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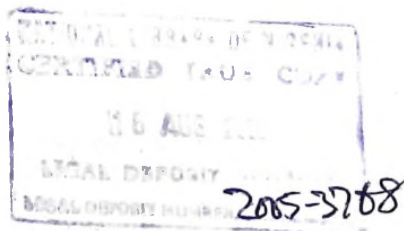
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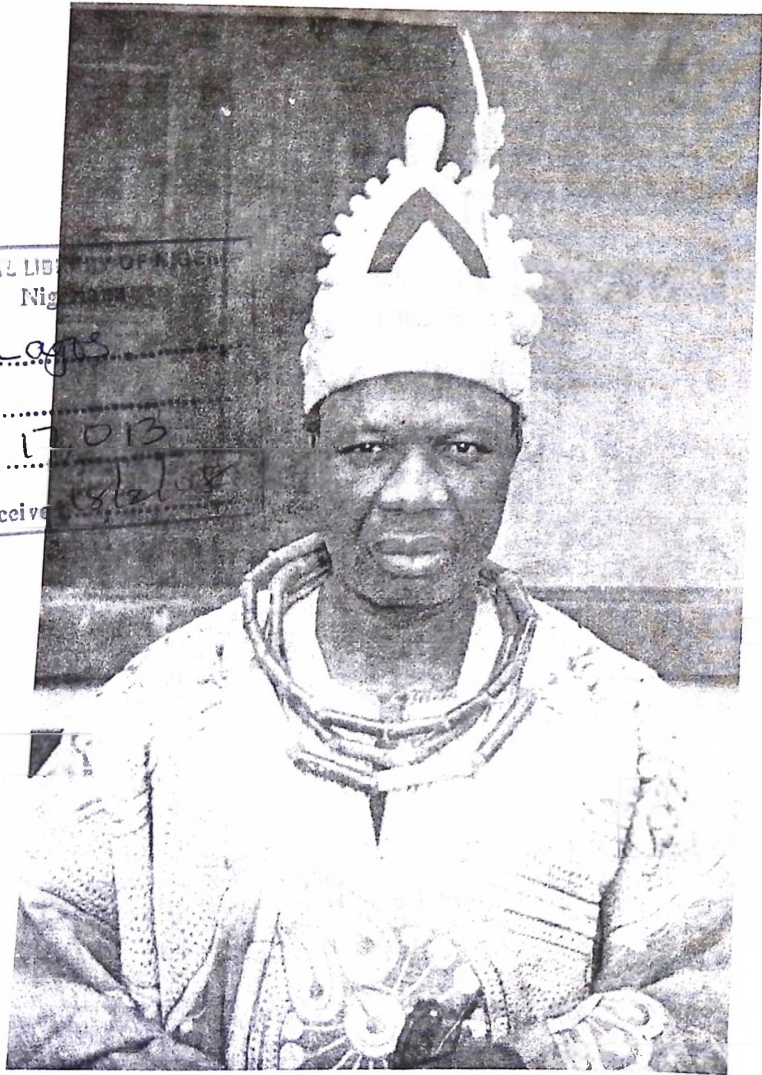
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FOREWORD

The idea of a book to project the good that has come out of Ile-Oluji, the land of our birth, is commendable. This second edition of "Who's Who in Ile-Oluji" is therefore a veritable tool for showcasing Ile-Oluji and its enormous human potentials.

This book contains the profiles and pictures of eminent indigenes who have come out to be counted among the patriots.

The Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group, of which I am the Chairman, is proud to be associated with this book. To us at IESG, this is another dimension to the empowerment of Ile-Oluji indigenes that we are resolutely committed to.

It is my desire that the entire Ile-Oluji community will embrace this book and utilise the opportunity it presents to re-position for national and international prominence.

I commend all the people involved in this project. It takes a lot of commitment, resourcefulness, and tenacity to put together a source book that details the lives and activities of over 150 indigenes residing in different parts of the country.

We all must thank them for this invaluable contribution to the development of knowledge in our great town.

I wish you a rewarding time reading this book.

Akinsola Akinfemiwa
August 2003.

AUTHOR'S PREFACE

Dedication

I dedicate this book to the glory of God almighty, the maker of all good things. He makes all things beautiful in his own time. I specially appreciate my wife, Oluwafunmilola, my children: (Oluwanifemi and Oluwagbohunmi). I also will like to dedicate this book to all indigenes of Ile-Oluji, dead or alive who have contributed relentlessly in one way or the other to the growth and development of this town.



Appreciation

I want to specially acknowledge the support and encouragement of my boss, Mr. Akinsola Akinfemiwa, MD/CEO, Prudent Bank PLC, and Chairman, Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG).

My appreciation also goes to all the well-meaning people who contributed to the successful publication of this book. They are just too numerous to mention. However, the invaluable contributions of Messrs Afolabi Akinbola, Wale Openiyi, Akin Jokojeje, Prince Cookey, Ayo Adewakun, Samuel Shaibu and Deji Busari must be placed on record. My gratitude also goes to Prof. Bola Akinterinwa and Rev. Femi Oyawale. These are the people who worked directly with me in actualizing the vision of this second edition. I thank you all for your advice and support.

The Vision

When I conceived the idea of a biography of Ile-Oluji indigenes, in 1993, the motive was to use the book to positively project the image of the town and highlight the achievements of its indigenes. I had had enough of the negative tales that were being spread about the town and just wanted to do something in my own little way to correct the town's poor image. The first edition of the book was, therefore published in 1994.

WHO'S WHO IN ILE-OLUJI is, therefore aimed at bringing to an end the era of negative perception or malicious misrepresentation of Ile-Oluji and its indigenes. Our hope is that the book will signpost a new era of positive image for the town and better appreciation of its rich and enormous human capital.

Comprising three parts, this book provides information about the **people** of Ile-Oluji, and not the **history** of Ile-Oluji.

Part One, titled, **Heroes of Tomorrow**, provides biographical data on some eminent indigenes of the town. Part Two, titled **Tributes** consists of the profiles of indigenes who, though now dead, did enough while alive to occupy a special place in contemporary history. Part Three, tagged **Special Section** features interviews and special reports all aimed at putting in proper perspective the key issues germane to the sustainable development of our dear town.

Listing Criteria

To qualify for listing in this book, an indigene of Ile-Oluji must have:

- Done relatively well directly or indirectly in the task of developing the town, and
- Be doing reasonably well in his/her chosen endeavour

Contributions to the development of Ile-Oluji cannot be narrowed down to monetary donations alone. Indirect, non-monetary donations that cannot be quantified also count. I believe an indigene who is doing well in his chosen calling, thereby bringing honour to the town deserves recognition even if he does not compare to others in terms of monetary contributions.

The Publishers and the Editorial Team took enough precautionary measures to avoid errors. However, to err is human. In the course of collating and processing data, some errors could have inevitably occurred.

Any misrepresentation, as a result of such errors, is totally unintended and regretted. This is a book we intend to review, revise, and update bi-annually. The next edition, scheduled for Year 2005, can only be an improvement upon this current edition.

Thank you.



ADEMOLA AKINBOLA

ILE – OLUJI AT A GLANCE

Location

Ile-Oluji lies between longitudes 4° 45'30" and 05° 01'100" and latitudes 07° 25' 00" and 10' 100" covering an approximate area of 800 square kilometres. It is bounded in the North by Oni River and Ikeji Hills (which are located to the South-West of Ikeji Forest Reserves). It is bounded in the East by Owena River; in the West by the tributary of the Oni River, and to the South by the Otasun Hills. Its immediate neighbours are Ondo, Oke-Igbo and Ipetu-Ijesa.

Relief

It has a variety of landforms that can be classified into three broad physical units: the plains, the undulating highlands and river valleys. The highlands dominate the landscape. The soil is fertile and rich; the land is well drained as the numerous streams discharge into the Oni River. Erosion is noticeable in the exposed surface.

Vegetation

Much of the natural vegetation of Ile-Oluji land has been altered or even obliterated by cultivation over a long period of time. A complex patchwork of vegetation has therefore resulted from human activity. Under the present climatic conditions moist, semi-deciduous forest with abundant Sterculiaceae is the dominant vegetation type. Many of the emergent trees are deciduous in the dry season. Except for the area around Oni Forest Reserve to the north west, most of this moist forest land is made up today of an intricate mosaic of farms (mainly cocoa farms), fallow and young secondary forest; the Oil Palm (*Elaeis Guineensis*) is characteristic.

Temperature and Rainfall

Mean annual temperature in Ile-Oluji is 80 or 26.66 C. Mean annual rainfall ranges between 60" and 80". The mean annual number of raindays is 120 for most of the area while the north-eastern area records some 140 raindays spread between March and late November with the characteristic August break.

Rivers and Streams

Many rivers and streams flow through Ile-Oluji and serve a variety of purposes. Prominent among these are Esimu, Aigo and Owe. The Ololo Spring has a special significance for the people of Ile-Oluji, hence the traditional ruler performs some of the installation rites there.

Description

Ile-Oluji is situated on an elevated ground, hence most of the streets in the original area take their names from hills and lowlands, such as Oke Atiba, Odomikan, Oke Odunwo, Oke Ehinogbe, Odolua, Odolu, Oke-Alafia, Odo Yeghe, Odo Kiniki, etc.

Population

Ile-Oluji has a projected population of 300,000.

**Details of the history, culture, and custom of the town can be found in historical literature, including: "A short story of Ile-Oluji"(1951) by Dr. O.O. Olarerin; "History, Laws and Customs of Ile-Oluji"(1962) by Chief A.A. Adegbamigbe, and "Ile-Oluji: Traditions, Growth and Neighbours"(1994) by A.M. Akinfemiwa*

PART ONE
Heroes Of Tomorrow

Abimbola, Robinson Oluwafunso;

Director of Works, Federal Polytechnic, Ede; Born December 21, 1954 to Pa Jacob Abimbola and Madam Esther Olabimijo; **Education:** St. James' School, Ile-Oluji (1961-66); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1967-71); Yaba College of Technology, Lagos (1975-80); *Universite de Technologie de Compiengne*, France (1987-88); **Qualifications:** HND Civil Engineering (1980); M.Sc Municipal Engineering Management for Developing Countries (1988); **Career:** Clerical Officer, United Bank for Africa (UBA), Lagos (Jan-Sept 1975); Asst Engineer/Site Supervisor, Taylor Woodrow Nig. Ltd. Kano (July 1977-Aug 1978); Site Supervisor, Roads & Building (NYSC), Federal Polytechnic, Ilaro (Aug 1980-Jul 1981); Project Coordinator (1981-85); Principal Technical Officer, Civil, (1986-88); Senior Engineer (1989); Principal Engineer (1990); Asst. Chief Engineer (1992); Chief Engineer (Jan 1997), The Federal Polytechnic, Ede; **Research Works/Special Projects:** Determination Of Different Types Of Soils At Mushin, Lagos (1975); Fabrication of Asphalt with Taylor Woodrow Limited for Resurfacing of Roads in Ilupeju and Ikeja; Towards Greater Sustainability on Sanitation and Environmental Control; **Affiliations:** First President, TAP Club of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Member: Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE); Institute of Environmental Engineering (a division of NSE); Association of *Internationale Pour La Gestion Urbane Son Ensergnement*, France (L'Ague); Chairman, Maintenance Management Committee, NSE, Osogbo; Technical Co-Coordinator on Education, Institute of Environment Engineering; Founding member, Lions Club, Ilaro; **Honours/Awards:** Merit Awards, Nigerian Society of Engineers, Osogbo and Institute of Technicians, Lagos; **Interest:** Tennis; Married to Jumoke Abimbola (nee Fagbamiye) and blessed with children; **Address:** Works & Services Department, The Federal Polytechnic, P.M.B. 231, Ede, Osun State; Tel: 035-360203, 035-360096;

ADE-AJAYI, Christie (nee Martins); Retired Headmistress, author, educational consultant; Founding President, Oyo State Chapter, *Mondiale Pour L' Education Pre-Scolaire* (World Organization for Early Childhood Education); Born March 13, 1930 to Chief and Mrs. Victor Akinleye Martins; **Education:** Kudeti Girls' School (now St Anne's School), Ibadan (1945-48); United Missionary College (1949-51); Froebel Educational Institute, London (1955-56); London University Institute of Education (1957-58); California State University, San Jose, USA (1970-71); **Qualifications:**

Diplomas in Child Development and Elementary School Administration;

Career: Teacher: Anglican Girls' School, Ondo (1952-54); Anglican Girls' School, Ibadan (Jan-Sept 1955); Head, Infant School, University of Ibadan



Staff School (1961-89); Headmistress, Staff School, University of Ibadan (1989-91); Chairman/Supervisor, ULWS Nursery School, University of Lagos (1972-78); **Affiliations:** Member: UNICEF Committee on Child Development and Basic Education; Association of Nigerian Authors; Mothers As First Teachers Advisory Committee; Van Leer Nigerian Education Trust, and Zonta International; Treasurer, International Board on Books For Young People; President, University of Lagos Women Societies; **Publications:** Ade, Our Naughty Little Brother (1975); The Old Story Teller (1975); Akin Goes To School (1978); Learning To Read; Reading is Fun; **Honours/Awards:** Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2001); **Interest:** Dancing, Gardening, Cooking, Writing, and Traveling; Married to Professor Festus Jacob Ade-Ajayi and blessed with children; **Address:** 1, Ojobadan Avenue, Bodija, Ibadan.

ADEBAYO, Bosede Adenike (nee Adetimehin); Born to High Chief Jomu Adetimehin and Victoria Adetimehin:

Education: St. Catherine's Girls' Grammar School, Owo, (1967); Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo (1972); University Of Lagos (1980); **Qualification:** B.A. (Hons) Educational Administration (1980); **Career:** Teacher: Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1972); Lagos City College, Yaba (1974); St Finbar's College, Akoka, Lagos (1980); Vice-Principal, Amuwo-Odofin Secondary School, Lagos (1984); Head of Administration, Ojo School Management Committee (1988); **Affiliations:** Member: Rotary Club of Ojo, Lagos; Busy Bee Society; Anglican Church of Pentecost, Festac; Apapa Club; **Interest:** Jogging, Cooking; Married to Chief Olumide Adebayo and blessed with Children; **Address:** 3rd Avenue, G Close, House 16, FESTAC, Lagos.

ADEBAYO, Olumide Olubunmi; Chairman/Managing Director, Jon Rapids Ltd., Lagos; Born May 21, 1944 to Mr. S.O.B. Adebayo and Madam Olamoyeye Adebayo; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; Muslim College, Ijebu-Ode; University of Ife; **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Political Science (1969); **Career:** Teacher: Ondo Grammar School (1966); St. Louis Secondary School, Ondo (1969); Admin. Officer, University of Ife (1970-73); Manager, Commodities, Henry Stephens & Sons Nig. Ltd.; Director, Sun Insurance Company, Lagos; Chairman, Jon Rapids Nig. Ltd. (1983-date);

Affiliations: Sec. Gen. University Of Ife Students' Union (1967-68); Charter President, One-Five Association, Ile-Oluji; Chairman, Association of Nigerian Licensed Customs Agents (Apapa Chapter); President, Rotary Club Of Ojo, Lagos (1988-89); Member, Apapa Club; **Interest:** Table



Tennis, Dancing, Jogging; **Honours:** *Batunwase of Ojo Land*, Lagos; Married to Bosede Adebayo (nee Adetimehin) and blessed with children; **Address:** Jon Rapids Nig. Ltd., 21, Warehouse Road, Apapa, Lagos; Tel. 01-871710.

ADEBIYI, Moses Akin; Chairman, Ondo Divisional Carpenters Association; Born June 14, 1926 to pa John Oni Olojuomo Adebiji and Madam Alice Olamitan Adebiji; **Education:** St. Peter's School-Ile-Oluji (1935-46);

Career: Pupil Teacher, St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1950); Bandmaster (1951); Carpentry Apprentice, Lagos (1953-56); Chairman, Ifebaba Famous Furniture Works (1957 to date); **Affiliations:** Leader, St. Peter's Church Choir (1950-53); Founder/Patron; Egbe Ife Baba (1973); Vice-President, Ile-Oluji Co-operative Union; Member, Gboluji Grammar School Board of Governors; **Interest:** Singing; Married to Clara Adebiji (nee Oke) and blessed with children; **Address:** P.O.Box 41, Ile-Oluji.



ADEBOYEKU Koledola; Chairman/Managing Director Tripple-K Nigeria Ltd., Lagos; Born October 4, 1952;

Education: Baptist Pry. School, Ile-Oluji (1958-63); Ekiti Baptist High School, Igede Ekiti (1965-69); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1970-71); Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1972-75, 1977-80); University of Lagos (1985-87); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons.) Agri-



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culture (1975); Master of Philosophy in Plant Science (1980); MBA (1987); **Career:** Agricultural Officer, Federal Department of Agriculture, Kaduna (Aug 1976-July 1977); Graduate Assistant, Plant Science Department, Faculty of Agriculture, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (Sept. 1977-June 1980);_Commodity Adviser/Head of Administration, Nestle Nig. PLC (July 1980-March 1995); Chairman/Managing Director, Tripple-K Nig. LTD., (1995 to date); **Interest:** Reading, public lectures/seminars; **Address:** 69, Dele Orisabiyi Street, Okota, Lagos; P.O.Box 1467, Shomolu Lagos.

Education: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; CMS Training Center, Akure; **Career:** Teacher: St. Thomas' School, Badagry; Holy Trinity School, Ebute Ero, Lagos; All Saints Church School, Yaba, and St. Peter's School, Faji, Lagos; **Affiliations:** Treasurer, Women's Wing, Ile-Oluji National Union, Ibadan; Ile-Oluji/Okeigbo Local Government Better Life for Rural Women Programme; **Honours/Awards:** *Yeyemeso* of Ile-Oluji; Government Certificate of Merit, C.M.S. Training Center, Akure; Married to Very Rev. Fola Adebusoeye and blessed with children.

ADEBUSOYE, Adegboyega Olusegun; Solicitor-General and Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice, Akure, Ondo State; Born March 7, 1960; **Education:** St. Luke's Demonstration School, Molete, Ibadan (1966-71); Ibadan Grammar School (1972-77); University of Ife (1979-82); Nigerian Law School, Lagos (1982-83); Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London, London (Oct-Dec. 1999); **Career:** Ministry of Justice, Ibadan, Oyo State, (NYSC); State Counsel, Ministry of Justice, Akure, (1984); Personal Assistant to the Attorney General (1989-96); Director, Legal Drafting (1995-96); Sole Administrator/Chairman, Caretaker Committee, Akoko SouthEast Local Government, Isua Akoko (June 1998-June 1999); **Affiliations:** Member: Ondo/Ekiti States Assets and Liabilities Sharing Committee (1996-99); Ondo State Staff Housing Loans Board (1996-97); Ondo State Primary Education Board (1995-date); Junior Staff Committee, Ministry of Justice (1989-96), Akure Junior Chambers (Jaycee); **Interest:** Reading and playing Lawn Tennis; Married and blessed with children; **Address:** Ministry of Justice, Akure; Tel: 08037170507

ADEBUSOYE, Joshua Adeyemi; Former, Chief Consultant Surgeon, General Hospital, Lagos; Born May 18, 1928;

Education: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1935-38); Akoko Jubilee Central School, Ikare (1939-42); St. Andrews' College, Oyo (1946-49); University College, Ibadan (1952-56); Kings College Hospital Medical School, University of London, England (1960); **Career:** Senior House Officer, Casualty, Northampton General Hospital, England (1961-62); House Officer, West Hill Hospital, Dartford, England (1962); Medical Officer, Surgery (1962-65); Urological Registrar, Resident Surgical Officer, Royal Northern Hospital, London (1965-66); Medical Officer, Nigerian Medical Service (1966-69); Consultant Surgeon (1969-72); Senior Consultant Surgeon (1972-78); Chief Consultant Surgeon, General Hospital, Lagos (1978); **Affiliations:** Fellow: Royal College of Surgeons (1965); West African College of Surgeons; Member: Nigerian Medical Association; Medical Guild; **Interest:** walking, Reading, Music; **Address:** 13 Simpson Street, Lagos.

ADEBUSOYE, Beatrice Kofoworola; Proprietress, Luji Fancy Store, Molete, Ibadan; Born October 13, 1931 to Chief Jacob Akinyosade, *Lijofi of Ile-Oluji* and Madam Esther Olabamijo (both deceased);

ADEDUGBE, Florence Olanireti; Proprietress Gloryfield International College, Ile-Oluji; retired educationist; *Olori* of his Royal Majesty, Oba Stephen Adedugbe, Jegen of Ile-Oluji Kingdom; Born April 19, 1940;



Education: St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1948-54); St Monica's Grammar School Ondo 1955-60; Christ's School, Ado-Ekiti (1962-63); Kingston College of Technology, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey, England, (1964-67); University of Lagos (1977-78); **Qualifications:** B.A (1967); Post Graduate Diploma in Education (1978); **Career:** Teacher, Gboluji Grammar School Ile-Oluji (1964, 1968-69); Economics Teacher and Head, Social Sciences Department, Marywood Grammar School, Ebute-Metta, Lagos (1969-74); Senior Lecturer (Economics) and Head of Arts Department, St Joseph's Teachers' Training College, Lagos (1975); Principal Education Officer, Federal Ministry of Education (1977); Economics Teacher, King's College, Lagos (1978); Chief Education Officer and Head of Department of Arts, King's College, Lagos (1981-86); Chief Education Officer in charge of secondary education, Federal Ministry of Education (1987-89); Assistant Director in charge of general supervision and administration of secondary division, Fed. Min. of Education (1989-91); Education Officer 2, Federal Ministry of Education, Federal Inspectorate Service, Ondo (1992-95); **Affiliations:** Participant, preparatory meetings and national workshop for the 8th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Treatment of Offenders; Government representative on the Governing Council of the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA); **Address:** Jegun's Palace, P.O.Box 1, Ile-Oluji, or Gloryfield International College, P.O Box 335, Ile-Oluji.

ADEDUGBE, Oluremi; Finance Manager, Auto Business, New York; Born August 19, 1952; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1970); Yaba College of Technology, Lagos (1978); **Qualifications:** HND Accountancy; **Career:** Chief Operating Officer Folmide Brokerage; Chief Ex-

ecutive Officer, Core Communication Ltd.

ADEDUGBE, Stephen Sulade; Jegun Olu-Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom; Chairman, Ondo State Council of Obas; Born February 15, 1938 to Prince and Chief Mrs. James Adesominu Adedugbe; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1944-51); Secondary School Section, Yaba Technical Institute, Lagos (1952-56); Senior School Section, Yaba Technical Institute (1956-59); Kingston College of

Technology, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey, England (1963-66); Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, USA; **Qualifications:** Diploma in Civil Engineering (1959); B.Sc Engineering (1966); M.Sc Civil Engineering (1973); Fellow, International Road Federation (1973) and Nigerian Society of Engineers (1987); **Career:** Asst Technical Officer-in-Training (1957-58); Asst. Technical Officer (1958-60, 1962-63); Pupil Engineer (1968-69); Executive Engineer, later Senior Executive Engineer (1969-75), Principal Civil Engineer (1975-76), District Maintenance Engineer (1976-78), Chief Engineer, Planning (1978-83), Chief Resident Engineer (1983-84), Federal Controller of Works and Housing Services, Niger State (1984-88), and Deputy Director, Planning (1988-90), Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, Lagos; **Affiliations:** Member: Institution of Civil Engineers (1971), British Institution of Highway Engineers (1966), American Society of Civil Engineers (1973), *Irepodun* Society, Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** Outstanding Student in Structural Engineering, Yaba Technical Institute (1959); Certificate of Distinction and Honour, Federal Ministry of Works and Housing (1990); **Research Work:** Causes of Traffic Chaos in Lagos Metropolis; **Interest:** Travelling, reading; **Address:** Jegun Olu Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom's Palace, Ile-Oluji.



ADEFELU, Amos

Adebusuyi; Assistant Director, Department of Petroleum Resources, Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, Lagos; Born June 12, 1949 to Prince Samuel Adefelu (Ofalaleye ruling house) and Princess Juliana Adefelu;



Education: Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1962-65); Adeola Odutola College, Ijebu-Ode (1968-69); Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, USA (1973-74); University of District Columbia, Washington D.C (1974-76); Administrative Staff College of Nigeria, Badagry (1989); PennState University, Pennsylvania, USA (1992); **Qualifications:** B.Sc. Business Administration (1976); Certificate of Merit, Public Enterprises Management (1989); Certificate in Human Resources Management (1992); Associate, Nigerian Institute of Management.(ANIM); Certificate of Merit in Public Enterprises Management (Administrative Staff College of Nigeria, ASCON, Badagry); **Career:** Confidential Records Clerk, Nigerian Breweries Ltd, Lagos (1966-67, 1970-73); Teacher, Oke-Ona Grammar School, Abeokuta (1977-78); Manager, Nats Food Industries, Apapa (1978-80); Personnel Officer, Petroleum Inspectorate Division, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (1980-90); Supplies Officer, Department of Petroleum Resources (1991-97); Assistant Director (1997-date); **Affiliations:** Registered Trustee and Executive Member, Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Founding Member and First Executive Secretary, Ile-Oluji Youth Association, (1967); Ex-President, Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos; Member, *Egbe Isisesi Otito*, St Luke's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Reading, traveling, music, photography; **Address:** Department of Petroleum Resources, NNPC Towers, 7, Kofo Abayomi Street, Victoria Island Lagos.

ADEFULIRE, Abiodun Akinmola; Magistrate, Special Offences Court, Alausa, Ikeja, Lagos; Born December 31, 1958 to Chief (Yegingha) Samuel Adefulire and Madam Lydia Adefulire; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-oluji (1973-77); Special Sixth Form College, Ikare, Ondo State (1978-80); Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria (1982-85); Nigerian Law School, Lagos (1985-86); **Qualifications:** Bachelor of Law; LL.B Hons; **Career:** Examination Clerk, University of Ife, Ile-Ife (1977-78); Tutor, Orere Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1980-82); Acting Port Legal Adviser, Nigeria Ports Authority, Calabar (1986-87); Principal Partner, Eminence Chambers, Ikeja, Lagos (1987 to date); **Affiliations:** Member, Exquisite Club, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Squash, Badminton, Swimming.

ADEFUSI, Olumide Akinlade; Born April 16, 1946 to Prince John Adefusi and Madam Emily Isoola Adefusi; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1952-58); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1959-63); Muslim College, Ijebu-Ode (1964-65); University of Ibadan (1966-69); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Geography, with subsidiaries in Economics and Political Science (1969); Member, Nigerian Institute of Management; **Career:** Teacher, Lagos Anglican Boys' Grammar School, now CMS Grammar School, Bariga (1969-70); Assistant Manager Shipping, Maritime Services, Lagos (1970-72); Admin. Asst./Shipping Manager, Academy Press Ltd., Lagos (1972-74); Pioneer Shipping Manager, NEPA, Lagos; Shipping Manager, later Corporate Affairs/Projects Manager, Nigerian Engineering and Construction Company, NECCO, (1978-87); **Affiliations:** Member, Constituent Assembly (1988-89); President, One-Five Association, Ile-Oluji; Former President, Impakt Club of Nigeria; **Interest:** Reading, club/community service; **Address:** 68, Tapa Street, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Tel. 08033033995, 01-849158.

ADEGBAMIGBE, Babatunde Adekoya; Medical Director, Medcan Clinic and Hos-



pital, Lagos; Born August 2, 1952 to Chief Adedurotimi Adegbamigbe, *Ayadi of Ile-Oluji* and Mrs. C.M. Adegbamigbe;

Education: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1958-61); Ebenezer African Church School, Oke-Ado, Ibadan (1962); Methodist School, Surulere, Lagos (1963-65); Christ School, Ado-Ekiti (1966-70); University of Ife, now Obafemi Awolowo University (1971-78); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Health Science (1975), M.B. Ch. B (1978); **Career:** House Officer, State Hospitals, Ado-Ekiti (1978), and Akure (1979); Medical Officer: Comprehensive Rural Health Centre, Imeko, Ogun State (1979/1980); Layori Memorial Hospital, Sango Otta (1980/1981); Farin Hospital, Anthony, Lagos (1981-82); B. Akinsanya Clinic, Lagos (1982); Oshodi-Tapa Memorial Hospital, Lagos (1983); Medical Director, Medcan Clinic, Lagos (Sept 1983 to date);

Affiliations: Governor, Quality Club, Ile-Oluji; Member: Nigerian Medical Association; Christ School Old Boys' Association; Association of General Medical Practitioners of Nigeria; **Interest:** Music; Married to Roseline Adegbamigbe (nee Asere) and blessed with children; **Address:** 54, Agbebi Street, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Tel: 01-5849898.

ADEGBOYEGA, Samuel Akinbamijo; Managing Director, SOWSCO Well Services Nigeria Limited, Port-Harcourt; Member, Board of Trustees, Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG); Born September 19, 1953 to Mr. Nathaniel Fahnimoyo Adegboyega and Mrs. Beatrice Adegboyega; **Education:** St Andrew's School, Ile-Oluji (1960-65); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1966-71); University of Ibadan (1971-76); **Qualifications:** B.Sc. Petroleum Engineering (1976); **Career:** Mathematics Teacher, County High School, Ahoada, Port-Harcourt; Service Engineer,

Port Harcourt (1977-79); International Staff, Iraq, United Arab Emirates and France (1980-82); District Technical Engineer, Warri; Station Manager, Port Harcourt (1986); Operations Manager in charge of El Tigre Station in Ven-



ezuela, South America (1989), Dowell Schlumberger; Founded SOWSCO Well Services (Nig.) Ltd, Port Harcourt (1990); **Honours/Awards:** One of the two students in his set at Gboluji Grammar School to make Grade One in the WAEC exam of 1970; Graduated with a B.Sc 2nd Class Upper Degree; First Nigerian in Dowell Schlumberger to be made a Station Manager; **Affiliations:** President, Club 71, Ile-Oluji (1997-2001); Member, Club ELAN, Akure; Founding member/Assistant Secretary, (PETAN); Married to Stella Tolulope Adegboyega (nee Oni) and blessed with children; **Address:** SOWSCO Well Services Nigeria Limited, Port-Harcourt; Tel: 08034021975

ADEGEYE, Adeduro Joseph; Professor of Agricultural Economics, University of Ibadan; Special Adviser on Agriculture and Poverty Alleviation to Ondo State Government; Proprietor, New Era Nursery/Primary School and New Era High School, Ile-Oluji; Born October 9, 1944 to the family of Mr. Akintomide Adegeye and Mrs. Marian Dada Adegeye; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1950-57); Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1958); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1959-63); Muslim College, Ijebu Ode (1964-65); University of Ibadan (1966-69, 1970-72); University of Leeds, United Kingdom (1972-75); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Economics (Ibadan, 1969); M.Sc Agricultural Economics (Ibadan, 1972); Ph. D Agricultural Economics (Leeds, 1975); **Career:** Lecturer 11, Lecturer 1, and Senior Lecturer, University of Ibadan (1975-85); Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics (1985-



90); Professor of Agricultural Economics (1990-2003); Head of Department of Agricultural Economics (1997-2000); **Career Milestones:** Supervised theses of over 20 Ph.D and 100 Master's students; Headed

the oldest Department of Agricultural Economics in Nigeria (1997-2000); Designed and formulated project documents for the National Agricultural Land Development Authority (NALDA); Organised a nationwide workshop on Nigerian Agriculture which formed the basis of Nigeria's agricultural policy in the 80's; Authored three books on agriculture and related disciplines; Introduced a new professional programme in agriculture (Master's Degree in Planning and Administration of Agriculture (MPA Agric)); **Consultancy Services:** Issues and options in expanding the cassava industry in Nigeria (for IFAD/NGO and Leventis Foundation, 1999); Farmer Support team project on Cocoa Improvement (for Ciba Geigy Switzerland/Swiss Nig. Ltd.); **Affiliations:** Former President, One-Five Association, Ile-Oluji; Member, Ambassadors of Christ, St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Fellow, Economic Development Institute of the World Bank (1984); Member: New York Academy of Science University Senate (1990-2003); British Association of Agricultural Economists, Nigeria Economic Society, Nigerian Society of Agricultural Economics, Board of Studies, Post Graduate Schools; **Honours/Awards:** Merit Award winner under the World Bank/Federal Government Agricultural Development Programme for "Best Consultancy Services, Interest in Farming and in Farmers" (1995); **Publications:** Four books and over 60 articles in national and international journals; **Interest:** Farming; **Address:** 42A, Governor's Office, Akure; Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Ibadan, Oyo State; Tel: 034-241578, 08023433361, 08033701580.

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Adegoke and Madam Rachael Bolajosi Adegoke; **Education:** St. Andrew's School, Ile-Oluji (1955-60); L.A. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1961); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1962-66); University of Ibadan (1967-73); Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, United Kingdom (1989-90), Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, United Kingdom (1989-93); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Chemistry (1973); Certified Diploma in Accounting and Finance (1990); Associate of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (1993); Associate Member, Nigerian Institute of Management (1978); Diploma, Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, United Kingdom; **Career:** Teacher: Sardauna Memorial College, Kaduna (1973-74); Olivet Baptist High School, Oyo (1974-75); Management Trainee (1975-76); Training Manager (1979-85); Training and Manpower Development Manager (1986-90), Berger Paints Nig. Ltd., Ikeja; Personnel Manager (1990-93); Manpower Development and Training Manager, Unipetrol Nigeria Plc, Lagos (Dec. 1993-96); Divisional Manager, Unipetrol Divisional Office in Ibadan (1996-97), Lagos (1997-98), and Kaduna (1998-2000); Head, Human Resources Management (2000-2001); **Affiliations:** Member: Club 71, Ile-Oluji; Government Representative, International Development Conference, International Federation of Training and Development Organization, Dublin, Ireland (1981), Sweden (1985), Honolulu, Hawaii USA (1986) and Spain (1987); National Vice President, Nigerian Institute of Training and Development (1992); Council member, International Federation of

Training and Development Organizations (1986); Member: Lagos Country Club, Ikeja; Rotary Club, Agege; **Honours/Awards:** Honorary Doctorate Degree in Business Administration, Bradley University, USA (1999); **Interest:** Community Development, Travelling, Reading, Football; Married to Florence Adegoke (nee Akinduti) and blessed with children; **Address:** 91, Obafemi Awolowo Way, Ikeja; Tel: 01-7735728, 4971633, 08022904677

ADEKEYE, Adebiji; Senator; Politician;

Company Executive; Former Commissioner for Special Duties, Ondo State; Born January 15, 1939; **Education:**



St. Andrew's School, Ondo (1945-49); St. Jude's School, Ebute-metta, Lagos (1949-53); Ibadan Grammar School (1954-58); North-Western Polytechnic, London (1960-61); Sheffield College of Technology, University of London (1962-66); **Qualifications:** Diploma in Marketing; HND Business Management (1966); Member, Nigeria Institute of Management; Member, London Institute of Marketing; Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Sales Management; **Career:** Federal Inland Revenue (1959-60); Co-founder NIDET Advertising Company (1968); Nigeria Tobacco Company, Ibadan (1969-71); Sales Representative/Admin Officer, Piedmont Nig. Ltd., Ologbo, Benin City (1971-74); Assistant Manager, Piedmont Nig. Ltd. (1978-80); Executive Director (Personnel & Admin), Piedmont Nig. Ltd. (1980-96); Director, Premier Timber Nig. Ltd. (1996-date); Director Piedmont Nig. Ltd. (1996-date); Commissioner for Commerce, Industry, Cooperative and Tourism, Ondo State (1999-2000); Commissioner for Special Duties, Ondo State (2000-2003); **Affiliations:** Member: Social Circle, Ile-

Oluji; *Iwalewa* Society, St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Neumay Club of Nigeria; Sapele Athletic Club; 'A' Circle of Nigeria; Akure Recreation Club; Salvation Army; St. Stephen's Cathedral, Ondo; Social Democratic Party (defunct); Elected member of the National Assembly, Senate (1992); Member, Institute of Directors; Deputy President, Akure Chambers of Commerce, Industry Mine and Agriculture; Council Member, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (Oyo, Ondo, Osun and Ekiti States); President, Employers Association of Furniture, Fixture and Woodworkers of Nigeria (1985-92); **Publications:** Importance of Small and Medium Enterprises in Developing Nations; **Honours/Awards:** *Itagbuyi* of Ile-Oluji (1985); *Bashorun* of Idanre (1997); **Interest:** Table tennis, Reading and Dancing; married and blessed with children; **Address:** Ajibabi Villa, Fagbola Estate, Ile-Oluji.

ADEKUOYE, Adeuga; Former Nigerian Ambassador to Romania, China, North Korea and Bulgaria; Born October 26, 1933 to Mr. Joel Adekuoye and Chief Mrs. Marian Ademoyeke Adekuoye; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ilesha (1939-44); St. John's School, Ilesha (Jan-Jun 1944); Ilesha Grammar School (1944-47); Ondo Boys' High School (Jan 1948-Dec 1951); Fourah Bay College, S/Leone, University of Durham (1957-59); Europe Institute, Amsterdam University, Netherlands (1971-72); **Qualifications:** B.A. Economics (1959); Post-Graduate Diploma in European Integration (Economic Integration and International Monetary Economics, especially European Monetary Union (1972); **Career:** Auxiliary Teacher, St. Peter's Senior Pry. School, Ile-Oluji (Jan-Jun 1952); Agricultural Assistant-in-Training, School of Agric., Moor Plantation, Ibadan (Jul 1952-



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Dec 1953); Teacher: Abeokuta Boys' High School (1954-55); Ibadan Commercial Academy (Jan-Sept 1955); Asst. Secretary in charge of primary school administration, Western Nigeria Civil Service (1959-62); Asst. Secretary, Economics, Fed. Min. of Foreign Affairs (1962-63); Second Secretary/First Secretary, Nigeria High Commission, Dar-Es-Salaam, Tanzania (1963-64); Asst. Executive Secretary, OAU Liberation Committee, Tanzania (1964-66); First Secretary and Acting High Commissioner, Nigeria High Commission, Uganda; First Secretary, Economics, Admin., Consular and Treaties, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lagos (1966-68); First Secretary, Education Office, Nigeria High Commission, London (1968-72); Counsellor, Bi-Lateral Economic Co-operation; Acting Deputy Director, Economic; Acting Director, International Economic Co-operation (1972-76); Ambassador to Togo and Representative to ECOWAS Fund (1976-78); Ambassador to Romania, with concurrent accreditation to Bulgaria (1978-81); Director, International Economic Co-Operation, Ministry of External Affairs, Lagos (1981-84); Ambassador to China, with concurrent accreditation to Korea and Vietnam (1984-89); Deputy Director General, International Economic Co-operation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lagos (1989-92); Deputy Director General, Public Relations and Cultural Unit (Jan-Oct. 1993); **Affiliations:** Member: United Nations Committee on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights, Geneva (Jan 1995-Dec 1998); Royal Economic Society, London; Inner Circle, Ile-Oluji; *Egbe Isokan*, Ile-Oluji, and Lagos Lawn Tennis Club; Director, Ile-Oluji Community Bank;

Publications: Commonwealth West Africa, The Sterling Area and British Entry into the European Economic Community (1972), The Development Strategy in SouthEast Asia, Lessons and Relevance for Nigeria, (Seminar of Nigerian Heads of Mission Kuru, 1985); **Honours/Awards:** One of the few students to obtain distinction in Modern History while sitting as a private candidate for the GCE "A" Levels examination in 1956; Faculty of Economics Prize for "Best Individual Perform-

mance" in two consecutive academic sessions (1957-1958), Fourah Bay College, Sierra Leone; Ile-Oluji Merit Award (1999); **Interest:** Reading, Walking, Lawn Tennis; Married to Cynthia Omotola Adekuoye (nee Foster-Aileru) and blessed with children; **Address:** 29, Sabiu Ajose Crescent, off Bode Thomas Street, Surulere, Lagos. P.O. Box 53234, Ikoyi Lagos. Tel. 01-7736648

ADELAKUN, Ebenezer Olawole; Former Chief Environmental Health Officer, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government; Born Decem-



ber 9, 1929 to High Chief Lisa Adalokun and Chief Lisalobun Adalokun; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1946); Ondo Boys' High School (1947-51); School of Agric, Ibadan; School of Hygiene, Ibadan; **Qualifications:** Diploma, Royal Society of Health; **Career:**

Health Officer, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council (1958-77); Head, Health Department/Chief Environmental Health Officer, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (1979-93); **Honor:** *Lomafe* of Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Gardening, Photography, Singing.

ADELOSOYE, Abraham Akinfadayan; Former Head, Personnel and Administration, Nigeria LNG Project, Lagos; Born November 1, 1938 at Ile-Oluji;

Education: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (Jan 1943-Dec 1950); Ondo Boys' High School (Jan 1951- Dec 1955); University of Ibadan (Sept 1963-Jun 1966); University of Birmingham, United Kingdom, (Sept 1967-Dec 1969); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Sociology (1966); Master of Social Science (1969); Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM) Certificate in Personnel Management (1975); NIM Certificate in Top Man-

agement (1977); Certificate of Leadership in Management (1977); Certificate in Labour-Management Relations in the Petroleum Industry; International Institute for Labour Studies, Geneva (1982); Certificate in Industrial Relations (1985); Certificate in Petroleum Management, College of Petroleum Studies, Oxford, United Kingdom (1989); **Career:** Senior Clerical Officer, Personnel Dept., Western Nigeria Development Corporation, Ibadan (1957-63); Research Assistant, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), Ibadan (1966-67); Industrial Relations Officer, Shell BP (March-August 1970); Personnel Manager, Nigerian Security Printing and Minting Company (NSPMC) Lagos (Aug.1970-Aug.1979); Manager, Personnel Services, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), Lagos (Aug-Nov.1985); Manager, Personnel and Administration, Pipelines and Products Marketing Company, (PPMC), Sagamu (1985-1987); Zonal Manager, NNPC, Port Harcourt (July-Nov 1987); Manager, Personnel and Administration, PPMC, Sagamu (Nov 1987-Sept 1988); Head, Personnel and Administration, Nigeria LNG Project, Lagos (Oct 1988); **Affiliations:** Alternate Chairman, Appointments, Promotions and Staff Development Committee, NNPC (1980-85); Chief Management Negotiator with the NNPC Trade Unions (1980-85); Member, NNPC Re-organization Committee (1981), and NNPC Harmonization Committee (1982-1983).



