societal challenges and government activities—from local to international levels—without suppression or unjustifiable interference.

#### INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM & RESPONSIBLE REPORTING

Independent media platforms like ours are essential for constructive criticism, investigative reporting, and public enlightenment. Attempts to suppress legitimate publications without clear justification undermine open dialogue and societal progress.

#### OUR MISSION

We serve as a BRIDGE BETWEEN COMMUNITIES, LEADERS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PUBLIC, ensuring important stories and cultural heritage receive the visibility they deserve.

#### WHY PARTNER WITH US?

OHAZULUME MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION COMPANY LTD offers:

- \* PROFESSIONAL EVENT PUBLICITY AND COVERAGE
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- \* INVESTIGATIVE AND PUBLIC INTEREST REPORTING
- \* MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS
- \* PUBLIC ENLIGHTENMENT CAMPAIGNS
- \* DIGITAL MEDIA VISIBILITY AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES

By supporting credible media platforms, we strengthen TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND HERITAGE PRESERVATION.

#### JOIN THE MOVEMENT

We invite individuals, organizations, and community leaders to PARTNER WITH OHAZULUME MEDIA. By supporting us, you are backing A MOVEMENT DEDICATED TO EMPOWERING SOCIETY THROUGH INFORMATION, CULTURE, AND RESPONSIBLE STORYTELLING. Let us AMPLIFY VOICES, PRESERVE HERITAGE, AND CELEBRATE EVERY IMPORTANT STORY IN IGBO-UKWU AND BEYOND.

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## IGBO-UKWU'S APEX LEADERSHIP AND ITS ROYALTY: A PARTNERSHIP THAT WORKS...MAKA ODINMA IGBO-UKWU!



Umuibe daalu nu!

You see eh, this union between our royal heritage and apex leadership is more than just a collaboration; it is a bridge spanning centuries. It didn't start with Team Eze-Akajiugo and HRH Igwe Ohazulume Ejikemeuwa Azike, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu!

By weaving the wisdom of the crown with the strategic vision of modern governance, the community finds a unique rhythm that honors its roots while embracing the future. This partnership ensures that the sacred traditions of our ancestors are not lost to time, but are instead revitalized by contemporary systems that improve lives and strengthen our collective identity.

In this dynamic alliance, modernity serves as a powerful tool to amplify the reach of traditional administration. It is a synergy where digital leadership and innovation respect the throne, and leadership draws strength from the cultural soul of the people. As these two forces work in lockstep, they create a stable foundation for growth, proving that a community can be both fiercely proud of its past and boldly prepared for the new horizons of tomorrow.

Team Eze-Akajiugo and Igwe Ohazulume, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu are like siemens twins, two old friends that were divinely installed by the Almighty...maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu.

To God be all the glory!

Team Eze-Akajiugo

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## MEET OUR DISTINCTIVE AGUATA ROYAL FATHERS..

The other day, at the colourful burial ceremony of OZOPURU-INIEGO'S FATHER at Ezihu Village, Igbo-Ukwu, precisely on the 27th day of February, 2026, where my good friend Eze-Ikemba Ozo Oporuiche Ajiboye Dr Chijioke Callistus Emeka (standing from left to right) together with my first son, MCK Ubah, Jnr, (standing at the far right), had the singular honour to be hosted in the same royal chamber with the top echelon of the Aguata Traditional Rulers' Council, as represented by its present and past Chairmen, HRH Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa Azike-Onedibe, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu and HRH Igwe Chidi Stephen Ezenwugo, the Obi of Uga (next after Eze-Ikemba) respectively, as ably supported by their member, HRH Igwe Bob Orji, the Ezeugo-Ato of Ezinifite.

It was awesome, full of camaraderie and hearty exchanges.

Truly, our traditional and royal heritage stands as a breath-taking masterpiece of cultural continuity, where every thread of bespoke artistry tells a story of ancient pride. To witness its radiance is to see a vibrant tapestry of hand-woven textiles, coral beads, and majestic regalia that shimmer with a timeless glamour. This heritage is not merely a costume of the past, but a living, breathing "genre" of identity that command respect, filling every ceremony with a rhythmic elegance and a profound sense of belonging that resonates through generations.

Within this tapestry, the traditional rulership serves as a vital bridge, blending ancestral wisdom with the complexities of modern administrative leadership. These custodians of culture navigate the contemporary world with a unique authority, ensuring that the soul

of the people remains intact while steering toward progress. It is a sophisticated harmony where the crown and the gavel meet—a partnership that proves that the strength of a forward-looking society lies in the deep, royal roots of its foundation.

This is the right atmosphere that breeds inter-community and regional development and progress, including peer group reviews. Every positive chance engagement is an opportunity for progress and cross-fertilization of views maka odinma obodo anyi...

Team Eze-Akajiugo





THE IGBO-UKWU BAR OF MY DREAM...A HOME LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION WHERE KINDRED SPIRIT AND BONDING MITIGATE THE HARSHNESS AND STRICTNESS OF COLONIAL RIGIDITY OF THE RECEIVED ENGLISH LAWS....



Please permit me to make a brief justification and then cite two powerful nostalgic instances, to match!

The establishment of an Igbo-Ukwu Home Bar, strictly speaking, as against a 'welfarist' Association, creates a sacred professional sanctuary where the rigors of the law meet the profound depth of ancestral or kindred connection. In this space, the typical formalities or rigidities of the legal world give way to a deep kindred spirit, allowing practitioners to exhale the weight of systemic navigation among those who share their lived realities.

It is a home where silence is understood, where stories are the bedrock of advocacy, and where the isolation often felt in colonial courtrooms dissolves into a powerful, collective sense of belonging which I also fondly describe as the Igbo-Ukwu kindred spirit...

Within this Home Bar, mentorship transcends mere career guidance, evolving into a seamless flow of wisdom passed between generations like a living flame. This ceaseless bonding fosters a unique resilience, grounding legal excellence in cultural integrity and mutual care. When lawyers of the same share vision and heritage gather under their own banner, they do more than practice law; they weave a tapestry of sovereign or ancestral kinship, ensuring that as they fight for justice, they are continuously replenished by the warmth of a community that truly sees and honours their spirit.

and Bar man, Barr Barnabas Onyekwelu...a distinguished octogenarian and gentleman, he could have deserved much more from his home Bar if we had seen it coming...Hopefully, tomorrow awaits another chance...

On the wings of nostalgia, I recall, as if it were yesterday, when our Igbo-Ukwu Lawyers' Association bade a befitting farewell to Rt Honourable Chief Barr M. A. C. Okekeizuagwu of blessed memory...Yes, it was a great show of love and kindred spirit...And that was the very inspiration that gave birth to what we enjoy today...

Oh, of recent, I also recall when Igbo-Ukwu Lawyers' Association found my humble self worthy to receive the first-ever, and listen again, during the first-ever historic Law Dinner's Special Award: "The Distinguished Leadership Award" to a Pee-Gee with an unprecedented performance track record...being one of their own! I'm so proud of my learned Brothers...

Long live Igbo-Ukwu Lawyers' Association under the distinguished chairmanship of Ezeakunwata Barr Ifeanyi Olih, of Senior Counsel

Oh, so long...

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

## WHY HAS IGBO-UKWU NOT PRODUCED A SAN OR CHIEF JUDGE TILL DATE DESPITE THE GROWING POPULATION OF LAWYERS WE HAVE?

Ndi banyi ekeneem unu!

Following my post yesterday on the 'Igbo-Ukwu Home Bar of my dream', some folks have called me to ask some soul-searching questions while some others sent in some private concerns to my 'in-box' in respect of that post. The summary of their questions, worries, or concerns revolved around the above subject matter. I have, therefore, set out this afternoon, during my lunch-break, to provide a candid answer to all their worries and questions. I hope you will enjoy my views, trust me.

On the 20th of December, 2025, late Ide Sir JNC Ezeife was committed to mother-earth. He was reputed to be the first Igbo-Ukwu university graduate in history! And, he lived a good life and impacted many lives! May his giant soul continue to rest in peace, Amen! It took the late sage so much to hit that record, even though many had lived and died before he got to that stage. All of them now form the body of our revered ancestors.

