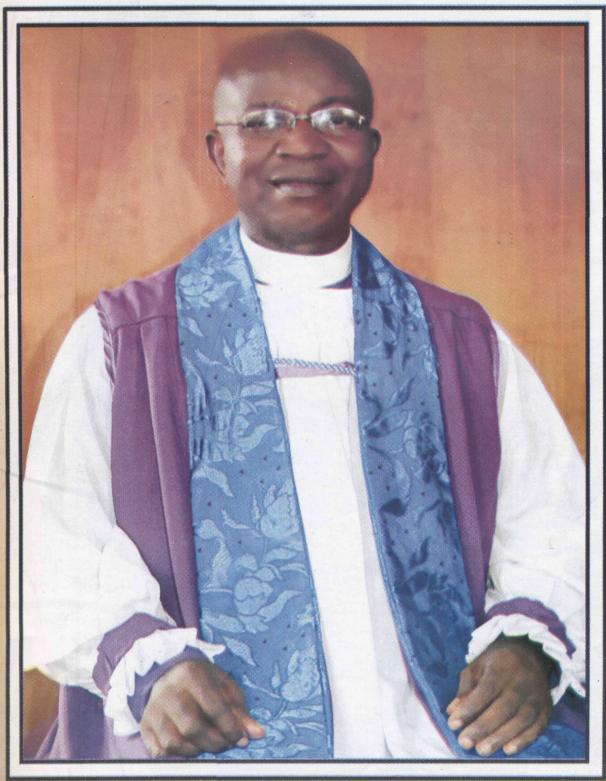


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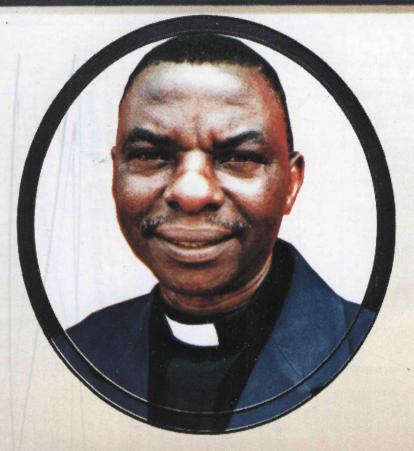
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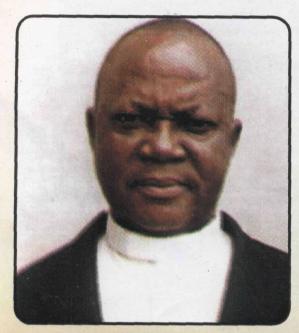
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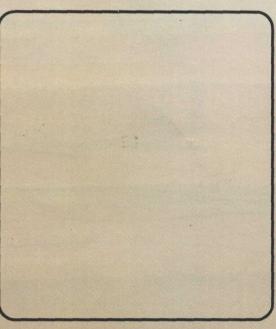
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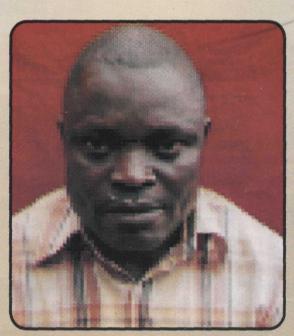
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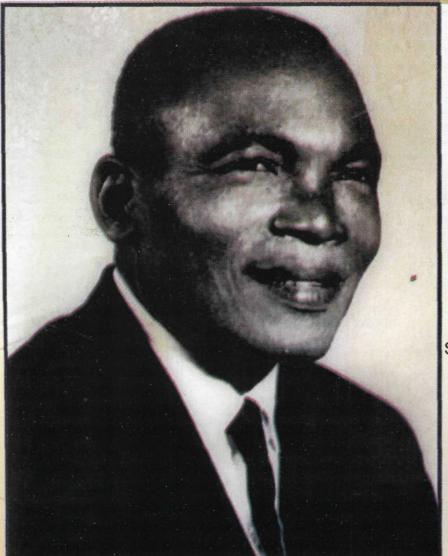
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CITATION OF SNR. REV. AWA NJOKU FOUNDER OF UNITY MOVEMENT (UCN) IN NIGERIA.

Born to the family of Nna Njoku Udoenyi of Ndi Agwu Compound, Elu Ohafia in 1904. He was a very powerful and vibrant young boy. According to the tradition of Ohafia in those days, he was the first among his age mates to shoot a bird. And was the champion in wrestling. He never failed to reach his target. The Missionaries/

Soldiers in 1909 picked him up. In 1918 he obtained Higher Cambridge Certificate with Distinction. After

his job A.D.O, he-was re-posted as Headmaster to the Church of Scotland Mission. The Methodist Church woed him as an intellect by offering him a greener pasture while with the Methodist Church he made contact with a soldier who after the 1st World War in 1918 gave

him a Unity magazine - Daily Word.

As it was in those days - School Headmasters were responsible for conducting Church services. Teacher Awa Njoku developed interest in the teachings of Unity and applied to Unity School of Christianity for more books, literature and magazine. He started using their materials for self spiritual development that it changed his thoughts, words and action. He started a healing ministry. All the sick who came to him for healing were healed. He was commanding even the weather condition. At Item Methodist School, the son of the Catechist who hated Teacher Njoku so much was very sick. The child's mother wanted to take the child to Teacher Njoku for healing but the Catechist preferred the child dead to taking him there. As the man went to complain to the Methodist Headquarters Enugu about Teacher Njoku America Wonder, the wife took the sick child to Teacher Njoku and the child was healed instantly. As the Catechist was coming back the following day hoping for the worst, the child ran to him rejoicing and full of life to his surprise. When he was told what happened as the woman could not hide it, he sent his wife and child packing and the woman was happy to live his house instead of loosing her only child. She later remarried another person and lived happily after.

Teacher Njoku and Okoli maintained their ground. They expanded. People from all parts of Nigeria were then streaming to Item for spiritual healing. God started his wonderful work as even



PROFILE OF MAZI ORJI LEONARD EGWUONWU

NAME: CENTRE: MAZI ORJI LEONARD EGWUONWU Unity Church of Christianity, Ajalli

ZONE: Anambra/Enugu/Ebonyi

Unity Church started in Ajalli in 1933 and my father late Mazi Daniel Orji was one of the founding fathers of the Church. Mazi Leonard grew up and found himself in the church. After his father's death in 1974, he continued and also see to the growth of the Church in Ajalli. He was elected the Chairman of the Church in 1990 and since then the Church retained him as their Chairman due to his performances in the past. Also he is the Patron of Anambra Zon.

Mazi Leonard was willing to resign his job at Enugu in order to come home to look after Unity at Ajalli. However, his employers being astonished and impressed at his level of commitment to the work of God saved his job by posting him to Ajalli. There he continued the work of building Unity at Ajalli.



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Realizing that Teacher Njoku was a caring, loving, considerate man, parents continued claiming indigence till the fees collected could no longer sustain the school. Teacher Njoku was paying the fees for indigent children till the syphoned his savings completely. There was no Government subvention and no assistant from anywhere. Friends and relations started falling apart. Teacher Njoku turned the school premises to Unity Healing Ministry.

Teacher Njoku was to be appointed Minister for Education in 1956 when Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe his classmate at Hope Waddle Training Institute, Calabar was the Premier of Eastern Region but he turned it down insisting on developing the Unity Movement Nigeria (UMN). The Unity School of Christianity did not come to the rescue or support UMN as churches were doing and is still doing today, yet Teacher Njoku stayed put. His friends left him to represent them in the House of Chiefs as Eze Ohafia, he simply cajoled them by saying if you will eat a frog, eat a big one.

Teacher Njoku was the first Ohafia person to attain that height. He has always been a leader. He has always been a leader. He was a class prefect for several terms and later

became the school prefect of the Prestigious Hope Waddle Training Institute.

Having left the primary school business he delved fully to Unity teachings and practices. He established Unity Churches and the Unity Headquarters. He was ordained Unity Minister when he concluded the correspondence studies. Rev. Njoku healing ministry now took new wings since all his efforts were geared fully to Unity work. He was the first life President of Unity Church Nigeria. There were more than 100 Unity Centers during his time. Many of those Centres (about 50%) could not be resuscitated since his departure.