Samuel Ademosun and Madam Lydia Olapoju Ademosun; **Education:** Edo College, Benin (1950-54); University College, Ibadan, (1955-60); McGill University, Montreal, Canada (1962-64); University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA (1964-66); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Agric. (London, 1960); M.Sc Animal Nutrition (Non ruminant, 1964); Ph.D (major in Animal nutrition-ruminant and minor in Biochemistry, 1967); **Career:** Agric Officer in charge of Benin/Delta Circle, Ondo/Akure Circle and Agricultural Extension services in Ondo Division, Min. of Agric. & Natural Resources, Western Nigeria (Aug 1960-Sept 1962); Post Graduate Studies (Sept 1962-Oct 1966); Research Asst., Dept. of Dairy Science, University of Wisconsin (Sept 1964-Oct 1966); Lecturer II, (Nov. 1966); Lecturer I (Oct 1968); Senior Lecturer (Oct 1970); Reader (Oct 1973); Professor (Oct 1974), Dept. of Animal Science, University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University); **Affiliations:** Commonwealth Postgraduate Scholarship Interview Panel (1972-75); Member: Governing Council, Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria (1974-75); Member, National Agric Development Committee (1974-77); Chairman, Board of Governors, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1980-83); Director, Odu'a Investment Company imited (1980-83); Member, Advisory Committee on the establishment of Ondo State University (1981); Member, Ondo State Economic Advisory Board (1984-94); Chairman, Ile-Oluji Day Planning Committee (1993-94); Member: Inner Circle, Ile-Oluji, Ile-Oluji Development Committee; Patron, Oijefon Dynamic Club, Ile-Oluji; Chairman, Ondo State Polytechnic Governing Board (1999-date);

Research Works/

Publications: Over 100 research works including Calcium and Phosphorus Metabolism in the Laying Hen (1964), Structural Adjustment and the Nigerian Live-stock Industry (1989); **Honours/**



ADEMOSUN, Akinmolayemi Akinrinnibade; Professor of Animal Science; Chairman, Governing Board Ondo State Polytechnic Owo; Former Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Head, Dept. of Animal Science, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife; Born August 28, 1935 to Chief

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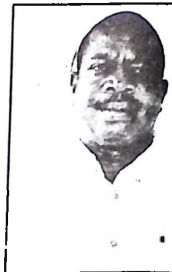
Awards: Government Scholar, Edo College, Benin City (1950-54); College Scholar, University College, Ibadan (1955-60); Chartered Chemist (1976); Fellow, Royal Society of Chemistry (1980); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (1989); Fellow, Nigerian Society for Animal Production (1989); *Seriki Ijo*, St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji (1990); Recognition Award by Pfizer Products Plc for outstanding contribution to livestock development in Nigeria (1995); Grand Commander of the Order of the Knights of St. Peter, the Hermit, Ondo Diocese, Anglican Communion (1998); **Interest:** Reading; Married to Felicia Ademosun (nee Ademokolu) and blessed with children; **Address:** 86, Ajiferere Street, P.O. Box 182, Ile-Oluji; Tel: +8821646686046

ADEMOSUN, Olugboyega Cornelius; Professor of Engineering; Deputy Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure, FUTA; Born January 22, 1946 to Chief Samuel Ademosun and Mrs. Lydia Ademosun; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1961); Christ's School, Ado-Ekiti, (1962-67); University of Ife; Cranfield Institute of Technology, Cranfield; **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Agric Engineering (June 1974); Certificate in the Manufacture of Agric Machinery (1976); M.Sc Agric Engineering (1977); Ph.D Agric Engineering (1980); Certificate in Management Planning and Control (1983); Registered Engineer, Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (1983); Fellow, Nigerian Society of Engineers (1995); Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Engineering Management (2000); **Career:** Lecturer II, University of Ife (June 1980-July 1981); Lecturer I, (Aug 1981-Sept 1982), Senior Lecturer (Oct 1982-Sept 1985), Principal Lecturer (Oct 1985-Sept 1986), Pioneer Head, Department of Agricultural Engineering (Aug 1981-Dec 1985), and Director, School of Engineering (Dec 1985-Sept 1986); Federal Polytechnic, Ado-Ekiti; Senior Lecturer (Sept 1986-Sept 1991), Reader (Oct 1991-Sept 1994), Professor, (Oct 1994 to date), Federal University of Technology, Akure; **Af-**

fiations: Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Ife (1980-81); Head, Department of Engineering and Engineering Technology (1987-93); Board Member, Chad Basin Development Authority, Maiduguri (1987-89); Pioneer Acting Head, Department of Civil Engineering, FUTA (Aug 1989-1990); Dean, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology (1993-2000); Chairman, Schools' Advisory Committee (2000 to date); Honorary member, International Biographical Center Ad-Com Committee; **Research Works:** The establishment of Location-allocation model for oil palm Processing units in Southern Nigeria, (Ph.D thesis, College of Agricultural Engineering, Cranfield, England 1980); **Entrepreneurship:** Entrepreneurship Technology for Local Agro-Industries (1997), Design and production of cocoa pod breaking and separating machine (*ongoing*); **Honours/Awards:** Development of a large scale water hyacinth harvester (June 1991); Establishment of a fruit processing factory with machine designed and fabricated by project (1999); Married and blessed with children; **Address:** FUTA, PMB 704, Akure, Ondo State.



ADENIYI, Adegoke; Commissioned Sub-Inspector, zette Officer, Nigeria Police; Born July 1957; **Education:** L.A. Pry. School, Ile-Oluji (1965-70); St Joseph's College, Ondo (1971-75); Yaba College of Technology, Lagos (1976-78); Nigeria Police College, Ikeja (1979); **Qualifications:** OND Criminology; **Career:** Auditor, Adewakun Adeyemo & CO.,



Chartered Accountants; Anambra State Police Command; Nigeria Port Authority Police Command, Tin Can Island, Apapa; Lagos; Special Anti-Robbery Squad, SARS, Adeniji Adele Annex, Alagbon Close, Lagos; Head, Anti-Robbery Squad, Area "C" Headquarters, Surulere, Lagos; State CID, Panti, Yaba, Lagos; State Security Criminal Intelligence Bureau, Lagos State Police Command, Ikeja; Commission and Gazette Officer, Nigerian Police; Married and blessed with children

ADENUGBA, Noah Akinmadeyemi; Born 90 years ago to Chief Ijeedi Adenugba Adesinasi and Mrs Adejomola Adesinasi (both of blessed memory). He did not have the opportunity of western education but was able to forge ahead through his intelligence and interaction with his educated friends. He started his early life as



a farmer, working with his father at Ondo Road Farm, which was later released to the Community for the establishment of Ile-Oluji Cocoa product company. Pa Akinmadeyemi later proceeded to Uloen-Odo to continue farming. After several years at Uloen, he moved to Akinye Village where he worked as a cocoa farmer for many years. He returned home in 1948 and started petroleum business with the Texaco Filling Station at Aigo along with pa Akinleyinmu (a.k.a. Lagbogun, of blessed memory). He later floated the Agip Filling Station at Odobun Street, Roundabout, before moving it to Temidire. It is noteworthy that his was the third petroleum marketing business in Ile-Oluji. He has remained in this business since then; He is a staunch member of St. Peter's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji. He is the *Seriki* of the Church Society and belongs to *Egbe Irete-Aanu*; Pa Akinmadeyemi is popularly referred to as *Baba Iepo* or *Baba Agip*.

ADEOBA, Olubodun David; Chief Accountant, Agip Nigeria PLC, Born December 10, 1952 to Chief Joseph Ogbodu Adeoba and Mrs Lydia Ojukuroloola Adeoba;

Education: African Church Grammar School, Ilesha (1970-72); University of Benin (1975-79); Federal University of Technology, Owerri (1990-92); **Qualifications:** AIB Part 1 (1975), B.Sc Industrial Mathematics (1979), ACA (1984), FCA (1995), M.Sc Project Management (1996); Associate, Chartered Institute of Taxation (2001); **Career:** Clerk, United Bank for Africa (UBA), Ikeja Branch (Aug 6 1973-Oct 22, 1975); Mathematics Lecturer, Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna (July 1, 1979-June 30, 1980); Statistician II, Ministry of Economic Planning and Statistics, Akure (Aug 6-Sept 30 1980); Senior Trainee Accountant/Auditor (Oct 2, 1980-April 30, 1983); Audit Senior (May 1 1983-Oct 15, 1984); Peat Marwick Ani Ogunde & Co., Lagos; Senior Accountant (Oct 16, 1984-Apr 30, 1985); Chief Accountant (May 1, 1985-Aug 23, 1992); Eastern Breweries Plc, Awo-Oamma, Imo State; Deputy Chief Accountant, Agip Nigeria Plc. (Aug 24, 1992-Dec 31, 1996); Chief Accountant (Jan 1, 1997-date);



Affiliations: Lecturer in Quantitative Analysis, Cost Accounting, and Management Accounting, Peat Marwick, Ani, Ogunde & Co Training School (Jun 1983-Oct 1984); **Research Works/Publications:** An Evaluation Of A Computerized Accounting System A Case Study Of Eastern Breweries PLC; Financing Options For A Company; Bank Reconciliation, Debt Management, Mobilising Funds And Controlling Disbursements; Corporate Planning And Budgetary Control; Effective Budgeting System; **Interest:** Reading, table tennis and Football; married to Cecilia Arinola Adeoba (nee Akinwasola) and blessed with children; **Address:** Agip Nigeria PLC, PC 23, Engi-

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ADEOYE, Adebayo Adeyemi; Born January 13, 1927 to Prince Emmanuel Adeoye and Mrs. Alice Omopintemi Adeoye; **Education:** United School, Esa-Oke; St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1935-46); Clerical Training Course, Western Region Secretariat, Ibadan (Aug-Sept 1957); Regional Library Headquarters, Ibadan (April-June 1962); Industrial Training Fund; **Career:** Teacher, Public School, Ilorin, (1947-49); Sales Clerk, Alban Pharmacy Limited, Lagos (1950-59); Clerk, later Senior Rates Officer, Ile-Oluji/Okeigbo District Council (1955-75); Senior Clerical Of-



ficer, Accounts, later Senior Manager and Station Manager, Piedmont Plywoods Nigeria Limited (1975-86); **Affiliations:** Councilor/Majority Leader, Ward IV, Ile-Oluji/Okeigbo Local Government (1991-93); Member, *Egbe Ibisi Ore-Ofe* Kristi, St. Peter's Church; Foundation Member, YMCA, Ile-Oluji; Life Member, Bible Society of Nigeria; Member, Board of Governors, Orere Grammar School (1981-86); Foundation Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji; Secretary, *Egbe Ifedapo* (1975 to date); **Honours:** *Majeobaje* of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Farming; Married to Esther Bolanle Adeoye (nee Kuteyi) and blessed with children; **Address:** 16, Ireunmi Street, Ile-Oluji.

ADEPOJU, Adeleye; Estate Surveyor & Valuer; Town Planner; Born September 16, 1963; **Education:** Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1986), University of Lagos; **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Urban and Regional Planning,;

ploma in Estate Management (1990); Post Graduate Diploma in Building Technology, University of Lagos (1991); **Career:** Town Planner, Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, Lagos; Professional practice with: Messrs A.



Idris & Co, Kaduna; Jide Taiwo & Co; Managing Partner, Leye Adepoju and Company; **Affiliations:** Elected Associate Member of the Nigerian Institute of Estate Surveyors and Valuers (1993); Member Nigerian Institute of Town Planners, (1995); Member, Nigerian Institute of Construction Industry Arbitrators.

ADEPOJU, Ebenezer Akinboboye (JP); Retired civil servant; Born in 1922 into the family of High Chief Lisa Kupoluyi Adegeye Adepoju and Chief Mrs. Elizabeth Mesafola Adepoju; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1932-45); Ondo Boys High School (1945-48); **Career:** Teacher, Baptist Pry. School, Ile-Oluji (1949); Clerk, Forestry Department, Northern Region Government; Ministry of Trade, Industries, and Co-operatives, Western State (1970); **Affiliations:** Member: *Egbe Isodimimo Emi*; Patron, *Egbe Ifehinti Jesu*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Member, Band of Charity and Parish Church Council, St Luke's Anglican Church, Jos; Member, Rent Tribunal, Ondo Zone; Chairman, Launching Committee, Odundun Town Hall Building (1984); Councilor, Ifesowapo Local Government (1986, 1987); Chairman, Police Public Relations Committee (1985); Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Ibadan; Member, Inner Circle Club, Ile-Oluji; Member, Board of Governors, Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** *Yegbata* of Ile-Oluji (1975); Justice of Peace (1993); **Interest:** Reading and farming;



ADESIYAKAN, Nathaniel Adelayilemi; Community leader; Industrialist; High Chief *Oduwo* of Ile-Oluji; Member, Jegu-in-Council; Born October 2, 1937 to Mr. Samuel A d e y o w o o l a Adesiyakan (de-

ceased) and Mrs. (now High Chief) Eunice Adebambo Adesiyakan; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1944-51); Ondo Boys' High School (1953-57); Fourah Bay College, Sierra-Leone (1963-66); **Qualifications:** B.A. Economic Studies (Durham); **Career:** UAC Training School, Sapele (1958); Teacher, Modern School, Oke-Igbo (1958); Western Nigeria Civil Service (1959-63); Asst. Manager, Maritime Services Ltd., Apapa (1966-69); Pioneer General Manager, Coastal Services Ltd. (1969-70); Commercial Manager, Aircool Metal industries, Ikeja (1970-72); Founded Transaltic Nigeria Limited, Apapa (1970), Nats Food Industries and Nats Engineering Company (1987); **Affiliations:** Member: Irepodun Society; Patron, Supreme Club, Ile-Oluji and Dynamic Ladies Association of Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** Prize winner for best student in Faculty of Economics, Fourah Bay College (1963/1964); *Loten* of Ile-Oluji (1982); High Chief *Oduwo* (1995); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2002); **Interest:** Swimming; Married and blessed with children; **Address:** 9, Ajiferere Street, ile-Oluji.

ADESOJI, Joshua Akinpintemi; President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association, Ile-Oluji Branch; Born January 13, 1942; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1947-51); Apostolic School, Esa Odo, Osun State (1952-53); Apostolic School, Igarra, Edo State (1954); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1956-60); University of Lagos (1967-72); Federal Government College, Ibadan (1974-75); International Training Center,

Turin, Italy (1989); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons.) Economics (1972); Senior Certificate in Co-operative Studies (1975); Diploma in Management of Co-operative Training Institutions (1989); **Career:** Clerical Officer, Ministry of Health, Western Region (Feb 1961-Sept 1967); Planning Officer/Executive Officer, Federal Ministry of Economic Development and Reconstruction (Jun 1972-Sept 1974); Assistant Registrar of Co-operatives, Western State (1974-80); Principal Assistant Registrar of Co-operatives, Ministry of Commerce and Industries (Nov 1980-1983); Acting Credit Specialist and Co-operative Adviser, Ekiti/Akoko Agricultural Development Project, EAADP, (1983-1985); Commercial Manager, EAADP (1986-1989); Chief Registrar of Co-operative Services (Jul 1988-Jun 1991); Assistant Director of Co-operative Services (Jul 1991-Jun 1993); General Secretary, Ile-Oluji Development Committee (1998-2003); **Affiliations:** Member: Loans Committee, Ile-Oluji Community Bank; Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Treasurer, Ile-Oluji National Union, Akure



Branch; President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students' Association, Ile-Oluji Branch; Patron, Celestial Church of Christ, Akure East District Headquarters; **Publications:** Revamping Nigerian Economy through Co-operatives (1986); **Honours/Awards:** Best Student, Federal Co-operative College, Ibadan (1974/1975 session); **Interest:** Farming, Fine Art, and christian religious Activities; married to Alice Folasele Adesoji (nee Akintula) and blessed with children; **Address:** 43, Alafiatayo Quarters, Lota Road, Ile-Oluji.

ADESOJI, Noah Olorunsola; Former Supervisory Councillor for Agriculture & Education, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government; Born September 20, 1935, to Chief

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Lijofi Abraham Adesoji and Madam Oturinmola Adesoji; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1944-53); Divisional Teachers' Training College, Ondo (Jan 1958-Dec 1959); St John's College, Owo (Jan 1962-Dec 1963); **Qualifications:** Teachers' Grade Three Certificate (1960); Grade Two Certificate (1965); A.C.E (1983); **Career:** Teacher, L.A. School, Ondo (1955-57); Headmaster, L. A. School,



Uloen, Ile-oluji (1960-1961); L.A Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1964-67, 1968-71); Headmaster: St John's Catholic School, Ondo (1972); St James' School, Ile-Oluji (1975); Ayorinde Baptist School, Iyire (1976-83); and St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1985-86); **Affiliations:** Deputy Captain, Social Circle, Ile-Oluji; Chairman, Loan Committee, Egbe Irepodun, Ile-Oluji; Secretary, St Peter's Church Parish Council (1981-2000); Chairman, National Republican Convention, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (1992/1993), and Alliance for Democracy (1998-date); Member, Nigerian Union of Teachers; **Interest:** Farming, Ayo, and Ludo games; Married to Victoria Adesoji and blessed with children; **Address:** Loghoayaki Villa, 16 Awokiyesi Avenue, Ajiferere Quarters, P.O. Box 71, Ile-Oluji.

ADETIMEHIN, John Olumuyisitan;

Former Zonal Controller, Central Bank of Nigeria, CBN; Born May 15, 1942 to Mr. Joseph Adetimehin and Mrs. Elizabeth Ijigbolakomi Adetimehin; **Education:** Methodist School, Otapete, Ilesha (1948-54); Methodist Sec. Modern School, Ilesha (1956); Council Sec. Modern School, Ilesha (1957-58); St Matthias' Teachers' College, Akure (1960-61); Rapid Results College, London (1962-63); Wolsey Hall, Oxford, London (1964-65); University of Lagos (1966-72); **Qualifications:** Grade

Three Teachers' Certificate (1962), London Institute of Bankers (1970); B. Sc Economics (1972); **Career:** Student Teacher, Ondo Province (1959-65); Clerk/Supervisor, General Manager's Dept. (1966-72); Senior



Supervisor: Banking Operations (1973), Account Office, Benin Branch (1974-75); Asst Manager/Deputy Manager, Benin Branch (1976-80); Senior Banking Manager, Port-Harcourt Branch (1981-83); Senior Bank Examiner, Bank Examination Dept., Lagos (1984-88); Asst. Director, Banking Supervision Dept., Lagos (1989); Asst Zonal Controller, Bauchi Zone (1990-93); Zonal Controller, Bauchi, Central Bank of Nigeria (1994); Director, John-Time Enterprises, Lagos (1994-date); **Affiliations:** Publicity Secretary, Nigerian Institute of Bankers (NIB), Benin Local Centre (1979/80); Financial Secretary, NIB Port-Harcourt Local Centre (1982-83); Life Member, Nigerian Economic Society; Treasurer, Ibiye Community Development Association, Lagos (1996); Member: Inner Circle, Ile-Oluji, Social Circle, Ile-Oluji, *Egbe Ifelere*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Reading, Table Tennis, and gardening; Married and blessed with children; **Address:** I, Adetimehin Crescent, Ibiye, Off Badagry Expressway, P.O. Box 9576, Marina, Lagos.

ADETIMEHIN, Julius Oluwole;

Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, NFI Insurance Company Limited; Member, Board of Trustees, Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG); Born in 1956 to Pa Josiah Adetimehin and Madam Julianah Adetimehin; **Education:** Lisabi Grammar School, Abeokuta (1966-70); University of Lagos (1975-78); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Insurance, M.Sc Management; Fellow, Chartered Insurance Institute of Nigeria; Chartered Associate, Insurance Institute of

; **Career:** Produce Inspector, and Owo (1973-75); Management (1979-80); Manager Prospecting Marketing (1980-81); Ibadan Branch (1981-86); Senior Manager, In-Clients Service and Business Development (1986-89); Divisional Control and Energy Resources (1989-90), Robinson Nigeria; Pioneer Chief Executive, AFN Brokers Unlimited (1990-98); Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, Insurance Company Limited (1998-2000).
Affiliations: First Chairman, Ile-Oluji Day Planning Committee; Former Member, Supreme Club of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Treasurer, Chartered Insurance Institute of Nigeria; Member, Governing Board, Nigerian Corporation of Insurance Companies (1995-98); Member, Governing Council, Nigerian Insurers Association; Chairman, Governing Board, Nigeria Property Insurance Pool; Member, Ikoyi Club, Lagos; Member, Ibadan Recreation Club; **Research Works/Publications:** Underwriting in Insurance Broking: Nigerian Experience; **Interest:** Music, Tennis, Golf; Married to Adetokunbo Oshodi (nee Adewakun) and blessed with children; **Address:** Nigerian French Insurance Company, Apapa-Oshodi Expressway, Lagos; Tel: 08023050791.

ADEWAKUN, Dorcas Adeulie (Nee Adewakun); Her maiden name, *Lobun* of Ile-Oluji; Born on August 18, 1929 to Nathaniel Adewakun and Esther Adewakun; **Education:** St. Peter's Infant School, Ile-Oluji (1939-40); St. Peter's Standard



School, Ile-Oluji (1941-49); Modern Standard School, Ondo (1950-52); Teachers Training Centre, Ondo (1978-80); **Qualifications:** Teachers' Grade 11 Certificate (1980); **Career:** Tutor: St Peter's Senior Primary School, Ile-Oluji (1952-53); St

Matthew's Primary School, Bolorunduro, Ondo (1953-54); St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1954-56); St Luke's School, Ile-Oluji (1956-58); Moslem Pry School, Ile-Oluji (1968-77); St Matthew's Pry School, Lipaanu, Ile-Oluji (1977-78); St Luke's Pry School, Ile-Oluji (1978-86); **Affiliations:** Secretary, *Egbe Iwarere Kristi*; Chairperson, Improvement League; Treasurer, *Egbe Oloye Ijo* of St Luke's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji; Member, Mother's Union and Women's Guide; **Honours:** *Iyalaje* of St Luke's Church, Ile-Oluji (1981); *Lobun* of Ile-Oluji (1995); **Interest:** Farming, reading, cooking, sports, tailoring; married to Mr. Raphael Adekanbi Adetomiwa and blessed with children; **Address:** 21, Araromi Street, P.O. Box 115, Ile-Oluji;

ADETULUBO, Lateef Akin; Chief Executive Officer, Trans-Anibi and Co. Ltd., Lagos; Born June 18, 1946 to Chief Abdulkareem Adetulubo and Madam Utiola Adetulubo (nee Akinpetide); **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1953-56); St. John's School, Igara, Bendel, now Edo State, (1957-58); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1958); Public Pry School, Ondo (1959); L.A. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1960-62); Arabic School, Ile-Oluji (1963); *Mahad Deen Leulum Arabiya*, Ilorin (1964-68); **Career:** Clerical Officer; Store Attendant; Asst. Store Keeper (1969); Chief Store Officer (1971); Asst. Store Manager (1976-78); Nigerian Maritime Services; Asst. General Manager, Henry Stephens Transport Ltd. (1978-80); Managing Director, Yowoola Transport Company (1980-82); Chairman/Executive, Trans-Anibi and Company (1982 to date); **Interest:** Driving; Married to Modupe Anike Adetulubo (nee Falayi) and blessed with children; **Address:** 337, Agege Motor Road, Challenge. P.O. Box 6536, Surulere, Lagos. Tel: 01-524182, 525741, 08033273039.

ADEWAKUN, Adebayo Olapetun; Principal Partner, B-Waks Consultants, Lagos; Born March 2, 1960; **Education:** St Jude's School, Ebute Metta (Jan 1965-Dec 1970);

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Igboji College, Yaba, Lagos (Jan 1971-Jun 1975, Sept 1975-Jun 1977); University of Lagos (Sept 1977-Jun 1980, Sept 1980-Jun 1982); **Qualifications:** Bachelor of Environmental Studies (1980); Master's degree in Environmental Designs (Architecture, 1982); **Career:** Messrs Voen Associates (1982-83); Messrs Afolabi Kuku & Associates (1983-85); B-Waks Consultants (1985-date); **Career Milestones:** Selected projects include Gateway Hotel, Otta, FSB International Bank Head Office, Lagos, First Atlantic Bank Head Office and Ikeja Branch, Trulease Plaza, Prudent Bank Ikeja, Apapa, and Idumagbo branches; **Affiliations:** Director: Platinum



Bank Ltd, Finacorp Building Society Ltd, Swift Couriers Ltd, O.K. Computers Ltd; Chairman, ID's Place; **Honours/Awards:** University Prize for Best Student in General African Studies (1977/1978); University Special Post

Graduate Scholarship/Bursary Award (1981/1982 session) **Interest:** Squash, cycling, music, chess, and reading; **Address:** B-Waks Consultants, 70, Queens Street, Yaba, Lagos; Tel: 01-3425040, 2902925, 5844440.

Ministry of Health, Akure (Jan 1995); Director General, Ministry of Health, Akure (Nov 1995); Director General, Department of Establishment and Training, Office of the Military Administrator, Akure (Sept-Nov 1996); Director General, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports (Nov 1996-May 1998); Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports (Jun 1998-May 1999); Permanent Secretary, Political and Economic Department, Office of the Executive Governor (Jun-Jul 1999); Permanent Secretary, Hospitals' Management Board (Jul 1999-Feb 2001); Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health (Feb 2001-date); **Affiliations:** Chairman: Ondo State Committee on Vision 2010 (1997), and Technical Committee on Joint Management of Tertiary Institutions in Ondo and Ekiti States (1998); Member, Nigerian Dental Association and Nigerian Medical Association; Patron, Nigerian



Medical Association, Ondo State Branch; **Honours/Awards:** Ondo State Public Service (Gold medal) Merit Award (1997); Fellow, Ondo State Youths (1999); Gboluji Grammar School Old Students' Association Merit Award (2002); **Interest:** Reading, music, traveling, and table tennis; married to Olayide Crystal Adewakun (nee Akinyanmi) and blessed with children; **Address:** Ministry of Health, Akure.

ADEWAKUN, Afolabi Akinyele; Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health, Akure, Ondo State; Born March 7, 1951; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1956-62); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1963-67, 1967-70); College of Medicine, University of Lagos (1970-75); **Qualifications:** Bachelor of Dental Surgery (1975); **Career:** House Officer, Western State Health Services, Dental Headquarters, Ibadan (1975-76); Dental Surgeon, Ondo State Hospitals' Management Board, Ado Ekiti and Akure (1977-1995); Chief Dental Surgeon (Jan 1995); **Appointments:** Director, Hospital Services and Training,

ADEWAKUN, Amos Oluwamuyemi; Venerable; Vicar, All Saints' Anglican Church, Ogbonkowo, Ondo; Born September 17, 1937, to Chief Samo Nathaniel Adewakun and Mrs. Esther Bolakisi Adewakun; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1944-51); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1952-56); University of Reading, England (1960-63); University of London Institute of Education (1963-64); Immanuel College of Theology, Ibadan



(1989-91); **Qualifications:** B. A. (Hons) Modern History (1963), Post-Graduate Certificate in Education (1964), Associate: Corporation of Secretaries, ACCS, (1969), Chartered Institute of Secretaries, ACIS,

(1970), Diploma in Theology, (1991); **Career:** Teacher: St. Andrew's Pry School, Ile-Oluji (1957-58); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji, (1959-60, 1964-68); Head of Department, Olivet Baptist High School, Oyo (1969-73); Vice-Principal, Osogbo Grammar School, Osogbo (1973-75); Principal: Okemesi Grammar School, Okemesi-Ekiti (1975-84); St. Helen's Teachers' College, Ondo (1984-85); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1985-86); **Ordination & Preferment:** Deacon, (1977); Priest (1978); Canon (1986); Archdeacon (1987);

Church Work: Asst. Priest: St. Michael's Church, Okemesi Ekiti (1977-84); St. Stephen's Cathedral, Ondo (1984-87); Ondo Diocesan Youth Organiser (1986-88); Provost, St. Stephen's Cathedral Church, Ondo (1987-88); Vicar, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji (1988-95); Archdeacon, Ile-Oluji Archdeaconry (1988-95); Vicar, All Saints' Anglican Church, Ogbonkowo, Ondo (1996-date); Archdeacon, Ondo Archdeaconry (1996-date); **Affiliations:** Chairman, Ifesowapo Local Government, Ore (1986-87); Chairman, Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN), Ile-Oluji Chapter (1988-95); Chairman, All Nigeria Conference of Principals of Secondary Schools (ANCOPSS), Ifesowapo Local Government Zone (1985-86); Secretary, Ondo Anglican Diocese Synod (1987-date);

Research Work: *Traditional Worship, Belief And Christianity Among Ile-Oluji People;*

Honours/Award: Ifesowapo Local Government Merit Award Winner (1989);

Interest: Lawn Tennis, Reading; Married to Oluwafeyisayo Adewakun (nee Oyawale) and blessed with children;

Address: All Saints' Anglican Church,

Ogbonkowo, P. O. Box 55, Ondo.
Tel: 08033738150

ADEWAKUN, David Adedimeji; Managing Director, Adolfo Agro-Industrial Enterprises Ltd., Ile-Oluji, Born February 22, 1940; **Education:** School of Agriculture, Akure (1962-64); University of Ife (1964-66); **Qualifications:** Diploma in Tropical Agriculture (1964), HND Agriculture (1966), Diploma in Auto Engineering (1987); **Career:** Agric Superintendent, Field Control Officer, and Area Officer, Ondo Circle; Divisional Circle Officer, Ekiti and Akoko; Training Officer, and State Unit Control Boss, Western Region Special Cocoa Development Scheme (1966-84); General Manager, Confidence Automobile Engineering Company, CAECO, Akure (1984-89);

Affiliations: Former Vice-Chairman, Ifesowapo Local Government, Ore; Executive Director, J.Nissi Nig. Ltd.; Chairman, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students' Association; **Honours/Awards:** Ondo State Best Farmer of the year (1994); **Interest:** Farming, Football; Married to Grace Adefunmike Adewakun (nee Adefisayo) and blessed with children; **Address:** 1, Akinrinsola Street, Ajiferere, P.O. Box 169, Ile-Oluji, Ondo State.



ADEWAKUN, Ezekiel Ademujimi; Chairman, Susade Group of Companies, Lagos; Born April 23, 1934 to Chief Samo Nathaniel Adewakun and Madam Esther Bolakisi Adewakun; **Education:** St. Peter's Infant School, Ile-Oluji (1941-50); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1951-55); St. Andrew's College, Oyo (1957-58); Devry Institute of Technology, Chicago USA

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(1966-70); **Qualifications:** Diploma in Electronics; B. Sc Electronic Engineering; **Career:** Teacher: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1956); Olofin Grammar School, Idanre (1959-61); Produce Inspector,

Ondo, Okitipupa, Lagos (1961-66); Engineer, Bell Helles Engineering Company, Zenith Television (1973-74); Phillips Nigeria Ltd. (1975); Established Susade Group of Companies, Lagos in 1975; **Affiliations:** Chairman, Central Community Development Association, Ijeshatedo and Itire; President, Anglican Youth Fellowship, St. Luke's Church, Ijeshatedo (1977 to date); Member: Gboluji Progressive Circle Ile-Oluji, *Egbe Asayan Kristi*, St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Chairman, Ijeshatedo Community Bank, Lagos; Patron, **Interest:** Hunting, Reading; **Honours/Awards:** *Lisajigan Of Ile-Oluji*; *Bobajiro of Ode Aye* Ideal Successful Family (Lagos Mainland Local Government, 1992); Married to Susan Olawamide Adewakun (nee Ige) and blessed with children; **Address:** 22, Ilamoye Street, P.O. Box 1, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Tel: 01-847136.

St. Luke's School, Ile-Oluji, Christopher's School, Ode-Aye (1963), St. Paul's School, Bamikemo (1964), Bishop Phillip's Memorial School, Ondo (1967-70), St. Mary's Memorial School, Ondo



(1970-75), L.A. School, Ile-Oluji (1975-94); **Affiliations:** Member, Juvenile Court Panel, Ondo District (1986); Co-ordinator, Better Life Programme, Ifesowapo Local Government; Second Vice-Chairman, Nigerian Union of Teachers, Ile-Oluji/Oke-igbo Local Government; **Honours/Awards:** *Enolobun of Ile-Oluji*; **Interest:** Poultry farming, Reading; Married to Chief Adedimeji Adewakun and blessed with children.

ADEWAKUN, Jacob Akinwalere Ipoola; Born August 6, 1920 to Chief Samo Nathaniel Adewakun and Chief Matilda Olawehinmi Adewakun; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1930-37); Government College, Ibadan (1938-44); Wolsey Hall Correspondence College, London (1948); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Economics; **Career:** Mines Ranger, Mines Department, Jos (1945-47); Officer in Charge of Pensions and Lump Sum Compensation, Treasury Dept., Northern Nigeria, Kaduna; (1948-67); Leader, Audit Inspection Tours, Treasury Dept., Western State (1967-Feb 1976); Audit Inspecting Officer/Officer in

ADEWAKUN, Grace Adefunmike (Nee Adefisayo); Born December 14, 1941 to Mr. Simeon Peter Adefisayo and Mrs. Rachael Oseyemi Adefisayo; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Ife (1949-53); St. David's School, Lafajaji, Lagos (1953-54); St. James School, Ile-Oluji (1955-56); Jubilee Modern School, Ondo (1957); L.A. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1958-59); St. Helen's Teachers' Training School, Ondo (1961-62); St. Mary's School Ondo (1964-66); Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1977-78); **Qualifications:** Teachers' Certificate, ACE, Ife (1978); **Career:** Teacher:



Charge of Admin. Dept., Ondo State Government Audit Department (Mar 1976-Jun 1983); **Affiliations:** Co-Founder, Ile-Oluji Little Stars Association; Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Jos (1945); Secretary, INU, Ilesha (1946-47);

Secretary, INU Northern Region (1951); Resident Director, Confidence Automobile Engineering Company, Akure; Member: Club 2000, *Ayewa Society*, *Egbe Omolere*, and *Egbe Ifelere*; Ile-Oluji; **Publications:** *Agbe ati Akowe*; **Honour:** *Salotun* of Ile-Oluji (1985); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (1993); **Interest:** Reading of novels and christian tracts, watching football on television

ADEWAKUN, Crystal Olayide Febisola (Nee Akinyanmi); Director, Mineral Resources, Ondo State Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources, Akure; Born January 9, 1955 at Ibadan; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1960-65); St Louis Grammar School, Ondo (Jan-Dec 1966); St Louis Grammar School, Ibadan (1967-70); Federal School of Science, Lagos (1971-73); University of Ibadan (Sept. 1973-June 1976); Federal University of Technology, Akure (1995-99); University of Ado-Ekiti (1999-date); **Qualifications:** B. Ed (Hons) Geology (1976); Master of Technology (M. Tech) Petroleum and Sedimentary Geology (1999); Ph.D Applied Geology, Petroleum and Sedimentary Geology option (in View); **Career:** Teacher, Vice Principal, and Principal Grade Two, Ondo State Teaching Service Commission (1977-95); Deputy Director, Schools Planning, Ministry of Education, Akure (March 1995-98); Director of Science and Support Services, Ministry of Education, Akure (1998-Nov 1999); Director, Bitumen, Solid Minerals, Petroleum and Environment, Office of the Executive Governor, Ondo State (Nov. 1999-Jan. 2001); Director, Mineral Resources, Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources (Jan. 2001-date); **Career Milestones:** Member, Ondo State Hospitals' Management Board (Feb. 1992-Nov. 1993); Ondo State Co-ordinator, Forum of African Women Education, FAWE, (1997-2002); Sole



Administrator, Grassroots Democratic Movement (national assignment, 1998); **Affiliations:** Member: Council of Nigerian Mining Engineers and Geoscientists; Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM); Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria (IPM); Nigerian Association of Hydrogeologists; Nigerian Association of Petroleum Explorationists; Nigerian Mining and Geosciences Society; American Association of Petroleum Geologists; Society of Petroleum Engineers.; An ordained Deaconess and Parish Pastor in the Redeemed Christian Church of God, Akure; **Research Works/Publications:** The Position Of Structural Geology In Earth Science (1995); Groundwater Resources of Sedimentary Areas of South-Western Nigeria (1996); The Physio-Chemical Properties Of Tar Sand And The Associated Bitumen In Parts Of South Western Nigeria (1998); Analysis of Trace Metal Composition of the Bituminous Tars and Deposits in parts of South Western Nigeria (Techno Science, 2001); The true nature and mode of occurrence of Nigerian bituminous tar sand deposits (journal of African Geo-Science, under review) **Honours/Awards:** Jerusalem Pilgrimage; Distinguished Role Model Merit Award of the Centre for Women Economic Empowerment and Sustainable Rural Development, Lagos. (2001); Award of Excellence and Woman Achiever by Old Girls' Association, Mount Carmel Secondary School, Ikare Akoko, Ondo State; **Interest:** Singing, reading, writing, drama, sports; Married to Dr. Afolabi Adewakun and blessed with children; **Address:** Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources, Akure; Telephone: Office: 034-242733

ADEWAKUN, Susan Olawamide (Nee Ige); Educationist; Proprietress, Sunflower Nursery/Primary School, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Former Assistant Director of Education Federal Ministry of Education Abuja; Born November 15, 1936; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1945-53); Mary Immaculate Teachers' Training College (1958-61); Chicago State

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College (1967-70); Chicago State University (1970-71); **Qualifications:** Teachers' Grade Two Certificate (1962), B.A Geography (1970), Master of Arts (1971); **Career:** Teacher: St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (Jan 1956-Dec 1957), L.A Secondary Modern School, Ile-Oluji (Jan 1962-Dec 1963), St Mary's Convent School, Lagos (Jan-Dec 1964), Princess Girl's School, Abule Oja Lagos (Jan-Dec 1965), Lagos Street African Church School, Ebute-Metta, Lagos (Jan 1966-March 1967); Lecturer, Department of Social Sciences, Malcolm X College, Chicago, Illinois, USA (Sept 1971-Sept 1974); Senior Education Officer, Government Teachers' Training College, Ikorodu (Oct 1974-Aug 1978); Principal Education Officer, Protestant Teachers' Training College, Idi-Araba, Lagos (Sept 1979-Aug 1982); Assistant Chief Education Officer, Federal Scholarship Board (Sept 1982-April 1984); Chief Education Officer, Federal Scholarship Board (May 1984-June 1990); Assistant Director of Education/Head of Commonwealth Merit Award Unit, Federal Ministry of Education Abuja (July 1990-March 1991);

Affiliations: Secretary, Association of Social Studies Teachers of Lagos State (1975-78); Member, Assessment Panel for Teachers' Grade II Final Teaching Practice Examination (1975-82); Member, Board of Directors, NASCON PLC, Ijoko Otta (Oct 1992-Dec 1996); Member Board of Governors, Molan Nursery Primary School, Ikotun, Lagos (1997-date); Proprietress, Sunflower Nursery/Primary School, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Matron: Christ Morning Star, St. Luke's Church, Ijeshatedo, Lagos, Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji, Oijefon Faith Sisters, Lagos; **Honours/Awards:** Ideal Successful Family (Lagos Mainland Local Government, 1992); Married to Chief Ezekiel Ademujimi Adewakun and blessed with children; **Address:** 22, Ilamoye Street, P.O. Box 1, Ijeshatedo, Lagos; Telephone: 01-847136.

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Luke's Primary School, Jos (1964-66); St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1967-69); St Louis Secondary School, Ondo (1970-74); Federal Government College, Odogbolu (1974-76); University of Ife (1977-81);

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AKINLEYE-MARTINS, Charles Mofoluwaso, Taiwo; Managing Consultant, TAM Consultants, Akure; Former Ondo State Auditor General; Born January 18, 1937 to Chief and Mrs Victoria Akinleye Martins; **Education:** All Saints School, Oshogbo (1941-49); Ilesa Grammar School (1950-55); Kingston College of Technology, Surrey (1960-63); Aston University (College of Commerce Department) Aston, Birmingham (1967-70); University of Connecticut, USA (1978); **Qualifications:** Fellow: Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria; Corporation of Secretaries of Britain; Chartered Institute of Secretaries of Britain; Institute of Credit Management of England, and Certified Chartered Accountants of England; Trend Trainer's Certificate of United States; **Career:** Accounts Officer, Nigerian Railways (1956-60); Executive Officer, Audit (1964-73); Lecturer, The Polytechnic, Ibadan (1973-76); Principal Auditor, Chief Auditor, and Auditor General, Ondo State Civil Service (1976-92); **Affiliations:** Managing Consultant, TAM Consultants, Akure; Consultant, Administrative Enquiry into Circumstances Surrounding the loss of N1.2 million in the Governor's Office (1981); Chairman, District Society, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (1982 to date); Married to Oluseyi Akinleye-Mar-

tins (Nee Rogers) and blessed with children; **Address:** 65, Oyemekun Road, Akure.

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AKINMOYEWA, John Olumide Dr; Pro-

vest, Federal College of Education, Osiele, Abeokuta; Born 1950; **Education:** Aquinas College Akure (1966-70, 1971-72), University of Ife (1972-78, 1980-83, 1983-86); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Education/Biology (1978); M.A. Educational Technology (1983); Ph.D Education (1980); **Career:** Teacher (NYSC), Muslim Teachers' Training College, Oru-Ijebu (1978-79); Lecturer III, Ogun State College of Education, Ijebu Ode (Aug 1979-Feb 1981); Lecturer/Head, Educational Technology Center, Oyo State College of Education, Ilesa (Oct 1981-Aug 1989); Principal Lecturer (1989-94) and Chief Lecturer (1994-99), Federal College of Education (Technical) Asaba, Delta State; Provost, Federal College of Education, Osiele, Abeokuta (Nov 1999-date);



Affiliations: Chairman, Borno State National Certificate of Education Courses Accreditation; Founder, later President, Staff Multi-purpose Co-operative Society; Founder and President, Nigerian Association for Educational Media and Technology; **Research Works/Publications:** Instructional Package for teaching Physiology (an invention); Over 9 books and 25 publications, including Fundamentals of Test and Measurement (1994), Principles and Methods of Teaching (1996); **Honours/Awards:** Merit award of the Nigerian Association of Educationists for National Development (1999); Certificate of Honour, Committee of College Librarians in Nigeria (2000); Award of Selfless Contributions to the growth of vocational education in Nigeria by the School of Vocational Education, F.C.E. Abeokuta

AKINMUSUTI, Olusegun Ajileye; Medical Director, St Claver Hospital, Ibadan; Born January 9, 1956; **Education:** St Joseph's School, Kaduna (1962-67); Victory School, Ibadan (1967-69); St Joseph's College, Ondo (1969-73); Government College, Ibadan (1973-74); University of Ife (1974-81); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Health Sciences (1978); MB.CHB, Medicine/Surgery (1981); **Career:** Housemanship, Adeoyo State Hospital, Ring Road, Ibadan (1981-82); NYSC, Military Hospital, Ibadan (1982-83); Fajimi Memorial Hospital, Ibadan (1983-85); Medical Director, St Claver Hospital, Ibadan (1985-date);



Affiliations: Member, Nigerian Medical Association; Financial Secretary, Association of General and Private Medical Practitioners of Nigeria (1994-96); Member, Association of Family and Reproductive Health (ARFH), Ibadan; Technical Director (Medical), Educare Trust Nigeria (2000-date); Member, Nigerian Society for Arts, Information, and Culture; **Address:** S7/1290, Akinmusuti Avenue, Straight, G.P.O. 17050, Dugbe, Ibadan; Tel:02-317182, 08033269620

AKINNIRANYE, Ebenezer Olatidoye; Former Head of the Commercial and Economic Department of the Nigerian Mission to Belgium, Luxembourg, and European Economic Community members; Born April 23, 1934; **Education:** Ondo Boys' High School (1950-54); St Andrew's College,

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Oyo (1955-56), University of Dublin, Ireland (1960-64); University College, Nairobi, Kenya (1968); Management Institute, Cambridge, Mass, USA (1974); **Qualifications:** B. A, M.A., DPA (Dublin); M.Sc (Cambridge, 1974);

Certificate in Project Analysis and Evaluation (Kenya, 1968); **Career:** Inspector of Taxes, Federal Ministry of Finance (1965-67); Federal Ministry of Industries (1967-74); Head of Foreign Trade, Federal Ministry of Trade (1974-78); Minister (Commercial) Nigerian Mission to the European Economic Community (1978-84); Director of Sports: Federal Ministry of Information, Social Development, Youth, and Sports (1985-91); **Affiliations:** Member, Federal Tenders Board; Director, Nigerian National Supply Company; Chairman, Statistical Committee of the International Cocoa Organisation, London; Chairman, African Oil Seeds Producers Organisation 1977 Conference; Former Director, National Insurance Corporation of Nigeria (NICON) and Peugeot Automobile Nigeria Ltd; **Research Works/Publications:** Transfer of Technology, Nigerian Experience; Nigerian Handbook for Entrepreneurs; Echoes on the Road from Jerusalem (2001).

AKINNIRANYE, Ibrahim; Chief Imam of Ile-Oluji Kingdom; Born December 15, 1925; Went to Ilorin for Islamic Studies (1941-46) under the tutelage of Malam



Baba at Oke Imole Akalama compound; Proceeded to Ede in Osun State as an apprentice in tailoring. He spent three years at Ede at Ile Akoda compound; Took to farming, growing cocoa, yams, and coconuts;

In recognition of his Islamic education and exposure, he was appointed in 1960 as the Assistant to the former Chief Imam Chief Akewusola Ibrahim; Upon Chief Akewusola's death, he was unanimously appointed Chief Imam of Ile-Oluji Kingdom on November 11, 1999. He is happily married and blessed with children.

