

Covenant University Commences Leadership Certificate Programme

To further validate her Vision of raising a new generation of leaders and proffer solutions to the leadership question in Africa, Covenant University has flagged off a Leadership Certificate programme.

The certificate programme which commenced immediately would be coordinated by the University's African Leadership Development Centre (ALDC) and offered by the 2014 graduating class.

At the flag off ceremony on Wednesday, January 15, 2014, the Chancellor, Dr. David Oyedepo, stated that the programme was a real-life solution to an age-long problem in Africa.



Chancellor, Covenant University, Dr. David Oyedepo flagging off ALDC's Leadership Development Studies and blessing the assembly

Dr. Oyedepo considered leadership as the greatest challenge of the continent, "Most of the nations with prolonged wars are nations with failed leadership, but it is our privilege to be part of the solution to this problem. It is our duty as a rescue army sent to a failed nation", he said.

Dr. Oyedepo identified inferiority complex, wrong value system, information and vision deficiency, consumer mentality, irresponsibility, lack of accountability and loss of self esteem as major problems of the black race.

The Chancellor advised that, "We must be smarter than our challenges or we are crushed by them. Watching our situation will not change them. The answer is to confront them headlong".

He identified a leader as one that emerged not by election, but with proofs, in his field. He declared that, "We will be alive when an Eagle (CU graduate) will emerge on the throne of Nigeria".

Dr. Oyedepo also declared that the programme would be an empowerment platform and not merely a certification scheme.

Speaking earlier, the Pro-Chancellor, Pastor Abraham Ojeme said that the programme was another good thing God has added to the University and congratulated the final year students for being the pioneer beneficiaries.

Also, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Charles Korede Ayo, noted that it was another unique programme in addition to "Towards a Total Graduate" (TTG), usually taken by the graduating class.

The Director of the ALDC, Professor Aize Obayan, promised that the vision of the programme would be delivered beyond expectation.

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