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THEME:

*Sustainability in the Face of the
Changing Funding Landscape*



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PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE CARITAS NIGERIA @ 15 ANNIVERSARY

Theme: *“Sustainability in the Face of the Changing Funding Landscape”*

Venue: Catholic Resource Center, Abuja

Date: Tuesday, 23rd – Thursday, 25th September, 2025

Time	Activity	Person(s) Responsible
DAY 1: 23/09/2025		
9:00am-1:00pm	Walkathon	Walkathon Sub-committee led by Mayah Williams and the State Team Leads
DAY 2: 24/09/2025		
9:00am-4:00pm	Medical Outreach: <i>“Promoting Health and Well-being Within Our Communities”</i>	Outreach Team led by Dr. Charles Okolie
DAY 3: 25/09/2025 MC: Maupe Ogun		
9:00am -10:30am	Mass	Most Rev. Alfred Adewale Martins
10:30am – 11:00am	Arrival of Guests	All
11:00am – 11:05am	Opening Prayer	John Cardinal Onaiyekan
11:05am – 11:10am	Introduction of Dignitaries	MC
11:10am – 11:15am	Welcome Address by the Executive Secretary/CEO	Fr. Peter Babangida Audu
11:15am – 11:20am	Opening Remarks by Caritas Nigeria Chairman	Most Rev. Alfred Adewale Martins
11:20am – 11:30am	Goodwill Messages Caritas Internationalis Caritas Africa Catholic Relief Services Embassy of Norway US Centres for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) Catholic Agency For Overseas Development (CAFOD) Caritas Germany United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Misereor	Alistair Dutton, Secretary General Lucy Esipila Dabire, Regional Coordinator Akim Kikonda, Country Representative Ambassador H.E Mr. Svein Baera McPaul Okoye, Acting Deputy Director for Programs, Div. of Global HIV& TB Uko Ekott, Country Representative Leeza Joseph, Country Representative Nzadon Timothy Leonard, Asst. Inter-Agency Coordination Officer Julia Krojer, Country Representative
11:30am – 11:40am	Keynote Address	Barr. Eze Onyekpere
11:40am – 12:30pm	Symposium	Moderator: Dr. Joseph Enegele
12:30pm – 12:45pm	Documentary: 15 Years of Impact	Cecilia Agrinya-Owan
12:45pm – 1:00pm	Citation and Presentation of Awards	Ify Tony Monye <i>Peter Cardinal Okpaleke</i> <i>Most Rev. Ignatius Kaigama</i>
1:00pm – 1:10pm	Presentation of Awards to Winners of the Essay Competition and Grants	Lawrencia Agur <i>Most Rev. Alfred Adewale Martins</i> <i>Most Rev. Lucius Ugorji</i>
1:10pm – 1:15pm	Cutting of the Anniversary Cake	Dr. Beatrice Akande
1:15pm – 1:20pm	Vote of Thanks	Dr. John Oko
1:20pm – 1:25pm	Closing Prayer/Blessing	Most Rev. Matthew Man’oso Ndagoso



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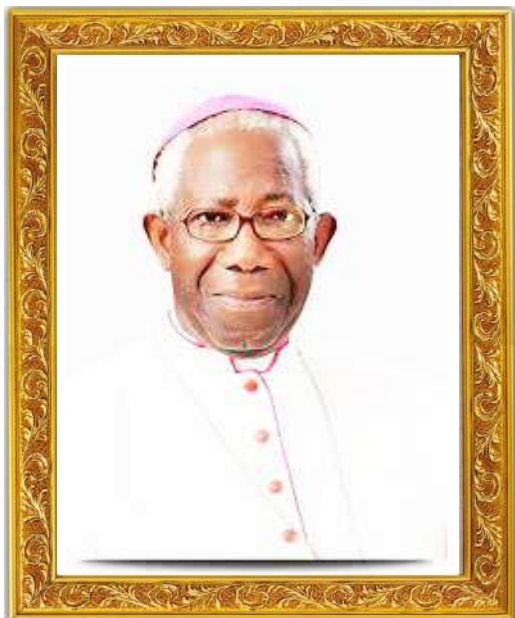
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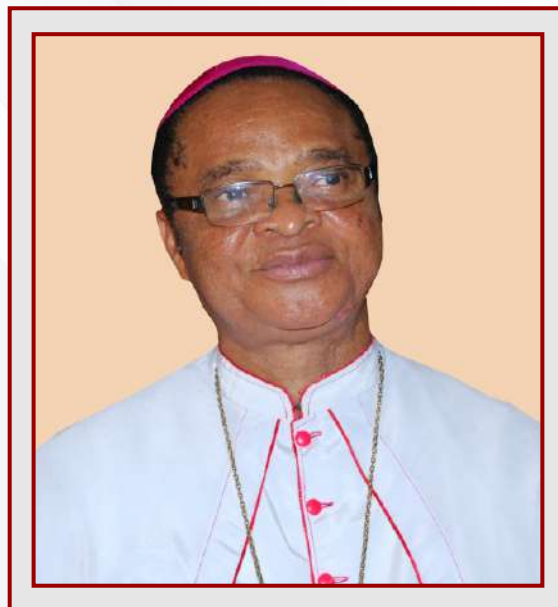


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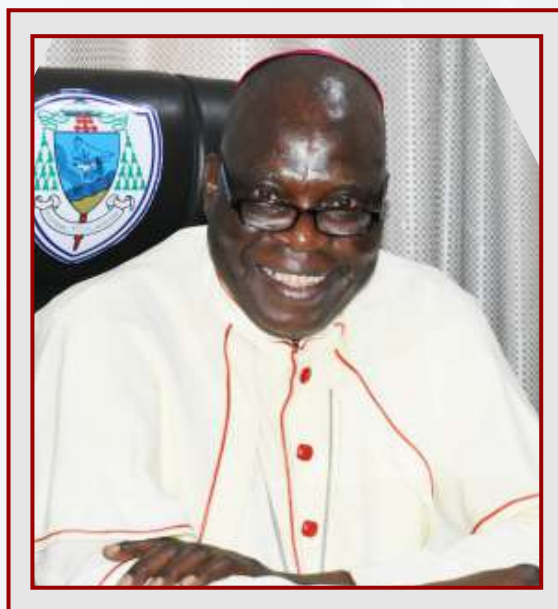
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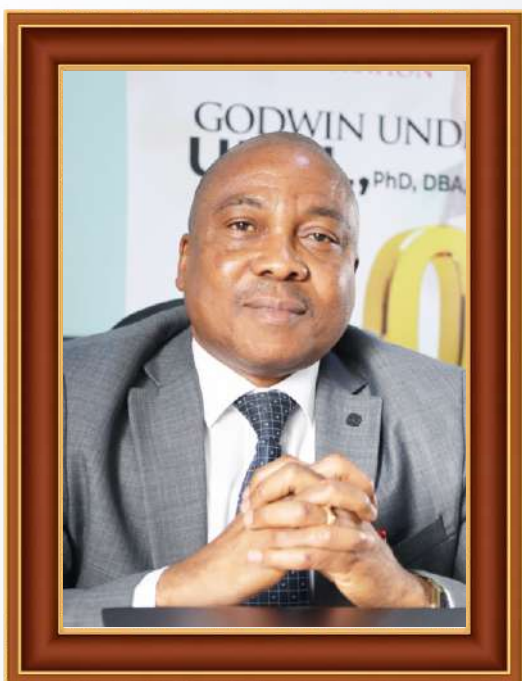
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The Conceptualization of Caritas Nigeria



My name is Lucius Iwejuru Ugorji. By divine providence, I am the Bishop of Umuahia Diocese, the Apostolic Administrator of Ahiara Diocese and the Vice-President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN).

2. How it all began

I recall that during the CBCN plenary sessions at Ado Ekiti in 2007 and Jos in 2008, Rev. Fr. Michael Ekpeyong, the Secretary-General of the Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria (CSN) at

the time, and Rev. Fr. Peter Audu, the Director of Church and Society Department, drew the attention of the assembly to the daunting challenges facing the various units of the Department of Church and Society in terms of the volume of work and the increasing financial resources to be administered, as well as the need for speedy and efficient execution of projects without bottlenecks. They also identified the challenge of closer monitoring and supervision of huge financial resources administered by the Department, as well as the challenge of capacity building of staff in order to meet national and international standards. Furthermore, they observed that the huge work to be done in the Department required experts and personnel that were to be properly paid and well-motivated. As a solution to these challenges, they proposed the restructuring of the Department of Church and Society to promote efficiency, transparency and accountability. In their view, the proposed restructuring was to involve separating the Health/Justice, Development, Peace/Caritas Committee from the Church and Society Department and registering it as an autonomous Non-Governmental Organization.