AKINNIRANYE, Joseph Akinboyede;



Chief Executive, Anibijuwon Enterprises; Born August 8, 1947; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1955-60); Modern School, Owode, Abeokuta (1961); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1962-66); St Patrick's College, Asaba (1967);

Victory College, Ikare (1968-69); Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria (1972-74); South West London College (1977-79); **Professional Qualifications:** Member, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria; Member, Institute of Bankers, London; **Career:** Co-operative Bank, Owo (1970-72); Supervisor (1974-76); Accountant, Benin Branch (1976-77); Accountant, Ibadan and Akure Branches (1979); Manager, Ifon Branch (1980-85); Senior Manager: Ikare Branch (1985-87), Owo Branch (1987), Ibadan Branch (1987-89), and Benin Branch (1989-93); Founded Anibijuwon Enterprises, specializing in poultry, piggery, and fishery in 1993; **Address:** 17, Akin Akinniranye Avenue, Off Ilesha Garage, Akure.

AKINNIRANYE, Moses Akinjisola Sir; Knight of the Anglican Diocese of Sabongida Ora Born May 23, 1925 to High Chief Bamigbola Akinniranye and Princess Julianah Akinniranye; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji, Ondo Boys' High

School; **Career:** NEPA Power Station, Ijora, Lagos; Costain West Africa Ltd, Ijora, Lagos; Branch Manager/Controller, UTC; Distributor, Nigeria Tobacco Company, Auch; **Affiliations:** Grand Patron, Oduduwa Students' Association, Auch; Member, *Otaru*-in-Council, Auch; Treasurer, Sabongida Ora (Anglican) Diocese; Member, Police-Civilian Relations Committee, Auch; Member, *Egbe Ibisi Ore Ofe*, St Peter's Church, Ile-oluji; Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** *Irunokhala of Auch* (Leader of the Yoruba community, Etsako Local Government, Auch); **Interest:** Music, table tennis, hunting; Married and blessed with children; **Address:** P.O. Box 15, Auch, Edo State; Tel: 057-200283, 057-200424.



Schools, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (Oct 1992-Mar 1993); Executive Secretary, Local Government Education Authority, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (July 1993-Aug 1994); Personal Assistant to Jegun of Ile-Oluji and Secretary to Jegun-in-Council (1996); **Career Milestones:** Founded Community Pry. School, Araromi Ajana in 1978 and donated it to the State Ministry of Education; **Affiliations:** Treasurer, Science Teachers Association of Nigeria Ondo State Wing (1976-78); Secretary, Ile-Oluji Development Committee; General Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union (Home Branch); Member: Social Circle, Ile-Oluji; Irepodun Society, Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** *Lisajigan* of Ile-Oluji (1981); **Interest:** Farming, sports, reading, and traveling; **Address:** 20, Awokiyesi Avenue, off Ajiferere Street, Ile-Oluji



AKINNUOYE, John Ilemobayo; General Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, home Branch; Born January 9, 1944; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1951-57); L.A. Sec. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1958-60); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1961-65); Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo (1966-68); University of Ife (1970-73); **Qualifications:** NCE (1968), B.Sc (Hons) Education Bio/Chem (1973); **Career:** Pupil Teacher, L.A. Pry. School, Eyingun, Ile-Oluji (1966); Teacher/Housemaster, Gboluji Grammar School (1969-70); Teacher, Notre Dame College, Osoro, Delta State (1973-74); Head of Science Department, St Louis Girls School, Ondo (1974-77); Senior Boarding House Master/Head of Science Dept./Acting Vice Principal, Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji (1977-80); Principal, CAC High School, Ile-Oluji (Aug 1980-May 1983); Member, Ondo State House of Assembly (Oct-Dec 1983); Public Relations Manager, Premier Timber Industries Ltd., Bolorunduro (Jun 1984-Apr 1990); Neighbourhood Inspector of

AKINRELERE, David; Managing partner, D.A. Akinrelere & Co, Chartered Accountants; Born to Chief Simeon Akinrelere, *Lijoka of Ile-Oluji* and Madam Esther Akinrelere (nee Ijimakinde) **Education:** Ondo Boys' High School; Newcastle-upon-Tyne Polytechnic, England (1962-68); **Qualifications:** Fellow, Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, London; Associate Member, Institute of Certified Accountants of Nigeria, (ACA); **Career:** Accountant, Adeyemo Adewakun & Co, Chartered Accountants, (1969-72); Chief Accountant, Produce Marketing Co. Ltd (1972-80); Chief Accountant, later Executive Director, Finance, Wema Bank Plc.; Audit Manager/



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Consultant: Adebola Shobanjo & Co., J. Akin Owoeni & Co.; **Affiliations:** Financial Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos (1973-75); Member, Irepodun Society, Ile-Oluji; President, Ile-Oluji Youths Association, Lagos (1972-75); **Interest:** Reading, Travelling, Gardening; Married to Cecilia Akinrelere (Nee Falese) and blessed with children; **Address:** 45, Gospel Crusader Street, Ifako-Agege, Lagos State, Tel: 844792,961376.

AKINRELERE, Gabriel Akinbadeji Taiwo; Former Permanent Secretary, Ondo State Civil Service: Born November 13, 1935; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1941-47); Ondo Boys' High school (1948-53); College of Administration, Achimota, Ghana (1960); University, Ile-Ife (1965-66); Administrative Staff College of Nigeria; Royal Institute of public Administration (1978); **Qualifications:** Diploma in Public Administration; Associate, Chartered Institute of Secretaries and Administrators; **Career:** Clerk (1954-60); Executive Officer (August-Dec 1960); Asst. Secretary (1960-63), Western Nigeria Development Corporation, Ibadan; Asst Secretary, various government Institutions, Ibadan (1964-65); Administrator/Divisional Officer (1968-74), Principal Asst. Secretary (1974-75), Under Secretary, Principal Secretary, Office of the Military Governor, Ibadan (1975-76); Secretary, Finance and Administration, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Akure (Apr-July 1976); Secretary/Head of Dept. Central Schools Board and Public Service Commission (1976-79); Acting perm. Sec. Ondo State Civil Service (Apr 1980); **Interest:** Table Tennis, Photography.

AKINRELERE, Victor Gboyega; Senior Principal Manager, Afribank Nigeria PLC, Lagos; Born January 2, 1949; **Education:** St Phillip's School, Kajola, Ile-Oluji (1955-61); Seven Days Adventist Pry. School, Abule-Oja, Yaba, Lagos (1962-63); Hussey College, Warri (1964-65); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1966-69); Federal

School of Science, Lagos (1972-74); University of Ibadan (1974-77, 1992-94); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Agric Econs (1977); M.Sc Banking and Finance (1994); Diploma in Management Information System (2000);

Career: Teacher (1970-71); Meteorological Assistant, Nigerian Meteorological Services, Lagos (1971-74); Agricultural Planning Officer, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Akure (1978-80); Branch Manager (Gbongan, Ibadan, Maiduguri, and Lagos); Senior Principal Manager/Deputy Regional Manager, Lagos Island Regional Office, Afribank Nig. PLC, Ikoyi, Lagos (1980 to date); **Affiliations:** Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Ibadan Branch; Member, Ibadan Recreation Club; President, Apata Lions Club (1989/1990).

AKINRIMISI, William Akinbisola; Pharmacist; Born June 10, 1937 to Chief A Akinrimisi, *Losare* of Ile-Oluji and Mrs. Emily Akinrimisi; **Education:** St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji (1942-48); Ondo Boys' High School (1949-54); King's College, Lagos (1955-57); College of Technology, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey England (1957-60); School of Pharmacy, College of Technology, Brighton, Sussex (1960-64); School of Pharmacy, College of Technology, Portsmouth, Harts, England (1964-65); **Qualifications:** Pharmaceutical Chemist Parts 1-111 Examinations; **Career:** Post Graduate Training, Sussex Country Hospital, Brighton, England, and Mayday Hospital, Croydon, England (1966-69); Production and Admin. Pharmacist, Wel-



come Lepetit Nig. Ltd. Ikeja (1970-72); Senior Pharmacist/Ass. Chief Pharmacist, Fed. Min. of Health, Lagos (1972-78); Pharmacist, Archway Chemists, Lagos (1978 to date); **Affiliation:** Member: Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria, Nig. Association of General Practice Pharmacists, and Lagos Country Club; Chaiman, Lagos State Weightlifting Association; **Interests:** Football, Tennis, Squash; Married to Theresa Omotounola Ateere (deceased); **Address:** 58, Ikorodu Road, Fadeyi, P.O.Box 3961, Surulere, Lagos.

Akinrinwoye; **Educ-**
ation: Gboluji
Grammar School,
Ile-Oluji (1959-64);
Yaba College of
Technology, Lagos
(1968-71); **Qualifi-**
cation: National Di-
ploma in Manage-
ment Studies, As-
sociate Member, Ni-
gerian Institute of
management; **Career:** Post and
Telecommunications Dept. (1965-67); Es-
tate Clerk, Lagos Executive Development
Board (1968-72); Audit Executive, Lagos
State Development and Property Corpo-
ration (1973-77); Senior Audit Executive,
R.T Briscoe Nigeria Limited (1977-83);
Admin. Manager, Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products
Company Limited (1984); **Affiliations:**
Founding Member/Financial Secretary//
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Oluji; **Interest:** Travelling, Hunting, Music;
Married to Florence Duro-Orike
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Legal Practitioner, Francis Cham-
bers, Ile-Oluji and
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30, 1933 to The
Rev. Joshua
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Mosekunola
Akinrinsola; **Educ-**
ation: Methodist
School, Oyo; Methodist
Teachers' College,
Ifaki-Ekiti; Wesley
College, Ibadan;



University of Ife, Nigerian Law School,
Lagos; **Qualifications:** LL.B Hons. (1967);
Career: Barrister and Solicitor of the Su-
preme Court of Nigeria (1968 to date);
Legal Practitioner, Port-Harcourt (1968-
79); Chief Magistrate, Bauchi State (1979-
81); In Private Legal Practice (1981-
date); **Affiliations:** External Solicitor,
United Bank for Africa; Licensed Petroleum
Marketer; **Publication:** *The Law and the
Society* (1993); **Honour:** Honorary D.C.L.
Degree, City University of Los Angeles,
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AKINRO, Charles Akinsunmola; Former
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Oke-Igbo Local Government; Born Novem-
ber 1, 1963; **Education:** L.A. School, Ile-
Oluji; Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji;
Ondo State Polytechnic, Owo; **Qualifica-**
tions: HND accountancy (1987); **Career:**
Article Clerk, Morakinyo Adewakun & Com-
pany (1988-90); Accountant/Finance Man-
ager, Jonaz Bureau de Change (1990-92);
Secretary, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Gov-
ernment (Oct-Dec 1999) MD/CEO, Henkins
Ventures, Akure (1992-2002); Chairman,
Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government Au-
thority (June 2002-2003); **Interest:** Cook-
ing; **Address:** Plot 5, Dallimore Street,
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AKINRINWOYE, Michael Akinboboye;
Former Administrative, Manager, Ile-Oluji
Cocoa Products Company Limited; Born
June 2, 1941 to Chief Abraham
Akinrinwoye and Madam Esther

AKINRO, Christopher Afolabi; Managing
Director, Bicta Energy & Management Sys-
tems Limited; Head, Public and Govern-

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ment Affairs; The Shell Petroleum Development Corporation; Born December 15, 1944 to Chief Nathaniel A. Akinro and Madam Esther Motolani Akinro; **Education:** St Paul's College (now Kufena College), Wusasa, Zaria; Ibadan Grammar School, Ibadan (1963); Camborne School of Mines, United Kingdom; **Qualifications:** Degree in Mining Engineering from the Camborne School of Mines in the United Kingdom in 1968 as a Gold & Base scholar; **Career:** Geevor Tin Mines, Pendeen, United Kingdom; Mine Manager, Gold & Base Metal Mines, Jos and Jema'a, Kaduna; Deminex, Germany (1972); Drilling Engineer, Wintershall, Germany; Deputy Base Superintendent Deminex, Nigeria; Drilling Engineer on a Semi-Submersible rig offshore Nigeria; Base Superintendent, Deminex, Warri; Officer in Charge of Deminex German operations and joint venture interest throughout the world (1975); Pioneer Head, Materials Administration, Deminex Iran (1976); Petroleum Engineer and later Senior Operations Engineer, Western Division, Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria (1976-80); Liaison Officer, Petroleum Inspectorate (1980); later became responsible at various times for overall company Economics, Short Term Planning (five years) and the Long Term Planning (30 years); Set up the Joint Venture Liaison outfit for technical liaison with Central Offices, Joint Venture Partners and the Department of Petroleum Resources; Became Head, Public and Government Affairs; with responsibility for logistics and administration and Shell's relationship with Government Agencies; (1996); Manager, Public Affairs, Strategy, Issues and Planning (1998-99);

Affiliations: National Chairman, Nigerian Society of Petroleum Engineers (1985/86 and 1994/95); Chairman, Bicta Nigeria Limited, McEnro Nigeria Limited; **Career Milestones:** Was responsible for prospecting the Tin lode in the Younger Granite of Ririwai-n-Kano in Kano State which is the only underground metal mine in Nigeria and is today run by the Mining Corporation of Nigeria.



A K I N R O , Olorunnimbe Akin; Medical Director, First City Hospital, Obalende, Lagos; Born August 5, 1955 to Chief Nathaniel Akinro and Mrs. Esther Akinro; **Qualification:** MBBS, Ibadan

(1980); **Career:** State Hospital, Akure (1980/81); Gbagada General Hospital, Lagos (1981/82); Holy Trinity Hospital, Ikeja (July 1982-Jan 1983); St. Nicholas Hospital, Lagos (Feb 1983-Feb 1986); First City Hospital, Obalende (1986-date); **Affiliation:** Member: Nigerian Medical Association; Ikoyi Club 1938; **Interest:** Reading, painting, and watching films; **Address:** 11, Nojeem Maiyegun Road, Obalende, Lagos. Tel: 01-687113

AKINSANMI, Fred; Former President, Ile-Oluji National Association Inc, New York and New Jersey; Born into the family of Pa Simeon Akinsanmi and Princess Victoria Adebulijo Akinsanmi, **Education:** St George's Catholic pry. School, Ile-Oluji; St Joseph's College, Ondo; Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo; University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University, Ife); Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York; **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Biology & Chemistry Education; M.A Educational Administration (Management Science); M. Ed Educational Administration (Management Science); **Professional Certificates:** Advanced Public Relations Certificate (Nigerian Institute of Journalism, Lagos); Industrial Relations Certificate; (Nigerian Institute of Management); Computer Basics (North York Board of Education, Toronto, Canada); **Career:** Executive Administrator, Brazil-Nigerian Freight Conference, Lagos; General Manager, NMS Travel Bureau Limited, Lagos; Deputy General Manager, Henry Stephens Engineering Company Ltd., Lagos; Produce Manager, Henry Stephens & Sons Ltd.; Senior Education

Officer, Federal Ministry of Education, Lagos; Teacher, Federal Government College, Sokoto and St Joseph's College, Ondo; **Affiliations:** General Secretary, Ile-Oluji Youth Association, Lagos (1976-78); General Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos (1986-93); Co-founder, Social Circle, Ile-Oluji; Member, Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Member, Board of Governors: St Francis Catholic High School, Ile-Oluji and Ademulegun High School, Bamikemo; Member: Nigerian Institute of Management; British Institute of Management; Charter Member/Past President, Rotary Club of Mushin Metro; Member/Co-Secretary, Nigerian Trade Mission to Cote d'Ivoire (1985); Member: *Ifelere* Society, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji and *Irepodun* Society, Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** Justice of Peace (1987); *Lisajigan* of Ile-Oluji (1998); Life-time Noble and Knight, HuttRiver Principality, Australia

tian Medical and Dental Association; Born in 1942 to the family of Chief Daniel Akintade Akinsimide and Mrs. Beatrice Adenibiju Akintade; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; Christ School, Ado-Ekiti; Moscow State University, USSR; First Leningrad Medical Institute; **Career:** Church Missionary, USSR; Wesley Guild Hospital, Ilesha; Baptist Medical Centre, Ogbomosho; **Ordination:** Deacon (1977), Priest (1980), Canon (1990), and Archdeacon (1996); **Missionary Activities:** Envisioned in 1972 to pioneer a whole-person-health care (healing of the spirit, the soul and the body) with emphasis on reaching the poor at the point of their need; **Affiliations:** Member, Christian Health Association of Nigeria (since 1974); Founder/Executive Director, Christian Health Centre Foundation Council of Nigeria; Chairman, INTER-FAITH HIV/AIDS Council of Nigeria; **Address:** P.O. Box 109, Ilesha, Osun State.



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L a w r e n c e Omotola; Born May 12, 1957; **Education:** St. Michael School, Awaye; Ladun Commercial Institute; Jolayemi Private School, Lagos; Federal Polytechnic Ado-Ekiti (1980-83);

Qualification: National Diploma in Secretarial Studies; **Career:** Confidential Secretary, Code of Conduct Bureau (1983-84); Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Ltd (1985-87); Chairman, Seye Ajiga Nig. Ltd (1989); **Affiliations:** Councillor, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government; President, *Ololo* Club, Ile-Oluji; Patron: Classic Circle, 90 Brothers, and The Sanda Novas Organisation, Ile-Oluji; Member, Executive Club, Ondo; Married to Bolanle Akinseye (nee Adekunle).

A K I N T E R I N W A , Adewale Olumuyiwa;

Former Special Assistant to the General Manager/Head of Department, Corporate Support Group, Lagos State Development Property Corporation (LSDPC); Born December 12, 1962; **Education:** Government College, Ibadan (1974-79, 1979-81); Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1982-87, 1998-99); **Qualifications:** B. Sc Hon. Accounting (1987); MBA (1999); **Career:** Banking Officer, United Bank for Africa (1987-89); Assistant Accountant, Afro Continental Limited (1989-91); Group Head, Treasury and Financial Services, Triumph Merchant Bank, Lagos (1991-99), Head of Department, Corporate Support Group, LSDPC (1999-2002); Alliance for Democracy House of Representative Candidate, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo/Odigbo Federal Constituency (2003); **Courses**



AKINTADE, 'Bode; the Venerable; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Nigerian Chris-

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Attended: Asset and Liability Management Course (London 1994); Foreign Exchange and Treasury Course; Microsoft Word for Windows; Contemporary Issues in Management of Financial Services and Treasury Functions; **Affiliations:** Member: Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos Branch; Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN); Ikoyi Club 1938, and Nigeria-South Africa Chamber of Commerce; **Interest:** Reading, travelling, football, and meeting people; Married to Remi Akinterinwa (Nee Oduyeye) and blessed with children; **Address:** 3A, Itinrin Court, Victoria Island Annex, Lagos. Tel: 7749221, 4972242; e-mail: terins@siotel.com

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Institute of International Affairs, Lagos; Born August 8, 1950; **Education:** St Andrew's School, Ile-Oluji (1957-62); St Joseph's College, Ondo (1965-69); University of Paris-Sorbonne; School of Advanced International Studies

Paris 6e; Institute of Advanced International Studies of the University of Paris 2; University of Paris 1, Pantheon-Sorbonne (1973-83); **Qualifications:** Diploma in French Studies (1975); B. A (Hons) International Studies (1978); Advanced Degree in International Law (1979); M.Phil in Contemporary Diplomatic History (1981); Ph.D in International Relations with Distinction and Special Felicitations of the members of the Jury (Nov 1983 and Jan 1984); Ford Foundation Foreign Policy Fellow, University of Maryland School of Public Affairs, College Park, USA (1989); **Career:** Audit Clerk, Lagos University Teaching Hospital (1970-72); Translator, Embassy of Nigeria, Paris (1984); Research Fellow, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (1985); Senior Research Fellow (1990);

Associate Research Professor (Jan 1996); **Affiliations:** Editor, Nigerian Journal of International Affairs (1994-99); Editorial Page Editor and Editorial Adviser, This Day Newspapers (1996-97); Ex-Treasurer, Nigerian Society of International Affairs; First Asst. Secretary, Nigerian Society of International Law; Member: Nigerian Institute of International Affairs; Nigerian Political Science Association; African Association of Political Scientists; Associate Member, Nigerian Association of Economists; Honorary Member, Romania-Africa Society; Pioneer Secretary, Nigeria-China Friendship Association (NICAF); General Secretary, Federation of Nigerian Students in France (1975-76, 1976/77); Member, General Assembly, Governing Council and the Board of Trustees, SBI Oshoffa Foundation; **Research Works/Publications:** Author of three books and one monograph, i.e. Nigeria and France, 1960-1995: The dilemma of Thirty Five years of relationship (1999); Nigeria: The crisis of legitimacy and survival (2001); Nigeria in the world: Issues and problems for the sleeping giant (2001); The United States Congress, the President, and the making of policy Towards Angola: Self Interest versus Public Spirit (1989); **Honours/Awards:** One of the very few Africans ever to be given double promotion since the end of the World War 1 by the Institute of Advanced International Studies of University of Paris 2; Three Letters of Commendation by the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs for loyalty, hardwork and dedicated services (1986, 1993 and 1994); Special award for dedicated services by the Celestial Church of Christ, Washington D. C (1989); Certificate of Honour of the Celestial Church of Christ, International Headquarters, for "selfless and spiritual services rendered in various capacities"; **Interest:** Sports, Music, research and Evangelism; Married to Fehintola Iyabo Akinterinwa (nee Lagunju) and blessed with children; **Address:** Research Department, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, Kofu Abayomi Street, Victoria Island, Lagos; Tel: 08022235279.

AKINTERINWA, Moses Akinmoluyo; Former Principal Manager, United Bank for Africa, UBA; Born July 16, 1933 to Mr. Claudius Olashegha Akinterinwa (a.k.a. *Amonaokomayu*) and Mrs. Julianah Ajayi Akinterinwa; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1939-1946); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1947-1951); **Career:** UAC Kano (1952-1958); United Bank for Africa (1958-1993); **Affiliations:** Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji;



AKINTOLA, Festus Olufemi; Associate Professor of Geography, University of Ibadan; Born October 20, 1943 to Chief and Mrs. Akintola; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1953-59); Gboluji Grammar School,

Ile-Oluji (1959-63); Muslim College, Ijebu Ode, University of Ibadan (1966-69, 1970-74); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Geography (1969); Ph.D Geography, specializing in Water Resources (1974); **Career:** Lecturer, University of Ibadan (1974-date); **Research Works/Publications:** Map Reading for West African Schools; Over 50 articles including chapters in books; Main areas of research are in Environmental Analysis, hydrology and hydrogeology; **Affiliations:** Hall Warden, Bello and Tedder Halls, University of Ibadan; Member, Nigerian Geographical Association; Member, International Association of Hydrological Sciences; **Interest:** Basketball; **Address:** Department of Geography, University of Ibadan; Married to Olufunlola Akintola (Nee Adewole) and blessed with children; **Address:** Department of Geography, University of Ibadan.

AKINTIMEHIN, Abiodun Olusola; Director, Yabsol Nigeria Limited; Former Director, Ecological Unit, Environmental Protection Agency, Akure; Born December 25, 1952; **Education:** St Luke's Demonstration School, Molete, Ibadan (1960-65); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1966-70); University of Ibadan (1975-79); University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, USA (1981-83);



Qualifications: B.Sc (Hons) Forestry; M.Sc Landscape Architecture; **Career:** Lecturer

(NYSC), Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria, Ibadan (Aug 1979-July 1980); Part-Time Lecturer, Federal University of Technology, Akure (1988-89); Forest Officer 11 (1980-82); Senior Forest Officer (1982-88); Ministry of Agric, Akure; Deputy Project Co-ordinator, Beautification Task Force, Ministry of Works and Transport (1988-93); Project Co-ordinator, Ondo State Environmental Protection Agency (1993-96); Executive Director (1997-2001); Director, Ecological Unit (2001-2002); **Affiliations:** Director, Landmap Associates Limited, Akure (2002-date); **Research Works:** Measurement Of Tree Standard Parameter From Aerial Photographs (1980); Land Information System For Environmental Planning In Nigeria (M.Sc Thesis, 1983); **Address:** P.O. Box 149, Ile-Oluji; Tel: 034-242733, 034-244181.

AKINTOMIDE, Anthony Olubunmi; Senior Lecturer, Department of Medicine, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife; Born January 1, 1958; **Education:** Loyola College, Ibadan (1969-73); Government College, Ibadan (1973-74); University of Ife (1974-81); Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospital Complex, Ife, OAUTHC (1984-88); University of London (1988-89); OAUTHC Ife (1989-91); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Health Sciences (1978); M.B. Ch. B (1981); Diploma in Cardiology (1989); Fellow, West African College of Physicians (1991); **Career:** Housemanship, OAUTHC (1981-82); Medical Officer-in-charge (NYSC), Nigerian Police Clinic, Ibadan (1982-83); Junior Resi-

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OAUTHC; Member: Nigerian Medical Association, Medical and Dental Consultants Association of Nigeria; Member, Academic Staff Union of Universities, ASUU; **Research Works/Publications:** Several published articles including *Influence of Obesity on the left Ventricular Echocardiographic Indices in Nigerian Hypertensives* (dissertation for the award of the fellowship of the West African College of Physicians, 1991); **Interest:** outdoor exercises, walking; Married to Olaide Adenike Akintomide and blessed with children; **Address:** Department of Medicine, Faculty of Clinical Science, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife; Tel: 08033449458.

AKINTOYE, Gilbert Ayorinde; High Chief *Jomu* of Ile-Oluji; Born in 1926 to High Chief Ogungboyegbe, *Jomu* of Ile-Oluji, *Keresenwa* 1 and High Chief Lisa of Oke-Igbo; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1936-44); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1946-50); International Institute for Development, Co-Operative and Labour Services, Tel-Aviv, Israel; Plunket Foundation for Co-Operative Studies, London; **Qualifications:** Diplomas in Co-Operative Organization and Community Development; **Career:** Pupil Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1945-46); Clerk, Regional Forestry Headquarters, Northern Province, Kaduna; Senior Clerical Officer, Western Regional Forestry Headquarters, Ibadan (1950-61); Ile-Oluji Co-Operative Produce Marketing Union Ltd. (1961-75); **Affiliations:** Member, Board of Governors, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; Vice-President, Ile-Oluji Development Commit-

dency, OAUTHC (1984-86); Senior Residency, OAUTHC (1986-93); Lecturer 1, (1993-96), Senior Lecturer, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1996-date); **Affiliations:** Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee,

Promoter, Ile-Oluji Community Bank; **Honours:** *Lekiran* of Ile-Oluji (1975); High Chief *Jomu* (1992); **Address:** 43 Odoyeghe Street, Ile-Oluji

AKINTUNJI, Akinsefunmi Dr; Director of Medical Services, Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN); Born March 1, 1950 to Mr Isaiah Julius Akintunji and Mrs. Comfort Eyeola Akintunji; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1965-69); Federal School of Science, Lagos (1970-72); College of Medicine, University of Lagos (1972-77); Administrative Staff College of Nigeria, ASCON, Badagry (1989); Royal Air Force Institute of Aviation Medicine, Farnborough, United Kingdom (1992); **Qualifications:** MBBS; Certificate in Aviation Medicine; Certificate in Advanced Management; **Career:** Accounts Clerk: Nigerian Maritime Services, Lagos (Jan-May 1970), Morakinyo Adewakun & Co. (Jun-Aug 1970); House Officer: General Hospital, Ikeja, General Hospital, Lagos, Island Maternity, and Massey Street Children Hospital, Lagos (1977-78); Medical Officer: NYSC, Naval Hospital, Apapa (Apr 1978-March 1979); Bibi Hospital, Lagos (Apr 1979-81); Medical Officer, Nigeria National Petroleum Corporation, NNPC, Lagos (1981-83); Principal Medical Officer, Nigerian Airport Authority, NAA, (Mar 1983); Asst. Director, NAA; General Manager, Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria, FAAN, (2000); **Affiliations:** Member: Quality Club of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Nigerian Medical Association; Guild of Medical Directors; Aerospace Medical Association, and Civil Aviation Medical Association; President, Rotary Club of Matori, Lagos; **Honour:** Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary Club International; **Interest:** Lawn Tennis, photography, infotech; Married to Caroline Funmilola Akintunji (Nee Akinyosoye) and blessed with children; **Address:** Federal Airports Authority of Nige-



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AKINTUNJI, Caroline Funmilola Bolanle (Nee Akinyosoye);

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B.Sc (Biology) Education (1977); **Career:** Teacher: St Louis College, Ondo (1973); Independent College, Ondo (1973-74); Mayflower School, Ikenne (1977-78); Lagos State Government College, Surulere (1978); Federal Government College, Ojo (1978-79); Lagos State Government College, Agege (1979-81); Victory High School, Ikeja (1981-83); Established Carol School, Ikeja (1985); Married to Dr. Akinsefunmi Akintunji and blessed with children; **Address:** Carol School, 15, Celestial Church Street, Ikeja Central Business District, Agidingbi, Lagos, Tel: 01-7754345

AKINTUNJI, Clara Olatundun (Nee Akinwande); Born August 6, 1939 to Chief Nathaniel Akinrodoye Akinwande and Mrs. Clara Morinola Akinwande;

Education: St. Louis Secondary School, Ondo (1954-58); Various Colleges of Technology and Nursing Institutions in England (1958-67); Liverpool University (1969); Women in Management Course, CEDPA, Washington DC, USA; Exeter University (1991-92); **Qualifications:** SRN, SCM, BTA, HV Dip., FPC, M.A. Oxon (1979); **Career:** Health Visitor, Essex County Council, England (1966-70); Public Health Tutor, Community Health Nursing School, Onikan

(1971-73) and Institute of Child Health, University of Lagos (1973-80); Senior Health Planning Officer/Principal Health Planning Officer, Fed. Ministry of Health (1980-85); Appointed Chief Facilitator/Lecturer, World Health Organization Health Services Personnel Training Center (1985-92); **Affiliations:** Managing Director, Ajar Electronics Company, Lagos (1989-97); Married to John Akintunji (Deceased) and blessed with Children; **Address:** P.O. Box 6905, Lagos.



AKINTUNJI, Noah Akinbadeji; Born July 23, 1942 to Mr. Isaiah Akintunji and Mrs. Eunice Omolayemi Akintunji; **Education:**

St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1948-56); L.A. Modern School, (1957-58); Gboluji Grammar School Ile-Oluji (1959-63); School of Agric, Akure (1964-66); School Of Agric Ibadan (1966-68); Montgomery College, Takoma Park, Maryland, USA (1971-73); George Washington University, Washington D.C.; **Qualifications:** Diploma in Agriculture (1966); Higher National Diploma in Tropical Agriculture (1968); Associate Degree in General Engineering (1973); B.Sc Mechanical Engineering (1976); **Career:** Mechanical Engineer, later principal Mechanical Engineer, Fed Min of Works, Lagos (1982-84); Asst Chief Engineer, later Asst General Manager, Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products (1984); **Affiliations:** Member, Council of Registered Engineers of Nigeria (1983 to date); Former President, Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Hunting, photography; Married to Titilayo Akintunji (nee Fasehun) and blessed with children ; **Address:** P.O. Box 33, Ile-Oluji.

AKINYANMI, Dorcas Amuwa (Nee Ogunyemi); High Chief *Lisalobun* of Ile-Oluji; Proprietress, L' ECOLE Nursery/Pri-

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mary School, Akure; Born August 19, 1930 to Pa Samuel Ogunyemi (aka Agabielesi) and Chief Mrs. Eunice Ademorinle Ogunyemi; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1938-46); St. Mary's Teachers' Training College, Ibadan (1950-51); United Missionary College, Ibadan (1970-72); **Qualifications:** Teacher's Grade III Certificate (1951); Teacher's Grade II Certificate (1973); **Career:** Teacher: Alade and Atosin United Primary School, Idanre (1947); St. Peter's Primary School, Bolorunduro, Ondo (1948); St. Stephen's Primary School, Ondo (1949); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1952-53); St. Stephen's Primary School, Inalende, Ibadan (1954-55); Anglican Girls School, Broad Street, Lagos (1956-58); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1958-65); Ibadan City Council School, Molete, Ibadan (1966-76); St. John/Mary Demonstration School, Owo (1976-81); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1981-86), where she retired as Assistant Headmistress; **Affiliations:** Chairperson: Ile-Oluji Zone, Ifesowapo Better Life Programme, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Better Life Programme (1991); Member: Ifesowapo Local Government Primary School Management Board (1989-1991), Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Education Authority (1994-



Honours: *Asiwaju* Obirin Isodimimo of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; *Adafin Lobun* Of Ile-Oluji (1992); High Chief Lisalobun (1997); **Interest:** Organising clubs and thrift societies, fashion, hairdressing, and play acting; Married to Chief Amos Akinyanmi, *Sagwe* of Ile-Oluji (now deceased) and blessed with Children; **Address:** 61, Ajiferere Street, P.O. Box 226, Ile-Oluji.

AKINYELE, Elliot Igbekele; General Manager Gas, National Petroleum Investment Management Services, NAPIMS; Born February 23, 1945 to Mr. Joseph Agunbiade Akinyele and Mrs. Dorcas Omosunlade



Education: St. Stephen's School, Ondo (1952-58); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1959-63); Muslim College, Ijebu-Ode (1964-65); University of Ibadan (1966-69); University of Lagos (1973); International Labour Organization (ILO) Training Center, Turin, Italy (1977); **Qualifications:** B.A. Geography (1969); Certificates in Basic Computer Science and Fundamentals of Electronic Data Processing; **Career:** Head, Geography Dept., Origbo Grammar School and St. Finbarr's College, Akoka, Lagos (1969-73); Training Officer, Advisory and Consultancy Division, Senior Training Adviser and Area Officer for Kwar and Niger States, Industrial Training Fund (1973-1979); Assistant Chief Training Officer (1979-1981); Deputy Chief Training Officer (1981-1984); Chief Admin. Officer, Head Admin. and Planning, Engineering and Technology Division (1985-1988); Manager, Admin. and Personnel, NAPIMS (1991- date); **Affiliations:** Member: One Five Association of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Impakt Klob of Nigeria, Lagos Country Club; **Research Works/Publications:** First Evaluation report of inplant training facilities for all companies contributing to the ITF (1977); Sound and Slide Film on why companies must train their workers (1977); Married to Bosede Akinleye (nee Akinrinade) and blessed with Children; **Address:** NAPIMS, Abuja; Tel: 09-2344014, 08036650222

AKINYOSADE Akinlabi Samuel; *Baipie* Of Ile-Oluji; Former Director of Finance and Accounts, Central Bank Of Nigeria (CBN); Solicitor, Advocate & Legal Consultant;



Born December 2, 1938, to Chief Jacob Kumeniwon Akinyosade and High Chief (Mrs.) Dorcas Osunrotade Akinyosade, Odofin-Lobun Of Ile-Oluji; **Education:** St. Peter's Primary School, Ile-Oluji (1945-53);

Oyemekun Grammar School, Akure (1954-58); University of Lagos (1975-79); Nigerian Law School (1980-81); Institute Of Training & Organisation Development, University Of Pittsburgh, USA (1985); **Qualifications:** A.C.I.S., (1971); LL.B. Hons (1979); B.L. (1981); F.C.I.S. (1989); Certificate in Central Banking, Bank of England, London (1977); Certificate in Personnel Management (1985); **Career:** Clerical Officer, Electricity Corporation of Nigeria (ECN) now NEPA, (1959-60); Manager, Ibadan Branch and Lagos Head Office (1970-77); Senior Manager, Lagos (1978); Assistant Director of Domestic Operations (1979-83); Deputy Director of Personnel (1984-87); Zonal Controller, Kano (1988-90); Deputy Director, Rural Finance (1991-92); Director of Finance and Accounts; **Affiliations:** Member, Nigerian Bar Association; Fellow, Institute Of Chartered Secretaries & Administrators, England & Nigeria; Member: Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji; Ifesowapo Social Club, Ile-Oluji; Christian Companions, Lagos; Double "20" Association Of Nigeria; Patron, TAP Club, Ile-Oluji; CBN Representative, Community Banks Implementation Committee; Leader, African Regional Agric Credit Association (AFRACA) study tour of Asia on linking banks with self help groups; Registrar, Ondo Diocese, Anglican Communion (1998 till date); **Career Milestone:** The Pilot Scheme on rural finance in Nigeria, which was initiated and launched under his leadership in 1991, has become a huge success. Appreciable number of small- scale farmers in Nigeria and Ondo State in particular have benefited in loans under the scheme; **Interest:** Reading, Singing; Married to Grace Kike

Akinyosade (nee Akinyosoye) and blessed with children; **Address:** 30, Adejayan Street, Temidire, Ile-Oluji; 7, Okeho Street, Ire-Akari Estate, Isolo Lagos. Tel: 01-521615.

AKINYOSADE, Babatunde Olumide; Chief Pilot, Nigeria Airways; Born September 19, 1948 to Chief Lijofi Jacob Akinyosade and Chief Odofin Lobun Dorcas Akinyosade; **Education:** Eko Boys' High School, Lagos (1967); Federal School of Science, Onikan, Lagos (Sept 1968-Oct 1969); Flying School, Nigerian Civil Aviation Training Centre, Zaria, (Oct 1969-Nov 1971); Flight Safety Academy, Vero Beach, Florida, USA (1977); Civil Aviation of Great Britain (1983); **Qualifications:** Airline Pilot Transport License (Oct 1977); Passed Command Training of the Boeing 707 in Varig, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil (Jan 1980); Passed the Instrument Rating Examiner's Course at the Civil Aviation Authority of Great Britain in Stansted Airport (Mar 1983); **Career:** Pilot Trainee, Nigera Airways (Oct 1969); Appointed Second Officer, Fokker Friendship, F.27 (Nov.1971); Promoted First Officer, F.27 (Dec.1972); Promoted First Officer, F.28 (Nov 1974); Promoted First Officer, Boeing 707 (May 1976); Promoted First Officer on Presidential Gulfstream 2 (June 1977); Attained command status on the F.28 (Mar 1978); Appointed Fleet/Training Captain of the F.28 fleet (Aug.1978); Began command training on the Boeing 707 fleet (Jan 1980); Appointed Fleet/Training Captain of the Boeing 707 fleet (Aug 1980); Appointed Instrument/Type Rating Examiner by the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (May1983); Elevated to the Airbus A.310 as a Captain (Jan 1985); Appointed Captain of the DC.10 Aircraft (Sept.1986); Appointed Fleet Captain of the DC.10 (Apr 1987); Appointed Chief Pilot (Aug.1988);



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Affiliations: Member: Premier Club, Island Club and the Lagos Country Club; **Honours/Awards:** *Bashorun* of Ile-Oluji; One of the first Pilots to take initial command on Jet Airplane; Total flying hours as at 19th April, 1993 amounted to 14,246.55, while total command hours on DC.10 totaled 4,140.50; **Address:** 15, Reverend Ogunbiyi Street, G.R.A., Ikeja, Lagos.

AKINYOSOTU, Oladoyin; Pharmacist; Politician; Managing Director, Lujol Pharmacy Ltd, Ile-Oluji; Born January 28, 1948; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1954-60); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-oluji (1963-67); Veterinary School, Moor Plantation, Ibadan (1968-69); University of Ife (1969-73); Institute of Pharmacy Management, London (1978);



Qualifications: B. Pharm. (Hons); M. IPM; **Career:** Veterinary Assistant, Veterinary Clinic, Ogbomosho

(1969); Temporary Research Assistant, Federal Department of Agric, Rice Research Station, Badegi, Niger State; Internee Pharmacist, Federal Ministry of Health Medical Stores, School of Pharmacy, Inspectorate, Lagos (1974-76); Pharmaceutical Manager, Antigen Division, Biscordint Nig. Ltd, Lagos (1976-77); Superintendent Pharmacist, Vitabiotics Nig. Ltd., Lagos (1977-78); General Manager, Bristol Myers-Division, Gay-May Nig Ltd; Lagos (1978-80); Managing Director, Lujol Pharmacy Ltd (1980 to date); **Affiliations:** President, Club 71, Ile-Oluji (1988-91); Chairman: Ifesowapo Local Government (1988-89); Member, Pharmacist Board of Nigeria (1989-91); Chairman, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (1997-98); Member Ondo State Housing Corporation; Chairman, Federal Psychiatric Hospital, Sokoto; Director, Prime Instruments Nig

Ltd; Director Doy, Tenco & Larsh Agencies of Ipaja; Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International; **Honours/Awards:** *Ootun Aare* of Owo; *Baasegun Ugbo* Kingdom (Ilaje); *Obamuwagun* of Araromi Obu; *Odogun* of Aiyede; *Loten* of Usama; letter of commendation by Jegun-in-council for contribution towards the development of Ile-Oluji; **Address:** 1 Akinyosotu Avenue, P.O.Box 228, Ile-Oluji.

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Qualifications: B.Sc Microbiology, (1977); M.Sc Microbiology (1979); Ph.D Food Microbiology (1985); **Career:** West African Breweries, Abeokuta (NYSC, 1979-80); Tutor/

Vice Principal Academics, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1981-82); Associate Lecturer, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo (1981-82); Lecturer, University of Ilorin (1983-97); Lecturer, Federal University of Technology, Akure (1997-date); **Affiliations:** Co-ordinator, General Studies Unit, University of Ilorin (1994-97); Sub-Dean, School of Sciences, Federal University of Technology, Akure (1998-2000); Head, Biology Department, FUTA (2000-2002); Pioneer Head, Department of Microbiology, FUTA (2002); Member: Quality Club, Ile-Oluji; Governing Council, Ondo State College of Education, Ikere Ekiti (1998-99); Nigerian Society for Microbiology; Science Association of Nigeria; Nigerian Society for Experimental Biology; **Honours/Awards:** Federal Postgraduate Scholarship Awards for Masters & Ph. D degrees; **Address:**

Federal University of Technology, Akure.

ALADEKERE, Regina Anthonia Oyinlade (Nee Ojuade); Proprietress, Royal

Kiddies Nursery School, Ile-Oluji; Born June 13, 1939 to Chief Ojuade Martins (the *Nasin* of Ile-Oluji) and Chief Mrs. Mercy Durosomo Ojuade (nee Olofinbinu), the *Ogede Lobun* of Ile-Oluji; **Education:** St. Luke's School, Jos (1947-54); Queen of Apostles Teachers' Training College, Ibadan (1959-60); St. Helen's Teachers' Training College, Ondo (1965-66); Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1984-85); **Qualifications:** Associateship Certificate in Education, ACE, (1985); **Career:** Teacher: St Catherine's Girls School, Ondo (1956); St. Matthias School, Ile-Oluji (1957); St. George's School, Ile-Oluji (1958); St. Joseph's Catholic School, Ikere Ekiti (1961); St. Louis Catholic School, Ado Ekiti (1962); Founder, Oyin Busy-bee Catering Services, Ile-Oluji (1966) L.A. Secondary Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1967-78); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1979-86); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1986-92); Proprietress, Royal Kiddies Nursery School, Ile-Oluji (1996-date); **Affiliations:** President, Catholic Women Organization, Ile-Oluji Parish (1976-99); Pioneer Home Economics Teacher/HOD, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1979); Secretary, Dynamic Ladies Association, Ile-Oluji (1979-2001); **Honour:** Papal Award by Pope John Paul II (1981); Pioneer lying-in-state platform decorator; Married to Prince Adediran Aladekere and blessed with children.



versity of Technology, Akure (FUTA); Born February 24, 1951; **Education:** University of Ibadan; University of Edinburgh; Federal University of Technology, Akure; **Qualifications:** Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, DVM (1979); M.Sc Animal Production & Health (Oct 1987); Diploma in Tropical Agriculture and Extension Technology (Edinburgh, Dec. 1987); Member, Nigerian Society for Animal Production (April 1994); Ph.D, Animal Production & Health (FUTA, 2000); **Career:** Animal Health Assistant, Western Region Civil Service (1967-69); Animal Health Superintendent-in-Training, Western State (1970-71); Veterinary Officer, Ondo State Civil Service (1980-81); Senior Veterinary Officer, Federal Civil Service (1981-84); Principal Veterinary Officer, Federal Civil Service (1985-89); Associate Lecturer, FUTA (Oct 1988-June 1989); Lecturer 2, FUTA (Aug 1989-Sept. 1995); Lecturer 1, FUTA (Oct 1995-Sept 2001); Senior Lecturer, FUTA (October 2001-date); **Affiliations:** Member, Nigerian Veterinary Medical Association (June 1979); Member, Ondo State Committee on Guinea Worm Eradication (1988-90); Member, FUTA Team on the Trypanosomiasis Control Project funded by the European Economic Council (1989-date); Member, Ambassadors of Christ, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Director of Socials, Club 71, Ile-oluji; Treasurer, Nigerian Veterinary Medical Association, Akure Chapter; Public Relations Officer, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association, Akure Chapter; Member, Ile-Oluji Day Planning Committee (2000-2001); **Research Works/Publications:** The Influence Of High Temperature On The Absorption Of Methionine And Galactose In The Small Intestine Of The Female Broiler Chicken (University of Edinburgh, 1987); Evaluation Of Production, Nutritive Value Relative To Fishmeal, Public Health, And Economic Implications Of Maggot Meal In Broiler Diets (Ph.D Thesis, FUTA, 2000); **Address:** School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, Department of Animal Production and Health, Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA).