In 1960, Unity School of Christianity sent Rev. P. Sikking to Nigeria. He was elated at the number of Unity Centres and Unity population. In 1962 Rev. J. Sig Paulson visited Nigeria and confirmed the report of Rev. Sikkings. In April 1964 Rev. A. Njoku and Rev. S. U. Oti visited Unity School. Rev. Njoku in his usual characteristics made Unity School to know that they were not living up to expectation because they were not sending the right support to the Church in Nigeria. They in turn decided to come to Nigeria and assist Unity Church Nigeria in the school's development. In 1966 when arrangements were on ground to start the projects in Nigeria, the civil war - (Nigeria Biafra war) broke out.

Rev Njoku was appointed a member of the Biafran Christian Organisation (that were praying for peace) in 1967. He played a very significant role in his advisory capacity and prayers. They were many miraculous manouvres by Biafran troops. Biafra fought Nigeria

almost empty handedly - because people were praying.

During the war he continued to move from one station to another comforting his suffering masses and assuring them that all is well. While the war was on, he assured us that he will ensure that Unity gets a sound foundation at the end of the war.

The story of Rev. Njoku is too long because he did so many wonderful things. He produced more than 2000 Unity songs. He was the founder, 1st President, 1st Life

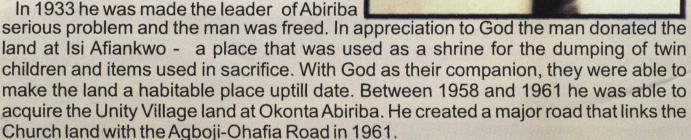
President, Healer, Teacher of Jesus Christ Principles.

At the end of the war he could not be found. Many people saw him a various places and he talked to them, but he did not physically came back to his house. He is in God.



CITATION ON TICHA OKPA AGWU

Teacher Okpa Agwu was born in the year 1906 to the family of Agwu Agbai. He joined Presbyterian School and Church in 1913 and was later given the duties of decorating the Church Altar every Sunday. In 1923 he was expelled from Presbyterian Church for having contact with American Wonder Church - Unity. Having found Unity to be a genuine organization for the knowledge of Truth that sets free, he devoted himself to Unity. His commitment and dedication to Unity principle attracted various opposition to him but few of his friends like Rev. Sunday Eleanya and others faithfully followed him.

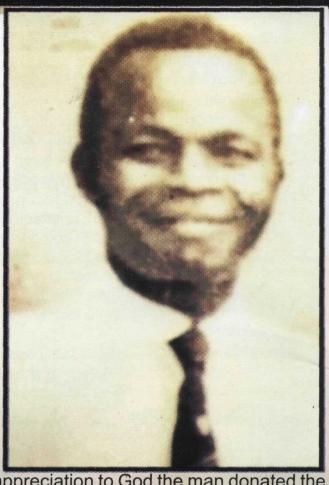


In Unity Movement Nigeria he was a right hand friend of the Founder and President of Unity Movement in Nigeria - Rev. Awa Njoku. He was credited to having composed many Unity songs and choruses in Nigeria. He was a former Secretary of Unity Movement Nigeria for over ten years.

Two of his surviving children now in Unity are Leader/LUT Eme Okpa Agwu and Rev. Agbai Okpa Agwu and host of grand children and great-grand children.

With joy and love we appreciate Unity for recognizing Ticha Okpa as a FOUNDATION STONE IN UNITY and we pray that current builders of Unity be strengthened in the strength of the Lord.
Blessings!

Rev. Agbai Okpa Agwu For the family



CITATION ON SNR. REV. J. O. E. EBUTA

Snr. Rev. J. O. E. Ebuta was the Pioneer Minister-in-charge of Unity Study Class, Umuahia (now Unity Church of Christ, 22 Warri Street, Umuahia.

He was the pioneer Minister-incharge Unity Church of Practical Christianity Moore Plantation, Ibadan.

He was also the pioneer Minister at Ikwuano.

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CITATION ON LEADER IGWE UDO (1894-1961)



Leader Igwe Udo popularly known and called Onye Udo (Peaceful man) an indigen of Ndi Okowu Compound Amaekpu Ohafia in Ohafia L.G.A. Of Abia State, Nigeria and of Umuokochi maternal kindred, son of Nna Udochu Eke of Umu Ekpe kindred, embraced Christianity at the coming of the Church of Scotland Mission (CSM) to Ohafia now called Presbyterian Church Nigeria. He was at the verge of being ordained a ruling Elder when his cousin Teacher Awa Njoku introduced Unity teachings in Nigeria. He cherished the new Christian teaching and joined the Unity Movement He was the founder of Unity as it was called. Movement in Amaekpu Ohafia. Sunday services morning and evening meditations were held in his house. His public relations earned him the securement of a prominent place at Amankwu Square in Amaekpu Ohafia Where they built their Church hall. When Amaekpu gave the place to Agent Age Group for their project, the movement went back to his house until he succeeded in securing the Ahawa Layout where the Church now is. The area was given to him by his uncle Nna Osu Uche then head of a unit of Umu Ekpe family saying that it

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was Udochu Eke's farm and that he had given it back to his son Igwe Udo. He then performed the customary rites to Umu Ekpe family. Under his leadership, Amaekpu was among the first in Nigeria to build a permanent Hall for their worship. The modern standard hall was finished painted and dedicated in December, 1960. During the dedication by Snr. Rev. Awa Njoku founder of Unity Movement in Nigeria, thanked him, Leader Igwe Udo for his foresight, courage and faith which

made him to build the first Unity Cathedral in Nigeria.

He was the chief financier of Amaekpu Ohafia Unity. He was able to sponsor two teachers to the periodic courses at Uzuakoli. His good and exemplary conduct attracted many people to Unity as a result Amaekpu had for a long time the biggest number of members and they enjoyed peace and harmony. He was once the arrow head in the purchase of the area where Njoku Unity Centre now situates. The vast area extends to the western end of Akara Ndi Okowu farm land. He was a man of vision, courage and great faith. He in imitation of Christ practiced the doctrine of Non-resistance none violence hence he excelled in making peace between individuals, groups and communities. He had a wonderful charisma.

The mustard seed that Nna Igwe Udo sowed in the Ohafia area and environ did grow to a big tree before he passed on. That big tree has now started bearing fruits one of which we are harvesting now in the person of the current President of Unity Church Nigeria (Snr. Rev. Dr. Udo Igwe, his last but one son).

Nna Igwe Udo was a devout follower of Christ. His most favourite bible passage was Isaiah 61:1-2 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek, He hath sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable years of the Lord." This passage talks about the office of the Christ. Jesus Christ also love it. No wonder it was His choice which he read in the synagogue.

CITATION FOR AWARD OF PILLAR OF UNITY ON LATE L.U.T MADAM OLUGUDO AWA

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She was born in the year 1912 to the families of Nnam Udo Awa and Nnem Ojingwa Kamalu Okwun both of Ohafia Local Government Area, Abia State Nigeria. Late LUT Olugudo Awa was popularly known as Mma Ndo. She was not educated but Unity taught her how to read and write, and she was able to write her name and also read Igbo Bible.

Mma Ndo started her life as a petty trader, she traded on Tobacco. She hired some men from Ebem to Uzuakoli to carry it home as there was no motor. They traveled on foot. There she tested the world. Then she changed her trade to Rice, Beans, and Groundnuts, all in bags. There she founded her peace of mind. Mma Ndo embraced Unity as early as Unity came to



Nigeria as far the early thirties, there she gave her life fully to Christ and followed Unity. Late LUT Olugudo Awa had five children- two girls and three boys, two survived. Mma Ndo attended several conferences e.g. Itu and Calabar to mention but few. She was ordained as Unity Licensed Teacher in 1984. She was also a Board member, she attended all Board meetings. Late LUT Mma Ndo was the first Woman President in UMN/UCN. She held the office for 12 years. And at the same time, the President of Ohafia Central Women in Unity from 1972 to 1992. She held the post for 20 years.

