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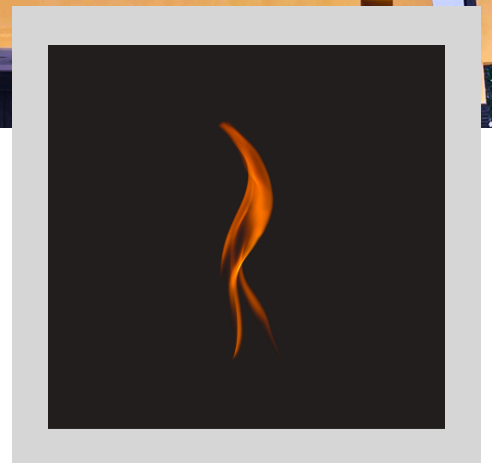


Beyond Impact: Carrying the Flame

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ!
As we look back on the second quarter, we thank God for His guidance through a season filled with purposeful activity, vibrant departmental efforts, and meaningful evangelism.

We rejoice in the success of WAD Impact 2025, but our mission continues.. The call to share the gospel—both in small and large groups—remains urgent and clear.

This edition highlights our church's journey this quarter and encourages each of us to remain active, faithful, and inspired as we carry the message of hope to the world.



WAD Impact Family

The WAD Impact Family initiative is a Division-wide evangelistic campaign running from June 2025 to May 2026, with Western Nigeria Union Conference actively involved. This family-led effort encourages every Adventist home—regardless of size or location—to become a center of mission through Bible studies, personal witness, hospitality, and digital outreach.

The goal is simple yet powerful: every family bringing at least one new family to Christ before May 2026, in preparation for a major satellite evangelistic campaign.

REPORTING THE MISSION. SHARING THE VISION.

WNUC is Mission Focused- The President

a. Mofon-Ibereko Outreach (April 27 – May 10, 2025)

This outreach was organized in collaboration with the Lagos Atlantic Conference, the two-week outreach titled “Hope for Today” was held at Baale’s Compound, Ibereko.

Ministering was Pr. E.A. Adeleye, WNUC President. The outreach featured:

- Prayers and counseling
- In-depth Bible studies
- Free medical checkups
- Undiluted Gospel preaching

Daily attendance and engagement from the community reflected a strong interest in the gospel message. Lives were touched both spiritually and physically. Following the outreach, 37 souls were baptized.



b. Modakeke for Christ. (May 18 – 31, 2025)

In partnership with the Osun Conference, WNUC conducted another impactful outreach tagged “Modakeke for Christ”. The program ran at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Modakeke, and featured:

- Soul-uplifting music
- Free medical services
- In-depth Bible messages
- Prayer and counseling

Pr. (Dr.) Ezekiel Atolagbe Adeleye ministered, and God’s Spirit moved powerfully. Daily attendance increased, and many came to Christ. As a result, 24 souls were baptized into the church.

This quarter reflects a tremendous effort across the Western Nigeria Union territory to fulfill the mission mandate. From evangelism and discipleship to training and community service, WNUC continues to shine the light of the everlasting gospel in preparation for the soon return of our Savior.

Children’s Ministries Highlights

- Prayer for Community Day

With hearts full of faith, our children across various conferences united in fervent prayer for our beloved country, Nigeria. Through this spiritual exercise, we taught the children to stand in the gap for their nation, trusting God for transformation and peace.

- Friends of Hope Day – April 12, 2025

As part of our Sabbath School outreach, every child was encouraged to invite at least one friend to church. Many churches across the Union welcomed new children who studied the Bible, prayed, and experienced Christian fellowship for the first time. It was a beautiful moment of planting seeds of hope in young hearts.

- Possibility Ministries Day – April 19, 2025



Activities included:

1. Recognizing and appreciating persons with disabilities.
2. Involving them in Sabbath School activities.
3. Teaching children basic sign language to communicate effectively with friends who are hearing impaired.
4. Through this, our children learned empathy, inclusiveness, and the power of Christian love.