Similarly, it took Igbo-Ukwu many decades to produce the first Governor of Anambra State, His Excellency Chief Dr CP Ezeife CON, Okwadike Igbo-Ukwu, the first person ever in our history to get to that highly exalted position. Again, it was not a tea party to get there! Recently, Rt Honourable Chief Engr Dom Okafor, FNSE, became the first Igbo-Ukwu son to sit in the Green Chambers of the National Assembly, Abuja.

There were others before him who were also able to get to the State Assembly. Those achievements were no mean ones either because it took them and Igbo-Ukwu to achieve those records. At least, Rt Honourable Chief JC Major-Azike and Chief MAC Okekeizuagwu were the first notable Igbo-Ukwu politicians who made Igbo-Ukwu proud in our early political years. All these are indicators in our political and professional hemisphere that it's yet morning on Creation's Day for Igbo-Ukwu. Do I dare say that: greater things are coming our way in no distant future, 'Amen' somebody!

Permit me to further posit that if my present generation is not able to produce a chief judge, crown's counsel (for our sons and daughters practicing outside our shores), or a senior advocate of Nigeria, (SAN), a central bank of Nigeria, (CBN Governor) or in fact, the highest official in any given field or profession, don't give up. The reason is simple: the generations coming after us will certainly do so because all through the ages, there is always 'a first time' or 'the first person' or 'the first time something like that will happen' or 'when such an awesome news will be shared within a community. Have you forgotten that Igbo

adage: 'omehu na izu, omee na onwa' Let's, therefore, keep on building the hopes, inspiration, and laying the building blocks... we will get there someday, but meanwhile, let's keep hope alive in all we do in our respective endeavours...

My present efforts, and I believe, all of us who are professionals in our various fields of human endeavours, are to raise antennas of hope, legacy, and the building blocks of future successes for those coming after us. Life if live gradually, one day at a time, and with each day's forward inching, the community gets closer to its spectacular day of glory...Igbo-Ukwu must be greater than we met her! And if you believe, say a digestive 'Amen' to that! Meanwhile, at whatever level of achievement you are right now or that you have gotten to today, be happy, live fullfilled and thank God for your life and what you have achieved so far!

Nwannem, you see eh, in the grand tapestry of time, every great achievement begins as a quiet hope, a seed planted in the soil of a generation that may never see the full bloom of its harvest. If our present generation of Igbo-Ukwu lawyers has not yet produced a Chief Judge, a SAN, Crown's Counsel, or a Governor of the Central Bank, it is not a sign of failure but rather a season of preparation. We are the architects of the foundation, the ones who clear the path and steady the ground so that those who follow can walk with a firmer stride toward the heights we have only dreamed of.

History teaches us that every "first" was preceded by years of unseen labour and quiet resilience. Before the first Senior Advocate of Nigeria or the highest official in any profession was ever celebrated by their community, there were mothers, fathers, and mentors who whispered possibilities into the ears of children. They laid the building blocks of character, discipline, and education, knowing that while they might not hold the title themselves, they were the indispensable bridge between a humble beginning and a historic breakthrough.

There is a profound beauty in being the generation that keeps hope alive, even when the trophies are not yet on our mantels. To work with excellence in our respective endeavours is to create a culture of possibility. Every time we show up with integrity, every time we master a skill, and every time we refuse to give up, we are sending a message to the future: "We did not reach the summit, but we climbed as high as we could so you could start your journey from where we left off."

The news of a community's first great professional triumph is always "awesome" precisely



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because it represents the culmination of a collective dream. That moment of shared joy, when a son or daughter of the soil ascends to the highest office, is a victory for every hand that helped lay a single brick. We must never grow weary of building, for the strength of the generations coming after us depends entirely on the stability of the hopes we nurture today.

Let us find peace in our role as the pioneers of the "not yet." To be the ones who inspire without being the ones who are decorated is a rare and noble calling. We are the quiet strength in the background, the relentless believers who refuse to let the fire of ambition go out. By keeping our eyes on the horizon and our hands on the work, we ensure that the "first time" such news is shared in our community is not a matter of "if," but a matter of "when."

So, let us keep on building, for the milestones of tomorrow are forged in the persistence of today.

Whether we are in the courtroom, the bank, the hospital, or the workshop, let our legacy be one of unshakeable faith. We may not wear the crown or hold the gavel just yet, but we are the reason the next generation will. Keep hope alive, stay the course, and remember that every great story has a beginning—and we are writing a magnificent one right now.

Ka odi godu otua...

Let's keep on keeping on...join Team Eze-Akajiugo to keep hopes alive!

Yes, we can!

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

# CELEBRATING OUR WOMEN!

HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY TO ALL OUR MOTHERS AND WOMEN OF IGBO-UKWU!

(15/03/2026)



Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah and his lovely Noono, Akwaugo Lady Barr. (Mrs) Pamela Chinelo MCK-Ubah... working together maka odinma Igbo-Ukwu...



PG of IDU, Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah & Chairlady IDU (Women Wing), Mrs Kate Akwaugo Okenu.

Dear Mothers,

Happy Mothering Sunday to all the incredible women in our community! As your President-General, I am honoured to take a moment to celebrate the boundless love, strength, and sacrifice you provide every single day.

Whether you are a biological mother, a grandmother, an adoptive parent, or a mother figure who nurtures with a kind heart, your influence is the cornerstone of our community's success and the heartbeat of our homes.

You are the silent architects of our future, moulding the next generation with patience and wisdom. It is through your guidance that our children learn the values of compassion and resilience. Today, we don't just recognize a title; we honour the tireless dedication of women who often put the needs of others

before their own, serving as our greatest mentors and protectors.

May this special day bring you the same joy and warmth that you so freely give to everyone around you. I hope you feel deeply appreciated and cherished, surrounded by the gratitude of those whose lives you have touched.

On behalf of the entire Igbo-Ukwu community, thank you for being our steady foundation and our brightest light. Happy Mothering Sunday!

Affectionately yours,

By: Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr. (Dr) MCK Ubah,  
Your President-General.



Theresa Nwadogwa Ugochukwu  
Chairlady Umuada Igbo



Mrs Lucy Obianuo  
Secretary IDU Women Wing



**PARTICIPATING IN OUR IGBO-UKWU KINDRED ASSEMBLY MAKAMA ODINMA IGBO-UKWU:**

IDU GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING ON THE 28TH OF FEBRUARY, 2026 AND A HANDSHAKE WITH OUR GALLANT IGBO-UKWU AGUNECHEMBA VIGILANTE SERVICE!



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# MEN AT WORK

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## REPORT FROM IDU WORKS COMMITTEE ON THE ONGOING AHIAGU-OBIUNO - EKWULUMIRI - AMICHI ROAD PROJECT:

The photos below show the current state of the construction at the above site towards the end of the road at Agu-Awogho by Pa Eugene Ezeifeke (Sir Paul Ezeifeke's father) axis.

Hopefully, the work will be completed soon all things being equal. The quality of the project is in line with approved standards. Igbo-Ukwu remains indebted to our working Governor, Oluatuegwu Ndi Igbo, Prof. CC Soludo while expecting further intervention on other submitted roads across Ngo and Ihite Quarters.



## THE ON-GOING BACKEND OF UMUDEGE-IGBO-UKWU EROSION-RAVAGED AXIS (AROUND BSSI) COMING FROM IKENGA END THROUGH TO EZINIFITE AXIS AND DOWN TO EZEOKANA FAMILY AXIS OF THE EROSION MENACE CONTROL PROJECT!



THIS IS THE FIRST-OF-ITS-KIND DIRECT COMMUNITIES COLLABORATION WITH PRAGMATIC OVERSIGHT OR PARTICIPATION OF ENGR DOM OKAFOR AND HON. TONY MUOBIKE BUT POWERED BY EZE-OLUATUEGWU GOVERNOR C.C SOLUDO... HE DEY WORK, EDEY SHOW!

THIS IS THE BEAUTY OF A WORKING GOVERNMENT IN ACTION!

