



Covenant University Newsflash

A weekly update of News and Events in Covenant University January 11- 15, 2016

Vice-Chancellor visits Directorates, Centres/Units, urges Commitment to Vision 10:2022



Vice-Chancellor, Professor Charles K. Ayo

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor Charles Ayo on Monday, January 11, 2016, commenced the annual strategic visits to Directorates, Centres and Units of the University. It would be recalled that the Vice-Chancellor had earlier visited the Colleges for the same purpose during the Alpha Semester of the current 2015/2016 Academic Session.

Professor Ayo and some members of the central management team visited the Registry, Directorate of Financial Services (DFS), Centre for Learning Resources (University Library) and School of Postgraduate Studies (SPS). They were received by the Registrar, Directors and the Dean respectively.

Each of the leaders used the occasion to present their score cards as it relates to their areas of strength, gaps, activities in line with the goal for 2015/2016 Academic Session, achievements recorded so far, challenges, strategies for internally generated revenue, and future pathways.

At the Registry, the Registrar, Pastor Olamide Olusegun, said that, as the hub of administrative operations, the Registry has been able to implement policies and provide services which enable the institution to efficiently perform the traditional responsibilities of teaching, learning, research and

community development.

“The office of the Registrar has provided effective administrative oversight functions in the running of the University,” he noted. He added that “Registry has many qualified and dedicated staff who are able to work with less supervision and as a team without rancour.”

The Registrar assured the Vice-Chancellor and his team that they would not rest on their oars as he

pledged the continuous unalloyed support for the management.

The Vice-Chancellor in his response noted that there is still lot more to do in order to achieve the Vision 10:2022. He also explained the reasons for some decisions taken by management on issues affecting the welfare and capacity building for staff and promised that the University would do more in this session.

At the Directorate of Financial Services, the Director, Pastor Bayo Oladehinbo told the Vice-Chancellor and his entourage that they have been able to manage the unlimited and ever increasing financial resources of the University.

Another achievement, according to him, was the efficient operation of the University's budget for the 2015/2016 Academic Session and maintenance of accountability, accuracy and integrity in all financial dealings.

The Vice-Chancellor urged them to be pro-active in order to reposition the directorate. He also expressed the

desire to see improvement at the payroll and students' account units as he advised prompt payment of the University's vendors to avoid public misrepresentation.

The Vice-Chancellor promised to improve on the capacity building for the staff of the Directorate and the University at large.

The Director, Centre for Learning Resources, Dr. Chris Nkiko, reported that the University Library has provided innovative, purpose-designed and attractive physical ambience and infrastructure which include single study rooms, glazed display racks for current awareness and escapist reading platform which has also increased the use of the Library.

He explained further that, “CLR has been a major driver of the digitisation effort in populating the content of the University's Repository which continues to rank number one in Nigeria and thus creating global visibility as well as making indigenous contributions to global scholarship.”

Dr. Nkiko therefore appreciated the University's management for support enjoyed and recognition of the place of the library in the University.

The Vice-Chancellor in his response appreciated the Director and the staff for good work. He noted that CLR has placed the University at vantage position ahead of other universities. He welcomed all the ideas introduced, noting that the management would look into them for appropriate actions.

The Dean, School of Postgraduate

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Vice-Chancellor's Team with the CLR Staff

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Vice-Chancellor's Team with the Members of CU Chaplaincy

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Studies, Professor Shalom Chinedu, enumerated the achievements of the School which include effective monitoring of PG students' progress through online registration and payment of school fees, successful oral defense by 11 Ph.D students, completion of programme by students admitted in 2014/2015 Academic session and timely processing and payment of honoraria to examiners, assessors and supervisors among others.

He thanked the Vice-Chancellor for finding time amidst his very tight schedule to visit and interact with them. "God has begun His work of validating Vision 10:2022 as declared by the Chancellor and Visionary of Covenant University, Dr. David Oyedepo. Our prayer is that He will fulfill His good words during your tenure", he prayed.

On Tuesday, January 12, 2016, the Vice-Chancellor and his team visited the Directorate of Covenant University Construction Agency (CUCA) and Physical Planning and Development (PPD), Students Affairs Department and Centre for Systems and Information Services (CSIS).

At the Physical Planning and Development, and Covenant University Construction Agency, the Director, Pastor Azubuike Nwoke, said that, the

directorate is the only one in any university in Nigeria where all physical structures are in-built and has been able to create stimulating environment for the University community.

"The Directorate of both Covenant University Construction Agency (CUCA) and Physical Planning and Development (PPD) have played vital roles in creating an environment for the University community and we are proud to be the only university where every building on campus is designed, constructed and furnished within the directorate," he said.

The Director assured the Vice-Chancellor and his team that they would continue to improve on their work as he pledged their continuous and unalloyed support for the management.

The Vice-Chancellor in his response noted that there is still lot more to do in order to achieve the Vision 10:2022. He urged them to have all hands on deck to see that every task is executed in order to have a stimulating learning environment.

At the Students' Affairs Department, the Dean, Dr. Zacchaeus Omogbadegun, in his presentation to the management team enumerated the initiative his team has put in place to make Covenant University students have a better learning condition and making them adhere to the rules and regulations of the institution. He also mentioned the different successes the students have achieved so far in the session ranging from different scholarships, awards among others.

Due to their constant interaction with the students of the University, the Vice-Chancellor urged the staff to be more innovative, and engage wisdom that is void of assault in their relationship with students. He also enjoined the unit to be more sacrificial in their delivery of assignments. "Please engage them in a way that will bring out the best in them, as they are the future generation leaders".

The Director, Centre for Systems and Information Services (CSIS), Mr. Yinka Adeboye, in his presentation reported that the centre works with every unit of the University, providing support, administrative and professional services to ensure proper deployment of ICT solution and services in teaching, learning, administration, student life, and research.

He explained further that, "CSIS has been able to lead, manage and develop ICT in the university, providing excellent customer centred services that are responsive to the changing needs of the user with an effective staff development programme, which ensures that ICT staff continues to acquire the necessary skills to provide high-quality services and support".

The Vice-Chancellor in his response appreciated the Director and the staff for their good work. He noted that with the large bandwidth and uninterrupted internet services, CSIS has placed the University at vantage position ahead of other universities. He urged the team to place the University's vision above self interest.

Other directorates, centres and units visited by the Vice-Chancellor and his team include CU Counselling Centre, CU Chaplaincy, Vision 10:2022, Industry Partnership, CU-IGR, CUCRID, CU Health Centre and the VC's Office.

On the Vice-Chancellor's entourage were the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Professor Taiwo Abioye; Registrar, Pastor Olamide Olusegun; Director, Financial Services, Pastor Bayo Oladehinbo, Director, Vice-Chancellor's Office, Dr. Akan Williams, staff of the Vice-Chancellor's and Registrar's office as well as staff of the Media and Corporate Affairs.



Vice-Chancellor's Team with the Members of Students' Affairs Dept.



Vice-Chancellor's Team with the Financial Services Staff