After deliberating over these challenges and their proposals, the CBCN decided to form a committee to study them in-depth and to make necessary recommendations. The committee was made up of: Most Rev. Joseph

Ukpo, the Archbishop of Calabar (Member), Most Rev. John Okoye, Bishop of Awgu (Member), Rev. Fr. George Ehusani, former Secretary-General of the Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria (Member), Rev. Fr. Peter Audu, former Director of Church and Society (Secretary) and my humble self, Bishop of Umuahia, as Chairman. After a series of meetings at the Bishops' House in Umuahia, the committee was convinced that there was a need for the CBCN to create a structure out of the Church and Society Department to manage and coordinate the social apostolate of the CBCN, involving humanitarian interventions in such areas as Health, Agriculture, HIV & AIDS, and Emergency Response that may require funding from outside the country as well as substantial local contributions, especially from the annual Lenten Campaigns. However, the committee vehemently disagreed with the proposal of separating the Health/Justice, Development, Peace/Caritas Committee from the Church and Society Department, since such a change was contrary to the vision and mission of the CSN.

After a laborious study of what was obtainable in other countries and taking into consideration the peculiarities of our nation and conference, the committee came up with the following recommendations:

- 1) The Church and Society Department, with all its constituent committees (JDP/Caritas, Health, Education, Family and Human Life), were to remain an integral part of the CSN so that the CBCN can ever fulfil her mission of penetrating the social, political and economic spheres of society with the spirit of the Gospel.*
- 2) Given the need for a support unit for*

the Church and Society Department to enable it to rise to the increasing new challenges confronting it, a support unit for Health, Justice Development and Peace/Caritas Nigeria was to be established to deal with projects and programmes in areas such as Health, Agriculture, HIV & AIDS, Emergency Response, etc. This was foreseen to promote efficiency, closer supervision, monitoring, accountability and transparency.

- 3) The support unit was to be given a legal identity and so be registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC).*
- 4) The Trustees of CSN automatically were to become the trustees of this unit to bind and bond them to CBCN.*
- 5) The CBCN was to appoint a Board of Directors that would be responsible for formulating policies, approving budgets and supervising personnel and project execution.*
- 6) The Board of the support unit was to be headed by the Episcopal Chairman of the Church and Society Department, while the Secretary-General and the Director of Church and Society, respectively, were to be ex officio members of the Board.*
- 7) A management body of the support unit was to be established. It was to have some level of autonomy in the areas of management, procedures and protocols.*
- 8) The management of the support unit*

to be established was to be manned by competent, diligent, committed people of proven integrity.

- 9) *The support unit was to be headed by the Director of Church and Society as the Executive Secretary. He was to work under the supervision of the Secretary-General of the CSN. The Director of the Church and Society was to double as the Secretary of the JDPC. This was to facilitate, among other things, the bilateral relationship between the National JDPC and the Provincial/Diocesan JDPCs as well as the Holy See and other similar bodies at the regional, continental and international levels.*
- 10) *In making the appointment of the Executive Secretary, care should be taken to appoint a highly qualified person, skilled in management and leadership.*
- 11) *The registered support unit should have its account and accounting officers administer the finances of the unit and undertake the annual budgeting and auditing processes to be submitted to the Admin Board of CBCN through the board of the unit.*
- 12) *The CSN accounting unit was to serve as the internal auditors.*
- 13) *The ceiling of expenditure of the officers should be clearly stated to ensure checks and balances.*

It is important to note that the CBCN eventually adopted the recommendations and used them as the basis for formulating the policy for the establishment of the Catholic

Caritas Foundation of Nigeria (CCFN).

3. How Caritas Nigeria has fared with its mandate

In my opinion, the CCFN has been a very large extent been a success story. The experts and professionals that are engaged in the agency have been carefully recruited. So far, they have proved their mettle in their various fields of operation to the satisfaction of our foreign partners and the clients they serve in different parts of the country. We feel proud of the stellar performance of the management. We deeply appreciate the pioneering work of Fr. Evaristus Bassey as the Executive Secretary of the agency. We are no less appreciative of the great work the immediate past Executive Secretary, Fr. Uche Obodoechina, and the present Executive secretary Fr. Peter Babangida Audu with his team. The Board of Directors under the chairmanship of Archbishop Alfred Adewale Martins deserves our high respect and gratitude. They have done well. We can only encourage the Board, the Management and staff to make the sky their limit as they strive to bring the agency to greater heights.

4. Epitomizing faith in charity

I would like to draw the attention of all to Pope St. Benedict XVI's Encyclical Letter Deus Caritas Est issued in 2005, which was meant to be a guide to every local Church in her caritative activities. Drawing from that document in the face of the identity crisis the world is contending with today, I wish to stress that Caritas is to be rightly perceived not simply as a non-governmental organization or an association among many others within the Church, but as an integral part of the Church's pastoral ministry, which includes proclaiming the word of God, celebrating the sacraments and exercising the ministry of charity. These duties presuppose

Est no 25) that charity is not a kind of welfare activity that the Church could equally leave to others, such as humanitarian funding agencies. It must be perceived as an integral of the Church's nature and an indispensable expression of her very being. If Caritas is an integral part and indispensable expression of the Church's being, then Bishops as leaders of the Church are to reclaim the ownership of Caritas at both the diocesan and national levels. They are, therefore, to show more interest in CCFN, sufficiently inform themselves about the way it operates and how it is funded, and regularly exhort the faithful to practical charity, expressed in generous contributions in support of the needy. CCFN should not be reduced to a vector for the implementation of humanitarian programmes designed and financed by foreign agencies. Its relationship with foreign partners should be regulated by the principle of subsidiarity. The contributions of foreign partners should complement the genuine efforts of our local Church to practise charity.

The second observation I would like to make is concerning the formation of Caritas workers. Those who practise charity in the name of the Church must be credible witnesses. The credibility of their testimony involves the formation of the heart. In this regard, Pope Benedict XVI directs that charity workers should not only be properly trained professionals in what they are to do and how to do it, but they should, in addition, be given a "formation of the heart" which helps them to have that encounter with God in Christ which awakens their love and opens their spirits to others. As a result, love of neighbour will no longer be for them a commandment imposed, so to speak, from without, but a consequence deriving from their faith, a faith which becomes active through love (cf Deus Caritas Est, no. 31). For the formation of the heart to

be effective, care must be taken to ensure that only competent and suitable persons, firmly rooted in the faith are appointed to exercise the mission of charity in the name of the Church. This is because if a potter needs clay to mould pots, he cannot do so if he is given sand, no matter how skilful he is.

CARITAS NIGERIA IN 15 YEARS

Our organization, Caritas Nigeria, is a national agency established by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN) with a mandate to coordinate humanitarian relief services and development programs on behalf of the Catholic Church in Nigeria. Its formal name is Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria (CCFN), as registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) on the 22nd of September 2010. Caritas Nigeria, a member of Caritas Internationalis (a confederation of 162 countries), targets beneficiaries based on rights and needs, and not based on creed, gender or ethnicity.

Caritas Nigeria's main focus areas are in Emergency Response & Humanitarian Relief; Health (communicable and non-communicable diseases); Good Governance; Protection & Migration; Agriculture & Livelihoods; Education; Environmental interventions.

In 15 years, Caritas Nigeria has progressively managed 117 complex humanitarian and development projects supported by ecclesiastical institutions such as Caritas Internationalis confederation members, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN), institutional donors, multilateral organizations, corporate organizations and philanthropists, reaching over 18 million beneficiaries through such interventions. Her interventions in HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment, support to Orphans & Vulnerable Children (OVC), detection and treatment of tuberculosis, provision of food & non-food items for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in the Northeast as well as Cameroonian

refugees in Cross River State, Nigeria have indeed raised the profile of Caritas Nigeria as a unique humanitarian and development agency. Her protection and education interventions among the displaced, agricultural inputs to farmers and support to vulnerable households with income-generating interventions; her Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC) program, the reintegrating of victims of human trafficking & irregular migration through economic empowerment and psychosocial support as well as her peacebuilding initiatives in communities, good governance, initiatives to address issues of climate change, institutional development and capacity strengthening of partners has shown Caritas Nigeria as an agency genuinely focused on a pro-poor agenda.