Late LUT Mma Ndo was pure vegetarian through out her life. In the 60's when the Americans visited Nigerian Unity, when they came to Ohafia, they were quartered in her residence at Olawu Lodge, Ebem Ohafia.

She organized Women's meetings in their various stations from there Women Conference was founded. LUT Mma Ndo demonstrated prosperity in different ways:

(1) She used her Tithe to seal U.C.P.C. Church Hall at Ebem Ohafia. She also demonstrated prosperity by living her farm work and attended spiritual course at Uzuakoli as she was a member, and when she came back and joined others her crops showed prosperity. Mma Ndo demonstrated love fully. Those who came near her will remember that even an ant was not to be killed in her house not to talk of rat which were dancing in her parlor. Mma Ndo laid the foundation of Six room blocks which was handed over to Ohafia Central Unity, Njoku Unity Village Elu Ohafia in the year 2006.



CITATION ON SNR. REV. JOSEPH EME ONWUKA

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Born in 1904 into the family o Chief Onwuka Ebe Amadi, Rev. Eme Onwuka had the privilege of Western Education at a time it was deemingly condemnable.

His academic brilliance and his sound evangelical prowess caught the attention of the Church of Scotland Mission who recruited him early in life for church planting work and even the establishment of school in nearly rural areas.

He later left evangelical work and embarked on petty trading. He later became a book-shop owner in Calabar where he is said by his family to be the first person to import Unity books in Nigeria. He got so much enlightenment by reading various types of literature that he became a member of Calabar

Customary Court, representative of West African Pilot Newspaper, Secretary Calabar Constituency of NCNC associating with such top politicians of the likes of Margaret Ekpo, Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe etc.

Later in his life Joseph Eme Onwuka worshiped at the Hope Waddle Training Institute Chapel. He is said to have been a friend to Rev. Awa Njoku in the company of whom he came across religious tracts containing information about the Unity Metaphysical School of Christianity. He opened communication thereafter with Missouri, U.S.A.

He is said to have opened a Unity Church along Eyo lane, Calabar, and was also instrumental to the establishment of another one at his home town Abiriba. Rev. Joseph Eme Onwuka was one of those who attended the inaugural meeting of Unity Movement Nigeria. He later became the Chairman, Supreme Board of Directors of Unity Movement the post he is said to have held until his death. He also was a member of the Board of Trustees of Unity Movement Nigeria.

CITATION ON SNR. REV. OLUGU EZUTAH UDONCY

Born in 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. Ezutah Udonsi Okwun, Snr. Rev. Ologu Ezutah Udoncy received his primary School Education at the Ohafia Central School, Elu Ohafia. He left school at Standard Four due to financial difficultites and got himself apprenticed, in the Camerouns, to learn trading. He had series of set backs which made him try some other trades such as farming, tailoring, and back to trading. He later worked as agent for various Overseas Import Companies such as AUC, PZ etc. He carried on this said business under the business name "Udoncy Family Stores" which became a household name in the Uvo area and later Ohafia.

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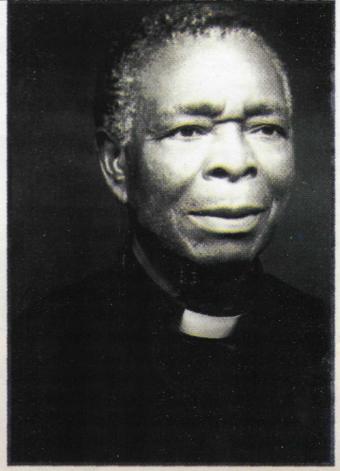
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Snr. Rev. Olugu Ezutah Udoncy was a member of the Church of Scotland Mission when he first contacted Unity through their tracts and magazines which he found with his scout boy friend, James Kalu Agwu of Asaga Ohafia in 1928. He later joined the main fold Unity Movement Nigeria in 1934.



He became a LUT in 1936 through a correspondence course he took with the Unity School of Christianity, Lee's Summit, Missouri, USA. He was the architect of the resuscitation and progress of some of the Unity Centres in Uyo and environ. He introduced the "Good Words Booster Club" for children by Rev. J. Sig Paulson when he visited from the United State. Elu Ohafia Unity Centre had no Church hall or premises until after the Civil war. It was under the leadership of Snr. Rev. Olugu Ezutah Udoncy that the Unity Truth Centre, Elu Ohafia was established within the land area which he named named "Njoku Unity Village" after the founder (Snr. Rev. Awa Njoku). He introduced Men's and Women's Wing meetings, Youth of Unity Classes and combined service for Unity Centres in Ohafia Central Zone. He was among the first to be ordained Unity Minister here in Nigeria on 31st December, 1971. In July 1980, Snr. Rev. Udoncy attended a Unity Retreat at Unity Village, Lee's Summit, Missouri, U.S.A. He held the following offices in Unity Church Nigeria, Treasurer, Financial Secretary (two consecutive terms), Vice President (three consecutive terms), Chairman Unity Ministers Association and Chairman Unity Workers Association.

He held many posts in the immediate Ohafia Community and initiated many peace processes amongst warring factions. Children enjoyed his special warm hand shakes and ever beaming smiles.

BRIEF CITATION OF LATE SNR. REV. AMOS NDUKWE OGWO

Late Snr Rev. Amos Ndukwe Ogwo was born in 1904 to the family of Late Mr. Onwunta Okeigwe of Ndi Odo Ukpai Cmpound in Akanu Ohafia. His mother died immediately after his birth and due to lack of person to take care of him, it was unanimously agreed to bury him alive beside his moth. The immediate intervention of another woman from a different village who felt grieved requested to take custody of him, promising to return his corpse if he died but if he survives its all well and good. This was agreed so that young Onwunka was taken to Isiugwu Ohafia by Madam Oyidiya Okoro. At the age of seven he decided to go back to his root. There in his village, the gate of hardship was let loose and he really tasted it in all its ramification due to lack of somebody or people he could call his own. Humanly this situation weighed him down but spiritually he was uplifted with the will to survive, zeal and wisdom to become somebody who comes in contact with him will not suffer what he had gone through.

Perhaps, this was the motivating fact to what he is today. In 1921 he was taken to Okobodi Itu in Akwa Ibom State as a house helper. He proved to be a dependable house boy, dedicated and committed to

his duties, so much so that one Mr. Tunde a Yoruba civil servant wanted to take him. It was not easy for his immediate master to release him until Mr. Tunde promised to send him to school as a legacy for young Onwunta's services to him. At school he was very intelligent and wise and at home he was hardworking, dedicated and committed to make his master happy all the time. Not too long Mr. Tunde was transfer to Cameroun and he wanted to take him along but the young Onwunta refused. To appreciate all the good time and services rendered, Mr. Tunde gave him enough money to enable him start his own business. At this time he had learnt to read and write and with enough money he went into trading business. Ti was at Itu he one day pick from dustbin a unity magazine which transferred his life. He became a good and serious companion of Rock of Age a great metaphysician, while Rock of Agewas practicing in this, Late Rev. Njoku was doing same at Item in Bende.

In 1934 he married Ldr/Mrs Enyidiya Ogwo and in 1937 they moved finally to Aba from Itu. At this time he had changed his own name from Onwunta Okeigwe to Amos Ndukwe Ogwo due to his deep belief in life eternal and positivity of life. Here in Aba he joined Late Rev. Njoku and others to shine the light of Unity far and near. He single handedly bought many acres of land and donated to the present Unity Church Nigeria. He also bought, built and divided the present Unity Centre of Practical Christianity Ngwa Road Aba to Unity. In his village, he also bought, built and divided the Church to Unity. Before he died in 1985, at the age of 81, he had trained, equipped and motivated great and powerful souls like Snr. Rev. A. N. Kalu, Snr. Rev. J. U Olaka, Snr. Rev. S. O. Uduka, Rev. Ukadiwe, Ldr Ukaonu Okpanku and many others to continue the good works from where he stopped.