Ndi banyi ekeneem unu! □

It is no longer news on television to explain what erosion menace means to our people living in the fringes or border areas of Umudege Village, particularly the BSSI axis with Ikenga and Ezinifite Towns. The families around this axis have seen hell particularly during the thick of the rainy seasons.

Over the most parts of 2024 and 2025, Team Eze-Akajiugo along with Rt. Honourable Engr. Dom Okafor (EDO) and Honourable Chief Tony Muobike had embarked on several joint visitations or inspections of these erosion-ravaged areas with follow up memos to the Governor Soludo. Not only have demonstrated empathy with the affected families, we have gone beyond the call of being your brothers' keeper! This principle is at the core of community service and volunteering to do public work at no personal gain!

Other follow-up visitations were done severally with the PGs of the affected communities: Ikenga and Ezinifite Towns. A special committee comprising representatives of these three towns (Igbo-Ukwu, Ikenga and Ezinifite) was set up to this effect based on deliberate collaboration.

At some point, boundary disputes also arose between Igbo-Ukwu and Ikenga towns as proximate land owners refusing to yield up portions of their families for public good but the IDU-led Conflicts Resolution Committee chaired by Hon OC Gius Ezeh was put on the driver's seat. Happily, the rest is history!

Also driving this beat of the ongoing project around that axis is Hon Uwaezuoke Nzukwe, a former chairman of Umudege Village and today the 1st Vice-PG of Igbo-Ukwu. Together with the 2nd Vice-PG of IDU, Hon. Bodos Obodokwe, have not had any rest on this matter. On this joint effort was the immediate past Chairman of Umudege, Mr Jude Okeke together with his successor, Mr Jude Nnaji for.

The apex leaderships of Ikenga and Ezinifite Towns are also not resting any bit! It's a regional proble, and Aguata PGs themselves, under the aegis of ASTUC-Aguata, have also thrown their weight behind this committee to see its eventual successful defeat.

Today, after the end of the ASTUC-Aguata meeting which held at Ikenga Town, a group of leaders, comprising the PGs of the three Towns, was asked to do an on-the-spot inspection of this ongoing project and report back to it. The group also drew a highly persuasive 'hot action plan' to further take the case to the doorstep of the extant authorities within the corridors of power such as our Honourable Representatives at both the Green Chambers and the ASHA, Awka in addition to the Government at Awka to seek further approval that the roads that are being designed to serve as flood ways from Ikenga to Igbo-Ukwu through to Ezeokana Family homes down (cutting through Nkwor-Ezinifite-Uga Road), be made permanent roads (be officially gazetted) as well as their spurs through to Igbo-Ukwu Boys, (that's BSSI) and through to Ezinifite Town. This will open up the vast lands holed up by inaccessibility, to better valuable uses. Team Eze-Akajiugo is certain that most Umudege families along this water ways, particularly the Ezeokana

and Mr Obi Okoye families, will be glad to heave a deep sigh of relief and enjoy a lasting breadth of fresh air to the glory of God!

This last initiative would ensure that those roads are put in daily use to avoid the adjoining families' marked land be repossessed by them in future. These painstaking efforts by all of community leaders on this turf are no tea party but a selfless sacrifice and love of community.

Indeed, Community service and volunteering, when rendered by community leaders, represent the bridge between individual passion and collective progress, not based on any pecuniary considerations. For a leader, these acts go far beyond simple charity; they are a strategic investment in the social fabric of their communities and neighborhood. By choosing to serve without financial gain, leaders model the values of altruism and civic responsibility, transforming abstract goals into visible, tangible change. Whether it is organizing a local war against menacing erosion or ecology disaster or co-ordinating a neighborhood safety or security initiative, their involvement signals that the health or security of the community is a shared priority, fostering a culture where every resident feels safe, empathized and supported.

At the core of community leadership, this service is an act of visionary stewardship that strengthens the bonds of trust between those who lead and those who follow. When leaders roll up their sleeves to freely volunteer alongside their political representatives, they dismantle social hierarchies and create a shared sense of ownership over local challenges. This hands-on approach provides them with a "boots-on-the-ground" perspective, allowing them to understand the community's needs with an empathy that cannot be found in a boardroom.

Ultimately, community service is the heartbeat of local governance, proving that true leadership is defined not by the power one holds, but by the selfless contributions one makes to the common good.

For us community leaders in Igbo-Ukwu, this weekend has been particularly challenging. First, Team Eze-Akajiugo had to drum up and mobilize massive support towards the pan-IgboUkwu participation in the just concluded funeral of one of Igbo-Ukwu's most remarkable philanthropist, late Sir Eddy Muoemenam. His death was a great loss to Igbo-Ukwu. Soon after the funeral mass, the Team Captain himself Eze-Akajiugo, had to branch off to the Government House, Awka to join other PGs of Anambra State in their scheduled meeting with His Excellency, Mr Governor. Eze-Akajiugo is the current Chairman of the General Assembly Committee of ASTUC which position holds him out to the frontline of the PGs of the State. Upon ending that State meeting, he had to rush back to Igbo-Ukwu to re-join late Sir Eddy's burial ceremony till it ended. Today again after church service, the ASTUC-Aguata Chapter Meeting at Ikenga town took over part of his day. Eze-Akajiugo is now back to Asaba to join his flight back to Lagos.

Below are some sights and sounds at the ongoing project along Ikenga-Ezinifite-Umudege Igbo-Ukwu erosion menace axis. We they work, edey show! Indeed, Mr Solution Governor is synonymous with progress! With we saw today, it's Eze-Oluatuegwu Ndi Igbo confirmed!

Do enjoy a great week ahead!

Team Eze-Akajiugo

**EZE-CHIDIOGOR OKEKE WEDS IN A GRAND STYLE, PERFORMS TRAD-MARRIAGE IN HIS IN-LAW'S PLACE AT EZINIFITE, HIS PROUD PARENTS, NZE-UMENNANYELUGO & NOONO IK. OKEKE JUBILIATE.**



**GRAND CELEBRATION OF EZE-OHAMADIKE EZE-EZINWANNE CUP FINALS, IGBO-UKWU ON THE 1ST OF JANUARY 2026**



**FOOTBALL**

## IGBO-UKWU HOSTS THE ANAMBRA STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON WORKS. DATE WAS 27TH FEBRUARY, 2026. IT WAS A SCHEDULED INSPECTION VISIT TO ETITI VILLAGE THROUGH EKWULU-MIRI ROAD

Igbo-Ukwu hosted a select delegation from the Awka, the House Committee on Works of the Anambra State House of Assembly. They came to inspect the Etiti Village Kink Road to Ekwulu-Miri. This road has remained impassable for ages. Team Eze-Akajiugo and the apex leadership of Ekwulu-Miri had a join meeting last year and decided that it should form part of our budget and recommendation to the Executive Government of Anambra State when it asked communities in the State to forward three key projects to it that would form part of 2026 State Budget.

So, when we submitted our proposals, this road

was one of our three priority roads with those of Igbo-Ukwu Girls' Secondary School Road linking Azigbo Town and that of Ezihu Village Road linking Umuona and Aguluzigbo Towns. We also thank God for the behind-the-scenes efforts of some of our key stakeholders from Etiti Village, particularly Chief Engr Bart Nwibe fns, Ugo Igbo-Ukwu and the leaders there. Chief Hon Engr Dom Okafor, fns, also deserves our commendation here plus other roads he is quietly working on. Senator Iyom Uche Ekwunife has been a trail blazer on this turf. Kudos to all of you.

The ongoing Ahiagu Obiuno Road down to Ekwulu-Miri/Amichi Towns has been perpetually

been our collective top headache. Thank God it's being handled now. You see, it's our conviction that a good road infrastructure in our community will open the window that unlocks rapid economic transformation and upwards social mobility. Yesterday's event is a sweet pointer that Igbo-Ukwu is making progress...

These things happening today in Igbo-Ukwu have never happened in many years of our existence...to God be all the glory!

Report by:  
Eze-Akajiugo Sir Barr (Dr) MCK Ubah, Your Brother and Pee-Gee.