Throughout May, our children were engaged in weekly Sabbath seminars and daily social media campaigns focused on drug abuse prevention. In Kwara Conference, a collaboration with the NDLEA enabled impactful community outreach. The month concluded with a public seminar featuring expert speakers, and several children were recognized as “Drug-Free Champions” to encourage continued healthy living.



Afor Community, accept Adventism.

Ogbedigbo-Afor is a strategically located community along the Ughelli-Asaba Road, Delta State. It is location where Delta Conference has acquired a vast parcel of land for campgrounds and other developmental projects. For some time, it has been the earnest desire of the Conference to bring the Advent message to this community. To the glory of God, that vision is now being realized with the establishment of a new Seventh-day Adventist Church in the community. This development is the result of a two-week evangelistic campaign conducted from May 17 to 31, 2025, during which 17 souls were baptized.

The church was officially inaugurated on May 31, 2025, with its first worship service held at the Ogbedigbo Community Town Hall.

As the number of worshipers quickly outgrew the originally rented space, construction of a lamb shelter is currently in progress to provide a more suitable and permanent place of worship.



20 Souls Baptized in Ajegunle Ogun Conference Global Mission Outreach

In a powerful joint effort, the Global Mission Department of the Western Nigeria Union Conference and the Ogun Conference re-entered the Ajegunle community with the “Hope for Today” Medical Evangelism Campaign.

In preparation for the one-week public outreach, six dedicated groundbreakers—including the Ogun Conference Evangelism Director, Pastor E.M. Famuyiwa, and Global Mission/AMR Director, Pastor Abiodun Ajao—engaged in one month of groundwork through house-to-house Bible studies. This laid a strong spiritual foundation and led to significant daily turnout during the campaign.

The medical arm of the outreach was led by the Abeokuta District Health Team, coordinated by Mrs. Adesiyen and Mrs. Temitope Afolabi, a member of the Ajegunle SDA Church. Counseling sessions were led by Pastor A.S. Ogunseitán, President of Ogun Conference, while Pastor (Dr.) Olakunle Obebe, WNUC Global Mission Director, served as facilitator, with Pastor Ajao providing interpretation.

Additionally, a Lamb Shelter was constructed in the community through Global Mission funding, establishing a continued presence for discipleship and nurture.

To the glory of God, 20 souls joined the faith—14 through baptism and 6 through profession of faith, including two former Muslim adherents. Heaven rejoices over these decisions for Christ.



Breaking New Grounds in Ero Town: Ondo Mission Gospel Campaign

A remarkable milestone was achieved in Ero Town, a once-unentered community within the Ondo Mission field. From April 6 to 19, 2025, a vibrant outdoor gospel campaign was conducted, led by Pastor Adeniyi A.K, whose messages stirred hearts and inspired decisions for Christ.

By the close of the campaign, fourteen precious souls committed their lives to Jesus through baptism, conducted in three joyful batches. The spiritual breakthrough in this new territory is a testament to the power of united mission efforts.

The campaign was made possible through the generous sponsorship of Mrs. Dorcas Obaya and Mrs. L.O. Afolayan, who supported the project via the Evangelism Fund. Their efforts were further complemented by the Ondo Mission, with active cooperation from Ijapo District and the Owena Circuit. Together, they planted a seed of hope in Ero Town—one that promises to bear lasting fruit.

Kwara Conference: From Desert to Glory



We give glory to God for His immeasurable miracles in Kwara Conference. Once called a desert, this Conference has become a flourishing testimony of God's power and providence. Below are some of the great works Celebrated in this field.

A Decade of Faith: The Secretariat Miracle

What began in October 2015 stood still for seven years—until faith moved mountains in 2022. With prayers and persistence, the Secretariat building sprang back to life. Through the generous donation of **Dr. Adedeji Adeleke**, construction was reignited. In early 2025, the **Awoniyi family** graciously took on the roofing and installation of the suspended ceiling. This was followed by a donation from the **Oladunni family**, who provided and installed all the windows in June 2025. The Kwara Conference workers themselves supplied the entrance doors, and to the glory of God, the tiling of all office spaces has been completed.

