



Covenant University Newsflash

A weekly update of News and Events in Covenant University January 30- February 3, 2017

CU will continue to Back You, VC Assures Secondary School

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor AAA. Atayero, has assured the management of the Covenant University Secondary School (CUSS) that the University will not be found wanting in its responsibility to the secondary school.

Professor Atayero gave the assurance on Friday, January 20, 2017, when the Principal of the CUSS, Dcns. A.O Bode-Lartey led members of the school's management on a courtesy visit to the Vice-Chancellor.

Dcns. Bode-Lartey, who had Mr. O.A Akanni (Vice-Principal,

Academics) and Mr. B.A Atiba (Vice-Principal, Administration) on her entourage, said that the purpose of the visit was to formally congratulate Professor Atayero on his appointment as Vice-Chancellor of Covenant University and to remind him of the University's motherly role to the secondary school.

"We are affiliated to Covenant University educationally, spiritually and even socially," said Dcns. Bode-Lartey, who also seized the opportunity to



Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor AAA. Atayero, presenting some CU souvenirs to Principal of the Covenant University Secondary School, Dcns. A.O Bode-Lartey

invite the Vice-Chancellor to CUSS' inter-house sports competition, which holds on February 11, 2017.

In his remarks, Professor Atayero
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Covenant University Alumnus Gives Success Tips to Budding Architects

Covenant University Alumnus, Architect Kenechukwu Mgbemena, MNIA, has advised budding Architects to develop a robust relationship with their clients, which he said is of uttermost importance in winning the brief and getting the job done.

Arc. Mgbemena, who holds a Bachelor Degree from the University in 2007 and MSc 2009 Architecture respectively, gave the advice on Thursday, January 26, 2017, while speaking on "Preparing for Architectural Practice: Opportunity

Meets Competence," at the Town and Gown interaction organised by the Department of Architecture, Covenant University, Ota.

The guest Speaker, who is the Project Architect/Manager at KMA Architects Limited, Lagos, stressed the importance of relating with clients as friends. According to him, "Architecture is about relationships and you should be able to gain the confidence of your clients, doubling as a friend and as an agent."

Arc. Mgbemena also emphasised the need to put a "whao" factor into the design in order to beat competitors. "You need to blow the mind of your client. Make him feel 'whao', he added."

He also enjoined them to be creative and business minded because time is important in business. He

Mathematics Students Advised to Get Professional Certification

Students of Mathematics at Covenant University have been advised to obtain additional qualifications which would give them advantage over other professionals in any chosen field.

The Head, Digital Bridge Institute, Lagos Campus, Mr. Paulinus Ugwoke, gave the advice on Tuesday, January 31, 2017, while speaking on, "IT, Computer and Mathematics: The Missing Link in National Development," at the Town and Gown Interaction organised by the Department of Mathematics, Covenant University, Ota.

Mr. Ugwoke noted that Mathematics dovetailed into a lot of professions but the closest, according to him, are Computer Science and Information Communication Technology (ICT). He charged the students to specialize in any particular programme noting that the foundation acquired in Mathematics would give them an edge over others who major in such programme.

"What is ruling the world today is Computer and ICT but their backbone is Mathematics. Therefore, as a Mathematician, all you need do is to develop interest in any area or programme, get certified and become expert in that area. Mathematics will give you advantage over others," he explained.



Covenant University Alumnus, Architect Kenechukwu Mgbemena, MNIA, making his presentation at the Department of Architecture's Town and Gown Seminar

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Expert Stresses Importance of Re-branding

Representatives of Canada Executive Management and Professional (CEMP) Centre recently organized a two-day Branding Advance for members of Management of Covenant University, Ota, Ogun State on the

topic, 'Rebranding and Repositioning Covenant University as a Global Brand.'

The Vice-President, International Engagement, CEMP, Dr. Yomi Oyekoya, in his presentation, said that universities

rebrand to widen their nexus, expand their reach, grab new talents and seek new streams of income.

Dr. Oyekoya was accompanied to the event by the Head, International Business Research, CEMP, Dr. Babajimi Hammond and the firm's Creative Manager, Mr. Owodunni Otonuga.

Covenant University was represented by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor AAA. Atayero, Deputy-Vice-Chancellor, Professor Shalom Chinedu; Registrar, Mrs. Mary Aboiyade; Director, Financial Services, Pastor Bayo Oladehinbo; Deans of Colleges; Directors; Heads of Departments among others. ■



Vice-Chancellor, Prof. AAA. Atayero (3rd L), Registrar, Mrs. Mary Aboiyade (2nd L) with Representatives of Canada Executive Management and Professional (CEMP) Centre

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The guest speaker explained further that Logic is the Mathematical foundation of computer. Other fields, such as calculus, algebra, set theory and probability theory are fields of Mathematics that are implemented in computer programmes but are not fundamental to it.

Mathematicians, he said, are the ones holding sway in many industries such as banking and Telecommunications among others. "Mathematics gives you a wider view of the world and not narrowly minded. Without Mathematics, you cannot

secure any information in Networking and Telecommunication because what you have is more than what others in other discipline have," he boasted.

He also advised the faculty present at the event to acquire industry experience in order to teach students the applications of Mathematics to different areas of human endeavours. This, he said, would inspire the students to develop interest in the subject.

The Head, Department of Mathematics, Dr. Timothy Anake, remarked that the department already has tailored options in Mathematics that addresses the issue of programming. The focus, he said, was to make the students very competent programmers.

While appreciating the guest speaker for the exposé and the participants for their rapt attention, he made the students understand that whatever option of Mathematics they are studying; they all have capacity to become whatever they want to be. ■

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added that even though they did not get the job, the client would see them as a very creative Architect and recommend them for something bigger in the future.

While preparing to get into the profession, Arc. Mgbemena advised the audience who were largely students to be the best they could be as students. "Go the extra mile, acquire skills, build your confidence and portfolio as well as know your possible employers and build good relationship with them."

The Head, Department of Architecture, Dr. Oluwale Alagbe, earlier noted that Architecture training without practice is like a cake without

icing, noting that Arc. Mgbemena had gone through the tutelage which the participants were going through. This, according to him, suggested that if they obey and follow instructions, they

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expressed his appreciation to the CUSS management for its kind gesture, while promising that Covenant University will play its role to the secondary school with all sense of responsibility.

"We are affiliated because we are all in the spiritual stable of the Living Faith Church Worldwide. We at Covenant University appreciate our role at the top of that chain when it comes to education arm of the Commission. We don't take that role lightly, we understand that it's a role of mentorship," he said.

The slogan of the current administration at Covenant University, said the Vice-Chancellor, is 'Administration is Continuum', and as such, the secondary school will continue to have the University's support.

The University Management will pay a visit to the CUSS to see how new generation of leaders are being raised and how the University can influence the process so that they can conform totally to the standard qualities when they come into the University. ■

would soon hit the stars. "If you take the opportunity very well, you will soon be recognised," he added. ■