Working with the Diocesan structures (JDPC, Health facilities, Schools), Caritas Nigeria has supported over 300 Catholic health facilities, about 250 health facilities owned by other faiths/denominations, as well as private and government-owned hospitals, to provide HIV and TB services across 30 states in Nigeria. Caritas Nigeria's HIV & Health portfolio alone has provided HIV testing to over 10 million persons, and 422,784 orphans & vulnerable children, TB diagnosis, treatment, and care to hundreds of thousands of Nigerians. Its HIV/AIDS intervention currently supports 158,775 persons living with HIV by providing them with lifesaving antiretroviral therapy, in Abia, Enugu, and Imo States, through a robust partnership with the respective Diocesan structures, Community-based Organisations (CBOs) and State Governments. It is worth mentioning that Caritas

Nigeria health interventions have included training across all thematic spheres of HIV and TB program interventions, training over 17,000 healthcare workers and over 10,000 traditional and religious leaders.

Similarly, its humanitarian interventions have provided support to internally displaced persons, host communities, returnees affected by the insurgency in North-East Nigeria, as well as Cameroonian refugees. Caritas Nigeria does this through direct food aid, non-food items, health services, unconditional cash transfers, income-generating activities, vocational skills acquisition, Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC), water sanitation and hygiene services (drilling boreholes, ventilated pit-VIP latrines, rehabilitation of water pumps, hygiene training, distribution of hygiene kits, etc), agric input support to farmers, nutritional support to acutely malnourished children and young people, protection services, education in emergency initiatives, to mention but a few. So far, over 6 million persons have benefitted from this portfolio (both direct and indirect beneficiaries).

Likewise, the Protection & Migration interventions of Caritas Nigeria have also contributed immensely to improving the livelihoods of vulnerable groups, victims of human trafficking and irregular migrants, through skills acquisition initiatives, psychosocial support, protection and education services, Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC) interventions, as well as supporting communities to establish Community Watch Groups (CWGs) and providing linkages to relevant agencies to afford access to necessary services for beneficiaries.

Furthermore, Caritas Nigeria interventions in

Good Governance have supported grassroots mobilisation and several advocacy initiatives that have promoted people-centred governance in targeted communities, including peacebuilding initiatives and election observation interventions across Nigeria.

Other interventions of Caritas Nigeria in Agriculture & Livelihoods have supported thousands of farmers with climate-smart agricultural practices and inputs, access to market, financial literacy, skills acquisition support and empowerment to vulnerable households for business start-ups. On the environment, our interventions are focused on addressing issues of climate change issues to reduce environmental degradation and implement the recommendations of the *Laudato Si'* while its Institutional Capacity Strengthening (ICS) initiatives continue to support Church institutions, local organizations and partners to strengthen systems and provide capacity building initiatives for personnel such as the Project Management for Development Professionals (PMD-Pro) trainings. Through the ICS portfolio, Diocesan structures across the Provinces have enjoyed robust systems strengthening interventions through assessments, trainings, and grant-making for projects within their Dioceses.

As a key program implementation principle, Caritas Nigeria interventions target those most in need and vulnerable groups in hard-to-reach communities regardless of religion, ethnicity or political affiliations. In line with its vision of “*a harmonious society where everyone enjoys fullness of life*”, Caritas Nigeria continues to collaborate with relevant organizations to implement humanitarian and development interventions that promote the dignity of all human persons.

Caritas Nigeria is grateful to her Trustees, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN), donors, partners and collaborators, for their enormous support, as she continues to work assiduously to ensure that more persons in need, are reached with the necessary services in remote communities, while also promoting peaceful co-existence and social cohesion in line with its vision so that everyone can enjoy *fullness of life!*

CARITAS NIGERIA INTERVENTIONS IN 15 YEARS

EMERGENCY RESPONSE & HUMANITARIAN SERVICES

S/N	PROJECT TITLE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES	DONOR
1.	ECHO SAHaRA Phase III extension (2025-2026)	2,450 Households (HH)	European Commission's Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)
2.	ECHO SAHaRA Phase III (2024-2025)	2,367 HH	European Commission's Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)
3.	Raining Season (January 2023 – December 2023)	8,773	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
4.	Emergency food assistance and protection in North East Nigeria (January 2023 – December 2023)	8,773HH	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA)
5.	Comprehensive Humanitarian Emergency Response and Economic Recovery for Sustainable Livelihood (CHEERS-Flex Project) (July 2023 - May 2024)	8,773HH	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (CHEERS Flex)
6.	Homestead Gardening Project (September 2023 – December 2023)		Food and Agricultural Organization
7.	Rainy Season Project (August 2023 - October 2023)		Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
	Services for the Distribution of Tom Brown Cereal and Fresh Food Vouchers and Micro Gardening Interventions in Borno State (August 2023 - December 2023)	13,529	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
8.	Rainy Season Project (July 2023 - November 2023)	27,108	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
9.	Bridging the Gap of Nutritional Services and Strengthening Community to Build Resilience for Positive Nutritional outcome in Shani Local Government Area. (June 2023 - May 2024)	5,890	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
10.	Scaling Up Assistance for Hard to Reach Area of Borno State (ECHO SAHaRA Project) (March 2023 – February 2024)	63,365	European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)
11.	ECHO SAHaRA Phase II extension (2023-2024)	1,700 HH	European Commission's Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)
12.	ECHO SAHaRA Phase II (2022-2023)	2,550 HH	European Commission's Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)

13.	Food Security and Humanitarian Protection for Victims of the Lake Chad Crisis in Northeast Nigeria, Northern Cameroon and Chad. (2022-2025)	6,029	German Federal Foreign Office
14.	Food Security and Humanitarian Protection for Victims of the Lake Chad Crisis in Northeast Nigeria, Northern Cameroon and Chad (2022-2025)	7,771	German Federal Foreign Office
15.	Rainy Season intervention: agricultural inputs distribution in Gwoza and Bama LGAs of Borno State. (May 2022 – August 2022)	4,826	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
16.	Food Security and Livelihood Improvement for Vulnerable IDPS, Returnees and Host Community Members in the North-East Nigeria affected by Insurgency (January 2022 - December 2022)	12,497HH	Norwegian Foreign Ministry through Caritas Norway
17.	Relief aid for victims of the Boko Haram crisis in the Northern regions of Nigeria (2022 – 2023)	34,062	German Federal Foreign Office II
18.	Providing lifesaving Food Security and Livelihoods support to vulnerable population in Borno and Adamawa States. (November 2022 – October 2023)	16,170	National Humanitarian Fund (NHF)
19.	Pro-Life WASH Project (December 2022 - July 2023)	30,281	National Humanitarian Fund (NHF)
20.	NORAD Nexus Project (December 2022 - July 2023)	32,640	Norwegian Agency for Development (NORAD)
21.	2021 Rainy Season Farming Intervention in North eastern Nigeria Rainy Season 2021 (January, 2021-December, 2021)	1,518	Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nation (FAO)
22.	Emergency Food Assistance and Protection in Adamawa and Borno North East Nigeria (January 2021 – December 2021)	11,416HH	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA) through Caritas Norway

23.	Food Security and Livelihoods Project (January 2021 -December 2021)	16,980	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
24.	2021 Rainy Season Agricultural Input Distribution to Conflict-Affected Populations in Borno and Adamawa States. (July 2021 – October 2021)	6,500	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
25.	ECHO SAHaRA Phase 1 (2021-2022 10 months)	1,300HH	European Commission's Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)
26.	Food Security and Livelihoods Project (January 2021 -December 2022)	16,980	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
27.	Food Security and Livelihood Improvement for Vulnerable IDPS, Returnees and Host Community Members in the North-East Nigeria affected by Insurgency (January 2020 – December 2020)	9,150HH	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA) through Caritas Norway
28.	NHF Wetfeeding program (October 2020 – April 2021)	6,000	National Humanitarian Fund (NHF)
29.	Food Security and Livelihoods Project (January 2020 -December 2020)	33,912	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
30.	Food Security and Livelihood Project (August 2020 – present)	26,850	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
31.	Dry Season Project (December 2019 – April 2020)	3,000	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
32.	Food Security and Livelihoods Project (January 2019 -December 2019)	39,528	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
33.	Scaling up Inpatient Services for the Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) Children with Complications in Strategic Locations. (November 2019 - December 2020)	4,443	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
34.	Rainy Season Project (May 2018 - August 2018)	3,000	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
35.	Dry Season Project (October 2018 - April 2019)	3,600	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
36.	Emergency Appeal Rapid Response (April-June 2018)	18,300	Caritas Internationalis Member Organizations
37.	Emergency Response to Flood Affected Population (October – November 2018)	9,786	START Network

