

The Gains from 2025 at WNCC

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The Gains of WNCC 2025 End-of-Year Faculty Retreat

The Faculty End-of-Year Retreat was a highly successful and multifaceted event designed to foster wellness, professional development, collaboration, and fellowship among WNCC faculty members. Held as a capstone to the academic year, the retreat combined recreational activities, health-focused session, and performance reviews, with thought-provoking keynote addresses. The event provided a refreshing break from routine duties while equipping the faculty with practical insights for personal and institutional excellence in the coming year.

The retreat featured a well-balanced programme that catered to both physical and intellectual needs. The Health Talk and Wellness Session emphasized the importance of personal well-being, promoting healthy lifestyles and managing stress.

The retreat was enriched by three insightful keynote addresses from distinguished

speakers:

1. The Walmart Principles: Leveraging on Tested Principles of the Largest and the Most Successful Business Organisation in the World, delivered by Dr. Biodun Owolabi. This session explored timeless business principles inspired by Walmart’s founder, Sam Walton, such as the power of vision and an enduring culture, respect for the individual, service to customers, and striving for excellence, among others. Participants learned how these principles—rooted in operational efficiency, customer focus, and ethical leadership—can be adapted to academic and institutional settings for greater success.

2. Harnessing AI for Research and Academic Excellence, delivered by Mr. Ogunrinu Adesina. Focusing on the transformative role of artificial intelligence in modern academia. This keynote highlighted practical applications of AI tools in research, data analysis, teaching, and publication. It inspired faculty to embrace emerging technologies to enhance productivity and innovation.

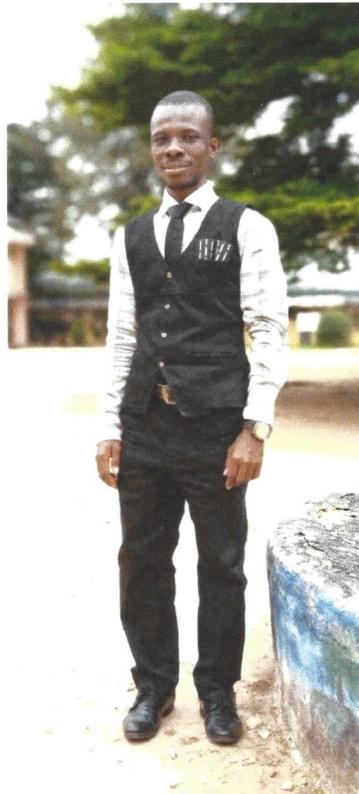
3. Corporate Personality, Branding and Ethics of the Workplace, delivered by Dr. Abayomi Owolabi. This address delved into personal and institutional branding, professional ethics, and cultivating a positive workplace culture. Key takeaways included strategies for building trust, integrity, and a strong professional identity in academic environments.

Overall, the Faculty End-of-Year Retreat was a refreshing, informative, and inspiring experience. It successfully promoted wellness, collaboration, and fellowship while delivering valuable insights through its keynote sessions. As faculty return to their roles, they are better equipped—physically rejuvenated, professionally motivated, and intellectually stimulated—to pursue greater excellence in teaching, research, and service in the year ahead. This event underscores the importance of such retreats in building a vibrant and resilient academic community.



Bearing Fruit in Ukpom

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FORMED AT NCBC, BEARING FRUIT IN UKPOM: THE MINISTRY OF MIN. ANIETIE S. NKANTA

True ministry seldom begins with public recognition or visible applause. It is first forged in private moments-through prayerful dependence, disciplined study, and unwavering obedience to God's call. Long before a minister stands before a congregation, character is refined and conviction is tested. This pattern is clearly reflected in the journey of Min. Anietie S. Nkanta, a graduate of the Nigerian Christian Bible College (NCBC), whose ministry exemplifies the fruit of intentional preparation and sincere devotion.

Min. Nkanta hails from Ukanafun Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State. His time at NCBC was marked by rigorous biblical training, spiritual formation, and a growing sense of responsibility toward faithful gospel service. These formative years laid a strong

foundation, equipping him not only with sound doctrine but also with the discipline and humility required for effective ministry.

Today, those lessons find practical expression in his work at the Church of Christ No. 1, Ukpom, known as one of the premier congregations of the Lord's vineyard in Nigeria. Serving with consistency and dedication, Min. Nkanta has earned a reputation for clear biblical teaching and an approachable pastoral presence. His ministry is not confined to the pulpit; it extends to personal engagement, encouragement, and intentional follow-up with members of the congregation.

This faithful approach recently yielded visible fruit during the first Sunday worship of 2026, as baptisms were recorded at the church. These moments were more than ceremonial milestones—they represented lives responding in obedience to the gospel and affirmed the quiet effectiveness of patient, Christ-centered ministry.

From Ukanafun to Ukpom, the journey of Min. Anietie S. Nkanta stands as a compelling reminder that when sound theological training is joined with a genuine love for people, ministry becomes enduring, impactful, and deeply transformative.

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