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AWONUSI, Joseph Atilade; Born on Au-

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gust 27, 1947; **Education:** Baptist School, Ile-Oluji (1955-60); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1964-68); The Polytechnic, Ibadan (1969-70); Yaba College of Technology (1972-74); **Qualifications:** HND Electrical Power (1974); A.S.E.E. (1975); **Career:** Teacher, St Louis Grammar School, Ondo (1971-72); Electrical Engineer/Contract Manager, Smeaton Ltd, Lagos (1974-83); Director, Nunus Engineering Works Ltd. (1980-date); **Affiliations:** Member: Association of Technological Engineers; Association of Supervisory Electrical Engineers; Ikoyi Club 1938; **Interest:** Reading, traveling, and soccer; Married to Margaret Funmilayo Awonusi (nee Awosika) and blessed with children; **Address:** Nunus Engineering works Ltd, 50, Kano Street, Ebute Metta, Lagos.

AYOKUNLE, Henry Olubodun Santos;

Member, Jegun Advisory Committee; Managing Director, Samstel Ltd, Ile-Oluji Born August 4, 1952; **Education:** Ipetu Ijesha Grammar School (1967-68); Ondo Boys High School (1969-71); Atakumosa High School, Osu, Ilesa (1977); Animal Health School, Institute of Agricultural Research and Training, IAR& T, Moor Plantation, Ibadan (1978-79); University of Ife (1980-85); **Qualifications:** Ordinary Diploma in Animal Health (1979); B. Agric, Agric Econs (1985); **Career:** Teacher, Ipetu Ijesha Grammar School (1974-76); Livestock Assistant, Veterinary Clinic, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Ado Ekiti (1979-80); Teacher, Ondo State Teaching Service Commission, attached to Baptist High School, Ile-Oluji (1986-91); Operations Manager (1992-98), Managing Director, Samstel Ltd, Ile-Oluji (1999 to date); **Affiliations:** Secretary: Supreme Club, Ile-Oluji; Ile-Oluji Day Planning Committee (1989-93); Ile-Oluji Cocoa Buyers Asso-



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2002 till date); **Research Works:** *Taboos Among The Ondo Yorubas* (Thesis For B.A Hons. Religion At The University Of Nigeria Nsukka (1975); *The Impact Of Television On Children's Interest In Literature* (Thesis Submitted For MCA Degree, University Of Ibadan, April 1992); **Honours/Awards:** Corporate Woman Achiever (Broadcasting) by Akure South Local Government (1997); Ambassador of Environmental Protections, by Clean up the World; Woman of Substance award and Induction as Fellow of the Covenant Citizens Hall of Fame by the Covenant Citizen World Mission, Akure (1997); Alumni of High Achievement, University of Nigeria, Nsukka (1997); **Interest:** singing, reading, and travelling; **Address:** Ministry of Social Development, Akure.

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Hospitals, Akure and Ado-Ekiti (May 1981-Oct 1984); Medical Director, St. Lucas Hospital, Ado Ekiti (Nov. 1984-June 1985); Medical Director, St Lucas Hospital, Ile-Oluji (July 1985-date);

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tection (1970); **Career:** Field Overseer, Cocoa Survey Dept., Ministry of Agriculture (April 1952-Mar 1955); Agric Asst., Ondo (Oct-Dec 1956); Agric Superintendent-in-Training, Moor Plantation Ibadan (Jan 1957-Dec 1959); Agric Superintendent Grade II, Okitipupa (Jan-Dec 1960); Agric Superintendent Grade I, Akure (Jan 1961-Mar 1964); Higher Agric Superintendent (Apr 1964-Jun 1965); Senior Agric Superintendent (June 1965-Nov 1975); Principal Agric Superintendent Grade II (Dec 1975-Aug 1977); Principal Agric Superintendent Grade I (Aug 1977-May 1979); Asst. Chief Agric. Superintendent. (May 1979-July 1980); Chief Agric Superintendent (Aug 1 1980-till retirement on April 1, 1982); **Affiliations:** Member, Agric Society of Nigeria; President, Ile-Oluji National Union (1972-80); Vice President, Akure Recreation Club (1983-85); Asst. Gen. Sec., Gboluji Progressive Circle (1989-date); Former National President, Ile-Oluji National Union; Member *Egbe Ibero Oluwa*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Lawn Tennis, billiards; Married to Felicia Mobolanle Ige (nee Adegbamigbe); **Address:** 21, Odolu Street, P.O. Box 40, Ile-Oluji or 10 Odutola Lane Oshinle Quarters, P.O. Box 86, Akure. Tel. 034-240491.

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School, Ondo; CMS

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School, Kajola, Ile-Oluji; St

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Alaaye; Oke-Osun/Ileigbo Pry. School,

Ileigbo; St. James Pry. School, Oporun,

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ternational Labour Organisation/United

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sonnel Min. of Establishments and Train-

ing, Ibadan (Jan-Sept. 1971); Asst. Secre-

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Min. of Commerce and Industry, Akure

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tion, Youth, Sports and Social Welfare,

Akure (Oct 1979-Oct 1980); Secretary, Fi-

nance and Administration, Ministry of

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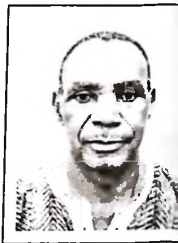
Committee on problems of cocoa market-

ing in Ondo State (1976/1977); Secretary:

Olatawura Judicial Commission of Inquiry

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ior Secondary School, (1955-57); St.

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ography (1969); Post Graduate Diploma

conomic Advisory Council; Board member, Ile-Oluji Community Bank; President, Ile-Oluji National Union; Member, Governing Council, Ondo State University, Ado-Ekiti; Member: Social Circle, Inner Circle of Ile-Oluji; **Honours/Awards:** *Lijofi of Ile-Oluji*; Justice of Peace; Doctor of Philosophy (Public Administration), City State University of Los Angeles, USA, German Academic Scholarship; **Interest:** Music, Farming, Driving; Married to Iyabosola Olayinka Ogunmakinwa (nee Osigbesan) and blessed with children; **Address:** P.O. Box 1425, Akure, Tel: 034-231713.

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1977-81); **Qualifications:** M.B.B.S. (1975); FMC Paed 1 (1981); **Career:** Lab. Technician, Fed. Dept. of Agric Research, Ibadan (1966-67); Lab. Analyst, Nig. Breweries, Lagos (1968-69); Housemanship, UCH, Ibadan (1975-76); House Officer (NYSC), Eja Memorial Hospital, Itigidi, Cross River State (1976-77); Senior House Officer/Registrar I-V, Paediatrics, UCH, Ibadan (1978-81); Principal Medical Officer, State Specialist Hospital, Ondo (1981-84); Medical Director,



Ogunsusi Specialist Hospital, Ile-Oluji (1985 to date); **Affiliations:** Past President, Club 71, Ile-Oluji and Rotary Club, Ondo; Chairman, Association of General and Private Medical Practitioners of Nigeria (AGMPN) Ondo

State Chapter; Member, Full Gospel Business Men Fellowship International; Chairman, Polioplus Immunisation; **Honours/Awards:** Federal Government Scholar (1969-75); Distinguished Medical Practitioner Award (2001); Fellow, Association of General & Private Medical Practitioners of Nigeria; **Interest:** Watching live plays and farming; Married to Modupe Ogunsusi (nee Akinyosoye) and blessed with children; **Address:** Zion Estate, P.O. Box 234, Ile-Oluji.

OGUNSUSI, Phebean Modupe (Nee Akinyosoye);

Evangelist; Assistant Director of Education, Federal Inspectorate Services; Co-Proprietress/Quality Controller, Aunty Dupe Group of Schools and Akinyosoye Model Colleges, Bamikemo/Ile-Oluji; Member Board of Trustees,



Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG) Born August 1, 1949 to Chief and Mrs. Balogun Akinyosoye; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1954-60); L. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1961-63); Christ School, Ado-Ekiti (1964-71); University of Ibadan (1971-74); Obafemi Awolowo University, OAU, Ile-Ife (1988-90); **Qualifications:** B.Ed, M.A. (special education and curriculum studies); **Career:** Lab. Technician, Fed. Dept. of Agric Research, Ibadan (1972); Teacher/Head of Dept: Anglican Women Teachers Training College, Benin City (1974-75); St. Andrew's College, Oyo (1975-78); United Missionary College, Ibadan (1979-80); Federal School of Arts and Science, Ondo (1981-91); Inspector of Schools, Fed. Min. of Education (1991 to date); **Affiliations:** Member, Science Teachers Association of Nigeria (STAN); Secretary, Ile-Oluji Trust Fund Board and Ile-Oluji Education Development Committee; President, Club 71, Ile-Oluji Women's Wing; Charter Sec./Past President, Inne Wheel Club, Ondo; Treasurer, Ambassadors of Christ; Diocesan Youth Advisor; First set of Evangelists of the Anglican Order (2003); **Honours/Awards:** NYSC Award for Mid-Western State (1975); Producer, 100 percent pass in the "A" Level Biology class for two consecutive years at FSAS, Ondo (1989-91); Best Couple Award of Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government; Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2002); *Osi Ijebu Obirin* of St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji (2003); **Interest:** Creative Arts, travelling, cooking, and reading; Married to Dr. Tunde Ogunsusi and blessed with children; **Address:** Zion Estate, P.O. Box 234, Ile-Oluji.

OGUNSUSI, Roberts Akinbowale; Veterinary Surgeon; Professor of Animal Health, Department of Animal Production and Health; Former Acting Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure, FUTA; Born February 9, 1940 to Chief Bafon Ogunsusi and Mrs. Lydia Funmike Ogunsusi; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji, Ijebu-Ode Grammar School, Fourah Bay College, S/Leone, Agronomic

Institute, Romania; Kansas State University, USA, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria;

Qualifications: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (1972); M.Sc Veterinary Parasitology, (1975); PhD, (1978); **Career:**

Laboratory Technician, Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria, CRIN, Ibadan, (1964-65); Vet. Officer, Western State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Ibadan (1972-73); Lecturer II, Dept. of Veterinary Parasitology and Entomology, (Sept. 1973-1976); Lecturer I (1976-1979); Senior Lecturer (1979-1981); Reader, (1981-1984); Professor (1984-90) Honorary Project Director, European Community (EEC), funded project on Ticks and Tick borne diseases (1984-1990), Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria; Head, Animal Production and Health Department, FUTA; Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology FUTA (1991-95); Acting Team Leader, EEC Project on Trypanosomiasis Control, (1991-96); **Career Milestones:** Acting Vice Chancellor, FUTA (Oct-Dec 2001); Deputy Vice Chancellor (2000-2002); Has directly supervised over 45 student projects at undergraduate and post-graduate levels; Served as External Assessor for Readership and professorship promotions of 25 academicians in various universities; **Affiliations:** Member, Ile-Oluji Development Committee (1986-1988); President, Ondo State Indigenes Association, Zaria (1988-1990); National Vice-President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association (1986-date); Member, Ile-Oluji Social Circle (1991-date); Member, FUTA Governing Council (1993-2002); Member, Ondo State Council of Agriculture; President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association, Akure; Former member, Veterinary Council of Nigeria; Member: National Livestock Foundation, National Council of Agriculture, Nigerian Society of Parasitology; **Honours/Awards:** UNESCO Fellow-



ship to Study Veterinary Medicine in Romania; Fellow, Nigerian Society for Veterinary Parasitology, FNSP, (1992); First Scientist in the African Sub-region to describe the phenomenon of Inhibition of Trichostrongyle Larvae; **Research Works/Publications:** Over 50 scientific productions including *The Action of Environmental Physical Factors on Free-living Larvae of Gastro-Intestinal Tricho-Strongyle of Sheep*; **Interest:** Sports, Reading, Music; Married to Janet Igbayilola Ogunsusi (nee Akinyokunbo)-- and blessed with children; **Address:** Federal University of Technology, Akure; Tel: 034-240585, 08037250667.

OGUNTADE, Akinduro Joel; retired Navy Commander; former Acting Deputy General Manager, Arsenal Workshop, Naval Dockyard, Victoria Island, Lagos; Born to Johnson Daniel Falade Oguntade and Abigael Menyolanu Oguntade; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1951-57); Local Authority Secondary Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1958-60); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1961-65); School of Agriculture, Akure (1966); Naval School of Electrical Engineering, INS Valsura, Jamnagar India (1966-70); SIGNAL School of Computer Engineering, Hengelo, Holland (1982-83), Royal Naval Engineering College, Manadon, Plymouth, England (1984-85); **Career :** Fought the concluding part of the Nigerian Civil War aboard *NNS Enugu*; (1970); Member, Maintenance Group, Electrical Engineering Workshop, *NNS Beecroft*, Apapa (1971-76); Flotilla Maintenance Group, *NNS Beecroft*, Apapa (1976-77); Electrical Maintenance Technician, *NNS Nigerian Weapon* (1977-79); Base Electrical Officer, *NNS ANANSA*, Calabar (1979-81); Assistant Weapon/Electrical Officer, *NNS Enyimiri* and *NNS ARADU* (1983-87); Workshop Officer, Fleet Support Group (1984-88); Officer in Charge, Basic Engineering School, *NNS*



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URHIAPELE, Sapele (1989-92); Base Technical Officer, *NNS Umalokun*, Warri (1993-94); Fleet Support Maintenance Officer, Apapa (1994-95); Staff Officer, Weapon/Electrical Engineering, Western Naval Command, Apapa (1996); Manager, Fire Control Systems, Naval Dockyard, Victoria Island (1996-2000); Acting Deputy General Manager, Arsenal Workshop, Naval Dockyard, Victoria Island, Lagos (2000 till voluntary retirement after 35 years of service in 2001); **Affiliations:** Vice-President, Prestige Club, Ile-Oluji; Member: Club 15, Ile-Oluji; President, Anglican Youth Fellowship of Nigeria; Saviour's Anglican Parish Church, Abule Ijesha; **Address:** 56, Community Road, Obadore, off LASU/Isheri Road, Lagos.

OGUNYEMI, Jacob Rufus Akinsimoye; *Bapaiye of Ile-Oluji*; Former Assistant Chief Accountant, Ministry of External Affairs, Lagos; Born December 18, 1930 to Mr. Agbede Ogunyemi Ogunsusi and Madam Eunice Ogunyemi; **Education:** Ondo Boys' High School, (1945-1951); Federal Training Centre, Lagos; Labor College of Canada; **Qualifications:** Certificates in Sociology and Political Science, and Co-operative Management; **Career:** Teacher, St. Peter's Infant School, Ile-Oluji; Third Class Clerk, later Asst. Executive Officer (Accounts) Post & Telegraph Dept. (P&T), Lagos (1952-58); Ministry of Lagos Affairs; Executive Officer Accounts: Fed. Min. of Finance (1968); Min. of External Affairs (1969); Posted to London in October 1970, served in various capacities including First Secretary Finance, Counsellor Finance, Greece (1981); England, Sweden,

Kenya, Romania and Bulgaria; Returned to Nigeria, became Assistant Chief Accountant, Ministry of External Affairs, Lagos, (1983-1985); **Affiliations:** Chairman/Managing Director, Jacob Rufus & Sons; Second

Vice-President, Ile-Oluji National Union Lagos; Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle President, Sidemen and Lady Collectors St. Paul's Church, Breadfruit, Lagos; Member, *Egbe Ireti Aanu*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Piano, Table tennis; Married to Victoria Adebamiwa Ogunyemi (née Akinmayowa) and blessed with children. **Address:** 50, Modupe Johnson Crescer Surulere, Lagos. Tel: 836738.

OGUNYEMI, Victoria Adebamiwa (née Akinmayowa); Born in 1931; **Education:** St. Paul's School, Igbore, Abeokuta Olowogbowo Methodist School, Lagos Shagamu Girls' School, (1952-54); Grade III Teachers' College, Shagamu (1954-56) Protestant Teachers' College, Yaba, Lagos (1964-66); Kenyatta University College Kenya; **Qualifications:** Teachers' Grade III Certificate (1956) and Grade II Certificate (1966); Diplomas in Education (1978) and Dressmaking; **Career:** Teacher: Igbobini, Okitipupa Division (1956-58); Ereko Methodist School, (1959-64, (1966-69); Baptist Primary School, Surulere, Lagos (1969-70, (1974-76); Government College, Eric-Moore, Surulere, Lagos (1980-84); Headmistress: Adebola Primary School, Surulere (1984-86); Obele Primary School; Married to Chief Jacob Ogunyemi and blessed with children.

OJO, Akinwale, Dr; Agricultural and Horticultural Entomologist; Member, Board of Directors, Nigerian Shippers Council; National President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association; Executive Secretary, Cocoa Association of Nigeria; **Education:** St Peter's School Ile-Oluji, Gboluji Grammar School Ile-Oluji, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, University of Ife, Ile-Ife, University of Reading, Berkshire, United Kingdom; **Career:** Research Officer- in-training,



Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria, CRIN (1968); Chief Research Officer CRIN (1985); Owena Mills Company Limited; Ondo State Investment Holding Company Limited (1988); Executive Secretary Cocoa Association of Nigeria (1992-date); **Affiliations:** Member, National Cocoa Development Committee; Former President, Ile-Oluji National Union, Akure branch; Secretary General, Ile-Oluji National Union Headquarters; Member: Social Circle, Ile-oluji; *Egbe Ifehinti*, St, Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Ondo State Judicial Service Commission; Ondo State Economic Advisory Council; Consultant: Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), International Cocoa Organization (ICO), Cocoa Producers Alliance (CPA), and Nigeria Cocoa Board (now defunct); Member, Church Council, Chapel of Annunciation, Vining College of Theology Akure; **Honours/Awards:** Merit Award of the National Union of Ile-Oluji Students, FUTA Chapter; Scout Wood badge holder, Gilwell Park London; Chief *Ruwaji* of Ile-Oluji; **Publications:** Several papers in national and international journals; **Interest:** Sports; **Address:** 71F, Skyway, Ile-Oluji; 2 Adewumi Close, off James Adegoke Street, Okejebu, Akure; Tel: 034-244487, 243208, 08034072237.

ber, Nigeria Union of Teachers; Captain, Social Circle & Irepodun Society, Ile-oluji; People's Warden/Treasurer, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Farming, reading; Married to Ose Okunfulure (nee Akinrimisi) and blessed with children; **Address:** 8, Awokiyesi Avenue, P.O. Box 78, Ajiferere Street, Ile-Oluji.

OKUNFULURE, David Ibikunle, The Venerable; Born June 10, 1901 to Chief Sindurowo and Madam Oladibinu Okunfulure; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1914-19); Ondo Boys' High School; St Andrew's College, Oyo; St Augustine College, Kent, England; **Qualifications:** Cambridge Teachers' Certificate; Deacon's Certificate (1946); Priests' Diploma in Theology with merit at Canterbury (1959); **Career:** Teacher: Ondo Boys' High School (1927-35), St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji, (where, 1945, he served as agric teacher, earning whatever was available since the church could not afford the wage bills of the teaching staff); Curate, Vicar, Canon, St Andrew's Church, Ekpoma, Edo State; Canon-in-charge, St Andrew's Church, Owo; Archdeacon of Akure, Ondo Diocese (1964-76); Canon, St Stephen's Cathedral, Ondo (1956); Archdeacon (1964); **Affiliations:** Chairman/member, Board of Governors of various secondary schools and colleges in Ondo and Delta States including Ujoren Grammar School, Ishan, Delta State, Manuwa Grammar School, Iju Odo, Oyemekun Grammar School, Akure, St Mary's College, Owo, St Helen's Teachers' College, Ondo; **Honours/Awards:** Scholarship award sponsored by the then Osemawe of Ondo (1925); *Baba Ijo* of St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji (1984); Married to Helenah Oladimeji Okunfulure (nee Adegbembo) and blessed with children.



OKUNFULURE, Amos William Omolola; Retired School teacher, Born June 22, 1938; **Education:** St Peter's Pry. School, Ile-Oluji (1946-53); St David's College, Evboneka, Benin City, Edo State (1956-57); St John College, Owo, Ondo State, (1960-61); Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo (1966-68); **Qualifications:** Teachers' Grade Three Certificate (1957); Teachers' Grade Two Certificate (1962), N.C.E. (1968); **Career:** Teacher: St David School, Ekpoma (1954-56, 1958-59); Teacher, St John School, Ekpoma (1962-63); Tutor, St Peter's Secondary Modern School, Ekpoma; Asst. Headmaster, St James' School, Owo; Asst. Headmaster, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; Vice Principal, Orere Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1984-86); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; **Affiliations:** Member, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government Education Authority; Mem-



OKUNFULURE, Joseph Oyewole, Director, Lands, Urban, and Regional Development, Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, Abuja; Born September 9, 1946 to Venerable and Mrs. David Okunfulure;

Education: Christ School, Ado-Ekiti; University of Ibadan; Nottingham University, England; Katholieke University, Leuven, Belgium; **Qualifications:** B.Sc Geography (1970); M.A. Environmental Planning (1972); Certificate in Housing, Katholieke University, Leuven, Belgium (1981); Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Town Planners; **Career:** Town Planning Officer Grade I/Senior Town Planning Officer, Federal Ministry of Economic Planning (1974-76); Principal Town Planning Officer, Federal Capital Development Authority (1976-78); Assistant Chief Town Planning Officer, Federal Ministry of Housing and Environment (1979-81); Chief Town Planning Officer (1981-84); Assistant Chief Urban and Regional Development Officer (1985-89); Deputy Director, Urban and Regional Development Division (1989-95); Director of Lands, Environment, Urban, and Regional Development Department, Federal Ministry of Works and Housing (1995); **Affiliations:** Chairman, Shelter Afrique (the company for housing and urban development), Member: Special Committee on the Preparation of the new National Housing Policy (1985); National Delegation to the ninth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Settlement (1986); National Advisory Committee on Conservation of Renewable Resources in Nigeria; Chairman, National Committee on the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless (1987); Secretary, Presidential Committee on Urban Development and Housing (2001); **Publications:** *Influence of Extension Services on Agricultural Production in Ikuere Division, Location of a New Capital City for Nigeria*; **Address:** Department of Lands, Urban, and Regional Development,

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Education: St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1965-70); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1972-76); Special Sixth Form College, Ikare Akoko (1977-79); University of Ife (1979-84); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Building (1984), Member, Council of Registered Builders of Nigeria (CORBON); Member, Nigerian Institute of Builders; **Career:** Trainee Engineer, Cosmos Export; Project Engineer, Oladipo Engineering Firm, Lagos; Managing Director, J-Nissi Chemical Limited, Lagos; **Affiliations:** Chairman, J. Nissi Children School, Ogba, Lagos; Trustee, Dolphin Female Basketball Team, Lagos; Chairman, Praise and Worship Committee, Full Gospel Business Fellowship International, Ogba Chapter, Lagos; **Missionary Work:** Graduated from Latter Rain Bible School, Ogba, Lagos (1993); Ordained Pastor (November 1993); Assisting Pastor, Faith Family Bible Church, Lagos (1993-96); Senior Pastor, Christ LivingSpring Apostolic Ministry (CLAM), Omole, Lagos; **Interest:** Lawn Tennis, reading, writing, helping the needy, and driving; Married to Bukola Oladiyun (Nee Olubakinde) and blessed with children; **Address:** Christ LivingSpring Apostolic Ministry, CLAM Way, Behind Tejumola Building, Omole, Lagos; Tel: 01-4818759, 08042135921, 08033064451, 08033037793; e-mail: deliverancebyfire@yahoo.com

Olasumu Olaley; **Education:** Baptist Day School, Ile-Oluji (1955); Independence Grammar School, Ondo (1962); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1964); Igbobi College, Yaba, Lagos (1968); University of Ibadan (1968-75); Department of Paediatrics, Children's Hospital, University of Sheffield, United Kingdom (1981); Pfizer

F o u n d a t i o n Edinburgh, Scotland and Royal Infirmary Hospital (1982); Institute of Child Health, University of London and Great Ormond Hospital for sick children, London (1982); UNICEF Fellowship Programme, Sierra



Leone (1983); London School of Hygiene and St Pancreas Hospital for Tropical Diseases, London (1986); Green Hill Institute of Management and Public Administration, Achimota, Ghana (1991); Technion Israel Institute of Technology, Hafia (1994); **Qualifications:** Diploma in Health Administration and Management; MB.B.S. (1975), M.Sc Mother and Child Health (1984); Fellow, Royal Society of Health, London (1985); Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (1986); **Career:** House Officer: State Hospital Ile-Ife (1975-76), State Hospital, Akure (April-June 1976); Senior House Officer, Rural Health Center, Ankpa, Benue State (1976/77); Medical Officer, Paediatrics Dept., State Hospital, Akure (1977-81); Post Graduate Resident, Children's Hospital, Sheffield S.10, England (1981-82); Post Graduate Resident, Great Ormond Hospital for Children's Diseases (1982-86); Principal Medical Officer, State Specialist Hospital, Akure (1995-1996); **Other Posts Held:** Doctor in charge of Homicide Cases and Autopsy, State Specialist Hospital, Akure (1976-82); Guest Lecturer, School of Health Technology, Akure (1987-date); Chairman, Ondo State, Oral Rehydration Therapy Implementation Committee (1989-date), Member, Board of Ondo State Alternative Medicine (1996-99); **Affiliations:** Chairman,

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Ondo State Herbal Committee (Jan 2000); Member: Nigerian Medical Association; Paediatric Association of Nigeria; British Tropical Paediatric Association; Club 71, Ile-Oluji; **Research Works/Publications:** *The Diagnosis and Management of Acute Respiratory Infections (ARI); Is Local Weaning Food Essential?* (Dissertation for M.Sc degree, 1983); *Weaning Practice In A Depressed Economy* (UNICEF Programme on Ondo State Radiovision Corporation, (1992); **Honours/Awards:** Federal Government Scholar (1970); West African Health Community Award (1991); *Lekiran of Ile-Oluji*; Justice of the Peace (Ondo State Government); Married to Bosede Omolara Olaleye; **Address:** 26, Oke Odunwo Street, P.O. Box 170, Ile-Oluji; Children's Ward, State Specialist Hospital, P.O. Box 1170, Akure.

OLAMILOSOYE, Johnson Oluwole; Director of Audit, Project Monitoring Unit, Governor's Office, Akure; Born February 14, 1951; **Education:** Baptist Teachers' Training College, Iwo, Osun State (1968-70); University of Ife (1972-76, 1978-80); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Social Science (Economics) with specialisation in Accounting (1976); Post Graduate Diploma in Public Financial Management (July 1980); **Career:** Asst. Accountant, Sokoto Price Control Committee (Sept.1976-July 1977); Auditor Grade 11 (1977-79); Auditor Grade 1 (Aug 1980); Senior Editor (Nov 1980); Principal Auditor (Apr 1982); Asst Chief Auditor (Jul 1983-Nov 1986); Asst Director of Audit (1986-88); Deputy Director of Audit (1988-1993); Director of Audit (1993-1996); Director, State Finance (1996-98); Ondo State Co-ordinator, Family Economic Advancement Programme (FEAP, 1998); **Affiliations:** Member, Ile-Oluji Development Committee; Chairman, Board of Governors, Baptist High School, Ile-Oluji; Head, Local Government Audit Team, Ondo State Funds and Property Recovery Panel; **Research Works/Publications:** *Approaches To Public Budgeting And Audit Efficiency With Special Reference To Ondo State*; **Interest:** Singing, reading,

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Married and blessed with children; **Address:** Project Monitoring Unit, Governor's Office, Akure, Ondo State.

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Earthwide Nigeria Limited (1986); Interest: Golf, Table Tennis, Travelling; married to Sola Christianah Kehinde and blessed with children; **Address:** Coca-Cola Nigeria Ltd., 16, Gerrard Road, Ikoyi, Lagos; Tel: 01-3201204, 2695686, 08034022449; e-mail: aolaniyi@afrr.ko.com.

for Diabetes Mellitus (1995); Medical Plants in Ibadan under threats of Genetic Erosion (1992); Treatment of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia without surgery (2001) **Honours/Awards:** Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2002); **Address:** NARL Specialist Clinic, Ibadan. Tel: 02-8105720; 08034036441, +8821646685970.

OLAPADE, Ebenezer Oluwafemi, Dr.;



Botanist; Medical Director, NARL Specialist Clinic, Ibadan; Born March 10, 1951; **Education:** Ibadan Boys' High School (1964-68); University of Ibadan (1971-76); University of Nigeria, Nsukka (1992); University College of

North Western Britain **Qualifications:** B.Sc Botany (1976); M.Sc Genetics (1980); Ph.D Genetics (1984); Certificate in Tissue Culture (1992); Certificate in Computer Science (1996); **Career:** Research Scientist, Rubber Research Institute of Nigeria, Benin City (1976-90); Research Scientist/Head of the West African Hard Wood Improvement Project, Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria, Ibadan (1990-97); **Career Highlights:** Developed through hybridization the rubber trees that reached maturity in five years and produced latex 10 times more than the parent plants; National Co-ordinator, International Neem Network involving 32 countries; Developed promising natural remedies for several diseases such as migraine headache, hepatitis, haemorrhoids and anal prolapse, enlarged prostate gland, ovarian cyst, etc; **Affiliations:** Consultant to the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations on Tropical trees (from 1991); Associate Lecturer, Medicinal plants, Department of Botany and Microbiology, University of Ibadan (from 1997); **Research Works/Publications:** over 25 publications in local and international journals and over 250 articles in newspapers, including Foods and Herbs

OLORUNYOLEMI, Joshua Ogunmolu (JP); High Chief *Sama* of Ile-Oluji; National Chairman, Nigerian Legion; President, Association of Nigerian Co-operative Exporters (ANCE); Born August 6, 1922; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1933-40); General Hospital Warri (1942); British Institute of Engineering Technology (1943-45); General Hospital Alexandria, Egypt (1946); International Co-operative Development Center, Cairo, Egypt, (June-July 1986); **Qualifications:** Standard Six Certificate (1940); Nursing Certificate Grade III (1943); Pre-vocational Course Certificate in Dispensing; **Career:** Joined the Military Service in 1942 after serving briefly in Ede and Warri on the completion of training as a nurse; Posted abroad and served in the Middle East Command and under Field Marshall Montgomery in the British 8th Army (1943-46); Demobilized and honorably discharged on August 29, 1946; Sales Account Clerk, United African Company Limited (1948-51); Manager, Toriola Trading Company (1951-68); Field Secretary, Organizing Secretary and Zonal Secretary, Action Group (1954-62); Member, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council (1955-62); Member, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council Advisory Committee (1969-72); Manager, Pilot Sawmill Ltd., Apomu (1969-72); Vice Chairman, Management Committee, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government Council (1973-75); Chairman, Ifesowapo Local Government (1977-79); Chairman, Ondo State



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Local Government Service Commission (1979-83); **Affiliations:** Chairman Parents Teachers Association Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji; President, *Aiyeyewa* Co-operative Thrift and Credit Society, Ile-Oluji (1964-date); Committee member, Ile-Oluji Cooperative Thrift and Credit Union; President: Inner Circle Club, Ile-Oluji (1994), Ile-Oluji Co-operative Multipurpose Union Limited; Member: Board of Governors, Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji, Parish Council of St. Luke's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji (1968-90), Ile-Oluji District Church Council (1969-80), Archdeaconry Board, Ile-Oluji (1980 and 1987); President, Young Men Christian Association, Ondo State; Executive Member, Co-operative Federation of Nigeria Limited (1973-74); Director: Co-op Bank Plc (1994), Co-op Cocoa Products Ltd (1999), Co-op Investment and Trust Society Ltd (1994), Cocoa Association of Nigeria (1999), Co-op Transport Ltd (1999); Member, Nigeria Ex-Sevicemen Welfare Association (NEWA); National Vice-Chairman, Nigerian Legion (1990); Acting National-Chairman, Nigerian Legion (1992-date); appointed alternate council member for Nigeria by the World Veteran Federation (1993-94); **Honours/Awards:** *Batisen* of Ile-Oluji (1987), High Chief *Sama* of Ile-Oluji (1995); Justice of the Peace (2003); **Interest:** Farming, Reading and Trekking; **Address:** 38 Lokun Street, P. O. Box 115, Ile-Oluji; 16, Kola Ogunmola Street, Ijapo Estate, Akure, Ondo State. Tel: 034-230463.

teacher (1967); Store Clerk, Western Nigeria Marketing Board (1968-71); Site Engineer, Germany (1977-78); Building Officer/Project Manager, Ministry of Works and Transport, Akure (1979-2001); Chief Executive Officer, Olutakin Construction/Consultancy Company, Akure (2001-date); **Affiliations:** President, Ile-Oluji National Union, Akure Branch; Member, Ambassadors of Christ, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Chairman, Study Group on Infrastructural and Socio-Economic Developmental Projects in Ondo South Senatorial District; Member: Nigerian Institute of Building; National Council of Nigerian Institute of Building; Council of Engineers, Germany; Institute of Engineers, London, and Materials Society of Nigeria; **Honours/Awards:** Ondo State Justice of the Peace Award (2000); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2000); **Career Milestones:** Construction of Central Church, State Hospital, and Precast Buildings all in Germany; Construction of Rubber Research Estate Buildings (Edo State), Ondo State House Of Assembly Building, Ondo State Polytechnic, Owo Main Gate, Schools, Hospitals, Political Party Secretariat Buildings etc; **Address:** Olutakin Construction Company, 21, Oyemekun Road, Akure; Tel: Office: 034-244888, Home: 241095



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OLUBAKINDE, Samuel Olorunsola; Born October 16, 1927 to Chief Lijoka N.O Olubakinde and Madam Mercy Ogunsunmade Olubakinde, both of the Ofalaleye ruling house and Chief Lisa Odidi extraction; **Education:** St Peter's Infant and Primary School, Ile-Oluji (1935-42); Ondo Boys' High School (1942-47); London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (1963-64); School of Hygiene and Health Auxillaries Training School, Eleiyele, Ibadan; American University of



Beirut, Lebanon (on World Health Organisation Scholarship 1970-71); **Qualifications:** Certificate for Public Health Inspectors in West Africa (1950); Diploma in Environmental Health (1964); Certificate in Environmental Health (1971); **Career** Teacher, Apostolic Central School, Oke Oye, Ilesha; Sanitary Inspector in training, Lagos (1948-50); Tutor, School of Hygiene and Health Auxillaries Training School, Eleyele, Ibadan; Assistant Chief Health Officer, Ministry of Health, Ibadan; Chief Health Superintendent, Ondo State Civil Service (1976-84); **Affiliations:** Member, Royal Society of Health, London; Honorary General Secretary, Professional Association of Public Health Superintendents; Associate Organist, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Treasurer, Parish Church Council (1984-88); member, *Egbe Ireti Aanu Kristi*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Member, Bible Society of Nigeria; Treasurer, Board of Governors, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1984 to date); Foundation member, Gboluji Progressive Circle; **Honours/Awards:** *Otun Ijo Okunrin*, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Church music, gardening, indoor games; Married to Victoria Mojibola Olubakinde (Nee Bolarinwa) and blessed with children; **Address:** 5, College Road, Ajiferere Quarters, P.O. Box 263, Ile-Oluji.

OLUSUYI, Akindolani Julius; Business Development Partner, Prudent Bank PLC; Managing Partner, Julius Samuelson Associates, Lagos; former Chief Executive Officer, Cocoa Products Industry Limited, Ede; Born August 2, 1950 to Mr. Samuel Ogunsuyi Akintunde and Mrs. Alice Omobisola Akinsunlola; **Education:** L.A. Secondary Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1963-64); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1965-69); St. Thomas Aquinas College, Akure (Jan-Aug 1970); University of Nigeria, Nsukka (1970-75); London School

of Accountancy (1978-1980); University of Ibadan (1983-84); **Qualifications:** B.Sc (Hons) Accountancy (1975); Associate Member, Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (1983); M.Sc Banking & Finance (1984); Associate Member, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria, ICAN; **Career:** Divisional Audit Officer, Kaduna State Audit Department (1975-1976); Stock Control Manager, General Imports Division, CFAO Nigeria PLC (Jul 1976-Dec 1977); Accountant, University of Ife Bookshops Ltd. (Jan-Oct 1978); Accountant, UAC Nigeria PLC (Jan-May 1981); Investment Manager, Group Headquarters, Ibadan, O'dua Investment Company Limited (Jun-Aug 1981); Finance Controller, Nigergrob Ceramic Limited, Abeokuta (Aug 1981-May 1982), Finance & Admin.



Manager, Odu'a Printing Company Limited, Ibadan (May 1982-Sept 1984); Managing Director, Phoenix Motors, Limited, Lagos, (Sept 1984-Dec 1992); Managing Director, Dalebond Finance and Securities Limited, Lagos (Jan 1993-May 1995); Chief Executive Officer, Cocoa Products Industry Limited, Ede (May 1995-Jun 2000); Managing Partner, Julius Samuelson Associates (July 2000-date); **Affiliations:** Member: Club 71 of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji, Nigerian Institute of Management, Lagos Country Club; **Honours/Awards:** Western State Scholarship for outstanding performance in pre-degree examinations (1971), International Bank for West Africa, IBWA prize for best student, M.Sc Banking and Finance (1984); **Interest:** Football, Reading; Married to Araola OLusuyi (nee Adewakun) and blessed with children; **Address:** Samuel House, Felele-Express Link Road, Ibadan; Tel: 022-316206

OMOBOSOYE, Cosmos Akinmola; Re-



tired Civil Servant; Born January 19, 1950; **Education:** Baptist Day School, Ile-Oluji; Local Authority Secondary Modern School, Ile-Oluji; Igbo-Elerin Grammar School, Ibadan; Co-Operative College, Akure; The Polytechnic,

Owo; University of Ife; **Qualifications:** Diploma in Co-operative Studies; Diploma in Local Government Studies; Advanced Diploma in Management Studies; Associate member, Nigerian Institute of Management (AMNIM); **Career:** Administrative Secretary, Co-operative Movement; Assistant Executive Officer (Admin) Local Government Service; Rose to Principal Executive Officer (Admin); Secretary, Efon-Alaaye Local Admin; retired as Director C.P.A (Admin); **Affiliations:** Founding member: Pace Setters Club; President, Metropolitan Club; Secretary, Araromi Baptist Church, Ile-Oluji; Public Relations Officer, Ile-Oluji Day Inauguration Committee (1989); Correspondence Secretary, Ile-Oluji Day Planning Committee (1995-96); Chairman, Ile-Oluji Day 1998 Planning Committee; **Honours/Awards:** Chief *Manae* of Ile-Oluji Kingdom (1997); **Interest:** Reading, Watching football, films, and travelling.

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Technical Services, Associated Adjusters, Lagos (1988-91); Managing Director/Chief Executive, Corporate Loss Adjusters, Lagos (1991-date); **Interest:** Past President, Tap Club, Ile-Oluji; Financial Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos; Member, WAII Alumni Association; Associate Member: Institute of Loss Adjusters of Nigeria; Chartered Insurance Institute of London, Insurance Institute of Nigeria, and Faculty of Risk Management of Nigeria (FARIM); **Address:** Corporate Loss Adjusters, 37, Olonade Street, Alagomeji, P.O. Box 2288, Yaba Lagos. Tel. 864442.

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Career: Various editorial positions in Ghana at Government Information Services, Daily



Graphic, Ghanaian Times, Radio Ghana, and Ghana News Agency; Sub Editor, Western Nigerian Broadcasting Service, WNTV/WNBS, Ibadan and Lagos (1961-65); Lagos City Editor, WNTV/WNBS (1965-73); Information and Education Officer, Planned Parenthood Federation of Nigeria (1974-77); Senior Information Officer, Ondo State (1977-81); Deputy Director of Information Services, Ondo State (1981-91); Chief Executive, Ondo State RadioVision Corporation (1985-87 and 1989); Director of Planning, Research and Statistics, Ministry of Information and Culture (Jan. 1991-Mar 1992); Director of Information Services, Ondo State; **Affiliation:** Former member, Board of Governors, Baptist High School, Ile-Oluji; Representative of the Ministry of Information on the Board of Ondo State RadioVision Corporation and Ondo State Library Board; Member, Ondo State Customary Court Panel (1997-date); **Address:-** P.O. Box 1520, Akure.

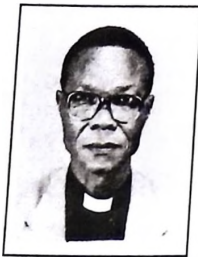
St Thomas Anglican Church, Akure: Patron, Children Evangelism Ministry, Ondo State; Member, Science Teachers' Association of Nigeria, and Nigerian Association of Educational Management; Protém Chairman, Association of Nigerian Universities Secondary Schools; **Honours/Awards:** Various Letters of Commendation from FUTA Council and Management Board; **Interest:** Farming, evangelism, and counseling; Married to Stella Morounkeji Oni (Nee Dage) and blessed with children; **Address:** Staff Secondary School, Federal University of Technology, PMB 704, Akure; Tel: 034-240975, 241567, 08034726412.