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CITATION ON SNR. REV. ANYA KALU UDOCHU

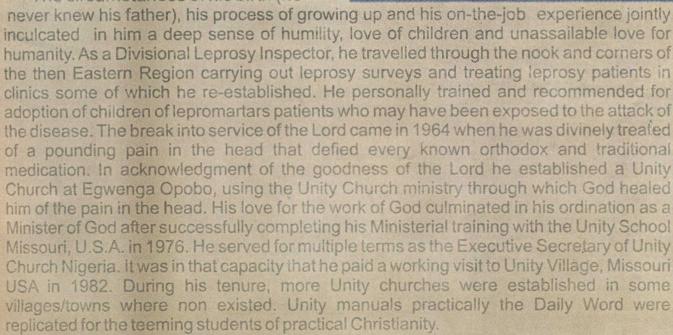
He was born to Yia Eke Uche and Nna Kalu Anya Udochu of Ndi Uche Compound Amaekpu Ohafia, South of Abia State in 1914. He grew up under a massive and strict disciplinarian step father, Nna Kalu Okonkwo who remarried Yia Nne Eke Uche after the death of Nna Kalu Udochu. His life at youth was full of adventure.

At about the age of 12, he enrolled at Ohafia Central School and came out in flying colours. The Colonial service recruited him into the colonial health ministry as a Hospital Attendant. He later trained as a nurse and health technologist. His brilliance again singled him out when he was drafted into the newly established Leprosy service of the Ministry of Health.

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He was later elected President of Unity Church Nigeria and on retirement was made the Grand Patron. This position he held until he transited on the 17th of July at the age of 86 in Port Hacourt Specialist Hospital.

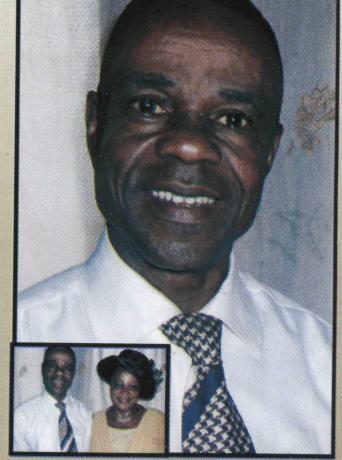


CITATION ON SNR. REV. DR. AMOS N. KALU

ACHIEVEMENTS

Brought and established the Unity School for Religious Studies (USRS) in November 11, 1987 on his returning from USA for Ministerial Studies where he graduated, licensed and ordained at Unity School of Christianity, USA in June 1985.

Brought the contract to reprint Daily Word in 1975 a laudable idea given to him by Snr. Rev. J. O. E. Ebuta in Nigeria both in Igbo and English languages and was the first Daily WordDistributor in Nigeria. Brought and established Silent Unity in Nigeria in August 27, 1997 and became the first Director of Silent Unity Nigeria and he is the Grand Patron Unity Church Nigeria and the Director of the Ministerial School which he founded. He was the first broadcaster of Unity Message on radio tagged UNITY CHURCH HOUR for over two years; 1999 to 2001. This was the first Unity Church Radio Broadcast in Nigeria through a John Templeton (of the blessed memory) Radio grant to Snr. Rev. Dr. Amos N. Kalu in 1999 through the Association of Unity Churches International. During the period Unity Church Nigeria (UCN) became known to all and the adherents became proud because of the Amos's wonderful messages in the Unity Church Hour. Because of his great achievements in Unity Church Nigeria and in Unity Movement globally nationally and internationally, he was given the



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Charles Fillmore Award in the year 2005 by the Association of Unity Churches International U.S.A. he is the first and only African to receive this great Award in the continent now. The Abia State Government of Nigeria seeing his contribution to bringing peace in the state, the country, and the world through SILENT UNITY

prayers and other activities made him a Justice of Peace (JP).

In 1977 Rev. Umoh translated Daily Word in Igbo Language, a Nigerian dialect in Unity-dominated areas. This was also handled by Amos N. Kalu who was then the Director and CEO of Daily Word in Nigeria because he signed the contract with Unity School Missouri U.S.A from and brought it to Nigeria, and the plaque was given us from overseas through Rev. Ron Tyson on his visit to Nigeria during my reign as the President, 1995 2001. From 1983 to 1985 Amos Ndukwe Kalu born on July 7, 1947 in Akanu Ohafia (a student of Unity Centre of Practical Christianity founded by Snr. Rev. Amos N. Ogwo) was sent by Unity Movement Nigeria to study at Unity School for Religious Studies (USRS), on scholarship by Unity School, Unity Village Missouri 64065, U.S.A.. After completing his two years studies as a Ministerial student, he returned to Nigeria and the reprinting of Daily Word was still handled by his printing press while he himself was ruptured a full fledged Minister of God. In November 11, 1987, Snr. Rev. Dr. Amos N. Kalu (JP) a graduate of Unity School for Religious Studies, U.S.A., established USRS in Nigeria. With the School's opening, Licensed Teachers and Ministers now receive formal training. In November 1995, Snr. Rev. Dr. Amos N. Kalu (JP) became Unity Movement Nigeria's 5th President. He changed the name to Unity Church Nigeria (UCN) because many political Unity movements were emerging and Unity Movement had to be renamed to reflect its purpose on earth a Christian organisation. After his six years, the two successful tenures with this great achievements, he was elevated to the office of the Grand Patron the only Grad Patron we have in Unity Church Nigeria now. On August 27, 1997, Snr. Rev. Dr. Amos N. Kalu (JP) established the SILENT Unity in Nigeria and became the Director of Silent Unity.

PROFILE OF LATE REV. JAMES OGBUSUA KALU

Rev. James Ogbusua Kalu was born in 1915 to the family of Kalu and Inyang Eze in Okpo Ihechiowa, Arochukwu L.G.A of Abia State.

He passed through the then standard education level before venturing into tailoring

industry named Tailor James.

In 1930, he met with Rev, Awa Njoku (Rev Emeritus) the Father of Unity in Nigeria who introduced to him, the teachings of Charles and Myrtle Fillmore Co Founders of Unity Movement.

Further on, he met with more other great minds in Unity then, like Rock of Ages from

Ohiafia etc.

He was one of the earliest Unity Practitioners of which the zeal made him to be coming from Ihechiowa to Uzoakoli weekly for study Classes.

Rev. J.O Kalu in 1940 with other unity students in Okpo like Mazi Ama Okoronkwo, Chief Jeremiah Oleh, Chief Kalu Nzere, Chief K.K Ubi amongst others started a Unity study center in one of the member's house at Amangwu Okpo. They later on moved to Nkwoebi, Amaeri Okpo due to the growth in membership coincidentally that place happened to be the area home of Late Leader Eze Ejei who was a one time Chairman of U C N BOD. In 1946 J.O Kalu got married and

decided to relocate to Mamfe in the republic of Cameroon for greener pasture. There he established a unity study class in his house, which later become the first unity church in the republic of Cameroon. While in Cameroon, he consulted with other stakeholders in Okpo to acquire a land for the expansion of the church, which was successful. They came from Amangwu

Okpo village on the 12th of Dec. 1957.

The Agreement was dully signed between Unity Church Okpo and he people of Amangwu Okpo. The Agreement was kept safely by Rev. J. O Kalu till date. The land was later developed to a modern unity church building bearing unity school of practical Christianity, Okpo Ihechiowa, though the land had been under dispute, thank God one of his sons Leader kalu, James Kalu had been working tirelessly for the court case. He is making sure that Unity retained the land.

After the Nigeria Civil war in 1970 he and his elder cousin Chief Ama Okorokwo sought for a vibrant young man who will be trained to head the church of which they got Rev. Ama Uwa to be trained for that. After graduation and ordination he became the first resident Rev minister in-charge

of Okpo Unity Centre.