38.	Medical Outreach to Cameroonian Refugees (June 2018)	1,218	Caritas Nigeria
39.	“Emergency/Early Recovery Food Security and Livelihoods Programme for communities affected by Insurgency in Borno and Adamawa States” (September 2018 - August 2019)	4635HH	Norwegian Foreign Ministry through Caritas Norway
40.	Dry Season Project (October 2018 – November 2019)	3,050	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
41.	Food security and humanitarian protection for victims of the Lake Chad crisis in northeast Nigeria. (2018 – 2022)	18,767	German Federal Foreign Office II
42.	Promotion of Increased Awareness on Optimal Nutrition and Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition among Infants and Young Children in North-East Nigeria. (November 2017-July2018)	94,955	United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)(CERF)
43.	Food Security and Livelihood Project (November 2017 - May2018)	30,000	Caritas Germany
44.	Rainy Season Project (May 2017 - August 2017)	15,500	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
45.	Cash Plus Project (November 2017)	1,875	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
46.	Dry Season Project (November 2017 - March 2018)	4,450	Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
47.	Water Sanitation and Hygiene Project (April-June, 2017)	1,714	MALTESER INTERNATION
48.	Intergrated Emergency/Early Recovery Programme for North East Nigeria/EA31/NigeriaBoko Haram (February 2017-April 2018)	21,675	Caritas Internationalis Member Organizations
49.	Emergency Medical Supplies to Uba General Hospital, Borno State (2017)	28,662	Union Bank
50.	Emergency Medical Supplies to Askira General Hospital, Borno State (2017)	282,662	Union Bank
51.	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (2017)	5,760	Union Bank
52.	Emergency Assistance to Vulnerable Persons affected by Conflict in the North-East Nigeria (May 2017-November 2017)	7,250	Union Bank

53.	Food Security and Livelihood Improvement for Vulnerable IDPS, Returnees and Host Community Members in the North-East Nigeria affected by Insurgency (November 2017 - July 2018)	8805HH	Norwegian Foreign Ministry through Caritas Norway
54.	Rainy Season Project (May 2017 – August 2017)	13,500	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
55.	Dry Season Project (November 2017 – March 2018)	4,450	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
56.	Energy Saving Cooking Stove Project (2016-2017)	1,650	Caritas Nigeria
57.	UNICEF WaSH Project PCAS 1 and 2 (April-June, 2016)	44,000	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
58.	Australian Direct Aid Program – DAP (June 2015 - February 2016)	2,835	Australian Government
59.	Emergency Appeal (EA) 2015: EFAO Dry Season Project 2018/19 FAO Dry Season Project (Oct 2015-August 2016)	19,000	Caritas Internationalis Member Organizations
60.	Emergency Appeal (November 2014-April 2015)	10,670	Caritas Internationalis Member Organizations
61.	Feed the Future Nigeria Livelihoods Project (2014-2018)	21,000	United States Agency for International Development (USAIDS)
62.	Intergrated Emergency Recovery (IER) Project (2013)	3,500	European Union
63.	One Human Family, Food for all Campaign (2013)		Caritas member countries
64.	Emergency Appeal (July 2012-June 2013)	6,400	Caritas Internationalis Member Organizations
65.	Medical Outreaches to Address Cholera Outbreak in St. Theresa Camp, Yola		Caritas Nigeria
66.	Distribution of Relief Materials to Displaced Persons in the FCT		Caritas Nigeria
67.	Support to People Affected by the Herders' Crises in Benue and Taraba States,		Caritas Nigeria
68.	Establishment of Maria Centre at the IDP Camps		Caritas Nigeria
69.	NORAD Nexus Project	5,440HH	Norwegian Agency for Development (NORAD)
70.	Cash Plus Project	1,875	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
71.	Input distribution, vocational skills distribution and training, Climate Smart Agriculture, Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC)	26,970hh (134,850 individuals)	Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

HEALTH

Project: Accelerated Control of HIV Epidemic and Sustainability Solutions (ACCESS)

Duration: October 2022 – date

Funder: The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Indicator Definition	ACCESS Achievement (YR1 - YR3 Quarter 3: Oct 2022 - Jun 2025)
Beneficiaries reached with HIV testing and counseling services	2,888,102
Beneficiaries who tested positive for HIV	35,154
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	33,900
Beneficiaries currently receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	158,775
HIV testing for pregnant women	726,475
Pregnant and HIV positive women, who received ART to prevent transmission to their offspring	5,424
Infants who received tests to confirm their HIV status	6,752
Beneficiaries living with HIV, who received Isoniazid Prophylaxis for TB	63,417
Beneficiaries diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV co-infection, who received TB treatment	2,180
Beneficiaries diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV co-infection, who received ART	3,014
TB cases with a documented HIV status (TB Beneficiaries tested for HIV)	13,098
Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) who were provided care and support services	73,511

Project: Faith-based Approach to Increase Identification and Treatment of HIV-positive Children (F.A.I.T.H)

Duration: January 2023 – September 2023

Funder: UNAIDS, PEPFAR, Caritas Internationalis

S/N	Indicators	Beneficiaries reached
1.	Total number of people tested for HIV	4,188
2.	Total number of people who tested positive for HIV	4
3.	Number of Children who were tested for HIV	1,772
4.	Number of Children who tested positive for HIV	0
5.	Number of partners tested for HIV	107
6.	Number of partners who tested positive for HIV	0
7.	Total number of people on Antiretroviral Therapy (ART)	4
8.	Pregnant women with unknown HIV status tested and received results	2,309
9.	Pregnant women with HIV-positive status	4
10.	Pregnant women on ART (Previously and New on ART)	35

Project: Galvanizing Religious Leaders for Accelerated Identification and Linkage to Pediatric ART (GRAIL)

Duration: April 2022 – September 2022

Funder: UNAIDS, PEPFAR, Caritas Internationalis

S/N	Indicators	Beneficiaries reached
1.	Total number of religious leaders trained	179
2.	Total number of adults (above 15 years) sensitized	40,000
3.	Total number of children aged 0 – 15 years reached with HIV messaging promoting diagnosis and treatment	30,000
4.	Number of Children referred for HIV testing	40,142
5.	Number of Children tested for HIV	2,530
6.	Number of children diagnosed HIV positive and commenced on ART	150

Project: Global Action Towards HIV Epidemic in Sub-national Units in Nigeria (4GATES)

Duration: 2017 – 2022

Funder: The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Indicator Definition	4GATES Achievement (Oct 2017 - Sept 2022)
Beneficiaries reached with HIV testing and counseling services	5,456,072
Beneficiaries who tested positive for HIV	215,949
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	210,636
Beneficiaries currently receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	264,403
HIV testing for pregnant women	999,022
Pregnant and HIV positive women, who received ART to prevent transmission to their offspring	15,238
Infants who received tests to confirm their HIV status	14,727
Beneficiaries living with HIV, who received Isoniazid Prophylaxis for TB	150,252
Beneficiaries diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV co-infection, who received TB treatment	4,002
Beneficiaries diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV co-infection, who received ART	3,571
TB cases with a documented HIV status (TB Beneficiaries tested for HIV)	16,443
Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) who were provided care and support services	310,804

COVID-19 INTERVENTIONS (MARCH 2020 – DECEMBER 2022)

When the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic ravaged the world, changing the landscape of normal living and lifestyles people everywhere, Caritas Nigeria together with her partners designed and implemented different interventions aimed at increasing awareness of the disease through risk communication strategies to address issues of misinformation, which had caused panic and fear in most communities. There were several other interventions focused on provision of WASH facilities and hygiene kits, contact tracing, treatment, vaccination, economic support to vulnerable households to address the hardship resulting from the lockdown and other challenges associated with the pandemic.

Caritas Nigeria using the congregational approach to implementing behavioural change interventions, was able reach 25,539,519 with COVID-19 mitigation messaging through congregational and community events, advocacy visits, radio and TV talk shows, social media engagements, newspaper advertisements, bulletin and blog posts to enhance COVID-19 prevention, contact tracing and vaccine uptake. Working with relevant stakeholders, Caritas Nigeria also utilized special events and festive periods such as Sallah and Christmas celebrations as catalytic activities to increase awareness and vaccine uptake. During these campaigns, Caritas Nigeria also procured and distributed commodities and medical supplies such as Face masks, hand sanitizers and PPE kits.