The target is to fully occupy the building by October 2025, marking exactly ten years since its foundation was laid. Truly, God's timing is perfect. We continue to covet your prayers as we press toward this milestone.

Continuing in the spirit of progress and divine provision, the second quarter of 2025 also witnessed the laying of three remarkable foundations—each one a testament to God’s ongoing work in Kwara Conference and a symbol of hope for the future.

On May 8, 2025, the foundation of the staff lodge at the Reginald and Lunadell White Memorial Adventist Nursery/Primary School in Araromi-Ipo was laid. This project, established by the Awoniyi family in honor of their late parents, reflects the family’s continued commitment to educational development and service in God’s vineyard.

Just ten days later, on May 18, 2025, the foundation for the Gwaria Church building was laid by Pastor Emmanuel Ayeni, President of Kwara Conference, alongside his fellow officers. This marked a significant spiritual milestone for the Gwaria community and reaffirmed the Conference’s dedication to reaching every corner with the everlasting gospel.

The momentum continued into June 8, 2025, when the foundation for a new parsonage in Oke-Ode was joyfully laid. The service was especially memorable as it was attended by Pastor (Prof.) J.D. Awoniyi and his wife, adding a generational blessing to the ceremony and celebrating the enduring legacy of faithful service to God.



A Living Legacy

On June 20, 2025, **Pastor (Prof.) Joel Dada Awoniyi** turned 105, and the celebration honored far more than his age—it was a tribute to a lifetime of unwavering service. Alongside his wife, Shepherdess Vertibelle Awoniyi, he established Adventist schools in Oke-Ode, Babanla, Ora, Igbaja, and Araromi-Ipo, built churches in hard-to-reach areas, and supported countless students through scholarships. His legacy is deeply woven into the fabric of Adventism in Nigeria, especially within Kwara Conference.



In the same spirit of legacy, **Pastor Dr. Johnson Ajagbe Adeniji** was celebrated on his 100th birthday on May 31, 2025, at the SDA Church Irefin, Ibadan, in Oyo Conference. A man of faith and purpose, his life and ministry continue to inspire.

These events are more than milestones—they are monuments of faith, symbols of progress, and reminders that God’s work in Western Nigeria is alive and growing stronger with each generation.



EMPOWERING LEADERS, ADVANCING MISSION

Secretariat Leadership Training for New Presidents and Secretaries

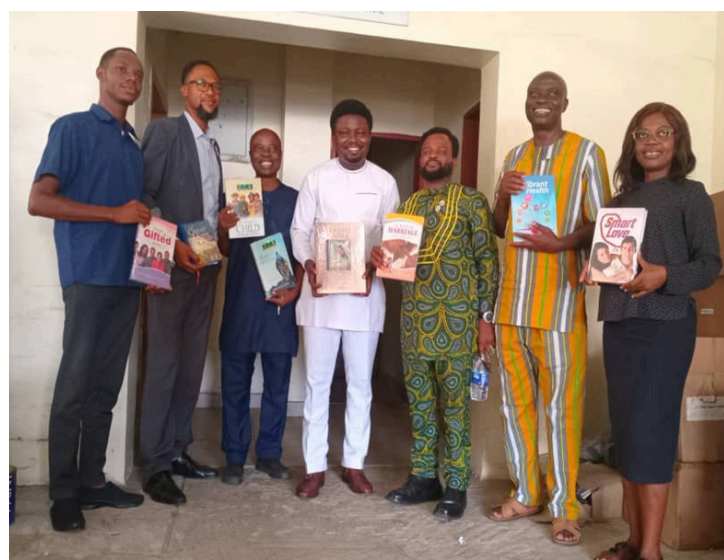
To enhance administrative effectiveness across the Union, the Secretariat Department of Western Nigeria Union Conference organized a strategic training session for newly elected Conference Presidents and Executive Secretaries held from April 13 to 16, 2025. The program focused on leadership ethics, organizational structure, policy compliance, and efficient record-keeping. The training provided a platform for orientation, collaboration, and capacity-building to ensure that each officer is equipped to serve with excellence and integrity. It was a vital step in strengthening leadership at all levels of the Union.