Rev J.O Kalu was later trained as licensed unity teacher between 1981-1984 and later on a Snr. Lut. He enrolled to be trained as a Rev Minister at the age of 68yrs and head the Okpo center when the minister incharge was transferred to Akanu Ohiafia Unity Centre while in training. He became a Rev. Minister in the years 1985 and was ordained by Rev. J.U Eke. He served at Okpo because of his age and later on became a Snr. Rev Minister ordained by Rev. Oduchu incharge of Arochukwu Zone till his transition to the great beyond. Rev J.O Kalu married four wives and begat sixteen Children and twenty-four grand Children. His Children are dedicated Unity students both home and abroad.



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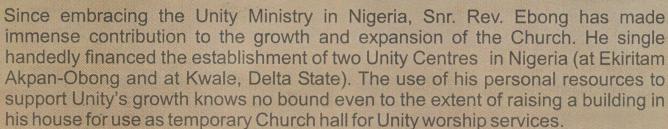
CITATION ON OKON OFFIONG EBONG

Born on October 15, 1955, Snr. Rev. Okon Offiong Ebong hales from Ekiritam Akpan-obong Itam, in Itu Local Government of Akwa Ibom State.

Married with children, Snr. Rev. Ebong has a Diploma (Petroleum Production Field Technology) ISC International, Scranton Pennsylvania, U.S.A. As well as Diploma (Religious Ministerial Program), Unity School of Christianity, Missouri, U.S.A (Aba Campus Nigeria).

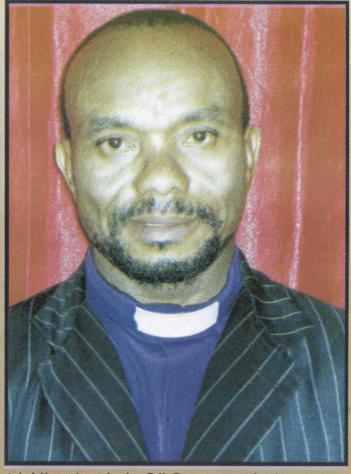
Snr. Rev. Ebong has a wealth of experience working in the Oil industry. He has undergone several certified training in that industry and has worked for major Petroleum development companies including

Shell Petroleum Development Company Ltd, Nigerian Agip Oil Company Ltd, etc.

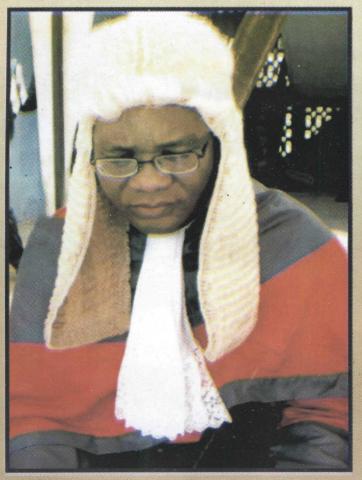


Snr. Rev. Okon O. Ebong has held various top offices in Unity Church Nigeria such as: Member Credential Ministry Team for English Speaking Countries outside U.S.A of Association of Unity Churches International, Vice President of Unity Church Nigeria, and Chairman Council of Ministers of UCN. Due to his love and zeal for the improvement of Unity, he was elected to the most elevated post of President, Unity Church Nigeria - a post he held for five years (2002 - 2006).

Snr. Rev. Ebong loves people and socializes freely. He is NUPENG Chapter Chairman in KGP as well as Executive Member PENGASSANS KGP. Snr. Rev. Okon O. Ebong has travelled widely including his visit to Unity Village in Missouri, U.S.A. He is happily married and the marriage is blessed with children.



CITATION ON HON. JUSTICE AGWU UMAH KALU



Born in 24th April 1961, to the late Unity Rev. Umah Kalu, of Isiugwu Ohafia, Hon. Justice Agwu Umah Kalu attended Boy's High School, Awkunanaw, Enugu, University of Nigeria Enugu Campus, Nigerian Law School, Lagos, and the Abia State University, Uturu. He has L.L.B. (Hons) Nig. And L.L.M (ABSU).

Hon. Justice Kalu who grew up in Enugu while his father was Minister-in-charge of the Unity Church of Truth, Enugu imbibed the Unity teaching to the core. He feels very proud to identify with Unity and all that it stands for. He attributes every success

and achievements in his life to his Unity background and the spiritual foundation therefrom.

Hon. Justice Kalu however, believes that there is still much room for the improvement of how Unity is packaged to the Nigerian audience. Hence, he regards himself as an apostle of that course, staking huge financial resources at his disposal in support of every project that addresses the expansion of the Unity Ministry in Nigeria.

Hon. Justice Kalu has held many top offices in the Abia State Judicial system including the post of Secretary Abia State Judicial Services Commission. He is at present Judge of the Abia State High Court.

He is happily married and blessed with children.

PROFILE OF CHIEF MARK IROEGBERUACHI NWOKORO AZUBUIKE

Born some 92 years ago in the family of late Mazi Nwokoro Azubuike. He was the first son in his mother's kitchen and the only surviving son of the father among too many numerous children.

He was one of the first selected Chiefs in the Cabinet of Ozuo I of Uzuakoli Ancient Kingdom. He was the head of Uke-Asato (8 selected age grade) in Eluoma Uzuakoli who trained some prominent Eluoma sons under scholarship.

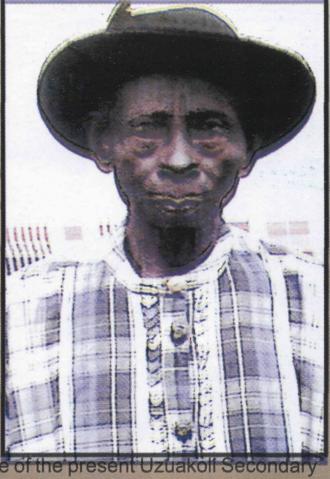
A dispute between Umuobube Ozuitem and Eluoma Uzuakoli was settled under his regime in Uke-Asato. He was among the few who fought tooth and nail to bring the Post Office and

Sub-Treasuruy to Uzuakoli. The existence of the present Uzuakoli Secondary School (formerly known as T.T.C.) Was as a result of his efforts and personal relationship with Mr. Achinivu and one Mr. Akure who later secured the land for development. He headed so many cooperative societies and farmers' associations and has received so many certificates of award.

He was born a Methodist, and when he was in the Methodist Church, he worked tirelessly to see the road leading to Methodist manse and that of the Secondary School was created and developed.

Chief left Methodist and joined Unity Church many years ago and was baptized by Snr. Rev. Dr. S. O. Uduka. Since then he has been an active member both in the area of frequent contributions and cultivation of meaningful ideas for the development of the Church. Hence, he was made a leader some years back.

He is married and the marriage is blessed with eighteen (18) children, 12 sons and 6 daughters, 45 grand children and 4 great grand children.

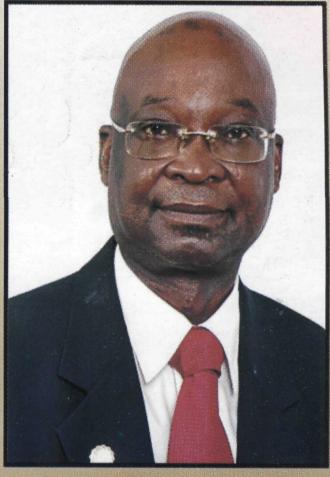




CITATION ON DR. SAMUEL ADEYINKA GRIFFIN

Born in 11th February 1946 in Lagos Nigeria, Dr. Samuel Adeyinka Griffin (Yinka Griffin for short) had his primary and secondary education in Nigeria before going to Germany for higher academic programmes. After his Higher School Education in Mannheim, he was admitted to the Medical Faculty of the prestigious University of Heidelberg in 1966 where he graduated Suma-Cum Laude in Medicine in 1972.

After one year practice in Germany, Dr. Griffin came back to Nigeria and worked for two years in the renowned University College Hospital (UCL) Ibadan. He went back to Germany in 1977 for his Residency programme in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. On finishing his programme he worked fro two years as Consultant Obstetrics and Gynaecologist in St. Barbara Hospital Duisburg, Germany (1981 - 1983). After working for about one year in St. Mary's Hospital, Eleta Ibadan, Dr. Yinka opened the Teju Specialist Hospital, Ibadan where he has been the proprietor and Medical Director to date.