Through partnerships with key stakeholders facilitated the distribution of over 1,702,142 COVID-19 vaccine doses across the Subnational Units.

S/N	PROJECT TITLE	FUNDER
1.	Emergency Response to Persons affected by COVID-19 Pandemic in Nigeria	Caritas Internationalis
2.	Emergency Response to Persons affected by COVID-19 Pandemic in Nigeria	Caritas Germany
3.	COVID-19 Emergency Intervention for vulnerable households in the FCT	Catholic Agency For Overseas Development (CAFOD)
4.	Messages of Hope	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
5.	Engaging Faith Leaders on COVID-19 Concept Application and Mainstreaming into Sermons	Catholic Relief Services

6.	Rumor Surveillance, Community Contact Tracing and Mobile Quarantine to Mitigate COVID-19	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
7.	Engaging Faith Communities for Uptake of COVID-19 Vaccine	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
8.	Support for Vaccine Justice in Nigeria Using Faith-based Leaders	Ford Foundation
9.	Utilizing Faith Leaders to Increase Vaccination Uptake and Cold Chain Infrastructure	Center for Disaster Philanthropy (CDP)

Project: Sustainable HIV Care and Treatment Action in Nigeria (SUSTAIN)

Duration: 2012 – 2017

Funder: The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Indicator Definition	SUSTAIN Achievement (2012-2017)
Beneficiaries reached with HIV testing and counseling services	3,435,378
Beneficiaries who tested positive for HIV	49,100
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	47,314
Beneficiaries currently receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	63,653
HIV testing for pregnant women	261,823
Pregnant and HIV positive women, who received ART to prevent transmission to their offspring	14,586
Infants who received tests to confirm their HIV status	14,789
Beneficiaries living with HIV, who received Isoniazid Prophylaxis for TB	13,887
Beneficiaries diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV co-infection, who received ART	2,454
Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) who were provided care and support services	30,206

Project: Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Response the Inter-Faith Solution (CHARIS)

Duration: 2012

Funder: The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Indicator Definition	CHARIS Achievement (2012)
Beneficiaries reached with HIV testing and counseling services	47,612
Beneficiaries who tested positive for HIV	5,855
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	5,649
Beneficiaries currently receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	24,604
HIV testing for pregnant women	13,755
Pregnant and HIV positive women, who received ART to prevent transmission to their offspring	931
Infants who received tests to confirm their HIV status	2,053
Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) who were provided care and support services	8,263

Project: AIDSRelief

Duration: 1st March 2011 – 30th September 2011

Funder: The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Caritas Nigeria's first project, AIDSRelief, was an HIV care, treatment and support services sub-grant from Catholic Relief Services (CRS), implemented across three service delivery facilities in Benue and Kogi States. Within 7 months, Caritas Nigeria provided support to 8,327 People Living with HIV (PLHIV), despite joining and starting implementation in the final year of the project.

Indicator Definition	AIDSRELIEF Achievement (2011)
Beneficiaries reached with HIV testing and counseling services	5,834
Beneficiaries who tested positive for HIV	223
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	215
Beneficiaries currently receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	8,327

TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAMS

Funder: Global Fund

2023-2024

Achievements	Number
Presumptive TB cases identified	256,559
Notified TB cases (all forms) contributed by non-national TB program providers – private/non-governmental facilities	23,587
Beneficiaries on Anti-retroviral Therapy New(ART)	23,587
Persons were notified with all forms of TB (i.e. bacteriologically confirmed + clinically diagnosed contributed by non-national TB program providers-community referrals * includes only those with new and relapse TB	2,261
Contacts of people with bacteriologically confirmed evaluated for TB among those eligible	32,841
Number of Persons in contact with TB patients who began preventive therapy	26,556
Number of pregnant women with know HIV status	15,159

TB Reach Project

Funder: STOP-TB Partnership

January 2023 to December 2024 (Conducted Integrated Screening using AI-enabled X-ray in remote rural areas in Ebonyi and Nasarawa States)

Indicator	Achievement
Total Screened with the AI Enabled Xray Machine	14,209
Total Abnormalities Identified Breakdown of the Abnormalities 1. TB Presumptive: 1,230 2. CVDs Presumptive: 1,208 3. CRDs presumptive: 2,110	4,895 (34% Abnormality Rate)
Total TB cases identified	421

Global Fund Project: Supported FBO facilities across 21 states in Nigeria

January 2019 to December 2020

Indicator	Achievement
Total Screened:	1,100,234
Total Presumptive:	97812
Total TB cases diagnosed	13097
Total TB cases Notified	12,879

January 2021 to June 2022

Indicator	Achievement
Total Screened:	374802
Total Presumptive:	52392
Total TB cases diagnosed	6846
Total TB cases Notified	6513

AGRICULTURE & LIVELIHOODS

S/N	PROJECT TITLE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES	DONOR
1.	Building Sustainable Livelihood for Vibrant Communities (B-SLIC) Project (October 2022 - September 2024) Supported beneficiaries on agricultural inputs, climate-smart agricultural training, vocational skills training, livestock distribution, and energy saving stove/briquette production.	32,708	Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

Project Title: Feed the Future (July 2013 – July 2018)

Funder: United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

This was a 5-year programme which used a multi-sectoral approach that focused on empowering communities to improve their livelihoods through enhanced agricultural production, increasing incomes, improving access to nutrition and Water Sanitation & Hygiene services, and strengthening poverty reduction services through improved governance and social safety nets. The Goal of the program was to reduce poverty of households in Nigeria.

Caritas Nigeria worked in a consortium of 5 members with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) as the Prime Recipient, while Caritas Nigeria, Mercy Corps, the Federation of Muslim Women's Association in Nigeria (FOMWAN) and Making Cents International were Sub-Recipients on the grant, each focus on specific strategic are of the program. The Feed the Future program was implemented in rural communities across six states, namely; Adamawa, Borno, Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Kebbi, Sokoto and Yobe States.

Caritas Nigeria's role and contributions to the Feed the Future program was demonstrated in its expertise to increase household income through Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC) as well as project management support. SILC is a savings system that encourage savings and boosts investment for beneficiaries in communities. SILC is a self-selected, self-managing and autonomous group(s) led by the 7 management committee members and jointly with the written constitution by the General Assembly of the group.

SILC Achievements of the Feed the Future Program

The following are key achievements of the SILC interventions implemented by Caritas Nigeria to increase households' savings and income through participation in SILC groups;
The project facilitated the formation of 975 SILC groups that benefitted 18,308 beneficiaries (7,089 males; 11,218 females). SILC groups collectively saved N118,236,617 (\$328,435) and loaned N129,178,760 (\$358,830). The program supported 6,626 beneficiaries to open savings accounts with both microfinance and commercial banks to further promote a savings culture. SILC groups also saved for a social fund which is meant for emergency purposes like treatment of illness, floods, payment of child school fees and disasters. The total amount saved for the social fund was N920,103 (\$3,681).

GOOD GOVERNANCE

The goal of the Good Governance thematic area is to promote a transparent and accountable society where citizens participate in decisions that affect their lives. Its interventions are focused on the following key areas;

- Civic Education and Participation
- Electoral Process
- Peace building
- Policy and Legislative Engagement (both at the National and Diocesan levels)
- Prison Apostolate and Access to Justice

At the National Office, the unit works with important structures and components within the National Assembly including the: Catholic Caucus; Standing Committees (public hearings); Memoranda. The unit also works with structures and duty bearers in the Executive arm of government to advocate for citizens' participation in all aspects of governance, as well as collaborating with other civil society organizations to demand accountability from duty bearers.

At the State/Diocesan level, The Good Governance Unit of Caritas Nigeria partners with Dioceses and supports existing community structures (Development Associations) to demand improved service delivery to the people at the local level. This aspect of the work is of utmost importance because the governance structure at the local level remains the closest to the people, in terms of understanding the basic citizens need. It is worth mentioning that Caritas Nigeria contributed to the passage of the National Health Act, 2014.

Several interventions have been implemented across the key areas of the Good Governance thematic area, such as; election observation and monitoring, civic education in communities, gender mainstreaming, awareness raising and capacity building initiative for communities to strengthen their capacities to hold duty bearers accountable, budget monitoring, amongst others. These interventions have mainly been funded by Caritas Nigeria, Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD), Caritas Confederation Member Organizations, Multilateral institutions, among others.