# NEWSFLASH ON BOYS' SECONDARY SCHOOL IGBO-UKWU: BSSI-OBA A CLARION CALL FOR HELP:

## STILL FROM THE 2025 AGM OF OBA-BSSI: AN APPEAL FROM TEAM EZE-AKA JIUGO.

Yes, the 2025 Annual General Meeting, AGM Of Old Boys Association of Boys' Secondary School, Igbo-ukwu, OBA-BSSI Has Come And Gone But The Reverberation Of The Success Will Be Felt For A Long Time. In attendance were members of Team Eze-Akajiugo led by the PG himself, Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah. HRH Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa Azike, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu, an old boy of the school, and Hon Engr Dom Okafor FNSE, our Rep in the Green Chambers, also an old boy. Team Eze-Akajiugo also attended that of the previous year. It's an apex leadership that loves education. Let's join hands to uplift this school that was handed over to us by our forebears.

Boys' Secondary School, Igbo-ukwu, BSSI, The Foundation Of So Many Great Sons Of Igbo-ukwu Will Continue To Benefit From The Immense Efforts Of The Old Boys.

Let All Lovers Of Education Join Hands With

OBA-BSSI To Make This Legacy Institution Of Learning Great Again. The Generations Yet Unborn Will Be Better For It.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Igbo-ukwu Number One Citizen, Igwe Alexander Ejikemeuwa Azike Onedibe, IDU III of Igbo-ukwu And Other Traditional Leaders and Title Holders.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Engr. Dom Okafor, Member House Of Representatives Representing Aguata Federal Constituency And Other Accomplished Political Leaders.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Dr. Emeka Nwuba, The National President Of OBA-BSSI, A Renowned Banker And Other Accomplished Entrepreneurs.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Barr. Toochukwu Ejeziem, Ochi-Na-Nwata, The National Vice President, OBA-BSSI And Other Accomplished Legal

Luminaries.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Prof. Engr. John Paul Iloh And Other Accomplished Academicians.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Engrs. Edu Okeke And Emeka Okafor And Other Accomplished Philanthropists.

This Is The Alma Mater Of Other Hundreds Upon Hundreds Of Accomplished Professionals And Business Gurus Like Mr. Uche Umeobi.

Just Imagine What This School Will Turn Into If You Join Hands With These Great Old Boys In Rebuilding It.

Long Live OBA!

Long Live BSSI!!

BSSL... Amor Omnia Vincit



## TOWARDS CHOOSING NAMES FOR NZE N'OZO & CHIEFTENCY TITLES

### QUIET REFLECTIONS ON THE NAMES AND TITLES WE CHOOSE TO ANSWER OR WEAR AS ORNAMENTS...

#### WHAT'S IN THAT NAME OR TITLE YOU ANSWER?



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#### CAN YOU DEFEND YOUR NAME OR TITLE?

IF NOT, WHY THE CRAZE FOR CHIEFTAINCY OR OZO TITLES THAT WOULD MAKE YOU TO PULL DOWN THE WALLS OF YOUR COMMUNITY?

Please join the man many fondly call Eze-Odebeatu or Eze-Akajiugo to unwrap or take you through these intriguing questions that urgently yawn for clean answers...

#### Preamble:

On the 3rd of January, 2026, our good friend and brother, Sir Jerry J. Onyejimbe, popularly known as Triple J, got inducted into the prestigious Nze Na Ozo Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu. It was a classy well-attended ceremony. This is just a sample illustration of many of such great Nze Na Ozo title-taking ceremonies around our community.

Just check out his main Ozo title: Eze-Nwachinemelu! The meaning of this title is clean, clear and full of gratitude to God! And thinking about it as someone we know closely, you will see that he is really someone who appreciates the Hand of God, His benevolence and magnanimity upon his life and family! And thinking about this, a man whose lovely wife, (Noono-Ugosimba), is the personal secretary to the Speaker of Nigeria's Green Chambers, can only attribute such a rare blessing to the handiwork of God Almighty! This is apart from his being a very successful businessman. And there are many of such special blessings from God upon his life, thus his careful choice of this title of Eze-Nwachinemelu! This name makes a lot of sense!

But think of such titles like: Eze-Otighuinyiny (a king that kills or beats horses); Eze-Eriiriejiekogo (a king that is the binding wire or rope for money) and or Eze- Mmanaegbuego (a king that is the knife that cuts money). Hmmm! How do you look at these names? We need to take time to think through the name or titles we bear or hang around our necks like gold bangles!

Have you stopped to ponder on the title of Eze-Odebeatu or Eze-Akajiugo! These are rare titles that smell as nice as roses! The titles when tied or woven around the personality and collateral reputation of the man bears them can only be described as bespoke! My good friend Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam of Amir Group says: Onye rua uka, ofu na anya! You want to try? His Excellency, Mr Peter Obi, would calmly ask you to: GO AND VERIFY! Well, please pardon my humor! You know, writing is an art, it flows like the good sound of a sweet melodious music! For me, ehh, writing flows like a good palm wine (the up-wine).

Now back to the real gist: what's in a name or title? First, remember how William Shakespeare answered this question: "What's in a name? That which we call a rose / By

any other name would smell as sweet" is a famous line from Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" (Act II, Scene II). But do you agree with him?

#### What's in a name or title we choose to bear or answer?

A name or title is more than a simple label; it is a chosen anchor for the soul. When we select a name, we are essentially drawing a map for who we intend to become, blending our personal history with our future aspirations. It acts as a social contract, signaling to the world how we wish to be seen and where we claim our space. Whether it is a title earned through hard work or a name adopted to reflect a hidden truth, these syllables carry the weight of our identity and the quiet power of self-definition.

Beyond the individual, these designations serve as vessels for legacy and connection. A title can be a bridge to a community, for example: UGWUMBA IGBO-UKWU, OKEIDE IGBO-UKWU, OKWADIKE IGBO-UKWU, AHAEJIEJEMBA IGBO-UKWU etc. A title can also be a nod to ancestors, for examples: OFOIGBO, OBIDIGBOO, UDEMBA etc. Or it can be a declaration of a new beginning that breaks from the past such as TAAGBOO. By bearing a specific name, we wrap ourselves in the values and stories associated with it, transforming a word into a living ethos. Ultimately, what we call ourselves is the first act of creativity in our lives—a way to turn the abstract essence of our character into something tangible that others can speak, honor, and remember.

#### AS A CASE STUDY:

What is the full import of the title of Eze-Odebeatu...the Legacy Keeper or Trail Blazer?

To be a Legacy Keeper or 'Odebeatu' in the context of a chieftaincy title, 'Eze-Odebeatu' is to serve as the living bridge between the ancestral past and the unfolding future. This role transcends mere symbolism; it is an active custodianship of a community's customs, values, and identity, ensuring that the sacred threads of history are not forgotten or diluted by the passage of time. As a keeper, the titleholder is entrusted with the "moral gravitas" or what we now know as "NGABASI" that commands respect, acting as a moral example for others to emulate and maintaining the high principles that define the institution's sanctity.

Conversely, the essence of being a Trail Blazer chieftain lies in the courageous pursuit of progress and the paving of new paths where none existed before. The trail blazers in every system or community are recognized as "prime movers" and forerunners of development, often breaking conventions to innovate and provide solutions to modern communal challenges. The Obiuno Mega Civic Center at Ahiagu Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu, the now Obiuno Comprehensive Health Center, the massive transformation that is now the new face of our Amaehulu Town Hall, the cross-sectoral transformations around Igbo-Ukwu, among many other intangibles, are all pointers to this claim. Team Eze-Akajiugo is indeed a new wonder in contemporary community leadership! You can take this to the bank!

Whether through philanthropic undertakings like building schools and industries or by revolutionizing traditional governance to meet contemporary needs, the trail blazer uses his influence or ngabasi to drive socio-economic evolution and inspire future generations to reach for greater heights. This is the Eze-Akajiugo, the Eze-Odebeatu legacy examples.

Ultimately, the full import of these titles—whether one preserves the ancient or carves the new—is rooted in selfless service and integrity. A true chieftaincy title is not a commodity to be purchased but a cherished recognition of contributions to the community's welfare and upliftment. By embodying these roles, the titleholder becomes a custodian of power and honor, ensuring that the institution remains a source of collective pride and a steadfast beacon for the people. Titles are not objects of political campaigns or palliatives freely awarded to even unwilling or unqualified folks just to achieve or boost personal egos or score cheap political points. Gold are bought by those who know its worth!