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Boys' High School (Jan-Jun 1951); Teacher/Vice Principal, Gboluji Grammar School, (1951-54, 1958-72); Principal, Ife Grammar School, (Jan-Mar 1973); Principal II, Victory College, Ikare (1973-75); Principal: Egbe Oba

High School, Ikole-Ekiti (1975-76); Ondo Grammar School, (1976-81); Gboluji Grammar School, (1981-85); **Church Ministry:** Deacon (1974); Priest (1975); Superintendent (1982); Canon (1983); Archdeacon (1984); Collated Archdeacon (1988); Chaplain; Curate; Asst. Priest; Superintendent; Vicar; and Archdeacon, various Churches in the Anglican Communion; **Affiliations:** Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle; Foundation Councillor/Executive Member, Ile-Oluji/ Oke-Igbo District Council; Member: Classical Association of England, Bible Society of Nigeria; **Research Works/Publications:** *The Pattern of Tribal Education in Ondo State; Problems of Education in Nigeria; Christian Marriage and Counselling; The Development of Secondary Education in Western Nigeria with special reference to the contribution of the Anglican (CMS) Mission: 1842-1960;*

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OPEKE, Esther Arinola (nee Akinrelere);

Born December 27, 1934 to Chief S.A. Akinrelere, *Ekerin* of St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji, and Madam Elizabeth Olamiyode Akinrelere; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1942-49); Girls Secondary Modern School, Ondo (1950); St Mary's College, Owo (1951-52, 1955-56); The University of Reading, Berkshire, United Kingdom (1958-59); **Qualifications:** Grades Three & Two Teachers' Certificates (1952 & 1956); Grade 1 Teachers Certificate, Pri-

mary School Management (1959); **Career:** Headmistress: St John's School Igbotako, (1953) and St Paul's School Okitipupa (1954); Class Teacher/Housemistress, Akoko Jubilee Sec. Modern School, Ikare (1957); Teaching appointments in various schools at Reading, Berkshire, UK (1958-59); Class Teacher Maryhill Convent School, Ibadan (1962-63); Asst. Headmistress and Headmistress, Sacred Heart Private School, Ibadan (1963, 1964-76); Headmistress: SS Peter & Paul's School, Ile-Ife (1976-78); St Patrick's School, Ondo (1978-79); Senior Tutor, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1980-86); **Affiliations:** Secretary, Convent Teachers' Association, Ibadan (1963-68); Asst. Secretary, Catholic Teachers' Association, Ibadan (1964-69); Member, St Bridig's Social Centre, Ibadan (1965-72); Member, Board of Governors, Our Lady of Apostles Secondary. Grammar School, Ibadan (1973-76); Executive Member, Oranmiyan Schools Board, Ile-Ife (1976-78); Honorary Schools Inspector, Oranmiyan Local Schools, Ile-Ife (1977-78); Member: Nigerian Union of Teachers; Diocesan Secretary, Ondo Anglican Communion Mothers' Union (1984-87); Asst Chairperson, Nigerian Union of Teachers, Ile-Oluji Zone (1985-86); Chairperson, Rural Women and Development, Ifesowapo Local Government (1985-88); Matron, Anglican Youth Fellowship, St Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji; Licensed Layreader, Ondo Diocese, Anglican Communion; Life Member, Bible Society of Nigeria; **Honour:** First non-graduate student at the Dept. of Education, Reading University to pass well thereby paving way for other overseas students; **Interest:** Sewing, embroidery, gardening, and reading; Married to Professor Lawrence Kayode Opeke and blessed with children; **Address:** 27, Ajiferere Street, Ile-Oluji, Ondo State.

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John's School, Ajebamidele (1934); St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1936-38, 1943-44); INA School, Ilutitun (1942); Ondo Boys' High School (1945-49); School of Agriculture, Moor Plantation, Ibadan (1951-52); University College, Ibadan (1952-57); University of Reading, Reading, United Kingdom (1958-61);

Qualifications: Diploma in Tropical Agriculture (1952); B.Sc General Agriculture (1957); Ph. D Agricultural Botany (Cytogenetics and Plant Breeding, 1961); Certificate of Merit in Agricultural Sciences (1978); **Career:** Tutor, Ondo Boys' High School (1950); Agricultural Assistant in Training (1951-52); Agronomist, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, MANR, (1957-61); Senior Research Officer, MANR (1961-62); Lecturer, University of Ife (1962-63); Deputy Director, West African Cocoa Research Institute, Nigeria (1964-74); General Secretary, Association for the Advancement of Agricultural Sciences in Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (1974-76); Visiting Professor of Crop Production, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1976-78); Member, Ondo State House of Assembly (1979-82); Professor of Crop Production, Head, Department of Crop Production; Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, and Acting Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure, FUTA, (1982-87); Administrative/Executive Secretary, Cocoa Association of Nigeria, CAN, (1987-91); **Career Milestones:** Established the headquarters of the Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria, CRIN, at Idi-Ayunre, near Ibadan; Initiated the now standard requirement at FUTA for all students, regardless of area of specialization, to pass course 201 (General Agriculture) before graduation; During his tenure in the Ondo State House of Assembly, he successfully convinced the Ondo State Government of Chief Michael Adekunle Ajasin to accept the community built Fajemirokun Hospital as a State Hospital; **Research Works/Publications:** Preliminary Observations on a few Vegetables of Western Nigeria (1963); Agricultural Production in Nigeria (1963), Tropical Tree Crops (1982); **Affiliations:** Member: Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji;

Mabolaje Society of Ile-Oluji; Board of Directors, Ile-Oluji Community Bank; Bible Society of Nigeria; Board of Directors, International Institute for Tropical Agriculture, IITA, Ibadan;

Honours/Awards: College Scholar, University of London (1954); Colombo Plan Scholar (1958); Ceremonial Neck bead Presentation by the Ile-Oluji Community (1967); Instrumental to the establishment of Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Ltd (1980); *Bamuwasan* of Ile-Olujiland (1981); Cited in: *Africa Who's Who* (1981); *Who's Who in Science and Technology in Nigeria* (1989), and *Who's Who in Ile-Oluji* (1994); Plaque of Honour as First Director of Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria (1989); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (1999); **Interest:** Hunting, gardening; married to Esther Arinola Opeke (nee Akinrelere) and blessed with children; **Address:** 27, Ajiferere Street, P.O. Box 198, Ile-Oluji.



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and Research Liaison Unit, Institute of Agricultural Research and Training, Moor Plantation, Ibadan (1972-85); Part-time Lecturer, Comparative Extension, Communication, and Youth Extension Programme, Uni-

versity of Ibadan (1978-79); Research and Extension Liaison Specialist, Food and Agricultural Organisation, United Nations, Zambia (to implement North Western Area Development Project and development of effective communication network centre for North Western Province of Zambia; Introduction and development of radio listening groups and feedback systems for extension workers; Organisation of women in agricultural development on small scale income generation; Co-ordination of several donor funded adaptive research and rural development programmes; introduction of crop utilization and food technology on tropical crops such as roots and tubers; training of national Staff for extension and rural development with a view to sustaining the projects (1985-91); Chief Technical Adviser, FAO, Zanzibar, Tanzania with primary assignment of implementing the UNDP-funded \$3 million Agricultural Extension Systems; (1992-93); **Career Highlights:** Consultant: Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute, ARMTI, Ilorin; United Nations Development Programme, UNDP, on strengthening rural institutions for poverty alleviation projects under the Agriculture and Rural Development Programme; Consultant, FAO for Agricultural extension campaign for the control of Downy Mildew disease of maize in Nigeria; **Affiliations:** Chairman, Board of Governors, Orere Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1980-82); Chairman, Board of Directors, Benin/Owena River Basin and Rural Development Authority (1985); President, Commonwealth Association of Scientific Agricultural Societies, CASAS (1994-date); General Secretary, Agricul-

tural Society of Nigeria (1978-84); Member, Association for the Advancement of Agricultural Sciences in Africa (1975-date); Member, Presidential Committee on subsidy on farm inputs (1980-81); Member, Rural Sociology Society, USA; President, International Students' Association, University of Saskatchewan, Canada (1971-72); Member, Central Executive Committee, Ibadan Recreation Club (1994-96); Member, Board of Trustees, United Nations Human Development Trust Fund for Ondo State (2002-date); **Awards:** Special awards for scholastic works on rural development by the Government of Ecuador (1982), **Research Works/Publications:** Over 50 professional and technical publications; **Interest:** Lawn Tennis, swimming; married to Dr. Mrs. Oluremi Opeke (Nee Somide), Senior Lecturer, Department of Library Studies, University of Ibadan; **Address:** House 9, Road 7, Akobo Housing Estate, Ibadan; Tel: 0 8 0 3 3 3 7 8 2 4 2 ; e - m a i l : ropekng@yahoo.com

OYAWALE, Victor Olufemi, The Rev.; Anglican Priest; Curate, Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Ikate, Surulere, Lagos; Former Information and Culture Attache/Head of the Nigerian Information Service Centre, Nigeria High Commission, London; Born June 9, 1944 by Chief Adejobi Oyawale, *Losunla* of Ile-Oluji and Chief Eunice Bolanle Oyawale, *Sendenyan* of Ile-Oluji; **Education:** African Church School, Ilesa (1950-55); St. Paul's School "A", Ipetu-Ijesha (1956); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1957-60); London School of Journalism, England (1971); College of Journalism, Fleet Street, London (1972-74); East London College (1974-75); International Institute for Journalism, West Berlin, Germany (1979, 1984); Bishop Awosika Theological Cen-



tre, Ondo (1995-96); **Qualifications:** LSJ Diploma (1971); Diploma in Journalism (1974); Certificate in Public Information (1979); Higher Diploma in Public Relations; Advanced Professional Certificate for Journalism Trainers (1984); Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (1988); Member: British Institute of Public Relations (1978); Royal Institute of Journalists, London (1977); Nigerian Union of Journalists (1980); Commonwealth Press Union (1992); **Career:** Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1961-63); Clerk, Customs and Excise Department, Lagos (1964-70); StockKeeper, Selfridges Stores, Oxford Street, London (1971-72); Schedule Officer (Information and Culture), Nigeria High Commission, London (1974-77); Pioneer Lecturer in Public Relations, College of Journalism, London (1975-77); Special Correspondent for Nigeria, Africa and Africa Woman Magazines, (1976-84); Information Officer/ Personal Assistant to the Federal Director Of Information and Permanent Secretary (1977-81, 1981-82); Resident Senior Lecturer in Public Relations, Journalism, and Campaign Strategies, National Institute of Public Information, Kaduna (1982-1989); Principal Information Officer, WAI/NOM Division, Federal Ministry of Information, Lagos (1989-91); Acting Assistant Director (Information and Protocol), Office of the Minister of Information and Culture (Feb-May 1991); Information and Culture Attaché/Head of the Nigerian Information Service Centre, Nigeria High Commission, London (May 1991-Nov 1993); Assistant Chief Information Officer, External Publicity Department, Federal Ministry of Information, Lagos (Dec. 1993-Dec. 1996); Chief Information Officer/Head of Features, Federal Ministry of Information (Jan 1997-Nov 1998); **Affiliations:** General Secretary, Ile-Oluji National Union, Great Britain and Ireland (1975-77); Chairman, Nigerian Institute of Public Relations, Kaduna State Chapter; (1985-87); Member, National Council, Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (1985-87); Instituted the Femi Oyawale Public Relations Prizes at the College of Journalism, Fleet Street, London and at the National Institute of Public Information,

Kaduna (1980-89); **Ordained Ministry:** Ordered Deacon of the Church of Nigeria (June 30, 1996); Priesthood on June 29, 1997; **Publications:** A coronation memento on Oba Stephen Suulade Adedugbe, Jilubokun II, Jegun Oluekun of Ile-Oluji land (1990); Seed of the Living Word (1998); Rivers of Living Water (2000); Solace for the Bereaved (2000); Effective Communication (2001); Elements of Church Leadership (2001); Vintage Fruit of the Spirit (2001); **Honours/ Awards:** Listed in Africa's Who's Who (London, 1981); Special guest of the German Government (1982); Listed in Who's Who in The Commonwealth (Cambridge, 1984); Listed in Who's Who in Ile-Oluji (Nigeria, 1994); Officially presented at Buckingham Palace to Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain (1992); Won the NIPR Presidential Award for Excellence in Public Relations (1995); **Interest:** Writing, reading, travelling, religious publications, and music; Married Comfort Folayemi Oyawale (nee Akinrelere) and blessed with children; **Address:** P.O. Box 1694, Surulere, Lagos; Tel: 08023142566.

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ficer (Sept 1986-90); Principal Town Planning Officer (Jan 1991-1994); Assistant Chief Town Planning Officer (July 1994-Jan 1998); Chief Town Planning Officer (1998-2000); Assistant Director, Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, Lagos (2001-date); **Career Milestones:** National Programme Co-ordinator, Sustainable Cities Programme, a UN-HABITAT-sponsored initiative; Team Leader and Co-ordinator of the World Bank-assisted community based urban upgrading project in 13 states; Secretary, Inter-ministerial Committee on the launching of the global campaign for good urban governance in Nigeria; **Affiliations:** Deputy Supremo, Supreme Club of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Member, Nigerian Institute of Town Planners (MNITP); Registered member, Town Planners Registration Council of Nigeria (TOPREC); **Interest:** Travelling, Music; **Address:** Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, Headquarters, Abuja. Tel: 09-5211632, 5211854

TOFOWOMO, Nicholas; Born on March 4, 1960 to (Sir) Hon. Justice Samuel Akinnebi Tofowomo (now deceased) and Chief (Lady) C. A Tofowomo; **Education:** St David/Mathias Primary School Akure (1966-72); Aquinas College Akure (1972-77); Rivers State School of Basic Studies, Port-Harcourt (1979); University of Ife (1980-83); School of Civil and Structural Engineering, University of Bradford, England (1985); University of Buckingham, England (1986-88); University of Salford, England (1990); **Qualifications:** B.Sc. (Hons) Geography; Post-graduate Diploma in Transportation, School of Civil and Structural Engineering, University of Bradford, England (1985); LL.B (1988); M.Sc. Transport and Development Studies (1990); Fellow, Royal Geographical Society (1990); Member, the Chartered Institute of Transport 1990; Member, the Institute of Transport Administration 1990; **Career:** Clerical Officer, High Court of Justice Akure (1977); Sales Officer, Nidogas Company, Port-Harcourt (1978); Administrative Officer

(NYSC), Sunny Smile Lagos (1983/84); Field Analyst, T & A Developments, London (1990-92); Placements Officer, London Borough of Lambeth (1992-95); Housing Officer, London Borough of Southwark (1995-June 2003);



Assistant Temporary Accommodation Manager, London Borough of Southwark (July 2003-date); **Affiliations:** Urban and Rural Transport Consultant for Developing countries including The Gambia and Sierra Leone; Chief Executive, Arate Developments, Akure; Principal Partner, Blue Elephant Collection London; Director of Socials Ondo State Students Association, University of Ife Chapter (1982); Secretary, Social Committee of the Students Union (1981); Secretary General, National Union of Ile-Oluji Students, University of Ife Chapter (1982); First General Secretary, National Union of Ile-Oluji Students (1982); Co-ordinating Secretary, Youth Wing, Unity Party of Nigeria, UPN, Campus branch Ile-Ife (1981); President, Ile-Oluji National Union, London, United Kingdom Branch (1990); Publicity Secretary, Alliance for Democracy, Europe, Ondo State Chapter; Delegate, AD Europe Working Council; Special Adviser to National Union of Road Transport and Workers Union Ile-Oluji/Ekun-Ijama Branch; Member, Afenifere, Europe; President, Oduduwa Club 13; Co-ordinator, *Egbe Ilosiwaju Omo Yoruba* in Europe; Senatorial Aspirant, Ondo South Senatorial District, Ondo State (2003); General Secretary, *Isedale Yoruba Club*, London; **Interest:** Travelling, Scouting, Sport, and listening to organ music; Married to Erelu Adenike Tofowomo (Nee Onasanya), the *Yeyegunwa* of Ile-Oluji Kingdom and the Erelu Babalakin of Ode-Remo, and blessed with children; **Honours/Awards:** Merit Award of the National Union of Ile-Oluji Students for excellence and dedication to Ile-Oluji (1983); **Address:** 79 Ondo Road, P.O Box 219, Ile-Oluji; 50 Welshpool

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TOKUN, Titilola Funmilola Dr. (Nee Akinbola); Director of Education, Oyo State Teaching Service Commission, Ibadan; Born April 12, 1961 to Mr. Samuel Akingbolagun Akinbola and Mrs. Mercy Ekunola Akinbola (Nee Adegoye); **Education:** Vining Day Nursery School, Moleté, Ibadan (1966-67); St Luke's Demonstration School, Moleté, Ibadan (1967-70); St Paul's School, Yemetu, Ibadan (1971-72); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1973-77); Queen's School, Ibadan (1977-79); University of Ibadan (1979-82, 1984, 1990); **Qualifications:** B. Ed (Hons, 1982); M. Ed (1984); Ph. D (1990); **Career:** Assistant Producer, NTA Ibadan (NYSC, 1982-83); Master Tutor Grade 1, Urban Day Grammar School, Orita Aperin, Ibadan (1983-1996); Vice-Principal, Baptist Grammar School, Idi Isin, Ibadan (1996-2002); Principal, United Christian Secondary School, Omi Adio, Ibadan (2002-date); **Affiliations:** Course Tutor, National Teachers' Institute, Ibadan; Fellow, Institute of Human and Natural Resources; Member, International Congress of Universities' Adult Education; Member, Leonard Cheshire International, Ibadan Chapter; **Honours/Awards:** Federal Government Post-Graduate Scholarship Award (1983); University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Post-Graduate Scholarship (1986); Letter of Commendation, Pennsylvania State University School of Social Work (1986); **Research Works/Publications:** The Eradication of Illiteracy in Tanzania, The Arusha declaration (Undergraduate Project Work, 1982); The Characteristics of the Extra-mural Students of the University of Ibadan; Implications for Programme Planning (Project work



for M. Ed, 1984); Sociological determinants of Juvenile Delinquency in Oyo State: implications for Remediation and Prevention (Ph. D dissertation, 1990); **Interest:** Sight Seeing, visits to handicapped children's home, reading, singing, games, and travelling; **Address:** P.O. Box 7377, Secretariat, Ibadan; Tel: 08034703344.

ADEGOYE, Opeyemi; Director, The Consultancy Unit, Ondo State Polytechnic, Owo; Born November 3, 1944 to Mr. and Mrs. David Adegoye; **Education:** University of Ife (1967-70); School of Public Health, Harvard University, USA (1974-76); International Labour Organisation Training Centre, Turin, Italy (1981); **Qualifications:** B.Sc. (Hon) Social Sciences (1970); M.Sc. Population Science (1976); **Career:** Statistician Economist, Western State of Nigeria (1970-72); Research Fellow in Family Planning, Health, and Population Studies, Institute of Child and Primary Health Care, University of Lagos (1972-74); Research Fellow (Grade 2), Institute of Child and Primary Health care, University of Lagos (1976-77); Assistant Registrar, later Senior Assistant Registrar, The Polytechnic, Ibadan (1977-80); Principal Assistant Registrar, The Polytechnic, Owo (1980-82); Registrar and Head of Administration Department, Ondo State College of Arts and Science, Ikare (1982-85); Administrative Secretary, Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute, ARMTI, Ilorin (1985-90); Deputy Director and Head of Administration/Human Resources Management, ARMTI (1990-94); Deputy Director, Administration and Field Services, ARMTI (1994-96); Registrar/Chief Executive and Secretary to the Council of the Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria (Jul-Dec 1996); Principal Partner, Sota Development Associates (1996-date); Director OSPO Consult Ltd, the business Consultancy Arm of the Ondo State Polytechnic, Owo (Jul 2001-date); **Affiliations:** Associate Lecturer, MBA Executive Programme, Ondo State University, Akungba (Apr 1998-date); Fellow,

Royal Statistical Society of London (1975); Member: British Institute of Management (1981), American Society for Training & Development (1988), Nigerian Institute of Management (1988), Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria (1989), International Personnel Management Association (1991); **Honours/Awards:** United Nations Fund for Population Activities Graduate Scholar; International Labour Organisation, ILO, Scholar (1981); Listed in: "Who's Who" of the American Society of Training and Development (1991), and "Who's Who" of the Institute of Personnel Management of Nigeria (1992); **Address:** OSPO Consult, Ondo State Polytechnic, P.M.B. 1019, Owo.



PART TWO
TRIBUTES

**High Chief Gabriel Akinmade Taylor,
Lisa Of Ile-Oluji** (Dec 24, 1921-Feb 28, 1998)

Early Life and Education

High Chief (Sir) Gabriel Akinmade Taylor was born in Itu, a beautiful town near Calabar, Cross River State. His father, Pa Jacob Oyebade Taylor, was an indefatigable businessman with branches of construction units in various parts of the then Calabar Province. His mother, Madam Ekpo Inyene Efanga, was an indigene of Itu. Chief Gabriel Akinmade Taylor was highly influenced by his father who invested in his education sending him to some of the best institutions, one of which was the Presbyterian Mission School, Itu. Realising the need to properly groom the young Akinmade for a challenging and successful life, Pa Oyebade Taylor transferred his brilliant son to Holy Trinity School Calabar. In 1931, he was placed under the guardianship of the late Bishop A.W. Howells (snr.) who was then the Assistant Bishop of the Niger Diocese stationed at Aba. Between 1931 and 1935, under the watchful eyes of the loving Bishop, young Gabriel learnt the importance of responsibility, self discipline and took the right initiatives. The Bishop was endeared to him and would not part with him. He took him to Abeokuta upon his transfer and made sure that he continued with his education at St. Peter's School, Ake. So strong was the impact left upon Chief Akinmade Taylor by Bishop Howells that several decades later, when Papa and his wife needed to travel to England for studies, they entrusted two of their children (Derin and Yemi) to Bishop Howells and his loving wife.

In 1935, High Chief Akin-Taylor returned to Calabar and enrolled at the Hope Waddell Training Institute. In 1938, he attended Duke Town School, Calabar, and won the best pupil medal in 1939. Same year, he became the Senior Prefect of the school. He also passed the Junior Cambridge examination. In 1940, he had a change of scene at his father's insistence and attended Ondo Boys' High School for his Senior Cambridge Examination. A turning point occurred in his life on July 21, 1941 when he lost his very supportive father, Pa Oyebade Taylor. Consequently, he terminated his schooling in Ondo and relocated to Lagos where he was employed as an Account Clerk in the Accounts Department of the Lagos Division of the Public Works Department (PWD). He was 20 years old. Notwithstanding the setback occasioned by his father's death, he pressed forward with his academic pursuits and in 1942, passed, with distinction, the Senior Cambridge Examination, as a private student. From this point onwards, there was no stopping the highly cultivated and articulate gentleman as he, in 1943, enrolled for a four and a half-year course in civil engineering at PWD School of Engineering. Whilst studying, he got married to Chief (Mrs.) Jane Akin-Taylor (Nee Princess Henshaw), with whom he lived happily for 40 years.

In 1946, he obtained the PWD's School Diploma in Civil Engineering and was employed as a Civil Engineering Assistant for two years in the Ports section of the Marine Department. He worked extensively on the Hydrographic Surveying Unit of that department in connection with the eastern foreshore of the Lagos Bar Beach by preparing quarterly drawings and reports forwarded to Delft University, Holland who were main consultants to the Nigerian government on the various aspects of erosion and accretion of the Lagos Harbour. He undertook the survey of the steel structure of

the Carter Bridge in Lagos as well as the landing jetties in Port Harcourt and Calabar.

Minding His Own Business

He resigned from the civil service on July 7, 1948 and set up a private practice in building and civil engineering construction. He had to his credit a number of important buildings in Lagos in particular and carried out the first phase of the Boys Company accommodation in Zaria in 1954, which eventually became today's Nigerian Military School. In 1960, he attended a course in Organization and Methods at the Watford Building Research Institute, England and had the opportunity of visiting a number of project sites in that Borough.

Some of the notable projects executed by Akin Taylor & Company Limited, a company solely owned by Chief Gabriel Akin Taylor include construction of Federal Ministries' quarters in Lagos; construction of a seven-storey engineering block for NECOM HOUSE, which was the tallest building ever constructed by an indigenous company, using tower crane for the first time ever; construction of 16 units of senior staff quarters at Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo; construction of seven reinforced concrete bridges and their access roads between Benin City and Agbor on piled foundations; extension of Lagos Airport runway by 3,000 feet, and the strengthening of taxiway and parking aprons in order to accommodate the landing of jumbo jet planes for the first time ever in Nigeria

Not Despising Days of Little Beginning

High Chief Akin Taylor believed that with prayers and hard work, nothing is impossible to attain. He was fond of relating stories of his humble beginning. Anyone who cared to listen must have heard a thousand times, how he and mama, his wife, started life in one room, where they raised their first child Funmilayo and cooked their meals on the verandah. Papa would tell of how he resigned from PWD with next to nothing in his pocket and undertook petty contracts. The Buffalo Estate in Lagos is one of the comfortable residential estates in Nigeria. This was the last project he supervised.

Service to the Society

He never shied away from responsibilities. It was in this light that he accepted the offer by the Federal Government in 1972 to serve on the board of Nigerian Ports Authority on the recommendation of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce.

The same sense of responsibility spurred the highly accomplished man of the business world to serve as the Chairman, Board of Directors of Ile-Oluji Community Bank Limited.

A Man of Many Parts

He was a member of the Lagos Island Club, which he joined in 1950. As a devout Christian, he was a member of the Lagos Christ Church Cathedral Torch Bearers Society. He visited various parts of the world and established strong business relations with Scandinavian countries, especially Sweden and Norway.

He bagged chieftaincy titles from Calabar, Itu and Ake in Abeokuta.

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He was installed *Ootola ti Ile Oluji* and became High Chief *Lisa* of Ile-Oluji in February 1996.

He loved people and was concerned with the welfare of the downtrodden. This was demonstrated in his identification with their pursuits, his silent philanthropy and quiet encouragement of their noble efforts.

He constructed an imposing vicarage secretariat at St Peter's Church, Ile Oluji, in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the death of his father.

In recognition of his dedication and contribution to the development of the Anglican Church in Nigeria, he was knighted Grand Commander of the Order of Saint Peter the Hermit by the Anglican Bishop of Ondo Diocese, Bishop Aderin, on February 3, 1996, thus becoming the first person to be awarded this title in the history of the Anglican Church in Ondo Diocese.

He accepted his appointment as High Chief *Lisa* of Ile-Oluji because he wanted to retire home to have a good feel of the culture, love, and goodwill of the people of Ile-Oluji.

His father did not have such opportunity, having died at a relatively young age. High Chief Akin Taylor lived a good life and touched many lives.

He died on February 28, 1998 at the age of 76.

**Chief (Dr) Henry Oloyede Fajemirokun,
Yegbata of Ile-Oluji
(July 14, 1926-Feb 15 1978)**

Education

Chief Fajemirokun attended St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1932-1936), St. Luke's School, Oke-Igbo (1937-1940), C.M.S. Grammar School, Bariga, Lagos (1941-1942), and Ondo Boy's High School (1942-1944).

Career

He enlisted in the old Royal West African Frontier Force in April 1944; and was posted to India in 1945 to join the 82nd West African Division where he served at the General Headquarters of the 2nd Echolon-Jhansi of the then United Provinces of India; He returned to Nigeria on December 4, 1946.

The Trade Unionist

He joined the Post & Telegraphs Department (P & T) in January 1947; He developed a keen interest in trade unionism and was elected President of the P & T Ex-service Men's Union; In 1952, he was elected President of the P & T Clerical and Allied Workers Union. His excellent performances at the P & T Union then earned him the post of Vice-President of the Nigerian Civil Service Union in 1956. In 1957, he was elected President-General of the Nigerian Civil Service Union. He was a respected trade unionist before venturing into business.

A Consummate Businessman

He started business by trading in commodities and exporting cocoa, groundnuts and cattle-bones to Europe under the trade name of Henry Stephens and Sons Limited, Lagos. A pragmatic businessman and a good organizer of men and resources, he worked very hard and relentlessly despite various difficulties to develop and expand Henry Stephens and Sons Limited. His success in this respect can be measured by the fact that as at the time of his death, he was the Chairman and Managing Director of many viable and profitable companies in Nigeria and overseas, such as Henry Stephens Shipping Company Limited, Henry Stephens Engineering Company Limited, Henry Stephens Building Materials Limited, Nigerian Maritime Service Limited, Nigmarship Agencies Limited, Telecom Nigeria Limited, Afro-Elecktro Konsult Limited, Nigeria Oil Exploratory Company Limited, Adriatic Company (Nigeria) Limited, Marine and General Assurance Company Limited, Henry Stephens & Sons (London) Limited and West Africa Schiffahrts and Handelsgesellschaft mbh, Hamburg, West Germany.

A man of many parts

He was: Director, First Bank of Nigeria Limited, Nigerian Krafts Bags, and Nigerian Sewing Machine Manufacturing Company Limited; Deputy Chairman, Johnson Wax Nigeria Limited; Chairman: Rank Xerox (Nigeria) Limited and National Bank of Nigeria Limited. Conscious of the need for a well-organized private sector, he expended considerable time, energy and money to boost the activities of the Chamber of Com-

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merce and Industry movement in Nigeria, West Africa, United States of America and the Commonwealth. Thus, he was elected and held various positions in the Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

He was: Council member, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1966); President, Nigeria-American Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1966-67); Vice-President, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1967); Deputy President, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1968); President, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1970); President of the Nigerian Association of Chambers of Industry and Mines (1972); First President, Federation of West African Chamber of Commerce (1972), and Vice-President, Federation of Commonwealth Chambers of Commerce (1974).

A rare philanthropist

He gave and donated generously to individuals, communities, the Red Cross Movement, religious organisations, universities, State Development Funds, Students' clubs, Youth organisations and to the Southern Africa Relief Fund to which he donated a sum of N110, 000 (One Hundred and ten Thousand Naira) in January 1977.

Honours and Awards

In Recognition of his kindness, generosity and selfless services to his people and humanity, he was honoured with chieftaincy titles such as Yegbata of Ile-Oluji (December 1968), Asiwaju of Oke-Igbo (December 1971), Lijoka of the Ondos (April 1973), High Chief Orunto of Ifewara (February 1974) and Obaloro of Ado-Ekiti (August 1977).

In October 1972, the University of Ife, Ile-Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University), conferred on him the honorary Degree of Doctor of Science in Business Administration in recognition of his significant contributions to the academic and business communities.

The immense contributions of High Chief Fajemirokun to the development of Commerce and Industry in Nigeria and his remarkable philanthropic activities were also well-noted and appreciated by the Federal Government of Nigeria which honoured him with a posthumous national award of the Commander of the Order of the Niger (C.O.N.) in February 1983.

His inspiring life as a trade unionist, entrepreneur, business mogul, philanthropist, and community leader came to an abrupt end on February 15, 1978, in Abidjan, Ivory Coast (now Cote d'Ivoire) while leading a National trade mission.

Chief Mrs. Victoria Olufunmilola Oni
(Nee Akinmusuru)
(March 25, 1932-February 12, 2002)

EARLY LIFE

Born on March 25, 1932 as the first child of Mr. Isaiah Akinmusuru (Jokojeje) and Madam Julianah Janet Olamodesi Akinmusuru (nee Akintelu). Fate projected her to a leadership position when at the early age of 18 in 1950, she lost her father, a devout Christian trader/farmer. She became a complete orphan two years later when her mother also died. Already an orphan by 1953, she faced the challenges of life alone with three siblings in her care. The siblings are Mrs. Tomi Adelayi, Mrs. Margaret Fagbamiye (deceased), and Engineer Joseph Akinmusuru, a Professor of Civil Engineering.

EDUCATION

She attended St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji as one of the youngest pupils in her class. Being a brilliant pupil, she passed the highly competitive entrance examination into the elitist Queen's College, Lagos in 1945. She was in Queen's College until December 1951 when she passed the Cambridge School Certificate Examination. She spent the next two years undergoing teacher's education at the United Missionary College, Ibadan, earning the Grade 11 Teachers' Pivotal Certificate.

CAREER

Her teaching career began in January 1954 at the Anglican Girls' School (now Jubilee Grammar School, Ondo). She later moved to the newly established St. Monica's Anglican Girls Grammar School, Ondo as a foundation teacher. A year later, in 1955, she secured admission into Fourah Bay College, Sierra Leone, an affiliate of the University of Durham. She finished in June 1959 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and went back to teaching at St. Monica's School. She later worked at Gboluji Grammar School, St. Helen's Teachers' College, and Ondo Boys' High School, where she was Vice Principal for two years before being transferred to Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji, as Principal, from where she finally retired in September 1986. After retirement, "madam", as Mrs. Oni was fondly called, concentrated on the running of a hostel for girls which she conceived as a character-moulding project

AFFILIATIONS

Mrs. Oni was at various times member, Boards of Governors of St Monica's Grammar School, St. Helen's College, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji, St Joseph's College, Ondo, and Independence Grammar School, Ondo. She was also member of the Governing Council of Ondo State School of Arts and Science, Ikare Akoko, Ondo State

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College of Education, Ikere Ekiti, and Federal School of Arts and Science, Ondo. She served as member of the Juvenile Court Panel and the Committee on the Prerogative of Mercy (1984-87).

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

She served the Anglican Church in various capacities such as Chorister and Choir leader; she was also member of *Egbe Isodimimo*, the Mothers' Union, Women's Guild, and Young Women's Christian Association

HONOURS/AWARDS

Justice of Peace (1981); Diocesan Lay Reader of the Ondo Diocese of the Anglican Communion (1982); *Majeobaje* of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji (1987); Appointed Supervisory Councilor for Education and Social Welfare, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government (1995-96); Lady of the Holy Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary (June 1998); Ondo State Civil Service Award (2000); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (2000).

WHAT PEOPLE SAID ABOUT HER

More than a wife; indeed, a mother to all (**Oba Stephen Adedugbe**)

A mother of many, a teacher of many, a mentor of many (**Dr. Akinwale Ojo**).

We blessed God for knowing you (**The Obisesans**)

A dignified and elegant mother, a teacher of teachers (**Prof. Eniola Akingbohungbe**)

A mother among millions, a technocrat, a good planner and a perfect executor. Like a baobab tree, you provided a shade for everybody. No Principal before or after you can equal your track record. (**Deacon Z.A Layade**)

You made an indelible mark wherever you served. (**Chief A. F Akindolire**)

Cheerful, decent, purposeful, dutiful and reliable (**High Chief Adebisi Oladiran**).

You have run a very good race. You have finished your course very well (**Prof. Akin Ademosun**)

Mama Rere (**Mrs. B.O. Adeoba**)

You touched the lives of many positively. I will always remember the intensive coaching you gave me in Mathematics (**Dr. Afolabi Adewakun**)

You lived a very industrious, hardworking and dynamic life. (**The Ven. Ariyo**).

A humanist, educationist and a mother (**Prof. Adeduro Adegeye**)

Sweet, amiable, charitable, humble, pious, religious, dutiful, dedicated, patriotic and a philanthropist almost to a fault. (**Prof. Akin Akindoyeni**).

We miss an active and motherly member (The Fellowship of Knights and Ladies, Ondo Anglican Diocese).

An excellent teacher, an embodiment of courage, boldness, love, uprightness and appreciation (Dr. Babatunde Ogunsusi)

Great in life and surely greater in death. (The Ven Bode Akintade)

A hardworking and dedicated teacher, highly respected, a role model (Prince E.O. Omojuwa).

Mummy, thank you for the joy of living with you; you were so caring and so kind. Thank you for the training you gave us as foundation students of your girl's Hostel. (Agnes Tale Akinbinu)

*You have fought a good battle and won (Bldr. Olu Olowosile)
Lived a fulfilled life; a devoted wife and mother; an outstanding counselor and distinguished motivator who excelled in everything she did. (Brig. Gen. Francis Ogunribido (rtd))*

A sweet mum (Funmi Oni)

A life full of testimonies (St, Luke' s Church, Ile-Oluji)

REMINISCENCES

(By Professor Adeduro Adegeye, Form 1, 1959 set, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji)

Madam: *Uwo nukan da e Jo 'jo?* (Are you the only person who bears Ojo?)

Student: No ma.

Madam: I have heard a lot about what happened.

Student: (No answer)

Madam: Look at me

Student: (Looks up)

Madam: A little thing is a little thing, but faithfulness in a little thing is a big thing.

Student: Yes madam

That was a piece many must have heard from "madam" in Gboluji Grammar School of the 60's. She used it to get the truth from us even when we knew we would be punished. That of course has been the root of the honesty that is the watchword of her students.

Take another instance. Mr. Oni was expected back in 1959. The school prepared for various activities, including a social gathering in our Dining Hall. The Class One set quickly composed a song. I was a member of that class, and a member of the composing team. I was also among those who lined the route to welcome our graduate teacher. To compose our song we needed some information. We were told that they had not married and we could not call Miss Akinmusuru Mrs. Oni. Well, smart boys. We

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chose 'your Lady' in place of "Mrs."

Here is the song.

*Welcome Mr. Oni welcome
We have been waiting for you
Expecting your arrival
To welcome you and your lady*

We were near the high table where the teachers sat. Madam said *Lawa*, (referring to Mr. Oni) who is your Lady? Of course it was madam. The young rascally boys of 1959 anticipated the honour of 1998 when Bishop Aderin made her a Lady.

IT WAS AN ENGLISH CLASS

Student: *Can I know the meaning of this word?*

Madam gave the correct meaning and explanation. In all occasions she gave full explanation of the word and sometimes their Latin derivatives. The rascally ones did not stop. We went to the dictionary to pick difficult words. She gave correct answers. We all agreed there would not be any more 'test' for madam. She was just great.

An odd student suddenly shot out: *Madam what is the meaning of this word? The word had been coined from **Taibatu** the name of his girl friend.*

Madam: If this is an English word, it is seldom used but I will find out.

Students: Shouts and cheers to madam.

Our conclusion: she was a Michael West and of course a genius. We confirmed this as she could teach all the subjects available in the school at the time. These included English, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Latin, Religious Studies, etc. It was always joy and happiness when it was her turn to come to our class. She endeared herself to us. She knew every one by name. She called our names when she asked questions. It was even more than this. If anyone was backing her she knew who that person was and she would call the name. We did not like this because you could not offend and escape. Mrs. Oni would send for you!

Years after I left Gboluji, she wrote me a four-page letter advising me about marriage. She said: "*you can have a ready-made one if you are lucky, but you can choose someone you like and bring her up to your standard.*" The message was clear.

ADEBUSOYE, Folayemi Adedapo (JP); Born October 26, 1920 to Prince Gabriel Aderinola Adebuseye and Madam Juliana Oluwafemi Fagoroye; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; Ondo Boys' High School; Melville Hall, Ibadan (1953-55); University College, Ibadan (1959-62); Union Theological Seminary, New York, USA; **Qualifications:** Diploma in Theology, London (1955); Bachelor's Degree in Divinity, Ibadan (1962); Diploma, Ecumenical Fellows' Programme; Masters Degree (Sacred Theology); **Career:** Broadcaster, Nigerian Broadcasting Corporation, Western and Mid-Western Regions; Vicar: St. Thomas' Church, Badagry (1955-58); Holy Trinity Church, Ebute Ero, Lagos (1958-59); St. David's Church, Lafajai, Lagos (1963); St. Paul's Church, Yemetu, Ibadan (1962-64); Canon, St. Anne's Church, Molete, Ibadan (1966-70); Archdeacon, Holy Trinity Church, Omofe, Ilesha (1977-83); St. Matthew's Church, Ijebu-Ijesha (1983-84), Provost, St. Andrew's Cathedral, Owo (1984-90); **Affiliations:** Clerical Secretary, Ilesha Synod; Warden & Lecturer, Bishop Awosika Theological College, Ondo Diocese; **Interest:** Reading; Married to Beatrice Kofoworola Adebuseye, *Yeyemeso* of Ile-Oluji, and blessed with children; **Address:** 5, Oke-Alafia street, Ile-Oluji.

tendent, Agricultural Dept., Ibadan (1944-50); Councillor, Ondo Native Authority Council (1950-52); Secretary, Western Region Local Government Service (Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo, Ijebu-Remo, Akure, Ibadan, Mushin, etc (1954-65); **Affiliations:** President General, later Secretary General, Nigerian Union of Local Authority Staff, NULAS, now National Union of Local Government Employees, NULGE (1968-73); Pioneer member, Nigerian Society for Public Administration; Elected Councillor, Ifesowapo Local Government (1976-79); Foundation President, Ile-Oluji Rising Youth Association, IRYA, which later merged with Ile-Oluji Progressive Union to form Ile-Oluji National Union in 1945; Founder, Ile-Oluji District Development Committee; **Major Contributions to Ile-Oluji:** He was involved in the planning of the general layout of the road network within Ile-Oluji (e.g. Oke Alafia East and West; his idea was to link Oke Alafia West directly with Oke-Igbo; He introduced the idea of installing *Olojas* as traditional heads of all towns and villages surrounding Ile-Oluji, in order to boost the profile of the position of Jegun of Ile-Oluji; He was responsible for the planning and the inauguration of all the major markets in Ile-Oluji today; He wrote a book on the History, Laws and Customs of Ile-Oluji.

ADEGBAMIGBE, Adedurotimi Abayomi (1919-80); *Ayadi* of Ile-Oluji. Former Secretary, Western Region Local Government; Born 1919 to Chief John Tugwell Akinbulumo Adegbamigbe, the *Sendibe* of Ile-Oluji and Chief Mariam Mopinnade Adegbamigbe, the *Ayanade* of Ile-Oluji; **Education:** He attended St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1925-35); Ondo Boys' High School, (1939-43); Agricultural Dept., Ibadan (1944-46); University of Ibadan (1953-54); Afro-Asian Institute, Tel-Aviv, Israel (1960-61); **Qualifications:** Grade III, Agricultural Asst. Certificate; Diploma in Administration; Certificates in Leadership Training; **Career:** Pupil Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji and St. Matthew's Pry School, Owena (1935-39); Trainee Agricultural Asst., later, Agricultural Superin-

ADEKEYE, Afolabi Oluwole Alfred: Born on October 13, 1919 to Chief S.P.A. Adekeye, the *Yeginha* of Ile-Oluji and Mrs. A. Adekeye. **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji, St. Paul's Idanre (1925-31); Baptist Academy, Lagos; Ondo Boys' High School (1932-38); Left for England in 1938 for further studies but enlisted in the British Royal Merchant Navy when the Second World War broke out in September 1939. After the war which took him to North and South America, the Middle East, Europe and the Far East, he worked briefly for the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) before entering Shoreditch Technical College in 1947, where he specialized in carpentry and furniture making. He left in 1950, returned to Nigeria the same year and went into private practice, es-

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establishing two companies: Adekeye Furniture Company and A. Olu Alfred Adekeye and Sons Limited. He was the Chairman and Chief Executive of these Companies until his death in March 1988. He liked Yoga and Classical Music.

ADEKEYE, Simeon Peter Alfred Ademulegun, *Yegingha of Ile-Oluji*; He was the first Ile-Oluji indigene to attend St. Andrew's College, Oyo. During the 86 years he spent on earth, Chief Adekeye was at various times: Teacher/Catechist at All Saints, Ondo; Clerk, Nigerian Railways, Osogbo; Timber contractor, Ajebandele, Agbabu, Okitipupa, Ese-Odo, etc. Following his contributions to the development of these areas, he was made the *Baale of Agbabu*. After some time, he returned to Ile-Oluji and involved himself in various social, political and economic activities. His return was characterized by numerous giant strides, one of which contributed to the emergence of his son as the first Chairman of Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council. He was honoured with the traditional title of *Yegingha of Ile-Oluji*. One of the interesting features of his life as a timber contractor is that his activities ended at Ologbo in the old Mid-Western Region, the exact place where his son, High Chief Adedapo Adekeye, the incumbent Odofin of Ile-Oluji, started his own timber business. He was a member of *Egbe Irete Ogo* of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji.

ADEKUNLE, Isaiah Akinfiresoye; Former Chairman/Managing Director, Lafap Nig. Ltd., Ile-Oluji; Born April 15, 1940 to Mr. Famakinwa Adekunle and Madam Olanrewaju Adekunle; **Education**: St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1946-53); L.A. Modern School, Ile-Oluji (1953-57); Divisional Teachers' Training College, Ondo (1960-61); City of Birmingham College of Commerce, UK (1965-68); **Qualifications**: Fellow, Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators; **Career**: Teacher, various schools in Ondo State (1958-65); Accountant Leicester City Corporation, UK

(1968-70); Federal Ministry of Education (1970-74); Chief Accountant/ Admin Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa Center for Training in Aerial Surveys, Ile-Ife, (March 1974-Oct.1977); Finance Manager, Daily Times of Nigeria (Nov 1977-Sept 1978); Chief Accountant, Nigerian Cocoa Board (Oct 1978-Dec 1983); Company Secretary, Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Ltd., (Jan 1984-Jan 1986); Chairman, Lafap Nig. Ltd., (1986); **Affiliations**: President, Club 55, Ile-Oluji; **Honour**: *Lobosin* of Ile-Oluji; **Interest**: Music, fishing. Married to Modupe Aina Adekunle (Nee Oyedero) and blessed with children.