S/N	PROJECT/PROGRAM TITLE	ACHIEVEMENTS	FUNDER
1.	Caritas Africa's Africa Inclusive Economic Recovery Campaign (AIERC) September 2022 – Date	• 95 Faith leaders representing different Christian denominations and Muslim groups on accountability and how to advocate to government for resource management following the theme of the 2023/2024 Campaign: <i>Public Debt Management in Nigeria: The Imperatives of Responsible Lending and Borrowing & Equity in the Distribution of SDR</i> • 7 Print media houses trained • Established 4 new/additional cluster groups across the four campaign locations to continuously campaign for responsible borrowing and transparency in the utilization of borrowed funds including the SDR. Each Group formed a WhatsApp Group for interaction and dissemination of messages and updating. • Launched a 5-week campaign on Special Drawing Right (SDR) across all Caritas Nigeria social media platforms, with its visibility enhanced by Caritas Africa and Caritas Internationalis through the use of their social media channels.	Caritas Africa
2.	Accessible and Equitable Justice for Women and Youth (J-WAY) (Apr 2025 – Mar 2026)	• 4 cluster groups established for the campaign on women and youth empowerment and inclusion in Plateau State (Barkin Ladi & Mangu LGAs) • Trained 20 school teachers to strengthen response to Sexual and Gender-based Violence in Plateau State. • Organized political debate by the JDPC-trained cluster groups of women and youth for good governance in Plateau State for aspirants to local council election.	Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)

3.	Constitution Alteration (June & July 2025)	Caritas Nigeria participated in different open hearings of both Chambers of the NASS and made presentations during the House of Representatives Hearing towards the alteration of the constitution	Caritas Nigeria Core Funds
4.	Election Observation (2019 - 2023)	8,823 observers deployed in 2019, to monitor the elections across the 35 States and the FCT. 16,000 observers deployed in 2023, to monitor the elections across the 35 States and the FCT.	Catholic Bishop's Conference of Nigeria (CBCN)
5.	Gender Mainstreaming in Social Accountability. (GEMISA) Phase 1-4.	Caritas Nigeria collaborated with different categories of stakeholders to implement this intervention to enhance participation of women in politics which led to the emergence of a good number of women vying for electoral offices and winning the seats.	Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)
6.	Legislative Advocacy Project	Through this intervention Caritas Nigeria engaged with citizens using different strategies such as focused group discussions, townhall meetings, media campaigns, congregational approach to promote inclusion and citizens' participation in governance.	Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)
7.	Voices for Compliance and Legality (VOCAL)	Anti-corruption intervention that implemented in collaboration with CSOs in Cross River State	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
8.	Action for Cultural and Religious Pluralism (Zamantare) (1st February, 2018 - 31st May, 2022) Implemented in Plateau and Kaduna States (Nigeria) and in Niger.	- Reached 47,002 people with catalytic activities that promote intercultural and interreligious pluralism, surpassing its target of 44,664. 78 students received scholarships 56 Artists received sub-grants, surpassing its target of 48. - Successful community arts exhibitions held showcasing artistic works	European Union through the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)

		• 58 cultural events organised, surpassing its target 18. • Peace caravan undertaken across Niger reaching 10,000 people • 136 community leaders trained on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in collaboration with the Institute of Chattered Mediation and Conciliation in Plateau and Kaduna State. • A wide range of interreligious activities held, promoting forgiveness & reconciliation • 24 interreligious dialogue meetings held, surpassing its target of 10 • 30 dialogue sessions with youth groups held, surpassing its target of 28 • 27 dialogue sessions with women's groups held, surpassing its target of 25 • 105 public statements promoting religious and cultural tolerance registered, given by government actors & traditional authorities • 18 trainings held on legal instruments that promotes cultural and Legal Pluralism with local leaders and Govt. Actors conducted with support from National Human Rights Commission • 405 CSO staff trained. • 45 journalists trained, surpassing its target of 17. • 2 exchange visits between CDIR and NIREC conducted • 58 cultural events organised, surpassing its target of 18 • 162 book banks established. • 12 High Level Advocacy completed.	
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ENVIRONMENT

S/N	PROJECT/PROGRAM TITLE	ACHIEVEMENTS	FUNDER
1.	Integrative Solutions for Humanitarian Housing Support project (1st October 2024 – September 2026)	• 50 shelters to be built displaced persons • 500 households to be supported with skills and empowered start-up kits	Citi Foundation
2.	Tree Planting Campaign (2024 – 2025)	244,119 trees planted across 42 dioceses in Nigeria	Caritas Nigeria Core Funds and Diocesan Efforts
3.	Clean energy cookstove project	19,514 cookstove distributed across communities in Cross River, Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States	Sun24 Inc.

INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY STRENGTHENING (ICS)

S/N	PROJECT/PROGRAM TITLE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES	FUNDER
1.	Project Management for Development Professionals PMD-Pro	13,350 professionals trained	Individuals
2.	Institutional Capacity Strengthening Initiative	30 Catholic Dioceses	Catholic Relief Services
		532 persons trained	
		3 Catholic Dioceses	Caritas Nigeria
		101 persons trained	
3.	Preparing for Emergencies by strengthening	73 persons trained	CAFOD
	Organisational Procedures, Learning and		
	Exchange (PEOPLE) Project		
4.	Number of trainings conducted for ICS to other organizations	1109	Catholic Relief Services
5.	Number of JDPCs Supported with Small Grant	19	Catholic Relief Services
		3	Caritas Nigeria

PROTECTION AND MIGRATION

S/N	PROJECT TITLE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES	FUNDER
1.	Reintegration Support for Nigerians returning from Belgium. (2023 till date)	15 persons provided with socio-economic reintegration ranging from temporary accommodation, housing and business development plans/start up support.	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
2.	Protection and Assistance to Cameroonian Refugees (2022 - till date)	Conducted 85 mentor-mentee sessions with 1,148 persons in attendance. Established support groups for Persons with Specific Needs (PSN). Strengthened Community Justice Committees to ensure PSN inclusion across intervention areas. Facilitated civil status registration (Birth registrations) and issuance of birth certificates through collaboration with the National Population Commission (NPopC) Legal assistance to refugees. Helping refugees and IDPs know their legal rights through awareness raisings Holistic child protection case management. Successful reintegration of out-of-school children back to school with targeted interventions. Caritas Nigeria Provided alternative care placements for at-risk IDP children.	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

3.	UNHCR IDP/Refugee Protection Project North East (2021- till date)	Reached 313,310 individuals through advocacies, sensitization and awareness creations. Conducted over 10,665 border monitoring missions. Carried out 3,521 border monitoring visits. Carried out over 326 advocacies to both government and civil society organization. Reached over 65,295 individuals during protection monitoring visits. Identified and referred over 6,056 IDPs to receive services. Over 10,841 persons of concern received cash assistance	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
4.	Child Protection (2021-2024)	Reached over 450,605 persons through training, people accessing child friendly space, awareness etc.	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
5.	Stable Trained and Empowered Migrant (STEM 2) (2021 – 2023)	50 project beneficiaries Provided with vocational skill and start-up tools 150 returned migrants provided with one-year medical health insurance 200 project beneficiaries (Returned migrants), received psychosocial support 116 beneficiaries provided with temporary shelter services	Deutsche Gesellschaft fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
6.	Protection and Multi-Sectoral Assistance to People of Concern in the Northeast (January 2021 – December 2023)	100,000	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
7.	Protection and Return Monitoring Project (Returnees and Internally Displaced Persons) (August 2020 – present)	30,780	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

8.	Stable Trained and Empowered Migrant (STEM 1) 2019 - 2020	126 beneficiaries provided with Shelter services 435 beneficiaries provided Vocational Skills Training/Start up tools 200 beneficiaries psychosocial Counseling for returned migrants	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
9.	Protection and Education Assistance to Cameroonians in Cross River (April 2018 – present)	39,702	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
10.	Sustainable Measures Against Trafficking in Persons (SMAT-P) (November 2018 – October 2020)	63,669 reached with different interventions 500 Grants support for vulnerable households/ formation of SILC Groups	Bishops Conference of Italy (CEI)
11.	Campaign against Trafficking in Persons (CAT-SaM) Project (June 2018 – November 2018)	18,180 persons reached with campaign messages in 15 communities across 3 LGA in Edo State	Caritas Nigeria
12.	Share the Journey migration campaign (September 2017 – May 2021)	Awareness raising on the issues affecting refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) and advocating for more support for them. 817 refugees provided with medical care	Caritas Nigeria
13.	Inter-Faith Conference Against Human Trafficking Conference (October, 2017)	300 participants	Caritas Nigeria hosted by Benin Province
14.	One Human Family, One Voice, No Human Trafficking International Conference (Sept. 2016)	248 participants from 43 countries around the world	Caritas Internationalis (CI) and the Pontifical Mission for Migrants and Itinerant Persons
14.	1st Africa Regional Conference of the Santa Marta Group	130 participants from within and outside Nigeria	Santa Marta Group hosted by Caritas Nigeria



GOODWILL MESSAGE



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Your Grace,
Dear Fr. Peter, Dear Friends of Caritas Nigeria,

Peace! And greetings from the Caritas Internationalis General Secretariat.