How is one expected to live up to his name or chieftaincy

title within his community?

In many cultures, living up to a name or a chieftaincy title is less about the status itself and more about becoming a living bridge between tradition and the future. It requires a person to embody the specific virtues—be it courage, wisdom, or generosity—that the title signifies, transforming a mere label into a moral compass. One is expected to move through the community with a heightened sense of accountability, understanding that their private character must mirror their public honor. To carry a title is to accept that your footsteps provide a rhythm for others to follow; thus, integrity becomes the daily work of ensuring the name remains untarnished and respected.

Beyond personal conduct, fulfilling such a role demands a deep commitment to communal stewardship and selfless service. A title is often seen as a debt owed to the people, paid back through conflict resolution, the protection of the vulnerable, and the preservation of shared heritage. It isn't enough to hold the position; one must actively nurture the social fabric, acting as a custodian of peace and a catalyst for progress. Ultimately, living up to a name means ensuring that when that name is spoken, it evokes a sense of security and pride within the hearts of the community, proving that the person has become the very essence of the honor bestowed upon him or her.

Now, what legacy would any great title holder or leader leave behind for history?

That legacy is simply to be remembered as a great title holder, or leader, a trail blazer, unifier, transformer and a legacy keeper! Note that a title holder within a community is another type of community leader. Being a leader is not limited to just being an elected representative of the community in the town assembly or ruling party of the government. For example, the title of Eze-Odebeatu or Eze-Akajiugo is for life and outlives the tenure of his present position at Amaehulu Town Hall.

To be a great leader is to be recurring or ever present in the everyday life of the people you lead, there is nothing anyone can do about it. To be a great leader is to become a constant, quiet rhythm in the hearts of those you serve, weaving your influence into the very fabric of their daily existence. It is a presence that transcends formal titles or scheduled meetings; it is felt in the morning's motivation and the evening's reflection. When a leader is truly recurring, his values become the compass by which the people navigate their own challenges, and their vision becomes the invisible architecture of the community's shared life. This kind of leadership isn't a performance—it is a permanent residency in the collective consciousness, a steady pulse that reassures and directs even in silence. It's not easy for Ndi Igbo-Ukwu to forget such leaders as late Chief F. O. Onyekwelu, Ogbuefi Igbo-Ukwu and Chief IPO Nwosu, Ezeudo Igbo-Ukwu, to name but a few. There are many others... Let's work to have our titles or names immortalized! As a young title holder, going by the number of our sons who return from the diaspora to take Ozo titles, courtesy of their parents, let's always ensure that the meanings of these titles they answer today will be maintained all through their lives and beyond. Choose your titles wisely and carefully...e get why!

There is a profound inevitability to such a leader, an existence so deeply rooted in the "everyday" that he or she becomes as essential as the air itself. Because he/she has chosen to walk beside the people through the mundane and the monumental alike, the leader's impact is no longer subject to debate or dismissal. It is a legacy that cannot be undone, for it is etched into the habits, the hopes, and the identities of those he/she leads. To reach this state of being "ever present" is to achieve the highest form of service—where your guidance is so seamlessly integrated into the lives of others that there is simply nothing anyone can do to erase the light you have brought into their community and or the larger world.

Ka odi godu otual

Eze-Akajiugo  
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**TOWARDS CHOOSING NAMES FOR NZE N'OZO & CHIEFTENCY TITLES**



MR NDUBUISI MBAEBIE WEDS HIS HEART-THROB AS EZEAGUNECHEMBA CLETUS ONYEMENAM CHAIRS THE RECEPTION CEREMONY.



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**GRAND INDUCTION**

**REAR ADMIRAL CHINWUBA RTD,  
EZE-AKPUKA NA IGBO-UKWU! .**

DATE WAS 26TH DECEMBER, 2025



# GRAND INDUCTION



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EVERY DAY IS A SPECIAL GIFT FROM GOD AS EZE-AKAJIUGO CELEBRATES HIS 63RD BIRTH ANNIVERSARY (4TH JANUARY, 2026) WITHOUT FORMALITIES THROUGH CINEMATIC SHARING OF LOVE WITH FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND SPECIAL GROUPS (OBIUNO QUARTER IN DIASPORA AND NGO QUARTER IN DIASPORA) FROM ONE EVENT TO THE NEXT AROUND IGBO-UKWU ON THAT DAY. TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!





# IGBO-UKWU HEALTH NEWS...

AS A COMMUNITY, WE MUST APPRECIATE UGWU NDI IKELIONWU, CHIEF MRS EDNA NWOBI, THE ADORABLE NOONO OF CHIEF ERIC NWAFOR NWOBI, OKEIDE IGBO-UKWU!



Ndi banyi ndewo nu!

Team Eze-Akajiugo must not forget the show of love and appreciation to an amazing woman leader and philanthropist, Ochiora Edna Nwobi, for her unwavering commitment to healthcare delivery, particularly for DIABETIC PATIENTS, in our community and beyond! Kudos to Edna Nwobi Diabetic Care Foundation!

Today, 25th March, 2026, is another day and the program is ongoing as we speak. We are proud of you, Ma! We are particularly delighted that you found our Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu the suitable and comfortable venue for this program. No wonder you had earlier gladly announced to the world: 'Happening now at the GREAT HALL, AMAEHULU TODAY...!'

From the beautiful photos emerging from this colourful venue, we could not subdue our eternal joy and pride to see the once dilapidated and decrepit venue being described in carefully chosen words you used to describe the new face and image of our Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu of today! Thank you so much for shining more lights on this Hall, a modern event centre next door for all occasions!

You see, eh, Ugwu Ndi Ikelionwu's visionary leadership has fundamentally reshaped the landscape of community healthcare delivery, turning ambitious goals into life-saving realities for our community and far beyond, particularly for those down with DIABETES. With an unwavering commitment that transcends professional duty, Ochiora has championed the cause of the underserved, our forgotten rural people, ensuring that quality medical care (including supply of drugs), is a right rather than a privilege. Her ability to navigate complex challenges with both strategic brilliance and a heart for service has established a new gold standard for philanthropy, leaving an indelible mark on the lives of countless individuals who now look toward a healthier future with hope.

Beyond her remarkable achievements, she embodies the very

essence of compassionate leadership particularly for our women, inspiring a generation of changemakers through her selfless dedication. No wonder God blessed her amazing children (all) and a supportive husband. Her impact is felt not just in the seasonal care of diabetic patients and the support drugs she provides, but in the empathy and dignity she restores to every patient and family her work touches. As an amazing woman leader, she serves as a powerful testament to the fact that true greatness is measured by one's contribution to humanity.

We at Team Eze-Akajiugo celebrate her tireless spirit and her profound legacy of healing, which continues to ripple across borders and transform the well-being of our global society.

Ugwu Ndi Ikelionwu...Ochiora and adorable Noono Okeide Igbo-Ukwu... ndeme, biko jisie ike! We love you immensely...

Remain really blessed!

Lots of love from all of us @

TEAM EZE-AKAJIUGO



# EDNA NWOBI DIABETIC CARE FOUNDATION



The above photos show some enthusiastic folks waiting to receive diabetic treatment during the last Edna Nwobi Diabetic Care Foundation which held on Wednesday 25th of March, 2026 at the great Amaehulu Town Hall Igbo-Ukwu.

Edna Nwobi Diabetic Care Foundation carried out a Diabetes Program on the morning of 25th March. Many were tested for their fasting blood sugar, counselled individually and free drugs given to everyone. Those who could not afford the drugs were given enough drugs to last till August. People who could afford the drugs bought them at low prices. Kudos to Ugwu Ndi Ikellionwu, Chief Mrs Edna Nwobi... May God continue to bless you immensely, Amen!



## APEX MEDICAL GROUP RECORDS ANOTHER GREAT FEAT AT AWKA IN THE MID-MONTH OF MARCH 2026! KUDOS!

17th of March, 2026 was a day to remember in the diary of Apex Healthcare System, when the APEX DIAGNOSTIC CENTER, at the SECRETARIAT ROAD, AWKA, began the test-run for the Apex state-of-the-art CT scanner with its brand new GE REVOLUTION MAXIMA of 128 slices – the highest CT scanner in Awka to date.