Publishing Department Promotion, Recruitment, and Training Drive Across WNUC

In May 2025, the Publishing Ministries Department of WNUC embarked on a focused promotion, recruitment, and training campaign across four conferences. The drive began at Kwara Conference (May 9–11), where five part-time literature evangelists were trained. This was followed by a vibrant 3-day program at Ogun Conference (May 16–18), featuring spiritual revival, canvassing techniques, and field outreach. On May 20, the Publishing Director paid a one-day working visit to Lagos Atlantic Conference, engaging with leaders and promoting the publishing ministry.

Similarly, training and recruitment activities were conducted at Ekiti Conference from May 29 to 31, 2025, resulting in renewed commitments to literature evangelism. These events revitalized passion for printed pages and strengthened the mission across the union.



Lagos Satellite Evangelism Strategic Meeting

The WNUC convened a major strategic meeting in Lagos on May 11, 2025, bringing together key stakeholders to prepare for the upcoming Lagos Satellite Evangelism. The meeting, held at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Maryland, Lagos, featured WAD leadership including:

- Pr. Robert Osei-Bonsu – WAD President
- Pr. Selom K. Sessou – WAD Executive Secretary
- Pr. Markus Dangana – WAD Treasurer
- Pr. Emmanuel Kra – WAD SSPM Director
- Eld. Abraham Bakari – WAD Communication Director

WNUC was represented by its President, Pr. Ezekiel A. Adeleye, alongside union officers and departmental leaders. Participants included conference presidents, pastors, elders, communication leaders, youth leaders, and others. This meeting strengthened the roadmap for total member involvement and a Christ-centered impact in Lagos.

Western Nigeria Union Conference
Invites you to

LAGOS SATELLITE EVANGELISM STRATEGIC MEETING

11 MAY 2025, 10:00 AM

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WNUC Executive Secretary

Eld. Daniel E. Edafe
WNUC Treasurer

Pr. Adewuyi J. Alabi
WNUC SSPM Director

Participants: Executive Committee Members, Pastors, Elders, Local Church Personal Ministries Leaders, Youth Leaders, AWM Leaders, AMO Leaders and Communication Leaders.

Seventh-day Adventist Church, 524 Ikorodu Road, Maryland, Lagos

Senior Youth Leadership Certification (SYL) – June 12–15, 2025

The Youth Department hosted the first SYL training in recent times, reviving youth leadership development. Master Guides, Pathfinder leaders, and senior youth were trained on:

- Servant leadership
- Church involvement
- Discipleship and mentoring

Pastor (Dr.) Ezekiel Adeleye delivered a powerful Sabbath sermon, urging youth leaders to be spiritual role models and active laborers for Christ. The weekend ended with practical projects and spiritual revival.



Stewardship Advisory

Held at Ondo Mission Headquarters from April 3–6, 2025, this stewardship-focused meeting carried the theme “Putting God First”. It brought together pastors, stewardship directors, and local leaders to renew their commitment to faithful stewardship principles.

Dr. Oyeleke Owolabi Alabi, Director for Strategic Planning, Planned Giving and Trust Services of West-Central Africa Division was one of the key facilitators, inspiring attendees through deep spiritual and practical sessions on biblical stewardship.



Bible Conference

Pastors across the Union territory gathered from June 2–6, 2025 at Babcock University for a Bible Conference focused on biblical beliefs and doctrinal soundness.

The event featured theological training, group discussions, and scriptural sharpening aimed at reinforcing truth-based preaching in all churches. It was a spiritually enriching time of renewal and recommitment to “preaching the Word.”