We are delighted to join you and many partners who share our common mission of serving the most vulnerable in celebrating the 15th anniversary of Caritas Nigeria, and your daily service to transform the lives of millions of people across the country.

Rooted in and guided by the Catholic Social Teaching and our Caritas values and principles, during these years you have implemented a broad spectrum of programmes, focusing on people's well-being, with the aim to protect and promote the dignity of every person, and to bring hope to the communities, by serving them with love, compassion and professionalism.

Your actions in response to the needs of individuals and communities— ensuring equitable access to health and education, improving nutrition and food security through sustainable agriculture, promoting good governance and peacebuilding, responding promptly to emergencies, promoting protection programmes, among others— are consistently aligned with our global strategic orientations and make a great difference for people in need. At the occasion of this remarkable milestone, we acknowledge and celebrate your achievements!

In the current challenging context, your leadership contributes to empower people and help them flourish, by accompanying them in their life-journey. Through your broad network of staff and volunteers, you are witnesses of the God's Love and of the Gospel's Word "(...) whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Mt, 25: 40). You are "good news for the poor" [Is 61:1].

We are also grateful for your valuable contribution to the Caritas Confederation's journey, through the active participation of your representatives to our global initiatives and working structures. This is a testimony of your service and commitment, and we encourage you to continue in this pathway, to promote peer learning, mutual support and effective partnership across our network.

In this moment of celebration, we share your joy and we welcome your reflection on the way forward and organisational sustainability, to transform it into an opportunity for the next future.

With our heartfelt congratulations,

God bless you!

Alistair Dutton
CI Secretary General



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September 2025 - Oslo, Norway

CARITAS NIGERIA – 15th YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Caritas Norway extends its heartfelt congratulations to Caritas Nigeria on the occasion of your 15th Anniversary.

We are truly honored to collaborate with such a committed and visionary humanitarian partner. Over the years, we have witnessed with admiration Caritas Nigeria's steadfast dedication to combating poverty, alleviating hunger, and promoting the rights and dignity of vulnerable women, men, and children across Nigeria.

Your achievements and continued growth are a source of inspiration to us. We deeply value our longstanding partnership and look forward to many more years of close cooperation, working side by side to uphold the rights and well-being of the most vulnerable.

With warm regards and gratitude,



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Celebrating Partnership, Service, and Shared Achievements

On behalf of Caritas Germany, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Caritas Nigeria on the occasion of your 15th anniversary.

Since 2010, your dedicated service to humanity has brought hope, dignity, and life-changing transformations to millions across Nigeria.

As your partner and member of Caritas Confederation, we are proud to have accompanied you on part of this journey. We remain impressed with the clarity of vision, determination, and commitment we see every day in our work with the staff and leadership of Caritas Nigeria.

We look forward to strengthening our collaboration in the years ahead, working hand in hand to create lasting change in the lives of the people of Nigeria.

Congratulations once again on 15 years of dedicated service. May the years ahead be filled with continued achievements and shared impact for a just, compassionate, and resilient Nigeria.

Yours sincerely,

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September 17, 2025

To: Caritas Nigeria Team
c/o Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria
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Dear Caritas Nigeria Team,

On behalf of the entire CRS Nigeria team, I extend our warmest congratulations as you celebrate 15 years of impactful service. This milestone is a testament to your unwavering dedication to the Church's mission and to the communities you serve, even in the face of complex challenges. Though still young, fifteen years in service is a huge milestone. You have demonstrated your steadfast commitment to growth and excellence despite operating in a challenging and resource-constrained environment.

Since its creation, Caritas Nigeria has been a diligent and humble servant of those in need, touching lives and making lasting positive impact. Your resilience and nimbleness to adapt to a competitive and fast evolving donor landscape, have been inspiring. At CRS, we consider it a privilege and a blessing to have been part of this journey. Our partnership, founded in the principles of the Catholic Social Teaching, has strengthened over the years and is a testament to the power of shared values.

We want to assure you of our renewed solidarity and partnership as you continue to advance integral human development and to strengthen the Church's response to the needs of vulnerable communities in Nigeria and beyond. Congratulations once again and may the Lord continue to strengthen you for many more years to come.

Akim Kikonda
Country Representative
Catholic Relief Services-Nigeria



GOODWILL MESSAGE



CARITAS NIGERIA AT 15- A GOODWILL MESSAGE

To the Board, Management, and Staff of the Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria (CCFN),

On behalf of CAFOD, we extend our warmest congratulations to you on reaching this remarkable milestone—15 years of impactful service, dedicated partnerships, and shared achievements.

We are delighted to celebrate this anniversary with you, and we deeply value our long-standing partnership, which has been instrumental in transforming the lives of millions across Nigeria. Your steadfast commitment to humanitarian and development interventions stands as a testament to your resilience and dedication.

The theme of your anniversary symposium, **“Sustainability in the Face of the Changing Funding Landscape,”** is both timely and crucial.

We stand in firm solidarity with you as we navigate these challenges together, and we applaud your forward-thinking approach to ensuring the continued dignity and well-being of the most marginalised.

As we honour your past accomplishments and look toward the future, we reaffirm our commitment to this partnership.

May your journey continue to be blessed with strength, innovation, and unwavering purpose.

With great respect and admiration,



Uko Ekott
Country Representative, Nigeria.
September 2025



GOODWILL MESSAGE

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GOODWILL MESSAGE TO CARITAS NIGERIA

On behalf of Misereor e.V., I warmly congratulate Caritas Nigeria on the joyous occasion of your 15th Anniversary. Over the years, Caritas Nigeria has remained a beacon of hope, compassion, and service, reaching the most vulnerable and transforming countless lives across the nation.

The anniversary theme, *"Sustainability in the Face of the Changing Funding Landscape,"* is both timely and inspiring. It underscores the resilience and commitment required to continue delivering impactful programs in an evolving global context. Caritas Nigeria's ability to adapt while staying true to its mission is a testament to visionary leadership, dedicated staff, and enduring partnerships.

As you mark this significant milestone, may your next chapter be filled with greater strength, innovative opportunities, and sustained impact. The legacy of love, service, and solidarity that you embody will continue to inspire many to work together for the common good.

Congratulations once again, and may Caritas Nigeria continue to flourish as a channel of hope and transformation for years to come.



Julia Krojer

Head of Misereor Dialogue and Partnership Services Nigeria

GOODWILL MESSAGE



The Chief Executive Officer,
Caritas Nigeria.
Abuja.

Dear Sir,

CONGRATULATING CARITAS NIGERIA ON 15 YEARS OF IMPACT!

On behalf of the Board, Management, and Staff of APIN Public Health Initiatives, I heartily congratulate Caritas Nigeria on this momentous milestone of 15 years of impact in Nigeria's development and humanitarian landscape.

Since its establishment in 2010, Caritas Nigeria has distinguished itself as a catalyst for positive change, reaching millions across the country through interventions spanning health, agriculture, governance, emergency response, and capacity strengthening and serving all vulnerable populations regardless of religion, ethnicity, or political affiliation.

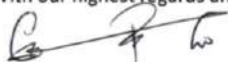
Our partnership with Caritas Nigeria over the years has been one of mutual respect and collaborative impact. As comrades in arms, we have worked side-by-side to extend the coverage of quality health services, reduce disease burden and mitigate the impact of adverse public health events. One such collaboration is the U.S. CDC/PEPFAR-funded project which delivers comprehensive HIV/AIDS services in 19 states, while strengthening health workforce capacity and health system resilience to aid the country's response to future threats and emerging diseases.

As Implementing Partners for several cycles of this project, we are well-acquainted with the ever-evolving nature of the global funding environment and the potential impact that reduced funding could have on health systems in countries like Nigeria, where sustaining progress toward global health goals is critical. The timeliness of your Anniversary Symposium theme, "**Sustainability in the Face of the Changing Funding Landscape**", is therefore commendable. This forum will drive conversations that explore opportunities and encourage the strategic thinking and partnerships needed to navigate funding changes while continuing to deliver equitable health services.