The Medical Director and CEO of Apex Healthcare System and his driver offered themselves as the second and third subjects for the CT slicer.

Limited free trials was carried on till during that week of free scan, on a first come, first served basis.

Kudos to the medical team at Apex Medical Group, particularly Prof Uchenna Nwosu, MD, FACOG, FWACS, Group Medical Director, Apex Healthcare System. He is also the Odenigbo Igbo-Ukwu.

Again, kudos to Chief Engr Bart Nwibe fnse, Ugo Igbo-Ukwu of the Board of Apex Medical Organization.

Team Eze-Akajiugo facilitates with the Apex Medical Group, our pride as a community!



Free Scan took place at Apex Multispecialty Hospital Awka, Anambra State in midweek of March, 2026.

**AHEAD OF OUR IDU MONTH-END GENERAL DELEGATES MEETING OF 27TH AND 28TH FEBRUARY, 2026, EZE-AKAJIUGO, ALONGSIDE HIS FIRST SON, MCK UBAH JR., BREEZED INTO OKIJA TOWN THIS AFTERNOON TO BE PART OF HIS NEPHEW'S TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE CEREMONY...**



It was joy and happiness galore as one of the celebrity Dee-Jays in the Anambra State Capital of Awka, Dee-Jay ICON, Mr Echezona Okoye (Ubah), Celebrated the Traditional Marriage of his Beautiful Wife at Okija Town today, 25th of February , 2026.

Top music entertainers and events juggernauts in Awka and environs stormed Okija Town this afternoon to be part of the bespoke ceremony, including Mr Linus Williams Ifejika, popularly known as B-Lord, a young Nigerian cryptocurrency entrepreneur, tech investor, and founder of the B-lord Group of Companies who's based primarily in Anambra State. Accompanied by a huge group to top shots, BLord, also the company CEO of DJ ICON's wife in Awka, is recognized globally for building a digital empire that includes cryptocurrency trading, real estate, and financial technology.

Eze-Akajiugo the Pee-Gee of Igbo-Ukwu who flew into Anambra this after with his son, was among the selected members of the Ubah Clan of Ward 8 - Ihumabiam in Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu, to accompany DJ-ICON to his Okija in-laws.

Unavoidably absent during this colourful ceremony was Eze-Agunechemba Cletus Onyemenam, who was crowned last December as the Okenyi of Okija and honorary chief and member of Royal Cabinet of Okija Town. Many of his friends and fellow chiefs were in high spirit to welcome him there.

Mr Godwin Unity and his wife Maudline, based in Port-Harcourt, are the parents of DJ ICON. Eze-Akajiugo is the younger brother of Godwin Unity.

You see, eh, the joy of being among one's lovely kinsmen (Umunna) and extended family tree is indescribable. To be re-connected with many faces long seen and to actually feel them, exchange banter and hearty proverbs is esoteric and subliminal feelings! For MCK Ubah (Junior), who's been away for so long, it was the real taste of brotherhood and borderless love!

Indeed, to be among one's kinsmen is to experience a

homecoming of the soul, where the air feels lighter and the heart finds its natural rhythm. It is an indescribably awesome joy that transcends simple friendship; it is the profound comfort of being seen, understood, and anchored by a shared heritage. In this sacred circle, individual burdens dissolve into a collective strength, and the laughter shared becomes a testament to a bond that time can not erode. To be with those who truly know your roots is to be reminded that you are never walking alone, turning a simple gathering into a powerful celebration of belonging and peace. This is that Igbo-Ukwu kindred spirit we have been talking about...

Congratulations to my beloved nephew and his wife!

Their church nuptials and reception will take place in Awka this Saturday, 28th February, as detailed in their online 'invite'. It will be fun to see you there.

Lots of love!

By:  
Eze-Akajiugo Sir Dr MCK Ubah



DJ ICON's TRADITIONAL WEDDING AT OKIJA ...  
25TH FEBRUARY, 2026!



# DJ ICON's CHURCH WEDDING AT AWKA

28TH FEBRUARY, 2026!



# Pharm. Mrs Chiamaka David Weds Engr. Uchenna David



The Igbo-Ukwu community in Abuja turned out in grand style to celebrate love and family, as Engr. Uchenna David, son of the immediate past Chairman, Dr. Eric Uchenna David, exchanged vows with his heartthrob, Pharm. Mrs Chiamaka David, in a vibrant and unforgettable wedding ceremony.

The event, which drew an impressive crowd of community leaders, dignitaries from all walks of life, and well-wishers, was a true spectacle of joy. Guests were treated to a richly decorated venue alive with music, laughter, and a festive atmosphere that perfectly captured the spirit of the occasion. From the colorful traditional and English attires to the abundance of food and drinks, every detail reflected warmth, generosity, and celebration at its finest.

Notable personalities graced the ceremony, including Ahaejjemba, Chief Robinson Ezeife, Nze Eze-Ikemba Ozo Oporuiche, Chijioko Emeka, Sir Peter "Pechez" Ezeifeke and wife, Nze Ezedinachi John-Paul Onyemelukwe, Hon. Sir Bucknor Igwilo, Mr. Evarestus Okeke, Nze Casmir Ikkwetoghi, Barr. Toochukwu Ejeziem, Mr. Chukwudi Onwughalu, Arinze Okamelu, and Dr. Obinna Ezeobi, who chaired the occasion. Their presence added prestige and significance to the remarkable gathering.

The women's wing of the Igbo-Ukwu Development Union (IDU), Abuja Branch, led by its vibrant Chairlady, Noono Uju Onyejimbe, also made a striking appearance. Clad in dazzling

attire, they brought colour, energy, and elegance, further elevating the celebration.

As family, friends, and community members rejoiced together, the ceremony stood as a display of unity and enduring love.

The couple was showered with heartfelt prayers and goodwill for a blissful and prosperous marital journey. Congratulations poured in not only for Engr. and Pharm. David but also for the proud parents, Dr. and Mrs. Eric Uchenna David, whose joy knew no bounds on this special day.

Arinze Okamelu, Esq.

# CELEBRATING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: A CALL TO IGBO-UKWU

It has become increasingly evident that, as a people, we often celebrate financial success more visibly than academic and intellectual achievements. While economic prosperity is important for community development, the future of any progressive society is built on knowledge, research, innovation, and intellectual leadership.

Today presents us with a powerful opportunity for reflection.

The conferment of Fellow of the West African Society of Toxicology (FWASOT) on our distinguished son, Prof. Jatex Obi, is not merely a personal milestone — it is a community achievement. It reminds us that Igbo-Ukwu produces not only entrepreneurs and financiers, but also globally respected scholars and scientific leaders.

If we desire a sustainable and enlightened future for Igbo-Ukwu, we must intentionally celebrate academic excellence with the same pride and visibility we accord financial accomplishments.

## PROF. JATEX OBI: A DISTINGUISHED SON OF NGO QUARTER, IGBO-UKWU

Professor Ejeatuluchukwu “Jatex” Obi is a Full Professor of Pharmacology and Toxicology at Nnamdi Azikiwe University (UNIZIK), Nnewi Campus.

His career reflects discipline, scholarship, and visionary leadership.

His academic qualifications include:

- Ph.D. in Pharmacology and Toxicology
- M.Sc. in Biochemical Pharmacology
- Postgraduate Diplomas in Biochemical Pharmacology and Bioethics
- AIMLSCN (Haematology and Blood Group Serology)
- He began his professional journey as a Medical Laboratory Scientist at the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital (1986–1989).
- He later joined Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Nnewi Campus, rising steadily through the ranks.
- In 2011, he transitioned into full academic lecturing, and in 2020, he was promoted to the rank of Full Professor.

He currently serves as:



- Deputy Provost, College of Health Sciences, UNIZIK (Nnewi Campus)

- Co-Initiator of SIBRED-UNIZIK

- Permanent Member, SIBRED Advisory Board

He was a former Sub-Dean, Student Affairs

He has authored over 70 peer-reviewed scientific publications and reviewed numerous national and international journal articles. Many undergraduate and postgraduate students, as well as younger academic staff, have benefited from his mentorship.