ACMS Training Programs

a. WNUC ACMS Training – May 29–31, 2025

This key event was held at the Oke Bola, Oyo Conference and focused on equipping all conference secretaries with the necessary skills to manage church records effectively using the Adventist Church Membership System (ACMS).

Special guest, Pastor (Dr.) Selom K. Sessou, WAD Executive Secretary, emphasized the importance of digital accuracy and data stewardship in church growth and management.

b. Division-Level ACMS Treasury Model Training – June 1–10, 2025

The West-Central Africa Division (WAD) organized a separate ACMS training specifically for treasury departments across all three Nigerian Unions.

Attendees included treasurers, associate treasurers, accountants, and IT support teams. The training enhanced participants’ capacity to integrate digital records with financial accountability.



WNUC Treasury Training

From April 6–10, 2025, treasury personnel from across Western Nigeria Union Conference gathered at the Ondo Mission Headquarters for a specialized Treasury Training. The focus was on equipping treasurers, accountants and institutional bursars with practical knowledge and skills in using the SunPlus accounting system—the Church’s global standard for financial reporting.

The training sessions were hands-on and insightful, aimed at improving accuracy, transparency, and efficiency in church financial operations.



WNUC Education Summit

The Western Nigeria Union Conference (WNUC) Education Summit took place in Akure from May 1st to 4th, 2025. This impactful gathering brought together Adventist educators, administrators, and stakeholders from across the Union to reflect, strategize, and pray for the future of Adventist education. Through spirit-filled devotionals, thought-provoking presentations, and interactive sessions, participants were inspired to recommit to the mission of holistic Christian education. The summit emphasized academic excellence, spiritual growth, and character development as pillars for nurturing students who will serve God and humanity.



Upcoming Events

Director Assures Of Impactful Gathering As Amo Convention Holds In August

The Director of Adventist Men's Organization (AMO) Western Nigeria Union Conference, Elder Olusola Olayinka has assured that the 2025 Western Nigeria Union Conference AMO Convention will be an impactful and Spirit-filled event.