ADELAKUN, Samuel, (1901-78); He was born to the family of High Chief Lisa Kupoluyi and Chief Ibijoke Adepoju. He spent his early years with his uncle, Chief Sogbon Akintulire, a farmer. High Chief Adalakun left Ile-Oluji for Ipetu-Ijesa where he learnt shoemaking. He returned to Ile-Oluji and started practising shoemaking. Along the line, he attended lessons on how to read and write both Yoruba and English languages. Together with the late Adedugbe and John Akinlemibola, he travelled to Ghana. Because of the apprehension usually associated with crossing the Atlantic Ocean, his parents thought he had died. He returned from Ghana in order to allay the fear but he was prevented from going back. He, therefore, stayed back and became a full time farmer. In 1959, he was honoured with the Chieftaincy title of *Orunbato* of Ile-Oluji. He later became High Chief Lisa. He played a prominent role in the town during the dispute between Prince Adetipe and Prince Adeseko, the immediate past Jegun of Ile-Oluji.

ADELAKUN, High Chief Lisalobun, Chairperson, Tailor association of Ile-Oluji, Born 1906 to Selemo Akinbisodun and High Chief Sasere Lobun Adesunmi; He was an accomplished tailor; and a staunch member, of St. Peter's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji; Secretary, *Egbe Imisi Emimimo*, Ile-Oluji; was married to High Chief Lisa

Adelakun (deceased), and blessed with children.

ADELOGBE, Rachael Adefunmilola (MON); *Yannibade of Ile-Oluji*; Born January 10, 1918; **Education:** Methodist School; Otapete, Ilesha; United Missionary College, Ibadan (1931-34); University of Manchester, England (1958-59); **Career:** Teacher, later Headmistress, various schools in the defunct Western Region (1935-39); Headmistress Yaba Methodist School, Lagos (1940-58); Principal, Wesley School for the Deaf, Lagos (1960-79); **Affiliations:** Member: Commonwealth Society for the Deaf, International Women's Society, National Council of Women's Societies, Society for the Deaf, National Advisory Council for the Blind, Nigerian Association for Handicapped children; **Honour:** Member of the Order of the Niger, MON, (1979); **Interest:** Netball, Reading, Tennis and Volleyball.

ADEMAKINWA, Emmanuel, (1897-1979); *Aro of Ile-Oluji*; Born to Chief Odele Adetanmi and Madam Wajayo Merisilola; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; St. Stephen, Ondo, Public High School, Ondo, now Ondo Boys' High School; **Career:** Teacher, St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji; Court Clerk, (Ondo, Odigbo, Agbabu); Produce Buyer, Igbara Oke; Teacher/Catechist, Apostolic Mission (Ilesa District), later Anglican Mission (Isarun, Ido, Oke-Ila; Ado-Ekiti); **Affiliations:** Chief Organist, St. Peter's Ang. Church, Ile-Oluji; **Honours:** one of the three children recruited to open St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; Founding Member, Ondo Public High School; First Ile-Oluji indigene to: Attend a secondary school; teach at St. Peter's School; work in the Ondo Native Authority, and be a clerk in the Ile-Oluji Native court; Composer of many songs and anthems, including *Ile-Oluji National Anthem, Kabiyesi Jegun Gboluji, Ile-Oluji, la bi mi ,and Awon ma se o, awon 'ba wa*; **Interest:** Cultural Displays, music;

ADENIYI, Joseph Adebisi; Justice; former Ondo State Chief Legal Draftsman; Born November 7, 1932; **Education:** Ondo Boys' High School (1947-51); University of Wales, Aberystwth, Wales (1960-63); **Career:** Clerk: Messrs Thompson, Clement and Megaw, London (1964); Nigerian Railways (1952-56); Lagos Town Council (1957-60); State Counsel, Western State (1968-76); Chief Legal Draftsman, Ondo State Judiciary (1977-80); Solicitor General/Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice, Akure (1980); **Affiliations:** Member, Law Society of England and Wales; **Interest:** Gardening, Study of animal behaviour, Foreign Affairs.

ADEPOJU, Olakunle Tokunbo; Former Dean, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology, Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA); Born September 15, 1946 to Mr. Samuel Adepoju and Mrs. Dorcas Adepoju (nee Okunfulure); **Education:** Edo Government College, Benin (1960-64); Comprehensive High School, Ayetoro, Ogun State (1965-66); University of Leeds, United Kingdom (1968-72, 1973-76); **Qualifications:** B. Sc Metallurgy (1972); Ph.D. Metallurgy, with specialization in Corrosion Engineering (1976); **Career:** Asst. Education Officer, Grade III (Teaching), Comprehensive High School, Ayetoro (1967-68); Trainee Metallurgist: British Steel Corporation, Bilson, (1969), Alcan Research and Development Ltd. (July-Sept. 1970); Visiting Metallurgist, British Steel Corporation, Sheffield, UK (July-Sept 1971); Asst. Technical Manager, ICI Nigeria Ltd., Apapa (1972-73); Graduate Asst., University of Leeds (1973-76); Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Leeds (Mar-Aug 1976); Lecturer II, University of Lagos (1976-80); Senior Lecturer: University of Ife (1980-85, 1985-86), University of Lagos (1986-87); Professor of Metallurgy and Dean, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology, FUTA (1987); **Affiliations:** Member: Ondo State Economic Advisory Council (1990), Institute of Corrosion Science and Technology (1984), Council of Registered Engineers of Nigeria (COREN), Nigerian So-

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ciety of Engineers (1989), Social Circle, and Klob Executive of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; ASUU representative on the University Health Board; **Research Works/Publications:** Numerous research works including *Environmental Corrosion and Prevention of Steel Structure With Particular Reference to locally made Steels*; *Development of Local Clays for Foundry Application in Akure, Ikere, Igbara-Oke, Igbara-Odo, Ile-Oluji and Ijero*; *Corrosion Problems in Fuel Tanks of Aero plane*; **Honours/Awards:** Western Nigerian Scholarship (1960-64); University of Leeds Scholarship for Doctorate Programme (1973-76) and Doctorate work (April-Sept 1976); Fulbright Fellow (1985); **Interest:** Football, Table Tennis, Billiards;

ADESUYI, Samuel Lawrence

Akinhinmolu (Nov 30 1923-July 17, 1976); former Chief Medical Adviser of the Federation; Born November 30, 1923 to Pa James Arowofela Adesuyi and Madam Abigail Adesuyi; **Education:** St Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; Government College, Ibadan (1937-42); Yaba Higher College; Achimota College, Accra, Ghana (1944); School of Medicine, Yaba, Lagos (1945); University College, Ibadan Medical School (1949-50); West London Hospital Medical School (1953-54); London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (1958); Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene; **Qualifications:** Licentiate in Medicine and Surgery, LSM (Ibadan, 1950); Member, Royal College of Surgeons (1954); Licentiate, Royal College of Physicians (1954); Diploma in Public Health, DPH (1958); Certificate in Medical Statistics and Epidemiology (1959); FMCPH (1970) MRCS; **Career:** House Physician, Adeoyo General Hospital, Ibadan (1950); Medical Officer, Fed. Ministry of Health, Lagos (1951-53, 1954-56); Medical Superintendent, Lagos General Hospital (1956); Yaba Mental Hospital (1957-1958); Federal Government Medical Statistician (1959-62); Consultant Medical Statistician to Federal Ministry of Health (1962-65); Deputy Chief Medical Adviser to the Federal Government (1965); Chief Medical Adviser and Director of Health Services and Training (1966-

76); **Affiliations:** Associate Lecturer in Biostatistics, College of Medicine, University of Lagos (1963-75); Member, Advisory Panel on Health Statistics of the World Health Organization, WHO (1963-75); Secretary, Nigerian National Council on Health; President, Institute of Medical Laboratory Technology; President, Nigerian Medical Council; Past Vice President, Nigeria Olympics Association; **Honours/Awards:** Sir Walter Johnson's Prize in Anatomy and Physiology (1946); Blair Aitkin's Memorial Prize in Medicine and May & Baker Prize in Surgery (1950); World Physicians Day Gold Medal for Public Health (1973); **Publications:** *Statistical Guidance in Evaluation and Direction of Tuberculosis Control Programmes, Poliomyelitis Notifications in Nigeria.*

ADEWAKUN, Benaiah Oluwole;

Born March 15, 1917; Chief Nathaniel Adewakun and Chief Mrs. Victoria Meboniani Adewakun; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1924-29); St. Stephen's School, Modakeke; Oduduwa College, Ile-Ife (1936-38); School of Hygiene, Ibadan (1940-42); **Career:** Pupil Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1939-40); Public Health Inspector: Ondo, Okeigbo, Ile-Oluji and surrounding villages (1942-60); Ile-Oluji/ Oke-Igbo Local Council (1960-72); Customary Court Judge, Ile-Oluji and Oke-Igbo (1972-75); Secretary, Jegun-in-Council (1975-82); **Honour:** *Samo* of Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Music, Fishing and Socializing.

ADEWAKUN, Joseph Akinrinmola, MON,

(1925-83); Former Senior Executive Officer (Trade), Federal Ministry of Trade, Lagos; Born to Chief Nathaniel Adewakun and Chief Mrs. Matilda Adewakun; **Education:** St. Andrew's College, Oyo; Fourah Bay College; S/Leone (1954-59); **Qualifications:** B.A. (1959); **Career:** Pupil Teacher: St. Peter's Primary School, Ile-Oluji, St. Luke's School, Oke-Igbo, All Saints School, Ondo; Temporary Executive Officer, Fed. Min. of Trade, Commerce and Industries; Higher Executive Officer, Ex-

ternal Service, Moscow and Geneva; Executive Director, Confidence Automobile Engineering Company; **Honours:** Member of the Order of Niger, MON, (1982). He was married and blessed with children.

ADEWAKUN, Samuel Oladele, Former Inspector, Fed. Ministry of Education, Lagos; Born February 23, 1927 to Chief Nathaniel Adewakun and Chief Mrs. Victoria Meboniani; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1936-43); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1944-49); Fourah Bay College, Sierra Leone (1954-58, 1962-63); University of Bristol (1974-75); **Qualifications:** B.A. Gen.; Diploma in Education (Policy Planning and Administration of Education); **Career:** Third Class Clerk, Forest Dept, Northern Region, Kaduna and Zaria (1950-54); Asst. Master, St. Paul's College, Wusasa, Zaria (1958-60); Vice-Principal, Olofin Grammar School, Idanre (1960-62); Principal, Ebenezer High School, Ijeda, Oyo, now Osun State (1963-64); Teacher, Ilesha Grammar School (Jun-Dec 1964); Inspector of Education/Education Officer, Fed. Ministry of Education, Lagos (1965-68); Inspector of Schools, Curriculum Officer, Chief Planning Officer and Principal Grade 1, Lagos State Ministry of Education (1968-80); **Affiliations:** Councilor, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council (1961-63); **Publications:** *The Teaching of Mathematics in Secondary Schools; The Influence of Western Education on Yoruba Culture;* **Awards:** CMS Scholarship for B.A. Degree, Fourah Bay College (1954-58); **Interest:** Lawn Tennis, Reading, Dancing; Married to Janet Monisola Olofinbinu and blessed with children.

AKINBISEHIN, Folorunsho (SAN); Born June 26, 1934 to Mr. Isaiah Williams Adeniyi Akinsedemi Akinbisehin and Madam Mary Oluwasanu Akinbisehin; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; St. Luke's School, Oke -Igbo; Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo; Oduduwa College, Ile-Ife; Holborn College of Law; University of London, Council of Legal Education, London, Barrister-At-Law, Inner Temple, London (1962); Centre for Management Studies,

University of Cambridge (1982); **Qualifications:** **Career:** Customs Officer, Colonial Service; Legal Practitioner in Private Practice (1963); **Affiliations:** Member: Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council (1967); Gboluji Grammar School Board of Governors; Ifesowapo Local Government, Ore (1976); Leading Counsel to Obas and Chiefs in Ile-Oluji, Odigbo and Araromi Obu at Morgan Chieftaincy Review Commission (1977); Leading Counsel to Ondo and Ile-Oluji Communities in Nasir Boundary Commission (1978); Director: Henry Stephens Group of Companies, Rank Xerox Nigeria Limited, Henry Stephens & Sons London Limited, Timand Nigeria Limited, Waldsfan Nigeria Limited; Chairman: Anibi Enterprises Limited, Akin & Bayo Investments and Industrial Company Ltd; Synrod Engineering Company Ltd., Pharmaceutical Company Ltd.; Member: Nigerian Bar Association, African Bar Association, Commonwealth Bar Association, World Association of Lawyers of the World Peace Through World Center; **Interest:** Reading, Music, Lawn Tennis, Films.

AKINBOHUN, Isaiah Akindinola (a.k.a. *Baba Liwaya*); *Salotun* of Ile-Oluji; He was born in the early part of the 20th century; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji, Ondo Boys' High School; **Career:** Teacher, various schools in Offa; Postal Clerk, colonial Posts and Telegraphs Department; Joined the Civil Service in Lagos and was subsequently transferred to Benin, Okitipupa, Jos, Barkinladi, Ilorin, Kano, Kastina, Sokoto, Akure, Ado-Ekiti, Ibadan, and Owo before he finally retired in Lokoja as the Head Postmaster in charge of the old Kebbi Province (now Kogi State) and in part of the present Edo and Ondo States; **Honour:** *Salotun* of Ile-Oluji (1953); First indigene of Ile-Oluji to work in the P & T Dept. hence the appellation *baba liwaya*"; One of the architects of the old Ile-Oluji-Ipetu Road. **Affiliations:** Branch President, Ile-Oluji National Union; Died on January 26, 1985.

AKINBOLA, Samuel Akingbolagun (Nov 1924-Mar 94); Former Head, Haematology and Blood Transfusion Department, Adeoyo Hospital, Ibadan; Born November 24, 1924 to the family of Mr. Emmanuel Padeyun Akinbola and Madam Adebamibi Akinbola; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1939); Ondo Boys' High School (1945-50); Pathology School, Broad Street, Lagos (1952); University College Teaching Hospital, Ibadan (1957); King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, London (on scholarship, 1961-63); World Health Organisation (WHO) Fellowship Course, Sheffield, England (1968); **Qualifications:** Diplomas in Haematology and Blood Transfusion Technology; **Career:** Pupil Teacher, St. Peter's School (1942-44); Clerk, Nigeria Railway Corporation (1951); Laboratory Technologist: General Hospital Broad Street, Lagos (1952-55); General Hospital, Ijebu-Ode (1955); General Hospital, Osogbo (1956); Adeoyo Hospital, Ibadan (1965-67); Jericho Chest Clinic, Ibadan (1967); Appointed Head, Haematology and Blood Transfusion Department, Adeoyo Hospital, Ibadan (1969-76); Head, Haematology Department, General Hospital, Akure; State Hospital, Ado Ekiti (1976-80); Consultant, Akinsete Memorial Hospital, Ondo (1982-88); Private Consultancy, Ile-Oluji (1988-94); **Affiliations:** Member, Gboluji Progressive Circle, Ile-Oluji; Married to Mercy Ekunola Akinbola (nee Adegoye) and blessed with children; Died on March 16, 1994.

sions, Agric Department (1944-51); Transporter/Agent, Post and Telegrams Department (1951-60); Timber Contractor/Founder, Gboluji Sawmill, Ile-Oluji (1958); **Affiliations:** Councilor, Ondo Divisional Native Authority Council and Ondo Divisional Council; President, Grade C and later Grade B Magistrate Courts (1959-65); Secretary, Jegun-in-Council; Member, Morgan Chieftaincy Review Commission; Patron: Inner Circle of Ile-Oluji; Igbo Union, Ile-Oluji; *Egbe Ajisafe*, and *Egbe Asiribo*; Foundation member: *Egbe Iwa bi Olorun*, St. Peter's Church Ile-Oluji; **Honour:** *Logbosere* of Ile-Oluji (1956); Justice of the Peace (1961); High Chief *Odunwo* of *Ile-Oluji*; (1965); **Community Development:** Member, informal Lobby Group for the creation of Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council in 1958; Established *Wasimi Odunwo* at *Oke Owena* to curb the incessant encroachment of the *Ijesa* and the *Ondo* in that area; He donated several acres of his Cocoa farm for the establishment of a primary school there.

AKINFEMIWA, Joannah Aduke (Nee Ademakinwa); *Orowosekun Lobun* of Ile-Oluji; Born October 27, 1917 to Pa Joel Ademakinwa and Madam Elizabeth Adekanyin; **Education:** Various primary schools in Ile-Oluji, Ede, Jebba and Ado-Ekiti; **Career:** Sewing Apprentice, Trader; **Honour:** Saloro of Okemesi-Ekiti, Gboyegun of St. Peter's Church.

AKINDOLIRE, John Olanusi; *High Chief Odunwo of Ile-Oluji*; Born in 1910 to Madam Omodojo Akindolire; Both his father and mother could be described as of noble birth as they were descendants of past holders of *Lobun*, *Sasere*, *Odunwo*, *Sama*, *Odole*, and *Odofin* titles; **Career:** Timber Clerk, Ore; Transport Clerk/Shopkeeper, Ilesha, Ile-Ife and Ondo (1928-33); Jegun's Clerk or "*Akowe Ilu*" and Tax collector for the whole of Ile-Oluji and its districts (1934-40); Forest Guard, Ondo Native Authority (1939); Cocoa Survey Assistant for Ondo, Ijebu, and Egba Divi-

AKINFEMIWA, Raphael Ariyo; Former Principal Produce Superintendent, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, MANR, defunct Western Region; Born June 1, 1920 to Chief Gabriel Akinfemiwa, *Lomafe* of Ile-Oluji and Chief Mrs. Lydia Akinfemiwa, *Eno* of Ile-Oluji; **Education:** St. George's Pry School, Ile-Oluji (1930-34); St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1935-38); Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo (1942-46); **Qualifications:** University of Cambridge School Leaving Examination; **Career:** Teacher, St. Stephen's Pry School, Ondo (1947-48); Produce Inspector, Dept. of Marketing and Export (1948); Principal

Produce Superintendent, MANR, Bendel and Lagos (1948 till retirement in 1980); **Affiliations:** Vice- President, Inner Circle Club, Ile-Oluji (1969-94); Member, Ile-Oluji Rising Youth Association (1938); Ile-Oluji National Union; **Honours/Awards:** Built Road House, the first hotel in Ile-Oluji in 1965; Spearheaded the building of departmental post office in 1968; Letter for commendation in respect of the post office project by Late. Chief A. Adegbamigbe, the then Secretary of Ile-Oluji Planning Committee; **Interest:** Drawing, Painting, Photography; Married and blessed with children.

AKINFISOYE, Okunfulure; Former Permanent Secretary, Ondo state Civil Service; Born February 20, 1937; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1955-59); Schools of Agric, Akure (1960-61) and Ibadan (1962); University of Nigeria, Nsukka. (1962-65); Institute of Administration, University of Ife (1966); Centre for Management, University of Cambridge, England (1980); **Career:** Admin. Officer (1965), Divisional Officer, Ibadan (1969-75); Under-Secretary, Governor's Office, Ibadan (1975-76); Secretary for Parastatals, Akure (1976) and Steering Committee on Local Government elections (1976-77); Admin Secretary, Federal Election Commission, FEDECO, (1977-79); Perm. Sec./Liaison Officer, Ondo State Liaison Office, Lagos (1979); **Interest:** Table tennis, Fishing.

AKINGBOHUNGBE, Olusola Simidele; Former Director of Corporate Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Lagos; Born September 16, 1941 to Mr. Sam Akingbohunge and Mrs. Julianah Akingbohunge; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; St. Luke's School, Ile-Oluji; Olowogbowo Methodist School, Lagos (1953-55); CMS Grammar School, Lagos (1956-60); University of Lagos (1972-76); **Qualifications:** B.Sc Accounting, AIB; **Career:** Different junior management positions and later Assistant Director, Central Bank of Nigeria, CBN (1961-

79); Assistant Director, later Director, Securities and Exchange Commission (1994); **Affiliations:** Member, Klob Execut of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji and "A" Circle of Nigeria; **Publications:** Raising New Capital Market and Other Options; Comparing Privatized and Commercialized Enterprises for Sourcing Funds from the Nigerian Financial Market; **Interest:** Reading, Writing, Table Tennis; Married Veronica Akingbohunge (nee Okhio) a blessed with children.

AKINGBOHUNGBE, Samuel Johnso
Born 1912 to Chief Lisamak Akingbohunge and Mada Oisahnmiese; **Education:** St. Peter School, Ile-Oluji (1928-36); P&T Dep Ondo; **Career:** Teacher: St. Peter School, Ile-Oluji; St. Louis Pry School Oboto and Ajebandele (1937-41); Trade Owo; Postal Agent, Ile-Oluji (for 28 years) Was married and blessed with children

AKINNNIRANYE Oyekanmi Johnso
Former Managing Director/Chief Executive Master Builders Nig. Ltd., Lagos; Born August 4, 1953 to High Chief Sase Akinniranye and Chief Mrs. Mariam Olade Akinniranye; **Education:** St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji (1961-67); Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1967-71); University of Lagos (1973-77); **Career:** Architect Ellawaziri Associates, Kano; Mass Design Associates, Lagos; Designer/Supervisor Makurdi International Airport; Magwa Hotel, Kano; Nigeria Re-Insurance House Bauchi; Nigeria Diplomatic Mission, New York; Presidential Lounge, Abuja; Bauchi State Markets (1980-82); **Affiliations:** Co-founder, Master Builders (1982); Partner PROFARCH (The Professional Architects) Director, Owners Savings and Loans Lagos; Supremo, Supreme Club of Nigeria, Ile-Oluji; Member, Nigerian Institute of Architects; **Interest:** Reading, Music Designing, Lawn Tennis; Married to Foluke Oluwatoyin Akinniranye (Nee Ogunyemi) and blessed with children.

AKINNIRANYE, Samuel Akinnifesi (1919-93); High Chief *Sasere of Ile-Oluji*; Born to High Chief Sasere J.R. Akinniranye and Madam Dorcas Olariboso Akinniranye; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1930-37); Wesley College, Ibadan (1940-44); **Qualifications:** Higher Elementary Teachers' Certificate (1944); **Career:** Teacher; St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji; Methodist Mission, Ajegunle; Akindana, Idanre; Methodist School, Gboroye Irele (1938-40); Headmaster, Methodist School, Idanre (1945-47); Tutor, Wesley College, Ibadan (1948); Methodist School; Supervisor, Ondo Province (1949-50); Produce buyer, Nigerian Farmers Union, Okitipupa, Ibadan, Iperu-Ijebu, and Auchi (1950-55); Storekeeper/Clerk, John Holts Ltd, Auchi (1960); Distributor, Nigerian Tobacco Company (1962-80); **Affiliations:** Chairman, Ifesowapo Local School Board, Ore (1980-83); Life member, Nigerian Red Cross Society; Founder, Methodist Church, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Driving, Philanthropy.

AKINRO, Chief Nathaniel Akinrosotu

Former President, home chapter, Ile-Oluji National Union; Born in 1916 to Chief Itamporo Akinro and Madam Deborah Akinro. He was with his parents until September 1929, when he went to Jos, Plateau State with his uncle, Late Pa Simeon Fagbamiye, a successful goldsmith and one of the earliest Yoruba settlers in Jos. Early Life in Jos While in Jos, he attended Government School between 1930 - 1934. He left Jos in 1935 for Lagos where his senior brother, Late Chief Itamporo John Akinyotu Akinr was already working with the Post and Telegraphs Dept. He was in Lagos for just three months before his brother was transferred to Kaduna. Life In Kaduna In Kaduna, he worked as a tailoring apprentice for two years under the tutelage of the Late Mr. D. O. Sanya, a native of Ipetu-Ijesha. He graduated in 1938 and thereafter became a successful tailor. From 1945, he developed interest in Ile-Oluji politics, becoming an active member of the Kaduna Branch of

Ile-Oluji National Union together with Pa S. A. Akinwasola, a successful goldsmith. Between 1954 and 1966, Mr. Akinro was an accomplished businessman. Supported by two of his friends, he opened Trio Mill, the first of its kind, which specialized in the production of bread and ogi (pap). With the return of Pa Akinwasola to Ile-Oluji in 1958, Mr. Akinro became the President of the INU. He was so popular, that he was honoured with the unofficial title of Baale. Back Home In Ile-Oluji He too returned home in Dec. 1966 in the wake of the Civil War. Since then, he has been contributing in various ways to the development of Ile-Oluji. For this, he was honoured in 1992, by the INU. He belongs to many Progressive societies such as Egbe Irapada and Egbe Fiwasaye. He is married and blessed with children

AKINRELERE, Simon Akinwemoye

Akinoyosola; (1887-1992); *Lijoka of Ile-Oluji*; Born to Late Pa Famefee Akinrelere and late Madam Fakiyesi Ojimobode Akinrelere. In September 1920, he left Ile-Oluji for Abeokuta to learn tailoring under Pa Emmanuel Owolabi. He completed his apprenticeship in 1924 and returned home to establish a tailoring outfit. Soon, he distinguished himself and became a household name in Ile-Oluji on account of his expertise and benevolence. He then founded the Ile-Oluji Tailors Association, which held its first meeting on June 6, 1925. He was until his death, the president of the Association. The late *Animasahun* did not have a formal education, but learned to read and write in Yoruba Language. His appreciation of the importance of being able to read and write spurred him to give formal education to all his children. Apart from tailoring, his other occupations were farming, trading, money lending, produce buying and transportation. He was for decades the agent of John Holt Limited in Ile-Oluji. He served Ile-Oluji in various capacities. He was a tax collector and the president of Grade C Customary Court (1973-78).

He also donated his land for the building of the first Post Office. He was installed *Lijoka of Ile-Oluji* on Sunday April 21, 1946 by Oba Abraham Adeseko, Jegun Odundun II of Ile-Oluji.

AKINTIMEHIN, Josiah Badunni; former Ondo State Director of Audit: Born September 20, 1928 into High Chief Jomu Oghosile Chieftaincy Family of Odolua Quarters; His parents were Chiefs Logbosere and Adafin Akintimehin. He left St. Peter's Ile-Oluji in 1939 with the Standard Six Certificate. With the opportunities for secondary education few and far between at that time, he accepted a teaching job under the Anglican Mission, something regarded then as a privilege for brilliant and well-behaved primary school leavers. He was a pupil teacher at St. Michael's School, Ilara (1942-45) before returning to St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji. After a few years' experience as an untrained teacher, he acquired enough skills and courage to the point where he was entrusted with the fate of the pupils in Standard Four, one of the classes normally reserved for trained senior teachers. Here, he was respected for punctuality, thoroughness, sense of humour and discipline. He passed the Cambridge Certificate Examination in 1948 at the height of his struggle for self-fulfillment. On July 14 of the same year, this earned him a position in the colonial civil service as a Third Class Clerk. He later passed the GCE Advanced and Intermediate Bachelor of Science (Economics) Degree examinations of London University as an external candidate. He rose through the ranks and was promoted to the post of Auditor in 1966. He was in the Northern Civil Service till 1967 when he was transferred to the Western Region and deployed to the newly created Ondo State in 1976. Mr. Akintimehin was a patron of Ile-Oluji National Union, Akure. He was also: Treasurer, Ile-Oluji Development Society; Trustee, Inner Circle Club; Member, Board of Governors, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji and *Egbe Irapada*. He was married and blessed with children.

AKINTOYE, Olaniran Akinyemi, Born January 13, 1913 to Pa Samuel Faduyitan Ayeni and Madam Menwinla Ayeni; **Education:** St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji (1920-27); St. Andrew's College, Oyo (1930-34); University of London; **Qualifications:** Bachelor of Arts (1940); LL.B (1945); LL.M. (1961); Ph.D Law (1973); **Career:** Pupil Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1928-29); Teacher St. Peter's School, Aremo, Ibadan (1935-37); Ijebu-Ode Grammar School (1938); Tutor, Oduduwa College, Ile-Ife (1939-40), Clerk, Lands and Survey Department, Lagos (1940-43); Lawyer, Messrs Irvin and Bonnar, Lagos (1947); Called to the English Bar as a Barrister at Law of Middle Temple in April 1948; enrolled as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria in May 1948 and thereafter started general legal practice; **Affiliations:** Chairman, Ile-Oluji National Union, Lagos Branch; **Community Development Activities:** Mooted the idea of Ile-Oluji Day as far back as 1955; Represented Ile-Oluji in numerous land disputes; member of the Movement for the creation of Ondo State **Honours/Award:** Ile-Oluji Merit Award (posthumous); **Publications:** *Self Rule for Nigeria*;

AKINTUNJI, John Rufus Akinfunmilola, (1938-89); Born to Mr. I. J. A. Akintunji and Madam Comfort Eyeola Akintunji; **Education:** Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1954-59); Paddington Technical College, London; Hackney Technical College, London (1962-68); **Qualifications:** HND Electrical Engineering; **Career:** Clerk, Nigerian Railway Corporation (1959-62); Electrical Engineer, Ministry of Works and British Railways (1968-70); Senior Engineer, Freeman Engineering Company (1970-73); General Manager, United Dynamic Engineering Company (1973-75); Chief Executive, Ajar Electric Company, Lagos (1975-79); Married to Olatundun Akintunji (Nee Akinwande) and blessed with children.

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AKINYANMI, Amos Akinbolaji; Former Minister of State, Min. of Agriculture and Fisheries, Western Region, Ibadan; Born January 16, 1924 to Pa Joseph Ojo Akinyanmi and Chief Esther Ladegahunsi Akinyanmi; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1930-39); St. Andrew's College, Oyo (1944-47); University of Ibadan (1950-55); **Qualifications:** B.A (Hons) English and History (1955); Diploma, London College of Music; **Career:** Teacher, St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1940-43); St. David's Pry School, Ibadan (Jan-Dec 1948); Headmaster, St. David's Kudeti Junior Pry School, Ibadan (1949-50); Tutor, CMS Grammar School, Lagos (1955-57); Principal, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1958-65); Tutor, Ahmadiya Grammar School, Ibadan (1966-69); Principal: Igbo Elerin Grammar School, Ibadan (1970-72); Premier Grammar School, Abeokuta (1973-75); Abeokuta Grammar School, (1975-76); St. John Mary's Teachers' College, Owo (1976-81); **Affiliations;** Chairman, Ile-Oluji/Oke Igbo District Council (1962-65); First Chairman, Nigerian Union of Teachers, Ondo State (1976-78); Chairman, Inner Circle Club, Ile-Oluji (1958-1993); **Honours/Awards:** Principal Emeritus and National Medallion Recipient, All Nigeria Conference of Principals of Secondary Schools (ANCOPSS); Justice of the Peace; *Sawe* of Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Music; Married to Dorcas Amuwa Akinyanmi (Nee Ogunyemi) and blessed with children; Died Friday, August 13, 1999.

FALOPE, John Adegbehin, The Rt. Rev; Former Anglican Bishop of Ilesa Diocese; Born July 31, 1910; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1918-24); St Andrew's College, Oyo (1926-29); Institute of Education, University of London, England (1949-50); St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, England (1965-66); **Career:** Teacher, later Headmaster, various primary schools (1930-46); First Master, Christ School, Ado- Ekiti (1943-44); District Supervisor of primary schools (1947-49); Senior Tutor, St. John's College, Owo (1951); Principal: St. David's Teachers' Training College, Evboneka, Benin (1952-

56) and St Matthias' Teachers' Training College, Akure (1956-64); Chaplain, St John's College, Owo (1965); Men's Warden, Vining Christian Leadership Centre, Akure, (1966); Vicar, St John's Church, Iloro, Ilesa (1971); Archdeacon of Ilesa Diocese (1973-74); Anglican Bishop of Ilesa Diocese (1974); **Publications:** *The New Birth* (1966); **Interest:** Church music, reading; he was married to Sophie Adegbemisetu Falope (Nee Adeniyi)

KUDUYO, Samuel Johnson; Born 1915 to Chief Aruwa Fabiku from *Ogbebiti* family and late Madam Victoria Dorcas Osunradeke from the royal family of *Opokiti* at Oke-Ehinogbe Street, Ile-Oluji; **Education:** St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji (1922-34); **Qualifications:** Standard Six Examinations (1934); **Career:** Various teaching appointments (1935-71); rose to the pinnacle of his career, serving as headmaster in St. Peters School, Ile-Oluji, St. Paul's School, Odode, Idanre, St. Paul's School, Ukpoke, Bendel, (Now Edo) State, and Anglican Primary School, Aponmu, Oyo State; **Community Service:** One of the few native teachers who volunteered to sign free payment vouchers for the Anglican mission and school when the Church could not afford the full wage-bill of its teachers. This saved the Standard Six class, introduced in 1934, from being scrapped; He founded the Scout Movement in Ile-Oluji in 1944; **Church Service:** Chorister, Sideman, Secretary, Auditor, Warden, Synod delegate and Treasurer of the Anglican Archdeaconry of the Ondo Diocese (1936-85); Actively involved in the establishment of virtually all the churches and schools in *Bamikemo*, *Lipaanu*, *Eyingun*, *Lota* and other towns and communities in Ile-Oluji district; **Affiliations:** Councilor, later Chairman, Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council (1950-1960); Secretary, Jegun-In-Council; President, Grade B Customary Court (for nine years); **Honours/Awards:** Co-founder, Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1954); Chief *Logbosere* of Ile-Oluji (1961); High Chief *Lisa* of Ile-Oluji (1982); Justice of the Peace (1983); Chairman, Ile-Oluji

Regent-In-Council (1984-90); Ile-Oluji Merit Award (1994);

OLASODE, Michael Akinbulureje; Born November 30, 1924 to Mr. Ajayi Akinbulureje and Madam Alice Oguntomike; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1934-41); Melville Hall, Ibadan (1952-53, 1956-57); Leicestershire, Parish Experience (1963-64); **Career:** Teacher, various schools in Ondo State (1942-57); Catechism: St. Jude's Church, Ipogun (1954); St. Andrew's Church, Owo (1955); Clergyman: St. Peter's Araromi Obu (1958-60); St. Stephen's Iju, Akure (1961-68); Vicar/Superintendent: Ikale District Church Council; Ebenezer Church, Ilu-titun (1969-75); Igbara-Oke District Church Council, St. Paul's Church, Igbara-Oke (1976-77); Vicar/First Archdeacon: Ebenezer Church, Ilu-titun (1979); St. Paul's Church, Igbara-Oke (1984-88); Oke-Igbo Archdeaconry (1989); Vicar/Archdeacon, Akure North Archdeaconry, St. Luke's Church, Idi Aagba Titun, Akure; **Affiliations:** Member, Inner Circle, Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Photography, Hunting, Weaving; Married to Felicia Wuraola Olasode (nee Esan) and blessed with children; **Address:** 37, Odomikan Street, P.O. Box 247, Ile-Oluji.

MARTINS, Victor Akinleye, (1902-1974); *Senduowo* of Ile-Oluji; He was born into a very remarkable family. The father was Otemuyilo Famuyide Odidi, a wealthy trader and prosperous cocoa farmer who became High Chief Lisa in 1919 in direct succession to his elder brother, Opeke, a great warrior and renowned *Babalawo*, hence the family Oriki: Odidi *Sabejeje, Omo Lisa mejji*. Each brother maintained a large household with several wives, children and other dependants. Together, they played prominent roles in the social and political activities of Ile-Oluji in the first quarter of the 20th century. Lisa Opeke died in 1919, and Odidi in 1924. The strength and prosperity of such an extended family was in its size and the high status of the successive family heads. Each

child inherited the name and prestige but still had to make his own fortune and find his own place in life. Chief Martins was named Akinleye. His mother, Olofinduke, aunt of late Chief Yegingha Adekeye, died when he was still very young. Perhaps, because of this he enjoyed special care of his father who for several years refused to allow him to go to school on the grounds that school children were ill treated and often punished.

Young 'Leye was determined and he finally had his way in 1918 when he was already at the threshold of adulthood. He began to attend classes in St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji where he took the name Victor Famuyide. He was admitted into Ondo Boys' High School in January 1924 but had to abandon studies two years later after his father died and could not raise the school fees. It was probably after that he adopted the names Victor Akinleye Martins. His first employment was as a clerk with an Ondo trader, but soon left when he decided he could not rely on his employer. A relation of his wife then introduced him to Government employment where he secured the job of road overseer in 1927.

Madam Molasuru, the youngest of his father's reputed 42 wives had been earmarked for him. The custom then was for the head of a prominent household to extend the family size as much as possible and marry several wives to cater not only for his own but also the needs of the younger members of the family. Molasuru, daughter of MadamTukesi, then *Odofin Lobun* of Ile-Oluji and *Iya Ijo* of Baptist Church, had encouraged her husband's search for education, but must have waited impatiently for him to settle at the new job and turn his attention to raising a family. After three attempts, they had their first surviving child named Aduke in 1930. In 1933, they had twins of whom one, Taiwo, survived.

Nine months later, Molasuru suddenly took ill and died early in 1934, leaving the two young children for a peripatetic road over-

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seer to look after. Perhaps, because Chief Martins had himself experienced the loss of his mother at early age, he was determined that his children would not suffer and their proper upbringing and education became a cardinal point of his life. He worked in different parts of the former Western Region (Osogbo, Ogbomoso, Oyo, Ilesa, Owo, Ado-Ekiti, and Abeokuta) supervising the making and maintenance of roads with efficiency. He did the same work for 35 years from 1927 till 1962 when he retired. His career was long in commendations, respect and prestige but short on promotions and financial reward. Despite this, his were not the itching fingers as he maintained his integrity in the face of temptation.

He maintained a permanent base at Osogbo and temporary quarters at other locations. At different times, he had four other wives; Madam Rebecca at Osogbo, Rachael at Ilesa, Enitan at Abeokuta, and Emily on his retirement home. He liked billiards and belonged to a circle of close friends. He retired from public service in 1962 and retired home as a contractor. He was active in church and state affairs; bagged the title of *Senduowo of Ile-Oluji* in 1963 for his public spiritedness. He remained remarkably fit and continued to drive his car himself even with his driver by his side until his death on October 29, 1974 at the age of 72.

OGUNSHEYE, Fidelis Ayodele, (1923-90); Professor of Adult Education; First Chairman, Nigerian Export Promotion Council, (1977-83); Born March 23, 1923 to Pa James Ogunseye and Madam Comfort Adeoti Ogunseye; **Education:** St. Gregory's College, Lagos (1937-41); London School of Economics (1947-50); Harvard University, USA (1961-62) **Qualifications:** B.Sc. Economics, M.A Economics; **Career:** Teacher, St. Paul's School, Ebute-Metta, Lagos (1941-46); Asst. Secretary, Nigerian Union of Teachers (1946-53); Part-time Tutor, Lagos Extra-mural Classes (1951-52); Deputy Director, Extra-mural Studies, University College,

Ibadan (1954-57); Substantive Professorial Director of Extra-mural Studies, University College, Ibadan (1957-67); **Affiliations:** Group Executive Director, Henry Stephens and Sons Ltd, Lagos (1970-78); Chairman Economics and Statistics Committee, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Visiting Professor of Economics, Sobornne University, France (1969); Founding Director (1975) and Chairman (1978-87), Rank Xerox Nigeria Ltd; Chairman; (Odu'a Investment Company Ltd, Ibadan; National Bank of Nigeria); President, Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Chairman, Governing Board, The Polytechnic, Ibadan; **Research works/Publications:** *The Role of Education and High Level Manpower in the Development of Nigeria: The Nigerian Economy: Revenue Allocation in Nigeria: Honours/Awards:* Commander of the Order of the Federal Republic, CFR, (1979); *Baikin of Ile-Oluji* (1982); He was married to Felicia Adetoun Ogunseye (Nee Banjo) and blessed with children. Died September 12, 1990.

OLADIMEJI, Akinlabi Akinmade; Former Head, Credit and Marketing, Broad Bank Limited, Lagos; Born to Chief Samuel Ojo Oladimeji and Mrs. Margaret Aderinokun Oladimeji; **Education:** St. Joseph College, Ondo (1969-73); Christ School, Ado-Ekiti (1975-76); Yaba College of Technology, Lagos; University of Ibadan; **Qualifications:** HND; M. Sc Banking and Finance; Associate, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria; **Career:** Finance Departments: Co-Operative Bank (1978-80); National Bank (1982-88); Republic Bank (1988-90); Pioneer Head Office Branch Manager, later Head, Credit and Marketing, Broad Bank Limited, Lagos (1990); **Affiliations:** Member, Educational and Branch Development Committees, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria; Married to Folakemi Oladimeji (Nee Oladiran) and blessed with children;

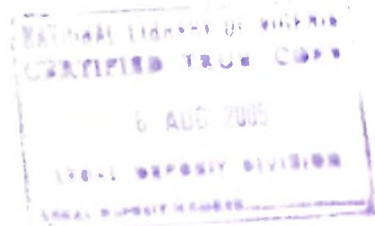
OLOWOSILE, Joel Adepeko; Born in Ile-Oluji in 1904 to Prince Isaac Adepetirin

Olowosile, a wealthy trader who was subsequently nick-named Olowosile, and Princess Adelola Olowosile a direct child of Oba Gbesoye Odundun I and Jegun of Ile-Oluji land. Pa Joel Adepeko Olowosile lost his father at a tender age and this led to his taking up gainful employment at an early age. He went to Oke-Igbo to practise farming. He later came back to Ile-Oluji to establish cocoa plantation at Awo, Aiyesan. His stay was short-lived because the land at Awo Aiyesan proved unsuitable for cocoa culture. He decided to try another trade and therefore went to Ajebamidele to embark on timber trade. After some years in Ajebamidele, his cousin advised him to come back to Ile-Oluji, because they had discovered a more suitable land for cocoa at Awo Aiyede. He obeyed the call and came home to settle down to the cultivation of cocoa. This time, the land favoured him. He established several hectares of cocoa plantation. Even then, the one abandoned at Awo, Aiyesan turned out to perform well. That was the beginning of his success in the cocoa venture. This success earned him the nickname of "Baba Olowo" just like his father was nicknamed "Olowosile".

Papa was born into a Christian home. Rev. Gesinde at St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji, baptized him on April 16, 1933. He participated actively in the building of the second church building now the Church Hall. He was a foundation member of Egbe Mimo Jesu of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji. As at the time of writing, only six of the members of the church society are alive. Papa's life was full of ups and downs. He lost his first son Samuel Taiwo Olowosile, who was a student of Gboluji Grammar School and his death was unfortunately, the first to be recorded in the school at that time. This really caused a serious setback to the family and nearly destabilized every member of the family. This sad episode was soon to be followed on 10th Jan 1961, when Papa was involved in a ghastly motor accident, which rendered him incapacitated until his death. However, Papa was undaunted in spirit and was steadfast in his belief and faith in God and

therefore faced life with high courage. Pa Joel Adepeko Olowosile was very honest, firm, reliable kind loving, responsible, self-disciplined and above all, a cheerful giver. We thank God that his children imbibed these good traits in him. Pa Olowosile died on November 21, 1995.

TOFOWOMO, Samuel Akinnebi; First Chief Registrar, Ondo State Judiciary, High Court of Justice, Akure; Born August 6, 1925 to Chief Yegingha Tofowomo and Chief Mrs. Felicia Oladimeji Tofowomo; **Education:** St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1932-40); Ondo Boys' High School (1945-49); **Qualifications:** Cambridge School Certificate (1961); Degree of Utter Bar (1961); Diploma in Banking, Economics and Finance, Business Organization and Management; **Career:** Traffic and Commercial Clerk/ Trains Guard, Nigerian Railways, Ebute-Metta, Lagos (Jun-Dec 1950); Clerk, British and French Bank, now United Bank for Africa, UBA, Lagos (1956-57); Barrister-at-Law and Solicitor, Supreme Court of Nigeria (1962); Legal Practitioner, O.A. Akintoye's Chambers, Lagos (April-Oct 1962); Civil and Criminal Lawyer, (1962-67); Magistrate, Western State of Nigeria (1967); Senior Magistrate Grade I (1972); Chief Magistrate (1974); Chief Registrar, Ondo State Judiciary (1976-77); Acting Judge, Federal Revenue Court, now Federal High Court (Sept- Nov 1977); Affiliations: General Secretary, Magistrates Association of Nigeria, Western State (1972-75); First Chairman, Board of Governors, Holy Saviour's Secondary Grammar School, Ile-Oluji (1976-78); Chancellor, Ondo Diocese, Anglican Communion (1986); Trustee, Inner Circle, Ile-Oluji; Founder, Egbe Omo Jomu Terebojo/Olowolubaraka of Ile-Oluji; **Interest:** Gardening, Billiards, Socializing; Married to Christianah Adeyemi Tofowomo (Nee Agunbiade), Eyeowa of Oda, Akure and blessed with children.