## GLOBAL RECOGNITION AND PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS

Prof. Obi's impact extends beyond Nigeria. His professional recognitions include:

- Research Fellow, Africa Education Initiative (USA)
- Visiting Scholar, Telluride Association, University of Michigan, USA
- Fellow, Toxicology Internship Programme
- Executive Member, West African Society of Toxicology
- Member, African Society of Toxicological Sciences
- Member, Cameroon Society of Toxicological Sciences
- Member, Nigeria Total Diet Study / Food Safety Group
- Founder, Nigerian Youths Against Climate Change
- One of three Africans appointed to FAO/WHO Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)
- WHO Roster of Toxicological and Epidemiological Experts (2016–2020)

These accomplishments represent international validation of competence, scholarship, and leadership.

## RESEARCH IMPACT AND INNOVATION

Prof. Obi's research interests include:

- Heavy metal toxicology and contamination of herbal supplements
- Environmental toxicology and metallotoxicology
- Ethnopharmacology Bamboo for phytoremediation of heavy metal contamination
- Bamboo opportunities for new drug discovery and pharmacological advancement

His mentorship played a pivotal role in advancing SIBRED (Sustainable Innovative Bamboo Research and Entrepreneurship Development) at UNIZIK, now recognized as a pioneering university-based centre of excellence in Africa focusing on bamboo and rattan for industrial innovation and entrepreneurship.

Through his intellectual guidance, professionals have been inspired to explore bamboo value chains, linking environmental science with industrial and economic development.

This is the transformative power of academic leadership.

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A FELLOW OF THE WEST AFRICAN SOCIETY OF TOXICOLOGY (FWASOT)

The West African Society of Toxicology (WASOT) is a leading regional scientific organization dedicated to advancing toxicology research, education, and policy across West Africa.

Being conferred as a Fellow

(FWASOT) signifies:

- Exceptional and sustained contributions to toxicological science
- Recognized leadership within the discipline
- Regional and international professional respect
- Commitment to mentorship and institutional development

This fellowship places Prof. Obi among a select group of scientists shaping environmental health, pharmaceutical safety, and public health policy in West Africa.

Through this achievement, he has further placed Igbo-Ukwu on the global scientific map.

## A MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF IGBO-UKWU

- If we celebrate only wealth and neglect scholarship, we weaken the intellectual foundation of our future.

- Financial success builds houses. Academic excellence builds civilizations.

- Let us encourage our children not only to pursue prosperity, but also to pursue knowledge, research, innovation, and global relevance.

- Let us honour our professors with the same enthusiasm we show our business leaders.

- Let us elevate intellectual achievement as a core community value.

- By celebrating Prof. Jatex Obi today, we are shaping the mindset of tomorrow's generation.

## CONCLUSION

On behalf of the Office of the President General of Igbo-Ukwu, I wholeheartedly congratulate Prof. Jatex Obi, FWASOT, on this distinguished achievement.

May his success inspire a renewed culture in Igbo-Ukwu — a culture where academic excellence stands proudly alongside financial success.

Igbo-Ukwu must continue to produce thinkers, researchers, innovators, and global contributors. And we must celebrate them.

SIGNED:

IFEANYI OHAZULUME IJEZIE  
Personal Assistant to the President General of Igbo-Ukwu on Media, Mass Mobilisation and Enlightenment

# EZE-AKAJIUGO CONGRATULATES PROFESSOR JATEX OBI

ON HIS PRESTIGIOUS CONFERMENT OF THE FELLOWSHIP OF FWASOT!

AGAIN, IGBO-UKWU WINS...BIG TIME!



Ndi banyị ekeneem unu!

Out of 'intellectual and professional excitement', I have personally decided to lend my voice in support of the intellectually stimulating and edifying masterpiece written by my own Personal Assistant, Ohazulume Ifeanyi Ijezie, on this trending subject of international award received by our own kinsman and personal friend, Prof Jatex Obi on behalf of the apex leadership of Igbo-Ukwu being powered by Team Eze-Akajiugo!

The writeup by my PA sounds like a sweet melody to my soul... and like Shakespeare would say of good music: if music be the food of love, (let the music) play on... ('Twelfth Night'). Ohazulume, you're doing well...□

And so, please, if you have not read this erudite post by Ohazulume, do so now! It has indeed covered all the fields there are... I am further pinning it down for you to go and read it again!

I hereby wish to officially commend Mr. Ohazulume for his passionate research and high quality delivery or performance on his desk as my Media Aid in charge of Mass Media, Social Mobilization, Information and Public Enlightenment for Team Eze-Akajiugo.

Therefore, this high level intellectual presentation is heartwarming, particularly in honor of a highly remarkable University Professor (NNUKWU OKANMUTA MAHADUM, a gentleman of no mean academic pedigree!

Indeed what more is to be said when Ohazulume has said it all. But it must be boldly emphasized that to be conferred with a professional fellowship is to be invited into the highest echelons of one's profession or craft, marking the transition from a practitioner to a steward of the industry.

For the recipient, it is a moment of profound validation—a quiet, powerful "well done" that recognizes years of tireless dedication, ethical leadership, and mastery. It



carries a unique honor that transcends mere titles; it is an internal glow of achievement and a public badge of credibility that opens doors to elite circles of thought leadership.

The joy found in this milestone is not just in the prestige, but in the realization that one's contributions have helped shape the very standards that others now follow.

What is in it for Igbo-Ukwu and the general public, one would ask? Beyond the individual, the elevation to the rank of a Fellow serves as a vital beacon of assurance for the general public. In an age where expertise can feel fragmented, the fellowship stands as a gold standard, signaling to society that there are still guardians of integrity and excellence at the helm of our essential institutions. It brings a collective joy and confidence to the community, knowing that the complex systems—be they in medicine, law, engineering, or finance—are being led by individuals who have been rigorously vetted by their peers. Igbo-Ukwu has been blessed to have so many Fellows in many prestigious professions lately including engineering, accounting and estate management.

The law profession is among Igbo-Ukwu's most colourful professions like medicine, engineering, accounting, construction industry, priesthood and teaching. Law has a of huge membership of ndi banyị as lawyers. Though, most of us, like me, are Notaries Public of the Supreme Court of Nigeria but it's my fervent hope that very soon, in no distant future, many Igbo-Ukwu lawyers will be elevated to the rank of SANs and members of the higher Bench. And so, hopefully, this yawning gap will soon be filled in Jesus' Name, Amen! And so shall it be...omehu na izu, omeem na onwa!

Finally and ultimately, the fellowship is a promise kept to the public: a commitment that the highest level of skill and ethical rigour will continue to be the cornerstone of societal progress. It's my hope that Professor Jatex Obi, FWASOT, will, as usual, continue to make Igbo-Ukwu proud in this new professional elevation.

Congratulations, Prof!

Congratulations, Igbo-Ukwu!

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

**NNADILINWA SIR ROB & LADYCHINWE ANAGBAOSO CELEBRATE THE SUCCESSFUL WEDDING OF THEIR SON/DAUGHTER-INLAW, ENGR. 'BUIKE & GINIKA. DATE WAS 2ND JANUARY 2026. TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!**



# AGUATA EASTER FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT 2026



# THE LAGOS WAKE KEEP OF LATE MR TONY TASCO PICOLO NDUKA

AT THE IGBO-UKWU TOWN HALL ORILE-IGANMU LAGOS ON THE 26TH MARCH, 2026.



GOOD NIGHT, MY DEAR TASCO TONY NDUKA!

TO HIS MAJESTY, OJI 3 OF IGBO-UKWU AND ENTIRE FAMILY..., PLEASE ACCEPT MY HEART-FELT CONVENIENCES...

AND, IGBO-UKWU COMMISERATES WITH YOU ON THIS SAD EVENT...!

On behalf of my family and good people of Igbo-Ukwu, I wish to convey my heartfelt condolences to the entire NDUKA Chieftaincy Family of Ezigbo Umudike Village of Igbo-Ukwu on the recent painful exit of their brother, TASCO TONY NDUKA.