Dr. Yinka Griffin is member of various professional organisations and clubs where he has held numerous prestigious position too numerous to mention. He has received many awards from many of these organizations.

Dr. Samuel Adeyinka Griffin is a lover of Unity teaching. He was a friend to Pa Selete a Unity man from Rivers State who lived in Ibadan until he was very old.

In 2002, Dr. Yinka single handedly funded the re-establishment of a Unity Centre in Ibadan metropolis. It is said that he spent huge sums of money to hire accommodation for a Unity Study Class, a residence for the Minister, and even was paying the Minister's salary.

He is happily married with five children.



CITATION ON CHIEF NNANA O. NNANA



Born to Unity Parents: Sir Okemini Nnana and Nma Rosanah Nnana both of blessed memories, some seventy three years ago at Ndi Uduma Awoke, Ohafia of Abia State of Nigeria.

Schooled at Oron and Aba and obtained the Senior School Commercial Certificate and GCE O/L etc. By correspondence tuition with Wolseyhall College, London did all the examinations to qualify as an Incorporated Secretary (ACCS). Attended a number of Post graduate courses in Nigeria and abroad and has been a Fellow of Certified National Accountant of Nigeria (FCNA); and member of the British Institute of Management (MBIM), etc.

Worked in various private and public organisations in Nigeria. Alagbon Industries as Accounts officer; Queen Elizabeth Hospital Umuahia as Hospital Board Secretary; Othorpeadic Hospital Enugu as Administrative Assistant, etc. retired in Abia State Government Service as the State Auditor-General some twelve years ago. Presently the Managing Partner of Nnana Okemini & Co. Certified National Accountants:-a firm of accountants and

auditors based at Umuahia. Also serves as a member of a Committee Membership and Practicing Committee of the Council of Association of National Accountants of Nigeria (ANAN) which takes him round the country from time to time.

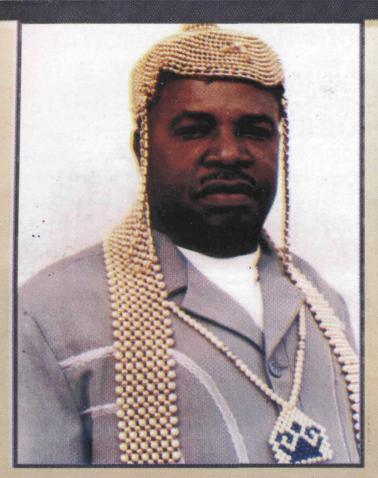
Served his community at various periods as General Secretary and President-General of Ndi Uduma Awoke Welfare Union, Ohafia; Financial Secretary, Ohafia Improvement Union (Incorp); 1st Vice President General, Ania Union (Incorp); etc. etc.. In recognition of his selfless service to his communities, was given the chieftaincy title of "IKEAGWU" of ANIA OHAFIA by Envinwe Offia I of Ania Autonomous Community several years ago.

Within the Unity Movement Organisation, once served as the Executive Secretary of UMN for two terms; Assistant Interpreter as Aba Unity Centre of Christianity; Leader of former Silent Unity Centre, Owerri, Secretary/Associate Leader of Unity Church of Truth, Enugu and member of various committees of UMN Board in the past. Given talks on Truth to groups and organisations at various times and places and participated in a popular B.C.A. TV programme on Truth some years ago.

As a keen truth student, believes in the practice of Truth principles as presented by Unity School and similar organisations worldwide. His TIP, TruthInPractice philosophy is demonstrated in all his activities, whether private or public, in the consciousness of "I do all my work to the glory to God and He prospers me" and "Love, love, love, love, ... the Gospel in ONE WORD is LOVE; love your neighbour as your self... Love! Love! Love!

Has compiled a Collection of over 700 Nigerian Unity songs and choruses in English, Ibo and Efik, soon to be printed and published. Has in the making, books titled: "The Best Kept Secret of the 'Age"; "The Ears of the King" and "The Trinity of Being" yet to be completed and published.

Happily married to Ezinne Helen Inyang Nnana, a retired School Teacher, they are blessed with lidren and grand-children resident both in Nigeria and abroad.



CHIEF EMENIKE EKE OKAI

Chief Emenike Eke Okai was born in Amankalu Alayi by Late Teacher Eke Okai and late Leader Mrs. Uzunma Eke Okai.

He is a good singer of Unity songs. Being a product of Unity family, he is a very good

player of Unity 'Ikoro".

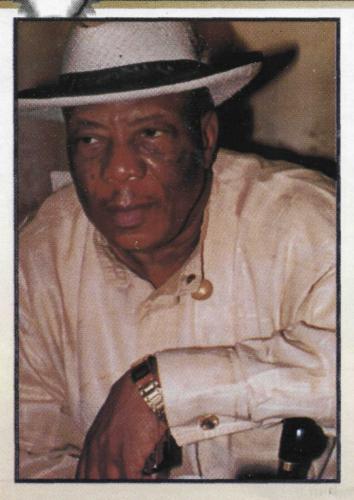
Between 1979 - 1981, Chief worked as a civil servant in Old Bendel State Warri in a company called (N.P.A) Nigerian Ports Authority as a Clerical Officer. Chief Emenike came to spend his annual leave at his home town and eventually saw that the mud house where his people worship every Sunday has fallen down. Then one late Elder Ogidi whom he met told him that they were going to the bush to cut sticks to build a new mud house. Chief replied mud house again? And told him that it is going to be a block house without minding his meager salary as a Level 04 officer in 1979 which was not up to three hundred naira.

Through faith and determination, God gave him the strength and he was able to build the Church with blocks. Having seen the handwork of God, Leader Agu Kalu came and completed the roofing with zinc. The spectacular thing in this story is that as a new employee, he had no savings to buy the windows of the building, so he went to his house, loosed his own side of the windows and fixed them to the Church which are still in use today. And when his mother asked him if his windows will remain open, he answered "God will send money for the replacement" and God did it.

The same thing happened when Chief was building the Minister's Quarters at Uzuakoli which is still serving UCN up till now. Chief knowing that he and his Father are one went and brought the window protectors made for his house and gave them to be fixed at the Minister's manse Uzuakoli to hasten the building and allow the first Minister since after the war to park in. Chief also went on his selfless service to Unity Church Nigeria. The Minister's quarter at present is also his making. He donated many pews being used at the Unity Headquarters Church hall. His supports to Unity Center at Aba (113/114B Ngwa Road) cannot be over emphasized or compared to but he knows he does all his works to the Glory of God.

He held so many positions in U.C.N and in Aba.

Due to his numerous contributions to both the church and his community, his community crowned him with the following titles: Aku na Esi Obi Ike I of Alayi, Dike di Ora Nma I of Amaigwu Autonomous Community, Alayi, Dike Eji Aga Mba I of Isikaku Autonomous Community, Amankalu Alayi. He also received the title of High Chief. Indeed he is a leader with focus and purpose.



CITATION ON LDR. CHIEF DR. W. J. WOCHA (JP) (EZE UGO I OF IBAA)

Date of Birth: 1948

Academic Qualifications: Ph.D.

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L.G.A.: Omuobizu Elenwo, Ibaa,

Emoha LGA

State: Rivers State Religion: Christianity

Marital Staus: Married with children Occupation: Business proprietor

He was the only child of his parents. Had his early education at home after which he left home for greener pastures outside home. He is a self made man, Hardworking and an achiever.

He single handedly acquired and built the Unity Centre at Ibaa, furnished and equipped the church cathedral.

CITATION ON MADAM NNE OGBONNEYA INYAMA

Date of Birth: 1921

Born 88 years to late Nna Inyama Kalu of Ndi Idika Compound, and late Nne Ola Ajike of Atan Compound, both of Asaga Ohafia in Abia State, Nigeria.