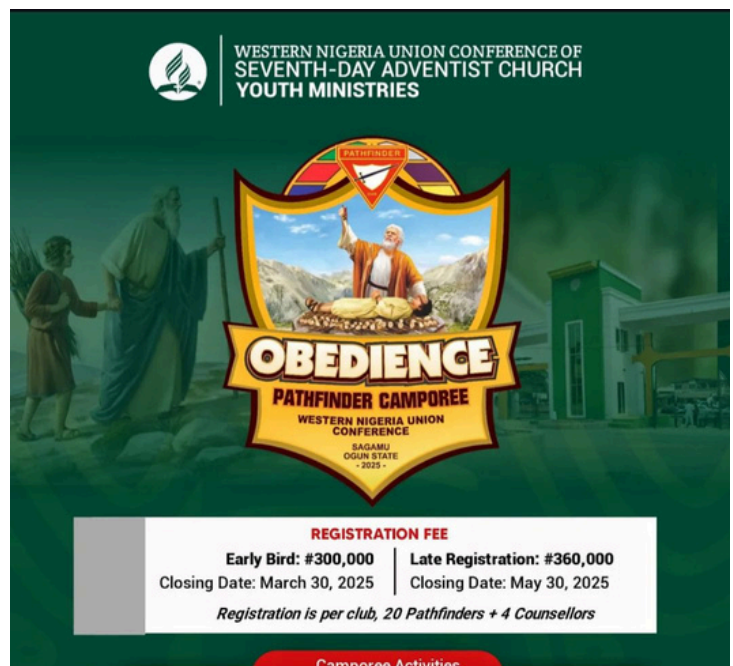
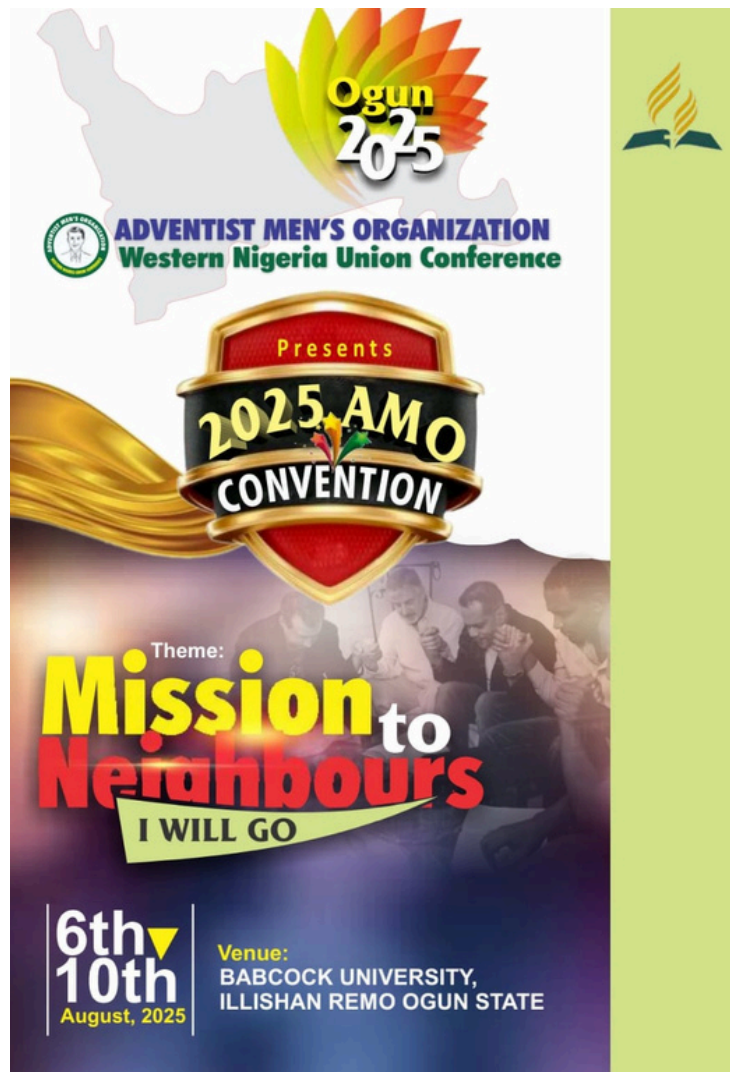
The Convention is scheduled to hold between **August 6th and 10th at Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo in Ogun State.** It will feature lectures that will not only inspire men in the Union to grow spiritually but encourage them to embrace economic ventures that will turn around their fortunes.

The Union AMO Director noted that the President of the Union, Pastor Ezekiel Adeleye will lead other Executives of the Union and Presidents of the Conferences, Mission and Region in the Union in attending to the spiritual needs of the Men during the convention while the Group Managing Director, First Bank Holdings, Mr Wale Oyedeji will lead Entrepreneurs and Business Experts who will empower AMO members

Pathfinder Camporee Set to Ignite Spiritual Growth Among Youths

The 2025 Western Nigeria Union Conference Pathfinder Camporee is set to hold from August 10 to 17 at Remo Secondary School, Sagamu, Ogun State. Themed "Obedience" to deepen the faith and discipline of Adventist youths, the week-long gathering will feature spiritual devotionals, skills training, drills, inter club activities and community-building activities.

Pathfinders across the Union territory are expected to attend in large numbers, participating in interactive sessions designed to build leadership, teamwork, and commitment to God. The event will also include missionary outreach, fostering both spiritual and social impact in the host community.



Young AYM Convention

The Young Adventist Youth Ministries (AYM) Convention will take place from August 26 to 31, 2025, gathering vibrant young minds from across the Union for a power-packed week of worship, inspiration, and training. The convention aims to equip young people with the tools and vision to become agents of change in their churches, schools, and communities.

The program will include Bible study, praise sessions, career talks, and seminars on relevant social and spiritual issues affecting today's youth. Dynamic speakers and youth mentors will be present to guide attendees through a transformative experience designed to spark deeper commitment and personal revival.