Indeed, it's never easy to find the words when a light as bright as your brother's goes out too soon. Please accept my deepest, most heartfelt condolences during this incredibly painful time. He wasn't just a friend; he was a cornerstone of joy and a steady presence in the lives of all of us who knew him.

About 27th December, 2019, our great friend, late friend late Omenma Cosmas Okafor of Coslink Int'l Ltd suddenly died and Jesus wept! Two of you were like David and Jonathan, and with Eze-Akajiugo in your company, the circle of joy continued without end!

Oh TASCO! On the 8th of October, 2023 at the Igbo-Ukwu Town Hall Lagos,

when the great YOUTHS' SOCIAL CLUB OF IGBO-UKWU celebrated their Victory Cup and Award Ceremony under my distinguished Chairmanship, you couldn't hold your joy upon seeing me...Oh TASCO... it was a friendship of far back in the decades!

Losing some friends so vital like you and Omenma is a wound that takes a long time to heal, but I pray that the memories of your gentle nature and good heart will bring you comfort in the coming days. Your family has always been a second home to me, and seeing you walk through this valley of shadow breaks my heart. May your gentle soul rest in perfect peace, and may your legacy of love live on in all of us who knew you closely.

Fare thee well, TASCO!

Oji 3 of Igbo-Ukwu, Don-Grace-Well, Edfan, Engr. Obinna, Pharmacist Inno, Basil, Engr. Norbert etc, do accept my condolences!

My condolences also go to your numerous in-laws particularly, HRH Igwe Alex Azike Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu.

Rest in peace, TASCO!

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



WAKE-KEEP FOR MA CECILIA M. UMENNUIHE (NEE OGBUAGU), SWEET MOTHER OF MR POLYCAP OKWY UMENNUIHE OF ILORIN BRANCH OF IDU. DATE: 9TH JANUARY, 2026. BURIAL WAS ON THE 10TH. TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY.

## SIR EDDY MUOEMENAM IS NOT GONE...HE LIVES ON,

his heart of gold lingers on in our memories through the many churches and schools he built around Nigeria; through the many lives he touched; through the many mouths he fed and through his numerous good works of philanthropy such as public access roads, educational scholarships to the less privileged various many community projects..."



Ndi banyi, ncha melu anyi,

So yesterday, 7th February, 2026, has actually come and gone! Like many still wonder, I would have wondered the same way if I had not been part of yesterday when it finally arrived and slowly rolled away into today! Yes, yesterday, that appointed day many thought would not come, did come after all! Eweeh! Ncha melu, this mother-earth really chops a lot! Please, God, save us such painful deaths as Eddy's! Never again! □ □

Though we know: For dust we are, and to dust we shall all return" (Genesis 3:19). Have mercy on us, oh Lord!

Yes, I am still here as part of those who saw and witnessed yesterday, and here we are today, 8th of February, 2026. It has now fully dawned on me, like all those who were present with me yesterday in the Umunono Village, Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu country-home of late Sir Eddy Chukwudi Muoemenam, where he was finally lowered into the mother-earth. Yes, Sir Eddy has gone and no more here in body form with us, but his ebullient spirit lives on...

Therefore, "Yesterday is gone, and tomorrow may never be mine. Lord, for my sake, help me, teach me to take one day at a time...thank you Jesus" aa prayed by Caleb Gordon, that American-born gospel/Christian rap artist.

In a powerful soul-lifting and life-preparatory sermon delivered during the funeral mass of late Sir Eddy Chukwudi Muoemenam KSC yesterday by His Grace, Dr Samuel Ezeofor, the Lord Bishop of Aguata Diocese (Church of Nigeria Anglican Communion), where he dropped these heart-touching posers below.

But before that, let's take a sample review of the sympathisers during the church service. Indeed, there were thousands of sympathizers and mourners including over 8 high-ranking Bishops from the north and south of Nigeria including a Methodist Church Bishop; uncountable numbers of Reverend gentlemen from various Dioceses of Anglican Church of Nigeria and the Roman Catholic Church; countless Knights and Ladies of the Anglican Church with Igbo-Ukwu Council of Knights as hosts; bespoke Choirs drawn from Lagos and Aguata, traditional rulers led by Igwe Alex Ejikemeuwa Azike-Onedibe, Idu 3 of Igbo-Ukwu, the Idu Cabinet of Igbo-Ukwu; esteemed members

of Team Eze-Akajiugo as led by Sir Barr Dr MCK Ubah, the PG of Igbo-Ukwu along side their Women Wing of IDU; the Merit Chiefs of Igbo-Ukwu; members of the CIC of Igbo-Ukwu; top ranking politicians including HE Mr Peter Obi, the Hon. Representative of Aguata Federal Constituency in Abuja, Chief Engr Sir Dom Okafor FNSE; leading businessmen and women, and the good people of Igbo-Ukwu etc., who trooped down to the church to be part of the funeral mass. We all listened to His Lordship's great sermon with a pin-drop silence. It was awesome!

Many of these sympathizers filled and even spilled-over the big Cathedral-size St Peter's Anglican Church Obiuno Igbo-Ukwu, which was built and completed by late Sir Eddy Muoemenam, (though with the initial foundation start-up done by Sir Okey Gossak Okoli before Sir Eddy took over, truth be told!). It was a funeral mass like no other!

Now let's hear His Lordship, Bishop Ezeofor: If Ndi Igbo-Ukwu did not know what they lost in Sir Eddy's death....

If the Diocese of Aguata did not know what they lost in Sir Eddy's Death....



...they would not know anything again, they would never know when they lose anything or anybody precious to them again"

The key or central message of the Sermon by His Lordship, Bishop Ezeofor of Aguata Diocese, centered on the "Return: the Report Card and Joy that follows a successful journey upon return and God's inevitable judgement." In other words, the final return to the master who sent you after a life's journey ends, what would your report card look like! It was a sermon better experienced than reported because all the teaching set inductions including the bishopric 'akurungwas', spontaneous soul-rending songs, body language, spiritual genuflections and invocations of the holy spirit as commanded by His Grace while standing on the pulpit would totally be missed out in such a report...!

Consequently, it is trite and true to life that to lose such a soul, as Sir Eddy Muoemenam, is a heavy burden, but to have known him while with us here,

is a life-long gift. Of a truth, not only Igbo-Ukwu and the Diocese of Aguata lost him, but the entire Nigerian Christian and business communities lost Sir Eddy Chukwudi Muoemenam, KSC. May his giant soul rest in peace, Amen! □

Though Sir Eddy has stepped beyond the veil of this world, he remains an immovable fixture in the landscapes of our hearts. We do not speak of him in the past tense, for a man of such profound kindness never truly leaves; he simply changes form, becoming the quiet strength we feel in our moments of doubt and the warmth we find in shared stories.

He was a rare architect of joy, building bridges of compassion where others saw divides and leaving behind a blueprint of grace that we shall spend the rest of our lives trying to follow.

The "heart of gold" we so often spoke of was not merely a metaphor but a living, breathing reality that touched everyone in his orbit. Sir Eddy moved through life with gentle gravity, pulling people toward his light and making the world feel a little safer, a little softer, and infinitely more generous. Whether through a selfless act or a word of steady encouragement, he invested his spirit into the lives of others, the church, our Igbo-Ukwu community and Ndi Igbo generally, creating a treasury of goodness that no passage of time can ever deplete.

As we gathered to remember and honour him this time around, we find that his legacy is not written in stone but etched in the memories that now sparkle with his essence. To honour Sir Eddy Santana, Ebekuodike, is to keep that gold shimmering—to practice the same empathy he championed and to love as boundlessly as he did.

He has found his rest, yet his influence remains an eternal echo, reminding us that while life is fleeting, a heart as pure as his is truly immortal. He lives on, vibrant, and beloved in every act of kindness we perform in his name.

Fare thee well, Ebekuodike Igbo-Ukwu... Eddy Santana...Nwoke oma!

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

Being a postscript by Eze-Akajiugo after the final burial of late Sir Eddy Muoemenam in Igbo-Ukwu on the 7th February, 2026.

Dated this Sunday, the 8th day of February, 2026



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