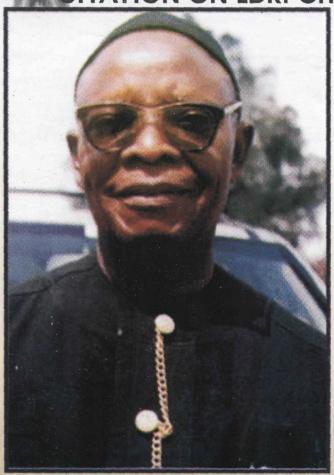
Was married to late Nna Uma Ukoha of Ndi Uma-Awa Compound in Asaga Ohafia. The marriage was blessed with two surviving children: Mrs. Inyang Anya Iche and Chief Ukoha Uma Ukoha. She is blessed with ten grandchildren and eleven great-grand children.

Mma Ogbonne did not receive any formal education. But due to her interest in the Word of God, and diligence, she reads and understands the Bible and Daily Word in English and Igbo. She laces discussions with English like an educated woman. She is quite sociable and an active member of her age grade (Uke Egwuana) until the grade retired. She is very generous, philanthropic and derives immense joy from sharing whatever she has.



Her parents and husband were traditionalists as was common in earlier days in Asaga-Ohafia. She started attending Unity Church at Uzuakoli in 1960 and has remained zealous in the activities of Unity Church. She donated a piece of land at Asaga Ohafia for the building of the Church. Her dream is to see the structure completed. Presently the members at Asaga hold their activities in her compound. Up till date, she treks from Asaga to Elu, or any of the neighbouring villages rather than miss any centrallyorganised Unity activity holding in those places. She hardly absents from Unity Conferences.

ITATION ON LDR. CHIEF SAMUEL IBEGBU IJIOMA



Leader Chief Ijioma is the Chairman of the Board of Unity Activity Chapel, Uzuakoli. He also combines the Chairmanship of UCN Item Zone Board.

Leader Ijioma was born in Unity. He was 5years old when in 1942 the erstwhile Snr. Rev. David Ijioma and his first wife found the Unity Centre at Lafia now capital city of Nassarawa State.

However, Leader Ijioma did not play active in the Church except being a non-observer of vegetarianism when possible. He was more exposed to C.M.S. Church now Anglican through junior primary school at Lafia and Methodist Church through senior primary school at Ozuitem. He was baptized in the Methodist Church and confirmed for Holy Communion in the Anglican Church while in the Secondary School at Aggrey Memorial College, Arochukwu. He returned to the Methodist Church in 1957 when he started to work in Port Harcourt. There he became ordained a local preacher in 1961 and was invited to the Theological College to prepare for full time ministerial service. He rejected the offer in preference for lay service. He served in several capacities in the Church as Youth Leader, Class leader, Interpreter, and representative at District and national conferences. His leadership in the YMCA made him to represent

Nigeria at the YMCA Young Adult Conference in Vienna Austria in 1961. This preceded the World Alliance Conference of YMCAs which was held in Geneva a week later.

Again, representing the YMCA, he participated in European Conference and tour of Voluntary Work Group organisations in 1963. Ldr. Ijioma worked for UAC (Nig.) Ltd. from 1957 to 1963. He also served as the UAC East Regional Workers Union from 1959 to 1963. His experience in trade unionism attracted the attention of the Port Harcourt Christian Council which invited him to lead a team in its urban renewal project to relate the Church to industry with particular reference to relationships between labour and management in industry. To gain some experience in such a job, he was attached to a similar project in the UK six months. With the outbreak of the Nigerian Civil War, the project converted its activities into refugee and emergency relief. At the end of hostilities, Ldr. Ijioma was invited to join The Christian Council of Nigeria rehabilitation project based at Enugu. At the end of the rehabilitation activities, Ldr. Ijioma went back to School and obtained a Master of Arts degree in Economics specializing in agriculture from Leeds University in UK. He returned to Nigeria in 1978 and took appointment in the Central Bank of Nigeria. Two years to retirement at 60 in 1997 he was seconded to the African Rural and Agricultural Credit Association (AFRACA), an association of Central Banks, Development Bank and Commercial Banks involved in rural agricultural credit and micro-finance. He was Secretary-General of the association for six years at Nairobi Kenya. He returned as an Assistant Director in the Bank.

Ldr. Ijioma returned to Unity in 2001 on retirement and lives in his home town Ozuitem. He has been a willing instrument in raising the Centre at Uzuakoli to a respectful status. He is married and has a son and two daughters who live with their amilies including 6 grand children in UK.

PROFILE OF LEADER (LOLO) EUNICE MGBECHIKWORO OYIDIYA EKEKWE (NWANYI CHINYERE UGO N'IMENYI)

September 12, 1939 is the birthday of Eunice Mgbechikworo into the family of late Mazi and Madam Samuel Nwachukwu Chigbu of Ndi-Okoro Compound, Umundinja-Amaeke, Ovim is Isuikwuato Local Government Area of Abia State.

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In December 1955, she left her Methodist faith to marry late Chief Ekekwe Elekwachi of Elu-Obayi, Ovim, (former Treasurer, Board of Trustee member and Patron of Unity Church Nigeria, Enugu Centre until November 11, 1995 that he went back to his creator). From 1995 till date Eunice Mgbechikworo has and still remains an ardent believer of the tenets and doctrine of Unity faith.

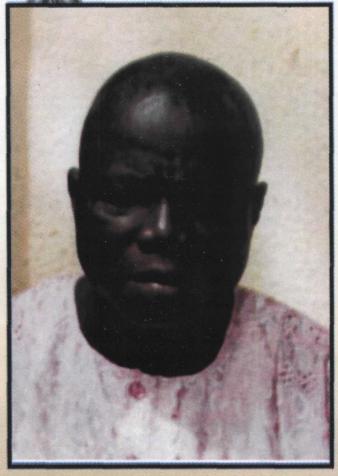
In her own way she has contributed to the development of Enugu Centre in particular both financially and morally but most



especially have been a rallying point for the women folk in Enugu Centre.

In recognition of this, on September 27, 1998 she was ordained a Unity Leader. The matriarch of Ekekwe Elekwachi family albeit all odds has thought the grace of God being able to keep the light of Unity lit by the husband in 1955 shinning and to the utmost glory of God the children and their family are still part of the Unity family.

On this day of ward of honour as **PILLAR OF UNITY CHURCH NIGERIA**, Eunice Mgbechikworo Oyidiya Ekekwe gives all honour and glory to God Almighty and pray that the strength of the Lord continue to keep her in the faith.



CITATION OF LUT EMMANUEL AMUSAN YISA AKANJI AYOFE

Born in 1950 at Ile-Ogbo, Ayedire Local Government of Osun State, LUT Emmanuel Amusan is an employee of the Teaching Service Commission of Osun State, Nigeria. He teaches at the United Methodist High School, Iwo Town, Osun State.

LUT Emmanuel Amusan is a graduate of the University of Ibadan, Ibadan. He has been a truth seeker for a long time, probably accounting for why he has attended many Christian Churches including Cherubim and Seraphim, Methodist Church, Christ Apostolic

Church, Baptist Church, Celestial Church, and finally Unity which he believes is the final Bus stop.

He came to know about Unity in 1988 when he bought a book (Dynamic Laws of Prayer) from United States of America written by Catherine

Ponder. This book overhauled his entire perspective of the Christian teaching. He became so excited about the Unity perspective that despite having been baptized in a previous Church, presented himself again for a fresh baptism the Unity way under late Rev. E. A. Otisi.

LUT Emmanuel Amusan was ordained Unity Licensed Teacher at Uzuakoli on the 19th of May 2002. He has exhibited extra ordinary zeal and support for Unity work. He travereses four States from Iwo where he lives to attend regular Church service ay Lagos. Every Minister who has been in charge of the Lagos Centre has always testified that despite the distance covered, he is one of the first to arrive for Sunday service.

LUT Emmanuel Amusan lives peacefully and harmoniously in a predominantly Moslem locality where nearly all his neighbours practice Islam. Despite this he has kept his Christian faith. He distributes many copies of Daily Word in his neighbourhood every month.