Hope Channel Satellite Evangelism Set for Early 2026

Looking ahead to February 28 to March 14, 2026, Hope Channel International will host a major Satellite Evangelism Campaign in the City of Lagos. There will be several downlink stations across WNUC territory and all other Unions in WAD. The uplink site in Lagos will serve as a hub for the campaign, broadcasting messages of hope and salvation to prepare souls for the second coming of Christ. We are all encouraged to participate actively. Church auditoriums and homes are potential downlink centers. Your prayers, talents, time, influence and resources are needed to support this laudable project. Plans are already underway to recruit and train volunteers, Bible workers and technical teams to ensure wide participation through mass media, digital platforms, and community outreach. Click [here](https://forms.gle/1zUuXno2MBFha7nv5) (Can't click? Copy & paste <https://forms.gle/1zUuXno2MBFha7nv5> into your browser.) to register as a bible worker (Groundbreaker).

WAD Impact Family Key Timeline

- June 14 & 21: Official launch and family dedication
- July–Sept: 40 Days of Family Prayer and training
- Oct–Dec 2025: Home Bible studies & baptisms
- Jan–Feb 2026: Interest nurturing and campaign prep
- Feb 28–Mar 14, 2026: "Lagos for Christ" Satellite Campaign
- Mar–May 2026: Celebration and awards

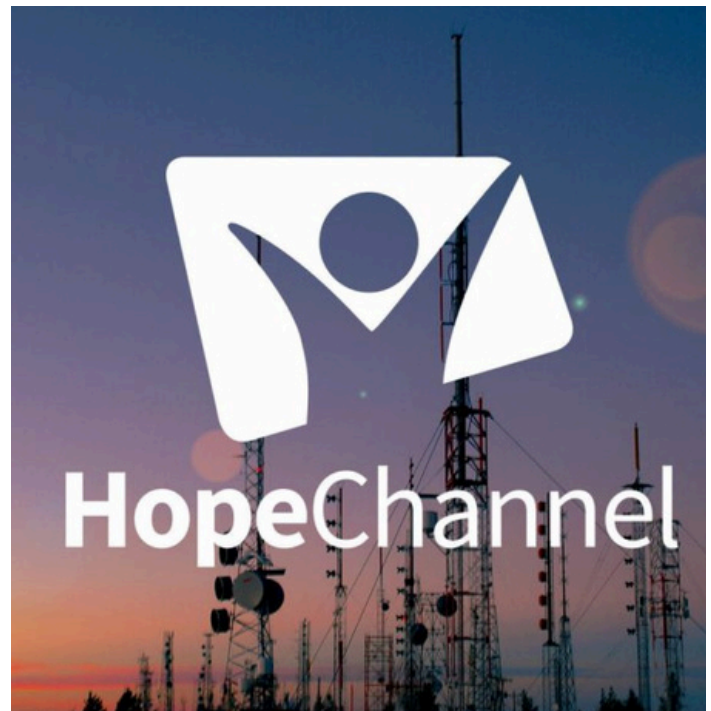
This movement is more than a program—it's a call for families to shine for Christ, one home at a time.



YAWM Convention




Theme: **I WILL GO; With Courage and Virtue**

26th - 31st August 2025	Venue: Babcock University
Early Bird- 15th - 30th June	Late Reg- 1st - 31st July
₦ 23,000 (With Bag)	₦ 25,000 (With Bag)
₦ 21,000 (Without Bag)	₦ 23,000 (Without Bag)



Deepen Your Understanding

As we continue to grow together in mission and faith, it's vital that we remain grounded in the principles that uphold our church. To support your spiritual journey and leadership role, we invite you to explore these carefully prepared resources on:

-  Tithe – Discover the biblical foundation and purpose of returning the Lord's tithe.
-  Unity – Understand how unity strengthens our witness and reflects Christ's character.
-  Church Organization – Learn how our structure is designed for mission, order, and effectiveness.

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Let's continue to grow, serve, and build up the body of Christ – together.

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