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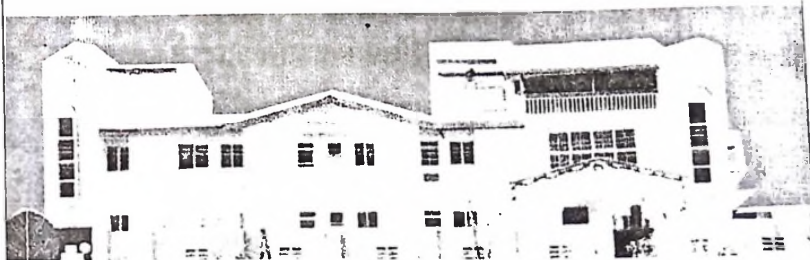
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SPECIAL SECTION

INTERVIEW WITH THE JEGUN OF ILE-OLUJI KINGDOM

"We Will Restore The Glory Of Traditional Institutions"

Jegun Olu Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom, Obaphen Sulade Adedugbe, Jilubokun 11, Ibadan, a member of the Nigerian Society of Engineers and former Deputy Director in the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing, was recently appointed the Chairman of Ondo State Council of Obas. The appointment came on the heels of the elevation of Kabiyesi to the exalted position of a first class Oba in Ondo State. In this interview with Ademola Adedugbe, Oba Adedugbe reviewed his reign and unfolds his vision for the traditional institution in the State.



Congratulations Kabiyesi on your appointment as the Chairman of Ondo State Council of Obas. How would you describe this recognition?

Thank you. This is not for me personally, but for the entire Ile-Oluji community. For some time the position of Jegun of Oluji had been relegated to the background. I thank God that at last justice has been done. It is really long overdue if you

understand what I mean. All the same, we thank God that Ile-Oluji has now been given the right recognition

What would you say are the immediate challenges facing you now as the new Jegun?

The major challenge now is to mobilize my fellow traditional rulers in the State to give their advice to this government because one of the functions of the Council is to advise the government on chieftaincy matters and other matters of the State. We have to be careful though with the type of advice we give. I also have to liaise with other traditional rulers in the Southwest to chart a new course for the traditional institution in Oluji land. When we achieve this, we then go beyond the Southwest to collaborate with other rulers in order to achieve our dream of a peaceful, prosperous, and united Nigeria. So these are our main challenges for now and I am happy to note that there have been positive changes since we came in.

What is your vision for the traditional institution in Ondo State?

We have a collective responsibility to elevate the status of the traditional institution and make it more relevant to modern day governance. We are fighting hard to ensure that there is adequate provision for the traditional institution in the next Constitution. We are doing this with other traditional rulers. The President made a pro-

nouncement at Adamawa State recently that the next time the constitution is reviewed, there will be provision for traditional rulers. This is commendable. In fact, a lot of memoranda have been forwarded to the National Assembly and the Technical Committee on Local Government Reforms. The Ondo State Council of Obas will submit a memorandum on what should be done. These are national issues and Obas cannot be left out.

Before 1976, each Local Authority managed its affairs. The 1976 reforms introduced a unified system, whereby the Local Government Service Commission took charge of staff recruitment and other important areas of Local Government administration. To me, this is wrong because culture and tradition differ from place to place. Secondly, the Local Government Service Commission appoints key officers, but these officers do not stay here. It would have been better if the Local Government were allowed to appoint its own officers who will stay in the town and attend to the problems of the town. What we have today is a situation whereby the officers live far away from the community they are supposed to serve. They are difficult to get and sometimes, crucial decisions are delayed because they are not available. I think this is one of the problems of today's Civil Service. During our time, you dared not reject any posting. These days, the officers accept the posting but they actually frustrate it by not staying where they will be useful to the community. Thirdly, most Local Governments depend entirely on the allocation from the Federal Government. They have not been doing much in the area of internally generated revenue

Therefore, the reforms we envisage are to make traditional rulers the ceremonial President of each local government in their domain in order to promote accountability, transparency, and good governance. A worthy example is that of the Agagu administration that set up a fund allocation committee made up of eminent indigenes of the state including traditional rulers. Through the proposed reforms, we are also advocating that recruitment of council staff should be done within the local government. We are not saying the Local Government Service Commission should be scrapped, but the point is that appointment of officers should be "localized" in such a way that will ensure people who understand the cultures and values of the community and who are willing to stay in the community are appointed.

What are your suggestions on how to restore the lost glory of this institution? These days, respect for some traditional rulers has reduced as a result of their involvement in politics and other issues not directly related to their primary responsibilities.

This is one of the abnormalities we are trying to redress. The traditional institution started losing its glory during the First Republic when some Obas were ridiculed and their salaries reduced to a penny a year, meaning they were not relevant. This could be one of the negative manifestations of civilian rule. What we have discovered is that as long as the political class is in control, the traditional institution will continue to be undermined. I want to say traditional rulers usually have a better deal under military governments. This is not to say I am advocating for the return of the military. I am just trying to draw a comparison here between the way civilians and soldiers treat traditional rulers.

Coming to the Local Government level, the Chairmen see themselves as the First Citizens of their Local Governments, so they are not accountable to anyone. They are not even willing to be advised on how to successfully govern. Even the councilors are nonchalant in their attitude. They do not respond when invited to meetings. For instance, some years ago when our Local Government here was presenting its budget,

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they did not call any of us. We read it in the papers and we were wondering what kind of budget it was. They said they wanted to construct bridges knowing quite well that the State Government was already working on the same bridges. Also, they said they were going to extend telephones to the Local Government Secretariat even when they know that there is no telephone in Ile-Oluji town itself. The chairman also said he wanted to borrow N100million. Thank God the State Government stopped it; otherwise we would have been groaning under the debt burden. To express our observations and offer advice, we invited our six Councillors in the Council to discuss the anomalies in the budget. Only two of them came. You see, the councilors and the chairmen see themselves as tin gods. I hope with the reforms, all these will stop.

Coming back home to Ile-Oluji now. Kabiyesi, which is the correct way to write your title? Is it Jegun Olu Ekun of Ile-Olujiland or Jegun Olu Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom? We want you to enlighten us.

The correct title is Jegun Olu-Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom. It was in fact the Ile-Oluji National Union, Ife branch that drew our attention to the error in saying "Jegun of Ile-Olujiland" because "Ile" means land. So it is tautology to say Jegun of *Ile-Olujiland*. They said the word "Ileolujiland" is a bit ambiguous. Apart from that, if we go down memory lane, we will discover that this place was a kingdom before now.

How would you describe your tenure as Jegun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom? What has the experience been?

So far so good. I thank God and I want to specially appreciate the people of the town for their cooperation. It has not been rosy but each time there is a crisis, God takes control. That's why for the past 13 years there has been peace and progress in Ile-Oluji. Some people will say nothing has been done but a lot has been done. For instance, when I got here in 1990, the whole of this palace was bush. The first thing we did was to fence it. It was when I came that we had Ile-Oluji/Oke Igbo Local Government. Before then, it was Ifesowapo Local Government with headquarters at Ore. We will continue to fight for a separate Ile-Oluji Local Government. The new palace recently commissioned is also another signpost of development. The number of secondary schools in Ile-Oluji has risen from 5 to 15. Private schools have also increased. To me there has been a lot of progress and we thank God because He has been on our side.

What has brought you joy most as the Jegun of Ile-Oluji kingdom and what are your regrets?

I am happy that Ile-Oluji is now a household name not only in Ondo State but beyond. This gives me enough joy. Secondly, the title of *Jegun of Ile-Oluji* has been



Oba Adedugbe at one of the retreats of the Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group

elevated to its rightful position. You know we had been fighting for the *Jegun* to be recognized as a first class traditional ruler. Many Chieftaincy Review Commissions had recommended that it should be so but nothing was done about it before now. I feel fulfilled to have witnessed this during my reign.

In which major areas will you like to see development in Ile-Oluji?

The most important one is industrialisation. Apart from the Cocoa Industry, there is no other major industry in this town. Well, I appreciate the efforts of some people who own small businesses in the town, but individuals mainly own them. I am talking about large-scale businesses that will generate employment and facilitate the economic development of the town. You may say Piccolo Brunelli Construction Company is here but we all know that they do not have any major project here. They only have their headquarters here. They are working in Irele at the moment. Well-meaning indigenes should come back home to establish industries that will enhance the economic base of this town and provide jobs for the people. On our part, we will ensure we assist willing investors with land.

The other area where I will like to see meaningful development is in the area of tertiary institutions. We have been talking to government. I am hoping that the Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG) will soon commence work on the proposed Ile-Oluji Polytechnic. Look at the tremendous progress in Akungba as a result of the Ondo State University that was relocated there. Akungba is not even up to one third of Ile-Oluji. That is the positive multiplier effect of having a tertiary institution established in your area. I know you belong to the Economic Summit Group. Please tell them we have two portions of surveyed land earmarked for such purpose.

We are also talking to government on the possibility of the proposed Ondo State College of Education taking off from the campus of Gboluji Grammar School. We have gotten 20 acres of land on the outskirts of the town earmarked for School of Technology of Bowen University. These are the options we are working on. Whichever comes first will be most welcome.

Kabiyesi, can you please give us an update on Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Company. What exactly is the situation now?

Early this year, the former Governor re-commissioned the company. This is sequel to the State buying the company for the sum of N300million from the former owners. Now the company needs funds to pay staff salaries, overhaul their machinery, and generally run its operations. The State Government has only given them an initial take off grant of N10million. They are only operating skeletal services now. The work they do there now is on third party basis, whereby they process your raw cocoa beans and take their commission.

When we told the former governor, he promised to give the company a bank guarantee. We don't know the thinking of this new administration yet but from the pronouncements of the Governor, they have so many things to contend with. Don't forget there is the problem of government's lean resources and also the debt burden. Therefore, it may be difficult for government to put in about N200m that is required to turn the place around. Now, there is the option of privatization that may be considered. My question is if government says it is ready today to privatize the company, are we prepared as a community to take advantage of this and buy controlling shares in the company? How much do you think we can raise in Ile-Oluji? The truth is that if government decides to sell the shares today, we will be caught unawares. There are some individuals in neighbouring towns that are willing to invest at least N10million in

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the company.

If we want to have a say in the administration of the company, we need to reposition ourselves. I once gave a suggestion that individuals who are interested in buying shares in the company should begin to put some money aside in Ile-Oluji Community Bank or any bank of their choice in town. I am hoping that the Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group will be able to co-ordinate our efforts in this regard.

Kabiyesi, Ile-Oluji is crying for increased government presence. Will this materialize in this present dispensation?

I think things have improved in this area compared to the recent past. For instance, we have a General Hospital that at a point in time was nothing to write home about. But things have improved now starting from the last administration. The roads within the town have been tarred. Education wise, the last administration renovated some schools within and outside the town. It is in the area of industrialization that we have not achieved much. It is a great relief that government pays WAEC/NECCO fees for the students. If you look at the districts surrounding Ile-Oluji, they have been enjoying government presence one way or the other.

However, water supply has been zero. All our taps have remained dry for over 15 years but the present government says it wants to reactivate existing dams so that water can flow again. They said before the end of the year, there would be a lot of improvement. On telephone, we have done a lot and we have been to many places. Recently, some people came from Abuja and promised to give us 30 lines to start with. Also, some people are working with us on the possibility of having an MTN cell site in the town. These are some of the efforts we are making and we are hopeful that something will happen before the end of the year.

What is the legacy you will like to leave behind as the Jegun Of Ile-Oluji kingdom? What are the things you would want to be remembered for?

This new palace building is one legacy I will like to be remembered for. The progress we have made in several areas is also important. By the grace of God, the Town Hall will be completed in the next few years. You see, we depend largely on money realised from Ile-Oluji Day celebrations. We practically finance all development projects in this town ourselves. For instance, we have spent about N12million on the new palace. Government gave us N35,000k. The N12 million does not include donations from clubs and societies. If we have to quantify all we have here, it will be more than N15million. I must thank all the individuals and organizations that have supported us on all these projects.

Lastly, what advice do you have for all your subjects?

Our people should continue to be law abiding. The selfless services they have been rendering should continue and we should be our brother's keeper.

AUNTY DUPE GROUP OF SCHOOLS

(the pacesetters)

Five educational institutions comprise the group. They are Aunty Dupe Nursery & Primary School, Ile-Oluji (founded in 1985 with the motto: *education is better than corals*); Aunty Dupe Kiddies School, Bamikemo (founded in 1992); The Model College, Bamikemo (established in 1996); Akinyosoye Model College, Ile-Oluji (set up in 1997), and Tunzie Computers, Ile-Oluji (set up in 1997).

Relevant Federal and State Government educational agencies have duly approved all the schools. The schools are equipped with modern educational facilities. A team of experienced, dedicated, and committed professionals runs Aunty Dupe Group of Schools. Members of the Management Team are Chief G.O. Akinyosoye, Dr. Tunde Ogunsusi, Evangelist (Mrs) Dupe Ogunsusi, Dr. Akinsola Akinyosoye, Mrs. Folayele Akinyosoye, and Dr. (Mrs.) Oluwatoyin Ademola

Akinyosoye Model College is the offspring of Aunty Dupe Nursery/Primary School. The aim is to bring back the qualitative education of yesteryears and keep pace with international education standards. The maiden results of the school (shown in the table below) are devoid of examination malpractice. All the students are disciplined and eminently qualified to proceed to tertiary institutions.

MAIDEN RESULTS OF WHO'S WHO OF TOMORROW (2002) Percentage Passed With High Numbers Of Distinctions And Credits

| SUBJECTS | WASSCE | NECO |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. English Language | 100% | 93% |
| 2. Mathematics | 100% | 100% |
| 3. Yoruba | 100% | 100% |
| 4. Biology | 100% | 100% |
| 5. Agric Science | 100% | 100% |
| 6. Geography | 100% | 100% |
| 7. Lit. In English | 100% | 100% |
| 8. Chemistry | 100% | 100% |
| 9. Physics | 100% | 100% |
| 10. Economics | 89.7% | 100% |
| 11. Government | 100% | 100% |
| 12. CRS | 100% | 100% |
| 13. Commerce | 75% | 100% |



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VISION

Economically empower indigenes of Ile-Oluji

MISSION

- Develop a sustainable economic base for Ile-Oluji
- Provide employment opportunities for qualified Indigenes.
- Enthroned accountability and good governance in local government administration

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Secured employment for indigenes
 - Facilitated forums to discuss agenda for the development of Ile-Oluji.
 - Organised strategic retreats for politicians and political office holders.

ASSISTANCE TO INDIGENES

Self Employment Programme

1. Placement of indigenes for employment
2. Support for small scale businesses
3. United States of America D.V. Immigrant Visa processing and relocation of 13 Ile-Oluji sons and daughters. The expectation here is that indigenes will be organized to provide a revolving loan for those traveling and living abroad.
4. Educational assistance to Obafemi Awolowo University and National Institute of Information Technology, Ikeja

SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY

- N10 million finance facility to Ile-Oluji Community Bank to support small and medium enterprises in the town.
 - Financial donation at 2002 Ile-Oluji day.
 - Financial donation to Ondo State Government
 - Financial donation to other courses

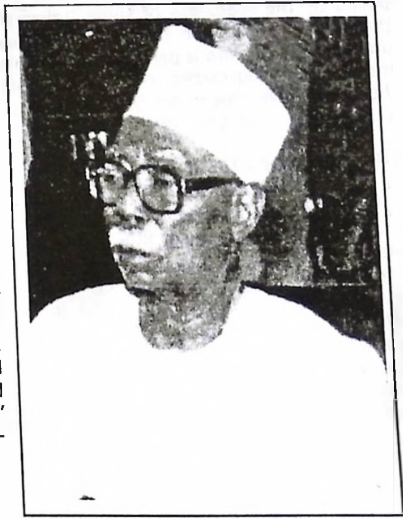
LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

- Ensure public accountability in the administration of Ile-oluji/Oke-Igbo local Government by introducing regular interactive forums between the Chairman and the Ile-Oluji community.

ENTERPRISE plus PHILANTHROPY = Sir Adedapo ADEKEYE, High Chief Odofin of Ile-Oluji

EARLY LIFE

He was born on April 2, 1910. His father, Chief Yegingha Simon Peter Alfred Ademulegun Adekeye, who died in 1964 was said to be the first Ile-Oluji son to attend the famous St. Andrew's College Oyo and who, immediately after the completion of his course, served as a Teacher/Catechist at All Saints School, Ondo. His mother, Chief Marian Mebonenwonde Adekeye, who died in 1971, was the *Iya Ijo* of St. Peter's Church, Ile-Oluji. High Chief Adekeye attended St. Peter's School Ile-Oluji until 1918 when he was launched early into a life of evangelism as Mr. S.A. Aderin took him along, to his missionary station at St. Paul's, Idanre where he completed his standard Six Certificate in 1919. Between 1920 and 1926, he attended the famous Ondo Boys' High School and left with the Junior Cambridge Certificate.



EDUCATION

Since he did not have the opportunity of studying science at school, he decided to go to Lagos to study Chemistry and Physics privately as an apprentice of one Dr. Oyejola. This was the turning point in his life as he was by this training equipped to enter the Pharmacy School at Broad Street Lagos, in 1928. He left in 1930 as a qualified pharmacist and became a member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria. Between 1954 and 1957, he studied optics in Glasgow and in London. In 1930, he joined the Nigeria Medicines Stores Ltd. Lagos and in 1932, he worked with J.F. Sick and Co. Ltd. before he started the famous ALBAN PHARMACY with his friend and colleague, Mr. M.A. Banjo in 1934. A branch of this Pharmacy was later opened in Ondo in 1960 with the Optical Department, which he had introduced to his Lagos main office.

INVOLVEMENT IN POLITICS

While he was in Lagos, he played a prominent role in Nigerian politics. He joined the Nigeria Youth Movement in 1936 with Dr. Vaughan, Dr. Maja, Mr. S. Akinsanya (who later became the *Odemo of Isara*), Mr. Obafemi Awolowo (later Chief Obafemi Awolowo, Premier of the Western Region) and Mr. H.S.A. Thomas. It was the young Adekeye who, in 1937, brought the N.Y.M. to Ondo and served as its Secretary. Under him, the N.Y.M. fought for and won the election of literate people into the Council and succeeded in getting Mr. Adetule the President of the N.Y.M and Mr. R.A. Ayodeji elected as Councilors. They also struggled but failed to break the monopoly of the U.A.C. in the control of the forests around Ondo. Chief Adekeye was a Member of the *Egbe Omo Oduduwa* which was formed in London and which later metamorphosed into the Action Group, absorbing the N.Y.M. in its train. The desire of Chief Adekeye to serve

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his community made him contest election into the House of Representatives in 1954. He later contested and won election into the Western House of Assembly in 1957 and 1960.

FORAY INTO BUSINESS

A man of great business acumen, Chief Adekeye diversified his business in 1960 to include Timber, reminiscent of his father's interest in the Timber industry, which he undertook after leaving his teaching job at Ogbonkowo. Chief Adekeye was propelled by the readiness of some Italian friends, whom he met at Ondo Camp while they were working on Ile-Oluji/Ipetu Road and who had equipment for extracting timber, to enter into a partnership with him in timber industry. He felt that instead of the timber being carted to Europe, it could be processed in Nigeria. He approached the state Government but failed to get its support, as it was more interested in the new alliance that gave birth to the Nigerian-Romanian Wood Industry (NIROWI).

THE BIRTH OF PIEDMONT

He then turned his attention to Bendel State Government under Governor Samuel Ogbemudia who promised, and gave him, all necessary assistance in starting Piedmont Nigeria Company Limited. The company later moved to Ologbo, Bendel State and metamorphosed to Piedmont Plywood Industry. The Company was named after Piedmont, the province where his Italian friends came from. The first place where Chief Adedapo Adekeye started his timber business in Ologbo incidentally was the last place where his father did his own timber business. When Chief Adekeye decided to start another Timber Industry in Ondo State, he had no difficulty in getting the support of Governor David Ikpeme who allocated a Forest Reserve to him to enable him start the Premier Timber Industry at Bolorunduro. High Chief Adekeye is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of this flourishing company.

A very enterprising businessman, Chief Adekeye met in London in 1957 one Mr. Lewis who had an advertising firm with an overseas marketing Agency in Nigeria. The Agency was sold to S.H. Benson who later sold it to Ogilvy Benson & Mather. When the Indigenisation decree was enacted, Chief Adekeye along with others bought the Company and became its Chairman. Chief Adekeye is also the Chairman of Mulegun Fagbola Enterprises, a prosperous family distributive trade company based in Ile-Oluji.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

He was very prominent on the national political scene. He represented the country on various economic missions. He was on the economic mission led in 1963 by Chief Festus Okotie-Eboh, then Minister of Finance, to Western Europe, Scandinavian countries, Netherlands and the United States of America. He was on the mission that signed the agreement for the construction of the famous Carter Bridge in Lagos. During the Civil War, between 1967 and 1968, he was on a diplomatic team consisting of Late Alhaji Zanna Buka Dipcharima, Alhaji S.O. Gbadamosi, and late Chief E.A. Fadairo which visited Western Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Holland to explain to the outside world the Federal Government's side of the conflict.

SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT

In the area of Education, Chief Adekeye showed a great deal of interest and enthusiasm. He believes that everybody should be given the chance to be educated, irrespective of the financial status of one's parents. It is recorded that he paid the deposit, Government required to establish Holy Saviour's High School, Ile-Oluji in 1974. He donated land for Ademulegun High School building and gave out N10, 000 to start

the school buildings. He also awarded university scholarship to the first old student of the School who gained admission into a university to study Science. He granted scholarship in each of the secondary schools in the old Ifesowapo Local Government Area. All these are in addition to his annual prize awards for his scholarship and exemplary behaviour in several schools in and around Ondo and Ile-Oluji. Recently, he set up a huge Education Trust Fund over which he has appointed some eminent citizens of Nigeria as trustees in the interest of students up to the university level.

A LOVER OF CHURCHES

For his 50th Birthday, he donated pews for the High Chiefs in St. Peter's Church Ile-Oluji without knowing that about two years later, he was to occupy one of the seats. He built a N90, 000.00 vicarage for St. Peter's Church Ile-Oluji to mark his 80th Birthday Anniversary in April 1990. He contributed very generously to St. Paul's Church Breadfruit, St Stephen's Cathedral, Ondo, and of course, to his home church, St. Peter's Church Ile-Oluji where he is a prominent member of *Egbe Iwabi Olorun*. His love for churches around him is further demonstrated by the fact that each time he returns from his vacation abroad he would always bring packets of wafer bread for them.

A GREAT COMMUNITY LEADER

High Chief Adedapo Adekeye has distinguished himself in his dedication to the service of the Ile-Oluji community. He was the first Chairman of Ile-Oluji/Okeigbo District Council, and a Representative of Ondo Divisional Council in 1955. His services and patriotism were rewarded in 1953 when he was conferred with the chieftaincy title of *Yegbata* of Ile-Oluji, followed by High Chief Odofin in 1962. He served creditably on the Regency Council of Ile-Oluji during the interregnum from 1984 to 1990.

DEVELOPMENT AGENT PAR EXCELLENCE **Stephen Adediji ADENIYI, High Chief Sasere of Ile-Oluji**

High Chief Stephen Adediji Adeniyi is "the man". The man who is saddled with the responsibility of coordinating most development efforts in Ile-Oluji. As Chairman of Ile-Oluji Development Committee (IDC), "baba Sasere" is the rallying point of the various development activities in the town. Here is his profile.



EARLY LIFE AND EDUCATION

He was born on August 13, 1922 to Chief Jacob Adeniyi, the *Yegbata* of Ile-Oluji and Madam Alice Adeniyi. After initial opposition to schooling (obviously for fear of corporal punishment that was the rule then), he went through primary school at St. Peter's School, Ile-Oluji (1931-38) and passed the First School Leaving Certificate Examination with distinction. Thereafter, he taught for two years (1939-40) at the same school. In 1941, he gained admission to Class Two at Ondo Boys' High School, Ondo from where he passed the Cambridge Senior School Certificate Examination of 1945 with Grade 1 with exemption from London Matriculation. He entered the School of Agriculture, Moor Plantation, Ibadan, in 1947, for a four-year programme in Tropical Agriculture, obtaining a Diploma, which was equivalent to a first degree, and acceptable for postgraduate studies at Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, Trinidad, West Indies, between 1957 and 1959. He was awarded the Associateship of the College (A.I.C.T.A.). Between 1963 and 1964, he attended the University of Wisconsin, Madison, United States for a Master's Degree in Meat and Animal Science and Poultry Science. Between 1964 and November 1974, he took courses in Agronomy, Agricultural Extension Services, Communication Skills, Financial Analysis, Monitoring and Evaluation of Agriculture and Rural Development projects among others, in order to sharpen his skills.

CAREER

On completion of his first degree in 1950, he took up appointment with the School of Agriculture, Moor Plantation, Ibadan. Between 1951 and 1953, he combined the job with that of managing a 100-acre school farm on arable crops and livestock. Between 1953 and 1955, he served as Officer-in-charge of Cocoa Disease Control and Rehabilitation, a programme that made Nigeria the world's second largest cocoa producer. He was the Officer in-charge of the 800-acre Government farm in Akure between 1955 and 1956 when he was posted to lecture at the School of Agriculture, Akure. From 1960 to 1962, he participated in the development of 13 farm settlements and 5 farm institutes in the then Western Region.

In 1963, he rose to the rank of Principal Agricultural Officer in charge of the Western

Agriculture Circle with the sole responsibility of supervising all Agricultural activities in the political administrative areas now covering Ondo State, Ekiti State, Ife and Ilesha Divisions of Osun State. These include the Ilesha Farm Institute and some 7 settlements in the area. He was in the agricultural services of the Federal Government until December 1974 as Head of Livestock and Poultry Development Programme. In 1975, the United Nations employed him in the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) as the Project Manager of FAO/UNDP Agricultural Assistance to African Refugees in Tanzania and Zambia. He was later transferred to Rome where he served in the FAO/World Bank Co-operative Programme preparing feasibility reports for World Bank financing in the African zone. He was on several foreign missions abroad among which were five missions in Zambia, four in Tanzania, three each in Sudan and Zimbabwe, one each in Somalia and Ethiopia, and one in Turkey.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

He was a founding member of Ile-Oluji Little Stars Association (ILSA), which later merged with Ile-Oluji Rising Youth Association (IRYA) and the Ile-Oluji Patriotic Union (IPU) to form Ile-Oluji National Union (INU). He retired from Government service in 1985 after 41 years of meritorious service, to play a more active role in Ile-Oluji Affairs. He became a member of Ile-Oluji Development Committee in 1986 and was made its Chairman in 1991. Between 1960 and 1962, he contributed to actualizing Ile-Oluji Farm settlement. Active work started in earnest and the first batch of settlers arrived on the settlement that same year 1962.

HONOURS

Loyinmi of Ile-Oluji (September 1967); High Chief Sasere of Ile-Oluji (October 1993).

"A Separate Council Will Stimulate Faster Growth", Says Adeniyi

What was childhood like for you?

Like any other child growing up then, it was fun and also challenging. We had to combine schooling with helping our parents and also supporting various development efforts as we deemed fit.

How have you been able to integrate yourself into the mainstream of Ile-oluji considering the long period you were away?

It has been a good experience after a long absence. So many changes have taken place and the town has grown in size and in terms of development infrastructure. I don't agree with those who say Ile-Oluji has not developed. Some people also say that the name is wrong. They don't seem to know that the Olu does not refer to the Oluwa of Jesus. It is a Yoruba word that has been in existence before the advent of Christianity. When I was leaving in December 1945, Orita Ajala was the end of town. Between Orita Ajala and Brunelli, I have seen tremendous growth. Also Ita Samolobe was the end of the town towards Ondo, but it has extended beyond Owe and Asio. Similarly, there was no house beyond the Esimu River. Odololo was a big jungle. In the area of education, there was no single secondary school. Now, there are over 12, including private schools producing quality students. There has been growth. We have more Professors than any unit of our size in this country. So, in some aspects, there has been expansion.

However, we might have done better than this if we had gotten some things right. It is true that some more centrally placed communities have experienced more reasonable growth. But compared with other communities, we have not fared badly at all.

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Where there has been little or nothing to show is in the provision of essential services. Water supply is almost non-existent. In the past, there was water but this is no longer the case today. Electricity was better before but now it's worse. Our worst experience has been in the unavailability of telephone services despite all the efforts we have made. In 1992/93, NITEL said if we could make contributions, they would give us 15 lines from cocoa industry. We contributed N30, 000 each and they promised to do a test run which has not been done up till now. That is disappointing. We have mounted pressures at all levels. The Kabiyesi has written to NITEL several times and he has even met the President on the issue. I don't understand why it is impossible for them to do and why they rate Ile-Oluji as being unworthy of a telephone facility. It is very sad. The President told the Kabiyesi that the name of Ile-Oluji is on the list of five towns to be connected. It is not easy to predict whether this will materialize or not.

Where are we on the settlement of boundary disputes?

I am not sure anybody knows the way out. One way is to sue all the people concerned through the National Boundary Commission. Some negative influences are at work, but we believe that the truth will surely prevail.

What's your impression of Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Local Government?

Well, some people planted themselves in there and they have not made themselves available for advice. They are not in tune with the wishes and aspirations of the people. Even when they know our aspirations, they do nothing to meet these aspirations. The way people are encroaching on our land is due to the negligence of the Council. It is their duty to protect the territorial integrity of the town, but they are not concerned. We suggested that they should establish the presence of the council in those areas. They have not done anything. As a result of the persistent neglect the people are beginning to dance to the tune of those who visit them. The negligence of the council is a big problem here. We have not been too successful at the Council. In fact, we have been unlucky that the people who get there do not remember that they are part of the community again once they get there. There is no accountability. For instance in their last budget, they provided millions of naira for rehabilitating roads and a large number of bridges without naming the rivers. There are too many irregularities.

What do you think is the problem?

Manpower is one of the problems. Some of the people there at the council are misfits. We need competent people to be councilors, not School Certificate dropouts and half-baked graduates. We invited them sometime to the palace on the budget but they did not come. Only two out of the six councilors came hence we couldn't discuss. There is nothing that we call them for that they respond to. There is so much irresponsibility. We know how much comes in but we don't know how it is spent. We need credible and knowledgeable people as councilors. We have told the political leaders repeatedly that they should focus on service. We have told the chairman to maintain regular dialogue with the Kabiyesi on crucial issues but he did not.

What do we do then?

Perhaps it should not be a single council anymore. In the 50s when it was Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council, everybody worked together and we won the Council of the year award for two consecutive years. But the people we handed over to did not have the urge to work together. We formed Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo Students' Union, and this provided a good ground for the progressive development of the town. However, the Oke-Igbo people started complaining of marginalisation and the need for 50-50

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sharing formula. If you look at the issue objectively, their population and contribution to income generation does not justify this. Numerically and in terms of contributions to income, we are better. There was a particular year we contributed over 80% of the revenue to their own 20%.

Should we continue to rotate the Chairmanship?

Rotation formula should stop; we should agree on picking the best candidate all the time. We cannot continue to sacrifice the development of the town on the altar of political expediency.

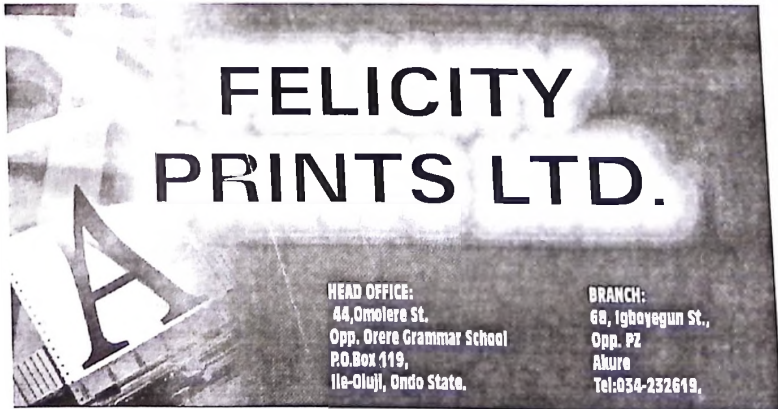
So what efforts are being made on the separate council issue?

We have made our point and we have been told that the government has accepted in principle that each of us should have a council of its own. We had thought that we would go into the next political dispensation under a new local government but we have not heard anything. We believe this is the answer. If we have a council of our own and we have an Ile-Oluji man misbehaving we will know how to deal with him by appealing to his reason.

How do you rate government support for Ile-Oluji?

The recently ousted State Government supported the town in some areas such as repair of township roads in Ile-Oluji and Bamikemo. We quite appreciate this and will be expecting more goodies from this new government. We have asked for a tertiary institution but we have not gotten a positive response yet. I strongly believe things will get better when we have our own local government.

****This interview was conducted before the Federal Government announced plans to reform the Local Government System.***



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PROFILE IN COURAGE
Chief Samuel Ojo OLADIMEJI

By Afolabi Akinbola

The Source

Pa Samuel William Ojo Oladimeji was born at 9.00 a.m on the 27th day of August, 1909 at Lagookun's home, Oke Ehin Ogbe quarters, Ile- Oluji. His father, the late Chief Itampoo Oladimeji (alias *Gbaleke Gbankan*) was a farmer and a socialite. The mother, the late Madam Aina Bolajoko Oladimeji, born into a family of staunch traditionalists was also a farmer. She did not spare the rod. Neither did the elders in the extended family. Pa Samuel Oladimeji had an elder brother, Joseph Oke Ifakomogbon Oladimeji (born Jan 1904, died Jan 1986) and a younger sister, Madam Osunpelade Wuraola Falayi (born 1912) who is the *Jomu Lobun* of Ile-Oluji. The siblings were very close and the elder brother played a crucial role in his life. A fourth child died almost immediately after the death of their mother on October 25, 1917.

These were the days when morality was not considered relative and the distinction between good and evil was clear and unambiguous. But boys will always be boys. The young Ojo was up to his neck in all the pranks and escapades of his time - like going for a swim at the *Aigo* stream (where a boa constrictor was believed to reside)- against the strict injunction of his mother. Needless to say, this defiance of his mother's explicit warning was always detected and rewarded with the appropriate punishment. He detested going to the farm because his playmates were not there. A celebrated wrestler around the Oke-Atiba, Odomikan and Odolua axis, he earned the sobriquet "Ojo Gbe" (i.e "Ojo give him a fall") and it was related that he was never given a fall during wrestling bouts. He was the favourite of his maternal grandfather, Baba Aruwa Akinsimide, helping the old man to carry his bag to various meetings and escorting him on journeys. Indeed, his first journey outside Ile-Oluji to Ondo was in the company of Baba Aruwa and it was there that he beheld a storey building for the first time. It was also at Baba Aruwa's settlement (Awo Aruwa) that the call of destiny came one November day in 1921.

In the life of every human being, there is always a particular event that proves decisive. So it was with the young Ojo who was in the farm on this fateful day when his uncle, Mr Emmanuel Akintemi Akinsimide came calling. Mr. Akinsimide met him reciting the Yoruba alphabets A, B, D, E, E. The well travelled uncle who could speak English and Yoruba fluently was impressed and he ordered the precocious kid to pack his pitiful belongings and follow him to Ile-Oluji to commence his formal education. There was no dissenting voice to this order. Not even from Baba Aruwa, his maternal grandfather.

After a brief spell at St Peter's Primary School, Ile-Oluji, he followed his benefactor to Lagos to continue his education. He attended St Peter's Anglican School, Ita Faji and St John's School, Aroloya. Some of his contemporaries were High Chief John Olanusi Akindolire (the late Odunwo), Bishop John Falope and High Chief A.A Adekeye. Then this happened. His maternal grandfather, Baba Aruwa, died suddenly in July 1923 and his benefactor fell ill. He was compelled to return to Ile-Oluji where he continued his education at St Peter's Primary School in Standard 1 earning double promotion in the process. He was baptized Samuel William Ojo Oladimeji on April 4, 1926. He passed

the government Standard Six examination in May 1927 and became a pupil teacher at the school in January 1928. This appointment made him eligible to sit for the entrance examination to the famous St. Andrew's College, Oyo. He passed the examination along with Mr Ebenezer Akinlembola and Mr Gabriel Akintujoye.

Life had not been a bed of roses since the death of his mother shortly after child birth on October 25, 1917. Despite the carefree days at Awo Aruwa, the minimum comfort of life had been hard to come by. At St. Peter's School, he had to rent the "Sunday suit" of his elder sibling, Joseph Oke as uniform (to be washed on Fridays for Oke's use on Sundays). He could not be employed after passing his Standard Six examination because he had two terms' payment arrears to settle in the school (this was subsequently paid by one Mr. Samuel Ifakuade Dage). He had to scrounge for the deposit for the four-year course at St Andrew's College, Oyo. He had to scrape the barrel for the transport fare for the commencement of his studies. During the course of his studies, he was compelled to do menial jobs in the school in order to keep body and soul together. When there is a will there is always a way.

THE ANDRIAN

Life at St. Andrew's College, Oyo (an institution papa himself described as a miniature university) was a strictly regimented one. It revolved round the bell - reveille, general cleaning, breakfast, devotion, classroom work, horticulture, etc. Students ignored the bell at their own peril. All these could be endured. At least they were in the famous institution for a purpose. What about the harassments and intimidation by the senior students. Their insolence was insufferable. New students were subjected to the traditional "washing day" by their 'seniors' who wasted no time in reminding them of where they were. A lot of hot air was blown (some not good natured) and the recalcitrant ones among them were singled out and disciplined as immediate warning to others. The new students could only take consolation in the eternal truism that "seniority is not forever". Some of his contemporaries were Chief S.O Awokoya, former Minister for Education in the old Western Region and architect of the free education programme of the Action Group. There was also Archdeacon Emmanuel Alayande, who was Chief Oladimeji's "tormentor-in-chief" in his first year. Alayande would taunt him as *Ojo Onikondo*. Thankfully, there was enough time and space for students' mischief at the expense of their oppressors' and even their teachers. And there were the piano organs, sports and the choir. He was the assistant organist in his final year. All in all, it was an education that prepared the youths for the challenges of the future and the inevitable trials and tribulations that would surely come. The type of education this "wasted generation" (apology Prof Wole Soyinka) could not even contemplate in its cult driven and drug befuddled imagination

The Educationist

Pa Oladimeji graduated in 1934 and was posted to St. Luke's C.M.S School, Sapele where he was made the Headmaster of the junior section. The then Mr. M.A. Ajasin (who later became the first Executive Governor of Ondo State) was the Headmaster of the School. The junior section of the school became a model for all the schools in the division as a result of the innovations introduced by the fresh junior headmaster. The school was beautified and changes were made in the time-table. He was also the organist of St Luke's Anglican Church, Sapele, before he was transferred to St. Peter's Anglican School, Edun-Abon in 1936 as the Headmaster. In 1940, he was again transferred to St Stephen's Anglican School, Ipele. An expatriate inspector described his stewardship at the school as "excellent ... under difficult conditions". At Ipele he was on intimate terms with Prince J. T. Olagbegi, then a tax collector. Olagbegi

later became the Olowo of Owo and the brother-in-law of Pa Oladimeji. He also enjoyed good rapport with Chief Daniel Fagunwa (the Yoruba national fabulist and renowned author of *Igbo Olodumare* who was then the headmaster of St Patrick's School, Owo). Needless to say, Papa Oladimeji was the Organist of St Stephen's Anglican Church, Ipele.

On the recommendation of the Supervisor for Education, Owo Province and the Reverend Canon D.O. Awosika, he was posted to All Saints' Anglican School, Ondo as Headmaster in 1943. Eminent Nigerians like Chief Bayo Akinnola and Chief Alex Akinyele were students of the school during Papa's Stewardship. The year 1947 found him as the headmaster of Ansar-ud-Deen School, Ondo where Chief Gani Fawehimi was one of his several pupils. No eyebrow was raised when the new headmaster started teaching his overwhelmingly Moslem pupils a couple of Christian songs.

Communal Activities

Following persistent agitations by concerned citizens of Ile-Oluji on the deteriorating condition of St Peter's School, the town's premier primary school, Pa Oladimeji was convinced to come back home and help rescue the situation. He resumed duty as the Headmaster of the school on January 29, 1950. With the assistance of a small group of committed and dedicated teachers, this urgent summon to a rescue mission was accomplished. A new time table was drawn, teachers were classified and divided into classes and it was made mandatory for all uncertified and untrained teachers to submit their notes of lesson latest by 5.p.m a day before the delivery of lessons. Discipline was enforced. Staff and pupils were actively involved in communal projects. A programme of beautification of the school premises was vigorously pursued. Some of the teachers were Messrs Samuel Johnson Kuduayo (who would later become Headmaster of the school, and much later High Chief *Lisa* of Ile-Oluji), J.A. Adewakun, Moses Adebisi (a.k.a. Ifebaba), Adesominu, etc.

When the then Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo District Council was granted the authority to establish a secondary modern school, Papa was deployed to the new institution as its pioneer Headmaster (1955-60). Along with a group of indigenous and non-indigenous teachers, he was able to lay a good foundation for the school. Most alumni would not forget in a hurry the likes of J.O. Akintomide, Akanbi Oni, Ogunkamisi, E.O Akingbola, etc. As far as the students were concerned, with the benefit of hindsight, it was all to the good. The posting from Ipele to Ondo in 1946 brought papa literally home and he became actively involved in the political and religious activities of his hometown. He was therefore a living witness to the formation of Ile-Oluji Progressive Union (under the Chairmanship of the then Mr. David Okunfulure (who later became Archdeacon and Baba Ijo of St Peter's Church). The IPU later gave birth to Ile-Oluji National Union (INU).

While at St. Peter's he was concerned about the plight of students who could not further their studies after their primary school because of the non-availability of a secondary school in the town. The only secondary school in the province (Ondo Boys' High School) could not cope with the students' population explosion. It dawned on papa that the existing block of buildings of St. Peter's could as well serve the purpose of a makeshift accommodation for the take off of a secondary school in the town. Where there is a will, there will always be a way. He communicated this idea to leading citizens in the town who were equally concerned about the situation. This led to the formation of a Grammar School Committee. The first meeting of the committee took place on January 30, 1950 at the residence of Chief Losare C.A Akinrimisi. The committee later metamorphosed into the Gboluji Grammar School Expedition Commit-

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tee. Members of the committee were: Chief S.P.A Adekeye (Chairman), Chief Losare C.A Akinrimisi (Treasurer) High Chief Sasere Falayi, Mr (now Chief) S. Adefulire, Mr (later High Chief Lisa) S.J. Kuduyo, Mr. (later High Chief Odunwo) J.O Akindolire, Chief Itamporo Akinbobola, Mr. I.F. Adegbaso, Mr. H. Akintola, Mr. Ajimatanrareje, Chief Imam Akewusola, the Rev. J. L Akeredolu (later Bishop) and Chief Lomofe S.O Oladimeji (Secretary).

The solution to a knotty and seemingly insurmountable problem is always amazingly simple. The premises of the town's premier primary school became the nucleus of the proposed secondary school. The venue of the expedition's committee meetings was shifted to St. Peter's Junior Primary School. Citizens contributed enthusiastically to the school fund. Ile-Oluji indigenes "abroad", i.e. Lagos, Ibadan, etc were not found wanting. Qualified teachers were recruited. After scaling all bureaucratic obstacles, the formal opening ceremony of Gboluji Grammar School, Ile-Oluji took place on February 24, 1954 with the Bishop of Ondo Diocese (Anglican Communion) the Rt Reverend S.O. Odotola presiding. The Minister of Education, Mr. S.O. Awokoya was present.