CITATION ON LEADER MRS. SARAH UZOMA IJIOMA

Ldr. Sarah did not benefit from modern education: she however drank deep in spiritual enlightenment through her marriage. She is the 4th and the younger of the two who survived Snr. Rev. David Ibegbu Ijioma, Snr. Rev. Ijioma started a Unity Centre at Lafia, now capital of Nassarawa State in 1942 and ran it until the outbreak of hostilities in 1967. Back home he started a Centre at Isiegbu Ozuitem and sustained it until he transited in 1997. He also extended his services into the re-establishment of the Centre at Uzuakoli. He provided pastoral core principally to the Ohumola Igbere Centre and to the other centers in the Zone. Ldr. Sarah faithfully worked beside her husband in promoting the Church at Isiegbu Ozuitem and other Centres in Item Zone. She has fun memories of their trek to labere and Alayi. After her husband's transition, she transferred her membership to the Centre at Uzuakoli. The distance of over 7km did not put her off actively participating in activities of the Church.

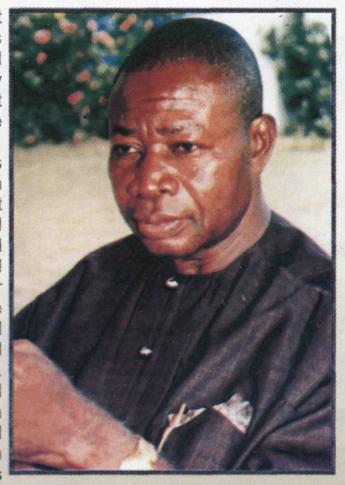


She is widely known as "Ma Sarah" in the Item Zone circle. She was ordained a Leader in 2001. Her daughter, Chinedu married a Unity man at Enugu and her son Okechukwu a Chartered Accountant wedded at Uzuakoli Centre. Her other son Chichi is active at the 113/114B Ngwa Road Aba Centre. Ndubueze, a lecturer at the Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Owerri is the current National Secretary of YOU.

PROFILE OF ENGR. WISDOM UDO OKEREKE

Born on 23rd of October 1950 at Port Harcourt now Rivers State of Nigeria. His father was late E. U. Oheiche, Spiritual Leader and founding member of Unity School of Practical Christianity Port Harcourt which came into existence in the 1930's.

He had his primary education at St. Philips Catholic School 1955 to 1961, and h Secondary education at Government College, Umuahia from 1962 - 1966 and obtained the West African School Certificate in Grade One with 6 Alphas and 2 Credits. He continued with the Higher School Certificate Course in Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics and Physics before the Nigerian Civil interupted his education from 1967 - 1970. After the Civil War in 1970 he was selected and granted sponsorship by the Nigeria Government under the Nigerian National Shipping to study Marine Engineering in Liverpool, England. He attended various Higher Institutions in Liverpool England.



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He has B.Sc. In Mechanical Engineering (Marine option). He is a Coprorate Member of the Institute of Marine Engineers, United Kingdom and Nigeria. He worked in many capacities with the Nigerian NationalShipping Line up till 1981, Central Water Transportation Company Ltd. He is the Chairman of Board of Directors of Integrated Systems Ltd.a company totally devoted the establishment amd prmotion of enterprenuerial skills especially in the rural areas He is a member of Christ Unity Church Port Harcourt heading the Outreach Dept. For many years where he has helped to organise Retreats, Breakfast Meditations Programmes and other Spiritual Enhancing Programmes. He also served as one time Interim Board Chairman of Unity Church Nigeria, and headed many UCN national Conference Planning Committee

dead men were raised. Many after receiving the healing asked for a Unity Centre in their village or town to be opened. Teacher Njoku with his team will visit him and people will come to them for healing and study and a Unity church naturally finds a foot there. This activity was in the 1923 - 1931. About 1931 there was a conference of Unity Teachers which later gave rise to a Unity General meeting in. In 1940 Teacher Njoku acquired the present Unity Headquarters Uzuakoli in a 65acres land. The Methodist Church continued to battle with Teacher Njoku.

In 1946, Teacher Njoku moved the Unity Intellectual School to Uzuakoli; but Methodist Church lost their pupil to Unity School and they started waging their battle. Rev. Njoku's Unity brought a lot of innovations to all the churches, Njoku's Unity turned the church from a place of gloom to a place of joy, of singing, of jubilation and of dancing. Teacher Njoku was a great transformer. He changed the names of people including his father by changing the prefix; Onwuka to Nduka, Udonsi to Udoenyi, Onwu to Ndu.

While at Item there was so many miracles of healing, prosperity and Jesus Christ continued to manifest in various ways in their lives. The sick were healed, the dead were made to live and the good news was preached to the poor in spirit and their report went far and wide. The same command given to the disciples of Christ was given to the people. Mr. Amos Iheonukara Okoli who was the Assistant Headmaster admired Mr. Njoku healing powers and became his first friend and disciple. More and more miracles continued pouring in.

The Methodist Church warned Teacher Njoku to desist from preaching in their Church. Okoli was made to take over the School pulpit and was to preach in the Church. He in turn started teaching the Unity principles as he declared like the apostles "shall we do the will of man instead of God." Later the Methodist Church administration fired Mr. Okoli, retaining Mr. Njoku. But Mr. Njoku asked for the reinstatement of Mr. Okoli or himself will resign which he later did within a few days.

Teacher Njoku applied to the Ministry of Education for authorization to build the Unity Intellectual School, Apuanu Item, the request was given instant approval and was allowed to have a full stream from infant 1 to Standard 6. Parents from far and near withdrew their children to Teacher Njoku's Unity School. The school was the best. No body fails examination. There was boarding house for people who failed their class weekly tests. He transformed the Ohafia tradition of keeping a mourning widow indoor for 4 market days and wearing black burial garments and burying of plantain or banana stem on the grave for her husband for months in the early twenties. He introduced the local court for trial of cases instead of allowing an accused to face th tricks and caprices of a hired/bribed translator who decides instead of the Divisional Officers who were acting as administrators and judges.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOL: Outside the scholarships given to Ndagbo people, orphans, children to widows, indigent children were also included. Within 4 years more than 50% of the scholars were not paying fees. This percentage parents will claim indigent and their children will stop paying till this came to 80% scholarship.

PROFILE OF LATE CHIEF AMA OKORONKWO



Born on 30th April, 1913 to the family of Mazi Okoronkwo Ama and Madam Oriji Okoronkwo of Ndi Ama Compound Amaiyi, Okpo, Ihechiowa, Arochukwu L.G.A., Abia State, Nigeria.

He was a business man, a produce merchant based at Umuahia and later based at home, which was combined with farming.

He was a practical member of Unity Church and a pioneer member of Unity Church in Ihechiowa and even at large.

Chief Ama Okoronkwo is married and blessed with eleven (11) children.

He made his transition on 19th January, 1974.

Programme for the Presentation of Honours Award 16th May, 2009

I. Opening Prayer/Statement

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- 2. General Song: Aghaghim ilu olu nke Nnam, bu olu udo naihunanya, aghaghim ilu olu nke Nnam bu olu udo na-Ihunanya.
- 3. Address by the President UCN
- 4. Prayer for all Post humus awardees
- 5. Prayer for all physically living awardees
- 6. Award of Founder & Foundation Phoenix of UCN
- 7. Award of Foundation Stone of UCN
- 8. Award of Pillar of Unity Church Nigeria
- 9. Vote of thanks by the BOD Chairman of UCN
- 10. Blessing of recipients and entourage
- II. Benediction

OBJECTIVE OF UNITY (R)

Unity is a link in the educational movement inaugurated by Jesus Christ; in Christianity and prove it. The truth that we teach is not new, neither do we claim special revelations or discovery of new religious principles. Our purpose is to help and teach mankind to use and prove the eternal Truth taught by the Master."

- Charles Fillmore Co-founder Unity Movement

UNITY CHURCH NIGERIA MISSION STATEMENT

Working with God, we play significant role in a spiritually emancipated African society and that of the whole world through the Christian work we do in Unity.



SNR. REV. AWA NJOKU with early followers.

SNR. REV. AWA NJOKU in his early days