In recognition of this unique and selfless contribution to the establishment of a secondary school in his town, and taking cognizance of other contributions to the development of Ile-Oluji, Papa was conferred with the chieftaincy title of *Lomofe* by the Jegun of Ile-Oluji, Oba Abraham Adeseko, Odundun II in August 1951. It was also noted that contrary to the conventional wisdom of the age, Papa was living at *Ita Samologbe*, a dreaded area at the time. It was the general consensus that it demanded great courage to reside at *Ita Samologbe* area. It is pertinent to note that this title was conferred on an "ordinary teacher" who neither lobbied with wads of naira notes nor begged for it. This is a point to ponder.

Nuclear Family

Papa started late in establishing a nuclear family to the extent that there were malicious insinuations about his manhood. Two previous courtships came to naught as a result of circumstances beyond his control. Disturbed by the level of illiteracy at Ipele when he was the Headmaster of St. Stephen's School, he set up an adult literacy class where a pretty young girl, Omo-Olorun Olagbegi was an attentive and brilliant student. He convinced her to commence regular studies at St. Stephen's School. Now, Omo-Olorun was the younger sister of his intimate friend, the then Prince J.T Olagbegi who later became the Olowo of Owo. Before his transfer to Ondo in 1943, he informed the Prince about his interest in Omo-Olorun and he had raised no objection to the proposal. His only concern was the relatively young age of the girl and Papa assured his friend that there was no need to hurry. It was suggested that she should continue her studies in Lagos.

But time was not on papa's side!! When she came on a visit to Ipele from her studies in Lagos, she was confronted with a marriage proposal!! She was flabbergasted. What about her studies, she must have wondered. She was finally convinced to acquiesce to the proposal and she joined the bridegroom to be at his station in Ondo.

The marriage ceremony of Mr. S.O Oladimeji and Miss Esther Margaret Aderinokun Olagbegi was solemnized at St Peter's Anglican Church, Ile-Oluji on September 22, 1946, with the Rev. C.A Ogunleye officiating.

Cynics aver that every marriage is a lottery. Jane Austen added: "happiness in marriage is entirely a matter of chance". But having waited for so long, Chief Oladimeji was committed to making a huge success of his marriage. He did. There could be no doubt whatsoever that the middleaged headmaster had got himself "a jewel of inestimable value". The marriage is blessed with nine children. Contemporaries of the children testify to the love that exists in the family. Friends are treated as members of the family by the parents. Onlookers had no option than to conclude that here was a family at peace with itself and the outside world.

But the peace of this household was shattered in October 2000 when two of Pa Oladimeji's children (Akinlabi and Akintayo) died in a freak motor accident along Ondo-Ile-Oluji Road. This incident temporarily cast a pall of gloom over the family but after darkness, there will always be light. May God continue to strengthen Pa Oladimeji and his entire family.



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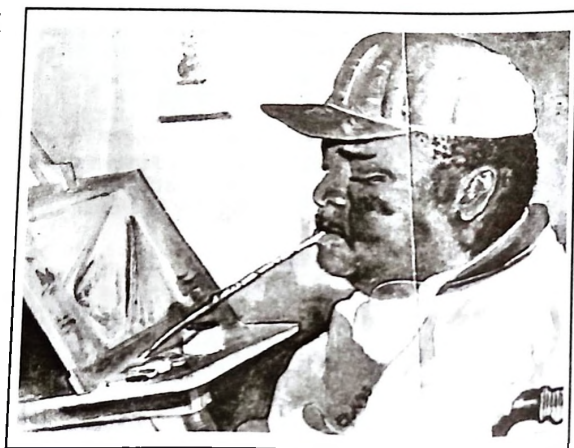
Profile of **Idowu Augustus AKINROLABU**, Nigeria's foremost mouth artist

October 21, 1960: Born in Ile-Oluji to Chief Isaiah Olaseinde Akinrolabu and Mrs. Adewetan Clara Akinrolabu.

1979: Admitted to study Geology at University of Ife.

1982: Struck by a debilitating illness occasioned by fever in his final year, while on a mapping assignment to Kuta, Oyo State. This resulted in paralysis of his four limbs (Quadriplegia) and was forced to withdraw from school.

1982: Referred to the Occupational Therapy Department of Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH) for specialised treatment.



1986-90: Underwent private art lessons as part of his rehabilitation at LUTH when it appeared his ailment was defying therapy and medication.

1994: Discharged from LUTH after 12 years, and subsequently became a full time mouth artist.

EXHIBITIONS

He has exhibited his works at the following exhibitions: Funfair Exhibition, Chapel of Healing Cross, Lagos (1990); Induction Ceremony of Inner wheel Club of Surulere, Caesar's Palace (1990); Art Market, Whispering Palms, Iworo (1991); H.O.P.E. Exhibition sponsored by Cadbury PLC and Treasure House Ltd (1994); Launch of the Driving Force Exhibition, sponsored by Mobility Aid and Appliances Research and Development Center, MAARDEC, at Excellence Hotel, Ogba, Lagos (2001).

AWARDS

"See thou a man diligent in his works...". Naturally, awards have come his way from different quarters. These include Erich Stegmann Stipendary Award of Lichtenstein (1990); Artist With A Difference Award, UNESCO, Paris (1995); Aragon International Award For Excellence And Creativity (1998); Young Outstanding Persons Award, Nigeria Junior Chamber (1999).

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Should you wish to narrate your childhood experiences, what would you talk about?

I am from Ondo State. My parents used to be civil servants. I hail from Ile-Oluji in Ondo State. My childhood was pleasant; there was no problem and things went smoothly. I remember that my father was a disciplinarian, being a headmaster. My mother was a midwife. So, I grew up in a very pleasant environment. I had both my primary and secondary school education over there.

What's your position in the family?

I am the fourth of five children and my father married only my mother. My father's name was Chief Isaiah Olaseinde Akinrolabu, while my mother's name was Mrs. Adewetan Clara Akinrolabu.

Can you tell us some of the treasured moments you shared with them while growing up?

Well, I remember my father because they used to transfer him from one town to another. I was always with him. He liked taking me around, where ever he was going. Any time I made a mistake, he would correct me. He believed in corporal punishment. He did not tolerate any act of indiscipline. My mother too cared a lot especially about domestic needs. She' was very energetic and dynamic as well.



You said your father believed so much in corporal punishment. Can you share with us one or two occasions when he had to employ this form of punishment on you?

I remember a time in my primary school. I was supposed to go for lesson, but I followed my friend to a nearby brook to swim. On getting back, my father asked of my lesson book but he found out that it was not up to date. I mean he leafed through the note, and discovered I had not been to the lesson class on that day. My father would not beat me immediately; It was when I would have thought that he had forgotten about it that he would then come very early in the morning and cane me. My mother was not used to beating us. She was not used to beating me, especially. She would rather correct me.

In what way did your childhood friends impact on your lifestyle then?

I used to move with friends that were very reliable, disciplined and believed so much in education. So what we normally discussed were things bordering on our academics. We were not always discussing anything else beside our subjects in school.

Could your relationship with friends truly be devoid of all the usual childhood pranks?

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Actually, I used to play with friends around the house. My father used to engage me with one thing or the other. He even drew a timetable for me. That's why I could not just go out on my own because I just had to be around the house or in our street. I couldn't go far, except I went to my grandmother's house.

In what circumstances did you experience this attack?

It was when I was in University of Ife in 1982.

What level were you then?

I was in the last semester of my final year in the university. We were on a fieldwork at Kuta, in Oyo State. I think it should be in Osun State now. I was there on a fieldwork because I was a Geology student. So, it was there I had fever. I thought it was just ordinary malaria. And the nurse who was living in our house in Kuta gave me Chloroquine tablets. Having taken the tablets, the fever subsided and I was able to finish the project. I then went back to the campus, submitted my project and every other thing. I later proceeded to my town for the rest of the holidays. It was in my town that I had another attack. You see, I don't normally fall ill. So, it was surprising that I could be falling ill like that. Nonetheless, I still took Fansidar, but there was no effect. I had to take another three again, because I was anxious to go back to school. It still did not subside. I had to call my mum. She was worried, just as any other person was. My grandmother too was there.



I woke up on the third day of the attack, and I found out that I could not raise my hands. Everybody was dumbfounded. They had to inform my father upstairs. He was so worried, and was asking what the problem was. Anyway, I could still walk; so, I walked to the car and he took me to the hospital where my mum was working. At the hospital, the doctor said it was beyond him. He advised that they take me to General Hospital Ondo. By the third or fourth day of my admission in the hospital, I couldn't move very well. That was when they phoned my aunty in Lagos and arranged for a bus which eventually brought me to the Lagos University Teaching Hospital.

So, what did the doctors tell you at LUTH?

On getting to LUTH, they diagnosed a viral infection of the pelvic nerves around the spinal chord.

Naturally, your parents would have shared your pains with you following the attack. What were the problems your parents faced while taking care of you?

The attack subjected my parents to several problems. So many things happened. My mother had to sell all her property. She had to buy drugs, buy all sorts of things. As time went on, she had to resign her appointment with the hospital, and my father had to leave the services as well. I lost my brother in the process.

How did it happen?

I just don't know. They just told me that my brother was dead.

And they didn't tell you the circumstances surrounding his death?

They said he fell from a bike.

While coming to see you in the hospital?

No it was at work.

Was he your eldest brother?

No, he was the second one.

Was he married?

Yes, he had kids.

So, he just fell and died! Could you tell us what the people in your neighbourhood or even within your extended family were saying about your family, as the family was being plagued with one problem or the other?

Ummh! One cannot rule out the possibility of external forces being involved in this kind of thing because it was very unusual. To me personally, I believe in God, and I know that He is the one that created everybody. And if anyone is doing something bad secretly, God is there watching the person wherever he is. So, I cannot say with certainty that this is the person that did this to me. But I know that there were some external forces behind it.

Before your own problem, did the family experience any strange thing?

Beside the sudden death of my brother, I don't think any strange thing happened to the family. You know before I had this attack of fever in my town, I used to feel somehow. When I slept, at times I might find it difficult to wake up, and at times I might even wake up but I would still find it difficult to stand up. I mean, something would be pressing me down. So, I told my parents all of this experience even before the fever and subsequent problems I've been talking about. I used to feel that someone was by my window. I would see a baby and she would be laughing while pressing me down. This is what convinced me that some external forces were at work. It was not long then that I began to have fever. It was just immediately I began to see that baby pressing me down and at the same time laughing.

Were you seeing the baby in your dreams or what do you actually mean?

It was not something like a dream, but it would just . . . (pause).

Was it at night or in the day?

It wasn't at night. It was during the day. It was when I was waking up from sleep that I saw the baby.

She was just laughing, you said?

Yes, and all of a sudden she just disappeared.

For how long did you experience that?

Just once! And it was not long afterwards that I had that fever.

And did you report this to your parents?

I reported it to my parents. Then, my father said I should come and join him in his room.

So, when you joined your parents upstairs, was it still the same story?

No, it wasn't.

Was your father a traditionalist?

No, he was a staunch Christian.

So, no effort was made to take you to a herbalist, perhaps to consult the oracle or whatever?

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Yes, my father was someone that did not care a hoot about such things. What he believed in was prayer.

How did your friends relate to you immediately you suffered that attack?

They visited me in the hospital when I was in Ondo. They also consoled me. I thought the illness would go soon. I even gave some of them money to reserve a room in the hostel for me. I thought it would be over in three or four weeks.

Was there anyone among them who deserted you or disappointed you?

That was when I got to Lagos. On getting to Lagos, I did not see anyone of them.

None of them came, really?

Yes.

And they were not communicating?

Well, it may be after about five or six years later. It was then I started seeing one or two of them.

Which excuse did those people give for not coming to see you in Lagos?

They were just saying that they did not know how I would feel. Maybe I would feel bad, and then start crying and all that...

So, has this experience shaken your confidence or trust in friends, and man generally?

This experience has taught me that I should not rely on anybody, except God. It's when something is good that you see people around you; When it turns the other way, you would hardly see anybody around you.

Before the attack, were you keeping any girl friend?

Yes, I had.

On campus or at home?

At home.

How did she help you in your crisis?

She used to come when I was in General Hospital, Ondo.

Was she coming when you were at LUTH?

I did not see her again. I was only hearing news about her that she was dating another person.

Could it be because of your predicament that she fled, or were her parents kicking against her relationship with you?

I don't know. She probably might have been listening to what people were saying or she herself felt she could not cope.

For how long did you go out with her before the incident?

It wasn't long. May be two years.

Now, you are happily married. How did you meet your wife?

I met her when I was in LUTH in 1989. She came for occupational therapy. That's where and how I learnt to paint with the mouth. She came to do some exercise there. That's why I invited her to my birthday, because I used to celebrate my birthday there at LUTH every year then.

Oh, this is interesting! How were you always marking it?

You know I had a lot of friends; medical students, nurses and so on. They used to make me happy, always. Some patients too would join them; they would bake and cut cake for me, just to make me happy.

How long did you stay in the hospital?

12 years.

So, on twelve different occasions, you were...

No, may be five years. It was not immediately I was admitted in LUTH.

You were talking about how you invited her to your birthday in LUTH?

Yes, I invited her to my birthday and she came with a present, and I proposed to her. That was all.

But before the invitation to your party, how did you get to know her?

I met her at the occupational therapy doing some exercise. She had some problem with her hands too.

When was that?

That was when she was young. That was when she was still in school. No, she had finished her schooling before I met her. She attended Stadium High School, Surulere.

Did you propose to her the day you invited her to your party?

It took sometime, but I told her that day that I was interested in her. I told her that she should be coming always to see me. And she didn't object.

Truly?

Yes.

Was it immediately you proposed to her that you told your parents?

No, I didn't tell them immediately because I had not known her very well to be sure that she would be stable or not.

What really attracted you to her?

She's very, very caring and emotional. When she saw me she was moved. Within me, I knew that she's my wife. I told my sister that she's going to be my wife. I told her that anything I have, I would spend it on her, and she was just laughing.

And were you actually spending on her.

It's not as if I was spending on her. She used to take my artworks around, make the money and we shared it.

Was she also spending on you, buying you dresses and all that?

Yes. I remember when she bought a very fine cup with cutlery for me. She said I should not use the cutlery provided by the hospital.

When eventually your people got to know about your relationship with her, did they express any fear regarding to her genuine interest in you?

No. everybody in my family embraced her. They loved her. They knew that she's capable of taking care of me. That relieved them of so many things as well.

Was there any occasion when she told you that some members of her family were not pleased with the arrangement?

Not at all. Her mum is someone that's very understanding. She's someone that believes that she's not to dictate to her children over their choice of partners. She said that when she told her mum about me, her mum only asked her if she truly loved me. She asked further if she was sure of what she was saying. She also asked her if she thought she could take care of me, or perhaps if she only wanted to take my money and then run away. She answered that, "Yes"

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she wanted to marry me. And everybody in her family embraced me. Even when I was in the hospital, they used to come and visit me.

Let's talk about your wedding. Where were you then?

(Smiles). I had left LUTH. I was at Ota Road in Agege (Lagos). I was there for almost five years. I was there when I had my wedding in 1996, having left LUTH in 1994.

JIBOLA, THE WIFE

Could you tell us your first impression about Idowu when you met in LUTH a few years ago?

The first day I saw him, he narrated his story to me, and I knew that someday God would heal him. And I believe everything was going to be all right. Over the years, He's still the same person. He's a responsible man. I see him as my brother.

Did any member of your family object to your marrying him initially?

None of them. Though when I told my mum, she said if I loved him, I should go ahead, but if I didn't love him, I should drop the idea, because it is not easy coping with a disabled person. Honestly, if you don't love that person you can't stay with him. It's not just something that you go into, and later you say you are not doing again.

Was it by divine guidance that you developed interest in him or was it a recurring experience in your dreams?

You see, we had been seeing each other and talking to each other for about two or three months before I accepted him. Why I accepted to marry him was because I just felt he needed somebody to help him. I mean I just feel that I should take care of him.

In arriving at crucial decisions, does he lord his ideas on you or you take total control?

NO, I take to what he wants. If he says this is the way he wants it, I have to do it. He is the head of the family and I must obey him. He's the husband. I wouldn't disobey him because he's in this condition. If you have the fear of God, you would obey your husband.

How have your friends received him?

I don't have friends. There are just three of them from my neighbourhood where I grew up that do come. And they all love him. In fact, I don't even go out as such.

Was it after your marriage that you called it quits with your friends?

From time, I don't like going to parties. And I don't like keeping friends because they would discourage me.

It has been long you married, why do you still nurse this fear?

I can't leave him now because of his condition.

I'm not saying you should leave him...

(Cuts in) I can't leave him and go out with friends. I have to be beside him always because he can't do anything. When he needs me, he'll call me. Unless he sends me on errand somewhere, and the houseboy will be around, I stay with him always.

So, you have a househelp?

Yes. But that one has gone.

Nobody stays with the family now?

Yes. We are just three now: myself, my husband and our son.

What are some of the difficult times you have shared with him since you married?

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That's when there is no houseboy, and he starts calling in the middle of night. And this may be for three or four times. And then I'll say, "Oh, this houseboy, Oh... I'll be lamenting his absence. You know, it's normal now, when someone is waking you up every now and then, to do this and that. This has been the experience since the houseboy left.

When he wakes you up in the middle of the night, don't you sometimes shout at him or ignore him, in all honesty?

Ah, ah, I know it's my duty. That's why I'm saying that if you don't have patience, you can't marry someone with such disability. I have to do it; there's no way. When the houseboy was with us, he would feel reluctant to attend to him. And because I sleep beside him, I would always rise to attend to his needs even before the house help would make any attempt.

What would you tell women who are afraid of marrying men with disability?

My advice is that they should not scorn the disabled. They are human beings like us. For instance, my husband is a responsible and caring man. Again, I would advise that if any disabled man approaches them, they should consider him. They should show him love.

Sometimes, he could be tough with you. Give me an instance.

That's when you disobey him. He begins to say, "Oh, I don't like all this..." or may be I want to buy something and he warns that I should not take his money, and I say, "Please now, please now, let me take it." He now says, "Okay take N100, but I need N150, and he'll begin to say, "don't take it, o! (raised her voice) Is it because I can't stand or what? You had better put down the money!". Then, I'll drop the money.

How does he punish your child when he misbehaves?

Yes, he punishes him when he misbehaves. And he does so by asking him to stoop down, and he may also ask me to beat him.

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THE ILE-OLUJI ECONOMIC SUMMIT GROUP (IESG) *Creating economic space for Oijefons*

The Inauguration

Saturday, November 17, 2001 was destined to be a memorable day in the annals of Ile-Oluji. It was not going to be just another Ile-Oluji Day. Good enough, the Ile-Oluji Development Committee (IDC) under the able leadership of High Chief Stephen Adediji Adeniyi, had concluded arrangements to host that year's Ile-Oluji Day. Like previous ones, it promised to be a successful event. Elsewhere in the town, a group of forward looking indigenes were putting finishing touches to the first Ile-Oluji Development Summit, under the auspices of Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG). The idea of a formal Ile-Oluji Development Summit initially sounded foreign. Some attempts had been made in the past by some concerned indigenes to exchange ideas on how to move the town forward. This was, however going to be the first time notable indigenes would come together on a non-partisan basis to discuss development issues affecting Ile-Oluji.

The Conveners

Mr. Akinsola Akinfemiwa, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Prudent Bank PLC, was the motivating force behind this Summit. Months earlier, Akinfemiwa had formed the Ile-Oluji Economic Summit Group (IESG) with the intention of creating economic space for the average Ile-Oluji indigene and facilitating the economic development of the town. Akinfemiwa was not going to do this alone. He invited other committed indigenes such as Professor Bola Akinterinwa, Dr. Raphael Opeke, Mr. Olu Adetimehin, Mr. Sam Adegboyega, and Mr. Oladunjoye Oyewumi. The secretariat was coordinated by Messrs Ademola Akinbola and Ayo Adewakun.

Public Acceptability

There is no doubt that the IESG has been well accepted by the Ile-Oluji community. This is evident in the turnout and active participation of well meaning indigenes at all the events so far organized. The inaugural summit went smoothly. So did the second summit held on March 30, 2002. Attendance at all the summits was impressive. It was indeed a roll call of Who's Who in Ile-Oluji as our Royal father, Oba Stephen Sulade



Adedugbe, FNSE, Jegun Olu Ekun of Ile-Oluji Kingdom, led other High Chiefs and community leaders to the events.

Issues At Stake

Through the two summits and the retreat it organized in August 2002 for politicians and political office holders, the IESG had put salient issues crucial to the sustained development of the town on the front burner. These issues include:

- Creating employment networks and strategic alliances
- Seeking active and fruitful participation of the town in state and national politics
- Engendering sustainable development through meaningful investment in viable businesses such as Ile-Oluji Community Bank, Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Company Limited, and others.
- Developing an enduring infrastructure base for the town.
- Boosting agricultural production
- Resuscitating the education sector and development of a conscious approach to children education and development.
- Ensuring a cordial and friendlier relations with our neighbours.

Jegun's Views

In his opening remarks, Oba Adedugbe commended the organizers of the summit for their commitment and consistency. He appealed to well meaning indigenes to rally round the IESG in ensuring the economic development of the town. According to him, politicians and political office holders should shun political brigandage and work together towards the common goal of developing the town.

Akinfemiwa on IESG's Objectives and Vision

Addressing the audience, Mr. Akinfemiwa, IESG Chairman, thanked all those who attended the summits. He reiterated the philosophy behind the establishment of the IESG, saying the objectives are to:

- Articulate various development issues facing the town.
- Facilitate high level networking between indigenes and relevant individuals and groups outside the town.
- Provide a forum for meaningful interaction among indigenes of the town.
- Empower our people economically and make life better for them.

No Political Ambition

Mr. Akinfemiwa disclosed that the IESG was a non-political and non-partisan organization. *"What I am doing here is what I believe I should give back to a community that has given so much to me. Some people have insinuated that this has political motives. Let me assure you that we are not interested in political offices but we are concerned with what political office holders do with the mandate of the people. We will be asking people questions on how they are running the affairs of the Local Government. We demand transparency and accountability in the administration of the Council. We will be interested in ensuring that only those who will be accountable to the community are voted in as leaders at all levels.*

Focused On The Economy

We are interested in the development of the economic potentials of the town and the economic empowerment of its indigenes. We will complement the efforts of the Ile-Oluji Development Committee (IDC) and other groups and organizations in developing the town. We are not competing with IDC, but we want to complement its activities. I believe we are both working towards the same goals, albeit from different

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perspectives. The IESG is a private sector-oriented, independent organization focused on creating economic space for the people.

Employment Generation

Also, we will get to a stage where we will be asking notable Ile-Oluji indigenes in government to show us what they have done in the form of employment generation for their fellow indigenes. We will like to see the rapid transformation of our dear town. We have no other town except Ile-Oluji and posterity will not forgive us if we fail to do our best in transforming this town.

We Are Determined

My colleagues and I have taken a determined position to commit our time, efforts, and resources to the economic development of this town. We know the task ahead of us is daunting, but we also know that it is not impossible. The journey of a thousand years must start with the first step. Today, we have taken the first step of convening the first Ile-Oluji Development Summit. We are not yet there, but we know where we are going. We cannot do it alone. We will be requiring the support and prayers of every indigene of this town".



PROFILE OF MR AKINSOLA AKINFEMIWA, CHAIRMAN, ILE-OLUJI ECONOMIC SUMMIT GROUP

He holds a B.Sc. degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (1976) and he obtained MBA degree from Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (1979). He was the Deputy Managing Director in charge of Corporate Banking and Risk Management Group, and the Chief Credit Officer (CCO) at Chartered Bank Plc before joining Prudent Bank Plc in November 1999 as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer.

He had earlier worked in African Petroleum (formerly British Petroleum Nigeria) and Peat Marwick, Casselton Elliot & Co. Nigeria, and International Merchant Bank (IMB). He is well trained, having attended several Grade A training programmes within and outside Nigeria.

He is an Alumnus of the prestigious European Institute of Business Administration (INSEAD) and the Manchester Business School, University of Manchester, U.K. He also trained at the First Chicago Leasing Corporation and attended the Senior Executive Internship programme at the American Express Bank, New York, USA.

His areas of expertise include Corporate Banking, Project Financing and Financial Advisory Services. He is a respected Financial Analyst and public speaker, having delivered several reference papers on various macro-economic issues.

The Guardian newspaper listed Mr Akinfemiwa as one of Nigeria's outstanding CEOs in 2001. He is a Director of Kakawa Discount House and pioneer Chairman, Equipment Leasing Association of Nigeria (ELAN). He is also a member of the Nigerian Economic Summit Group, Metropolitan Club, Lagos, and Island Club, Lagos.

Gboluji Grammar School at 50 A Clarion Call to All Old Students

*Do your best and leave the rest
Do your best and leave the rest
Boys and girls of GGS,
Do your best and leave the rest*

That was a popular song we sang at the Assembly ground everyday during the tenure of Mr Fayose as Principal of Gboluji Grammar School. These are not the best of times for the school and all stakeholders are now expected to do their best to reposition the school. In the interviews below, Mr. Eliam Oluwambe Omojuwa, Principal of the School, and Dr. Akinwale Ojo, National President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association, highlight the challenges facing the school and the roles all old students could play in surmounting these challenges.

MR OMOJUWA

Could you tell us the problems of the school that need urgent attention?

The problems include: fencing of the school to assist in crime prevention; resuscitation of the boarding house system eradicated in 1996; fencing of the girls' hostels; repair of the generating plant; rehabilitation of the staff quarters; repair of the bunk beds and other necessary items; recruitment of matrons, cooks and security guards; provision of boreholes; installation of street lights; renovation of dilapidated structures, and maintenance of the fish pond which we recently rehabilitated with the support of the State Government.

What were the efforts made by the school authority toward solving these problems?

We have contacted parents especially in respect of the fence. The parents agreed to levy the students to make some contribution toward it. We have also contacted the old students. Therefore, when we combine the efforts of the old students with the parents and possibly government, we will be able to do something.

You mentioned the anniversary of this school. Can you shed more light on this?

The Golden Jubilee anniversary will be coming up in February 2004. A re-union programme was organized recently as a way of informing old students about the anniversary. We will also like to appeal through your medium to all old students to turn up during the Golden Jubilee anniversary and to get in contact with the school to know the preparation towards the anniversary. It is not possible for us to know the addresses of all the old students and we will appreciate their getting in contact with us.

Could you briefly summarize the recent academic performance of the school?

Our students are doing well; we are doing very well. Gboluji came first last year in the essay competition for Senior Secondary Schools in Ondo South Senatorial District. We also came first in the whole state. In the junior essay and quiz competition one of our students represented the state at the national level. There was a minor

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problem otherwise I am very sure that student would have done well at Benin. The date communicated to us was wrong. The competition at the national level took place a day before the actual day communicated to us by the Ministry of Education. Therefore that boy did not take part in the competition at the national level.

Also, in the SSII Exam last year we came first in the Local Government. We have not seen the analysis for this year. We came first in the SSII Exam that was well supervised. We came first and even in WAEC and NECO. Our students are not doing badly. This year in JSS III, over 90% of our students passed the exams. At Gboluji Grammar School, we don't assist students during examinations.

Do you have any message for parents?

I want to appeal to the Ile-Oluji community to send their students to Gboluji. I was baffled when I got here and discovered that the student population was not what it should be. I was not happy. Old schools like this are regarded as centres of excellence and Gboluji is a centre of excellence from what I have seen. We have the facilities and the structures. We have good science laboratories, good hall, but I am yet to come to terms with what is happening. I believe we should be able to have more than enough students seeking admission to this school. But it is not so. We don't have students seeking admission. We can accommodate about six classes every year. But what we have now is just four classes of students coming in.

Therefore, I want to appeal to the community and the old students to patronize the school and allow their children to come here. We have the facilities and the teachers are hard working. They are putting in their very best and there is no reason why they should be running from the school. Go to Oyemekun Grammar School, Akure, Aquinas College, St Joseph's College, Ondo Boys' High School, and others, they have more than enough students.

Chief Dr. Akinwale Ojo, National President, Gboluji Grammar School Old Students Association

What major projects are you targeting for commissioning during the anniversary?

We have put preparations in top gear. 40 people have been selected to form the core committee. The Committee has been divided into sub-committees such as fund raising, ceremonial, publicity, and project supervision. We have a number of projects we are hoping we will be able to complete before then. These projects are basically focused on electrification of the school, rehabilitation of the science laboratory, and sinking of boreholes. We are also working on renovation of the "E" Block, and provision of 21 units of desktop computers.

How do you intend to raise funds?

We have written to about 30 old students demanding a minimum of N250, 000 donation from each of them. We have also written to several other old students appealing for one form of support or the other in cash or in kind. So we expect all committed old students to respond positively. I am glad to inform you that the response has been encouraging.

How do you intend to involve Government and its agencies?

The State Government will definitely be involved. For instance, the United Nations Development Programme, UNDP, has sunk two boreholes in the school but only one is working. So, we will call them to come and repair the other one.

The principal of the School complained of low students enrolment. How do you intend to address this problem?

The fallen standard of education in the country generally is a major problem affecting enrolment in public schools. It is not peculiar to Gboluji Grammar School. Also, some parents prefer that their wards should focus on how to earn income to sustain the family. This is as a result of the poverty level in the country. However, we will work with the school authorities in improving the situation.

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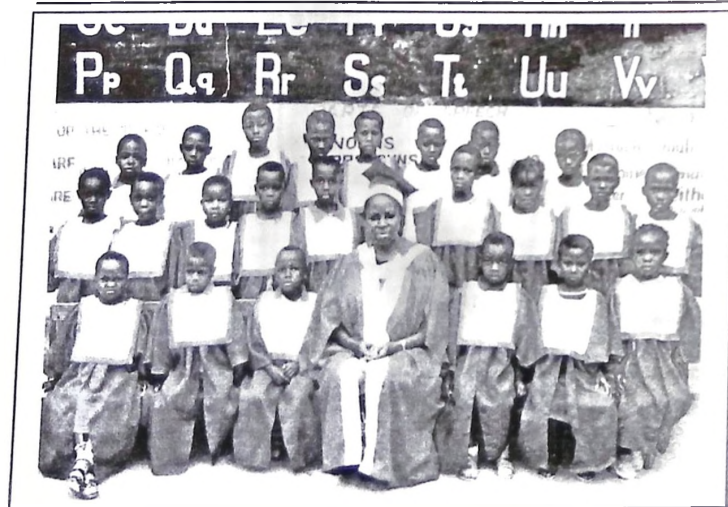
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PEOPLE, PLACES AND EVENTS



Mr. Sam Adegboyega (first right), a Trustee of IESG joins Mr. Akinsola Akinfemiwa in welcoming Chief Alex Akinyele, Lobosin of Ondo to the retreat organised for politicians by IESG.



Aunty Dupe Nur/Pry School Ile-Oluji. Graduation Ceremony of Nursery Children to Primary School. The Graduands with the Nursery Organiser, Mrs. S.O. Akinnibi

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Professor Bola Akinterinwa and Mr. Olu Adetimehin, IESG Trustees during a seminar.

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The First Set of graduating Students of Akinyosoye Model College (AMC) in 2002.

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Students of Gloryfield International College, Ile-Oluji on excursion to Ile-Oluji Cocoa Products Company and Ikogosi Warm Spring in Ekiti State..



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What motivated you into partisan politics?

I have always loved politics because it is an avenue for getting involved in the decision making process of my local government, state and country. It also presents an opportunity to participate in governance and the building of a better society. I have always loved to represent my people and articulate their needs and aspirations. Leaders like the Late Chief Obafemi Awolowo and High Chief Joshua Olorunyolemi have greatly encouraged me.

How would you describe your experience?

I have always been a Yoruba nationalist. When I was an undergraduate student at the University of Ife, I was a staunch youth member of the Unity Party of Nigeria. I was also involved in community politics. The development of Ile-Oluji has always been my priority. I facilitated the coming together of the different chapters of Ile-Oluji Students' Union (ISU) to form the National Union of Ile-Oluji Students with its first headquarters at Ile-Ife. Pastor Wole Oladiyun emerged as the first President while I was the General Secretary in 1982. I was honoured with a merit award for my love for Ile-Oluji in 1983 by the National Union of Ile-Oluji Students, University of Ife Branch.



I joined politics in 1999 after the elections. I was involved in the setting up of AD Europe of which I am the Publicity Secretary for Ondo State Chapter and a National Working Committee member. I joined AD in Ile-Oluji during the first quarter of 2000. I was a senatorial aspirant in Ondo South Senatorial District at the 2003 elections. Subsequently, I contested the House of Representatives primary election on the platform of the Alliance for Democracy, of which I lost. So, to me, it has been a very interesting experience.

What do you think led to the defeat of the AD in the last elections?

Many things led to the defeat of AD. Our leaders were too trusting; they relied on the pact they signed with President Obasanjo, forgetting that President Obasanjo was a former military combatant who has spent most of his life engaging in military propaganda and tactics. The non-fielding of a presidential candidate wrecked the popularity of the party. It created the impression that AD had agreed to support Obasanjo for a second term and it had a bandwagon effect on subsequent elections. Our leaders took too many things for granted. The zoning formula used in selecting candidates was faulty and fraudulent. Hence, it caused serious disaffection within the party; many aggrieved aspirants decamped and subsequently campaigned against the party. Some of the candidates that were selected were not the best the Party could offer.

What was responsible for your performance at the AD primary elections?

Many factors militated against me. The AD Europe was a factor and I am not used to cringing or being made a stooge. Those of us playing politics from abroad are seen as "tokunbo politicians". In 2001 when I declared my interest in the Senate of the Fed-

eral Republic of Nigeria to serve my people, I consulted the leadership of the party in Ile-Oluji. Unfortunately, they never liked the idea because the party leader was nursing the ambition of re-contesting for the Senate. The leadership felt threatened because they hate ambitious politicians, especially when you are vibrant and dynamic. The cronies of the party leadership worked against my interest and they looked for an alternative candidate that was sold to the party as the darling of the party leadership, forgetting the fact that we all belong to the same party. Anyway, Ile-Oluji was eventually zoned out of the Senatorial contest and we settled for the House of Representatives slot of Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo/Odigbo Federal Constituency. I contested the primary elections and lost. The good thing is that I was not discouraged; I continued to work for the success of the party at the last general elections. The hidden agenda of the party leadership eventually caused a serious crisis in the party and led to a former aspirant decamping to the PDP.

Could it be that you are not a popular candidate among Ile-Oluji people as some are saying?

I think it is very myopic to say that I am not a popular candidate in Ile-Oluji. If you say I wasn't popular among the decision makers of the party in Ile-Oluji, I will agree with you to an extent, because the party leaders had a phobia for ambitious politicians like me. I am very prominent in my ward (Ile-Oluji Ward 3). I have always contributed financially and morally to the development of my party since 2000. The people of Ile-Oluji love me and I am always very proud to be an Ile-Oluji indigene to the core. In whatever I do, I always put Ile-Oluji first. When I am in Nigeria, I spend most of my time in Ile-Oluji. I have a house there. One of my attributes is that I find it very difficult to be a stooge or cringe before anybody because I want to seek the mandate of the party to contest an election. The leadership of the party has employed a feudalistic approach in managing Ile-Oluji's politics for decades. This has drawn Ile-Oluji backward politically. I have always criticised this; may be that was why some people said I was not a popular candidate.

What is your relationship with the former Ondo State Governor, Chief Adebayo Adefarati?

I knew Chief Adebayo Adefarati through Chief Reuben Fasoranti when I was a student at the University of Ife in 1982. I had invited him to declare open INTEGRATION '82, a programme designed to harmonise Ile-Oluji primary and secondary school students in various activities like cultural competition, career talk, symposia, football competition and quiz competition. I have always been very close to him and his family. I get in touch with him regularly, even though he's no longer the Governor.

I learnt that you received N3.5 million from the Adefarati administration for the construction of a website and you did not deliver. Is this true?

I am happy you asked this question. I will never be a party to non-performance. I never received a contract from Ondo State Government, but Practical Solutions, of which I am a Director, presented a proposal to build and hoist a website for Ondo State Government in 2000. Towards the end of 2001 the website and Internet connectivity contract was awarded for N3.5m to the company. The building and hoisting of the website cost N3m while Internet connectivity cost N500, 000. The company asked the State Government to withdraw the Internet connectivity because N500, 000 could not execute Internet connectivity. It involved a dedicated server, Internet backbone, software, and cables to connect all the 17 ministries, upgrade all the necessary computers and pay monthly subscription to the Internet Service Provider (ISP). The website has been built and hoisted. The address is www.ondostate.gov.ng. It is up and running and available to the whole world to view. The website is hoisted

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It is up and running and available to the whole world to view. The website is hoisted by 2 servers, a primary server in America and a secondary server in Nigeria. Training has been conducted for five government officials that will manage the site. The website is over 100 pages. Practical Solutions is willing to be called to defend the project. The job has been completed and the State Government owes Practical Solutions the balance of the contract sum.

What is your next political ambition?

My political ambition is in the hands of the almighty God. I believe God is always in control. I know am a suitable material for any elective office from presidency to councillor. But I have not made up my mind to contest the 2007 elections. My primary objective is to join the progressive forces to re-build Alliance for Democracy and make it a formidable party at the local government, state and national level. In future, with the support of the party, if the Senatorial seat is thrown open, I may declare my interest.

What is your impression about Ile-Oluji politics?

It is very interesting. I have really enjoyed it, because I thrive best when I stand for what I believe in, even if the leadership of the party is against it. I have always believed in, and advocated for, an open political agenda for Ile-Oluji. Some of our political leaders in this town are not fair and transparent. Many articulate politicians have fallen out with the leadership of the progressives over time, from the Action Group (AG) of the First Republic to the Unity Party of Nigeria (UPN) in the Second Republic, the SDP in the aborted Third Republic, and now AD. All those who fell out with the leadership of the party formed the bedrock of the PDP in Ile-Oluji today. They used all their available resources to fight AD at the last general election.

There is need for a new political direction in Ile-Oluji that will facilitate politics of co-existence and meritocracy. Sycophancy should be discouraged in Ile-Oluji politics in order to engender genuine political development. We should organise a political forum where we will configure a new political direction that will yield a lasting dividend to the community. Ile-Oluji deserves better political machinery that will attract social infrastructure and develop the human resources of the community. There is a need for change. The politics of dictatorship no longer has a place in Nigeria of today and Ile-Oluji should not be left out.

- ***Otunba Nicholas Tofomo conducted this interview on the internet with Demola Akinbola.***

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P.M.B. 725, Ile-Oluji.

Nat Engineering Company Ltd

Ondo Road,
P.M.B. 231
Ile-Oluji.

Akintan Gari Processing Industry

Baptist High School Road,
Odolua
P.O. Box 35
Ile-Oluji.

Better Life Gari & Weaving Industry

Ile-Oluji.

Anibi Weaving Centre

49, Odoyeghe Street,
P.O. Box 28,
Ile-Oluji.

Ibidunke Quarry & Block

Industry,
Ondo Road,
Ile-Oluji.

K. Akinfisoye & Sons

Block Industry
88, Temidire Street,
P.O. Box 90
Ile-Oluji.

Ebako Concrete Industry

5, Ehin-Ogbe Street,
P.O. Box 90
Ile-Oluji.

Ogo Oluwa Block Industry

Surulere Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Mulegun Fagbola Enterprises

14, Atiba Street,
P.O. box 228
Ile-Oluji.

S.O. Akintomide Enterprises

2, Akinbisola Street,
Ajiferere
P.O. Box 262
Ile-Oluji.

Kento (Nig.) Enterprises

7, Odobun Street,
P.O. Box 6,
Ile-Oluji.

Lujol Pharmacy

12, Atiba Street,
P.O. Box 228,
Ile-Oluji.

J.O Abiola & Sons

(Produce Merchants)
Kajola Road,
P.O. Box 264
Ile-Oluji

J.A. Adelegan & Sons Trading Company

5, Temidayo Street, Odulua,
P.O. Box 196,
Ile-Oluji.

Iyaniwura Trading Store

18A Surulere Street,
Ile-oluji.

Felicity Printing Works

10, Omolere Street,
Opp. Orere Gramm.,
P.O. Box 119, Ile-Oluji

Genuine Electrical Works

7, Iparuku Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Oyeye Furniture Works

Iparuku Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Obembe Barbing Saloon

1, Odoyeghe Street,
Ile-Oluji.

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Bukky Toky Hair, Dressing Saloon

1, Odoyeghe Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Ike Olu Bookshop

32, Temidire Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Oredunni Medicine Shop

17, Surulere Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Nisola Medicine Store

28, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji

Ifedayo Ogunmakinwa Commercial Enterprises

3A Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Destiny Music Centre

3, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Likan Music Centre

4, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Haj Tutu Cuts

24, Onala Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Okechukwu Cuts

9, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Badejo Meat Shop

16, Ogbontitun Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Dog-Meck Electronics

26, Ogbontitun Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Gabbey Commercial Store

26, Atiba Street.
Ile-Oluji.

Day and Night Hair Beauty Saloon

25, Ogbontitun Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Bonny Cosmetic Store

1, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Glado Supermarket

17, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji,

Dolly Fioye Supermarket

1A Odomikan Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Awokiyesi Supermarket

29, Ehin-Ogbe Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Grace Medicine Store

22 Odoyeghe Street,
Ile-Oluji.

J. Akinkugbe & Sons Trading Company

82, Adejayan Street,
P.O. Box 2920,
Ile-Oluji.

S.O. Esan & Sons Trading Company

16, Atanyele Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Alebiowu Enterprises

(Books & Stationeries)
21, Atiba Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Agbakawole (Nig.) Enterprises

2, Agbakawodi Close,
Ile-Oluji.

De-Gentle Holding Ltd

33, Temidire Street,
P.O. Box 37,
Ile-Oluji.

'Leke (Nig.) Enterprises

(Books & Stationeries)
36, Surulere Street,
P.O. Box 265,
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Raphael & Lawrence Enterprises

Ondo Road,
Ile-Oluji.

Gobu Gaisa Furniture Works

4, Odosikan Street,
Ile-Oluji

Afinbola Francis Publicity Enterprises

Oke Atiba Street,
P.O. Box 265,
Ile-Oluji.

Ile-Oluji Cooperatives Multi-purpose Union Ltd

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Ile-Oluji.

Love John Commercial Press

1, Omolere Street, Odolua,
P.O. Box 146,

Joseph Akinwekomi Printing Press

48, Odomikan Street,
P.O. Box
Ile-Oluji.

Ladun Institute

30, Atiba Street, Ile-Oluji.

Announcer Commercial Institute

40, Odomikan Street,
P.O. Box 233.
Ile-Oluji.

Bolawa Press Enterprises

56, Ehin-ogbe Street,
P.O. Box 21,
Ile-Oluji.

Ewenla Furniture Works

23, Odoyeghe Street,
c/o P.O. Box 119,
Ile-Oluji.

Jemijoye Technical Institute

34A Oke Alafia East Street,
P.O. Box 21,
Ile-oluji.

Community Vocational Training Centre

5, Ehin-ogbe Street,

P.O. Box 70,
Ile-Oluji.

Ile-oluji Fish Depot and Cold Room Services

Temidire Quarter,
Ile-Oluji.

Gboluji Guest House

1, Awokiyesi Avenue,
Ondo Road,
Ile-Oluji.

Gbegbaje Restaurant

6, Odomikan Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Clear Conscience Restaurant

8, Odomikan Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Sharp Corner Restaurant

1A Onala Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Love Restaurant

7, Odomikan Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Quiet Corner

Onala Street,
Ile-Oluji

Rainbow International Hotel

2, Odolua Street,
Ile-Oluji.

Jossy International Hotel

Club 71 Avenue,
Km 7, Express Road,
Ile-Oluji.

Evelyn Catering Services

5, Ehin-ogbe Street,
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