Looking toward the future, APIN remains committed to our partnership with Caritas Nigeria and our shared commitment to pioneering sustainable solutions to Nigeria's development challenges.

Once again, congratulations on this significant milestone. May the next phase of your journey bring you greater achievements and continued success. We wish you a very successful symposium and anniversary celebration.

With our highest regards and best wishes,



Professor Prosper Okonkwo
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GOODWILL MESSAGE



Goodwill Message

On behalf of the Excellence Community Education Welfare Scheme (ECEWS), I warmly congratulate Caritas Nigeria on your 15th Anniversary. This milestone reflects your steadfast commitment to transforming lives and advancing humanitarian and development efforts across Nigeria.

ECEWS values our shared vision of healthier, more inclusive communities and celebrates this journey of impact, resilience, and partnership with you. We look forward to continued collaboration in driving sustainable change.

Congratulations once again, and happy 15th Anniversary!

D. Andy Eyo

Chief Executive Officer
Excellence Community Education Welfare Scheme (ECEWS)





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE ABIA STATE TEAM

Celebrating 15 years of compassion and impact

As we mark 15 extraordinary years of humanitarian service, our hearts overflow with gratitude. It has been a profound honor to walk this journey hand in hand with an organization whose unwavering commitment to healing, uplifting, and empowering others has touched countless lives.

Through every challenge and triumph, your compassion has been a beacon of hope. You have cared for the sick with tenderness, stood beside the vulnerable with courage, and built bridges of opportunity where there were once walls. Your work has not only transformed communities – it has inspired us all to be better, love deeper, and serve with purpose.

We are humbled to be part of this remarkable family. The impact we've made together is a testament to what love in action can achieve. May the years ahead be filled with even greater grace, unity, and joy as we continue to spread kindness and hope to every corner we reach.

May God's blessings continue to guide our steps, strengthen our mission, and fill our hearts with the light of service.

Dr. Chukwuemeka Amuta
State Team Lead
Caritas Nigeria Abia State





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE ENUGU STATE TEAM

To the Executive Director/CEO & Senior Management Team
Caritas Nigeria.

On the joyous celebration of **Caritas @15**, we, the Enugu State team, extend our warmest congratulations to the Executive Director/CEO and the Senior Management Team of Caritas Nigeria.

Over the past fifteen years, Caritas Nigeria has remained steadfast in its mission to serve the most vulnerable, becoming a national force for positive change. From delivering lifesaving HIV/AIDS interventions and responding to humanitarian crises to championing good governance, anti-human trafficking, and health systems strengthening, your impact has been profound and far-reaching.

We are deeply honoured to be part of this noble journey. The Enugu team reaffirms its commitment to the values and vision of Caritas Nigeria, and we pledge to continue ensuring that the light of Caritas shines brightly in every community we serve.

Congratulations on 15 remarkable years of service, compassion, and transformation. May the years ahead bring even greater growth, grace, and impact.

With sincere goodwill,

Caritas Nigeria – Enugu State Team





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE IMO STATE TEAM

To the Executive Secretary/CEO and Senior Management Team Caritas Nigeria

Warm greetings from the Caritas Nigeria Imo State Team. As we celebrate the 15th anniversary of Caritas Nigeria, the Imo State team extends its heartfelt congratulations on this special occasion with a deep sense of purpose.

Over the past 15 years, Caritas Nigeria has exemplified the spirit of compassion, unity, and service to humanity. The organization has touched countless lives, provided relief to the vulnerable, and uplifted communities in need. It has been a journey of remarkable growth and positive impact, and we are truly proud to be a part of this unique and great family. It is this spirit of togetherness that has enabled us to achieve so much and has set an inspiring example for others to follow.

As we mark this 15th anniversary, we reflect on the milestones we have achieved and the challenges we have overcome. We pray that Caritas Nigeria will continue to be a beacon of hope in the world, inspiring others to join them on this journey of service and solidarity.

May the coming years be filled with even greater achievements, as we strive to extend our reach and make an even bigger impact. We will continue to work together, support one another, and uplift the lives of those in need. Together, we can create a brighter, more compassionate world for all.

Happy 15th anniversary, Caritas Nigeria! May our collective journey be blessed with growth, unity, and boundless success.

Caritas Nigeria Imo State Team



Caritas Nigeria Imo State Team



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH-SOUTH TEAM

COMPASSION IN ACTION

With profound gratitude, the Caritas Nigeria UNHCR South-South Team extends heartfelt congratulations to Management and Staff in celebration of Caritas Nigeria 15th anniversary. This milestone transcends time, embodying years of unwavering dedication, compassion, and resilience in fostering a just and harmonious society where everyone thrives. Over the past decade and a half, Caritas Nigeria has been a beacon of hope for the most vulnerable, touching lives across communities through transformative interventions in healthcare, protection, migration, good governance, livelihoods, and agriculture. Every action has been guided by a commitment to upholding the dignity and well-being of the marginalized, inspiring us with the profound impact of solidarity and service.

We're honored to be part of this journey, celebrating not just achievements but the countless lives touched, hope restored, and futures brightened. May the next chapter usher in even greater impact, deeper unity, and a brighter, more inclusive future for all. Long live Caritas Nigeria, a shining example of compassion in action!



Adikpo Team



Akwa Ibom Team



Calabar Team



Makurdi Team



Ogoja Team



Taraba Team



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM PHARMACY & SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT

As Men of Honor, we join Hands!!!!

Happy 15th Anniversary, Caritas Nigeria!

To the incredible team at Caritas Nigeria, congratulations on 15 years of unwavering dedication and compassionate service!

Your commitment to providing care for people living with HIV/AIDS, supporting internally displaced citizens, and uplifting vulnerable communities is truly inspiring. For a decade and a half, you've been a beacon of hope - translating love into action and embodying the core values of Caritas Nigeria. Through your tireless efforts, you have brought Nigeria closer to the vision of a harmonious society where everyone enjoys fullness of life.

The Pharmacy and Supply Chain Management Team are proud to be part of a journey defined by integrity, innovation, and unwavering dedication to patient care and community service. Over the years, we have grown together—strengthening our values, deepening our impact, and building a legacy of trust.

As a Unit we remain committed to advancing safe and effective pharmaceutical care, working collaboratively across units to ensure the highest standards are met. Here's to the milestones we've achieved and the many more to come.

May you continue to grow from strength to strength, touching more lives and bringing about even greater positive change across Nigeria. Here's to many more years of impactful service!

Congratulations Once Again!!!

Pharmacy & Supply Chain Management Unit



HQ Team



Enugu Team



Abia Team



Imo Team



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

With hearts full of gratitude to God, we joyfully congratulate the Board, Management, and esteemed colleagues of Caritas Nigeria on the occasion of its 15th anniversary. We celebrate the unique resilience of this organisation, which has consistently brought hope and compassion to the most vulnerable since its inception.

This milestone could not have been reached without the guidance of its proprietor, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN), along with the commitment of staff, partners, funders, and stakeholders. Through their support, Caritas Nigeria has remained a courageous voice for the voiceless, uplifting communities, and restoring dignity to numerous lives across Nigeria.

On this significant anniversary, we pray that God Almighty will continue to guide and strengthen Caritas Nigeria for even greater service. May this celebration open new doors of opportunity to meet the needs of vulnerable persons across the nation, awaken greater awareness and collective action for the plight of the poor, and pave fresh pathways toward the fulfilment of our mission and vision.

We look forward with joy and confidence to the future of this visionary organisation in the coming decades.

Congratulations!



HQ Team



Focal Person, Taraba



**Focal Person,
Enugu**



**Focal Person,
Imo**



**Focal Person,
Abia**



**Focal Person,
Maiduguri**



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE CARE AND TREATMENT UNIT

We joyfully congratulate Caritas Nigeria on her 15th Anniversary. We are truly grateful to our Founders, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria, for their visionary leadership.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to the Board, SMT, and the Executive Secretary/CEO, Rev. Fr. Peter Babangida Audu, for their guidance. We celebrate our dedicated teams across the nation for their commitment and impactful service.

To all Caritas Nigeria staff and beneficiaries, your work continues to transform lives. We also extend our warm greetings to the Secretary General of the Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria, Rev. Fr. Michael Banjo, and his deputy, Rev. Fr. Augustine Okochi, for their invaluable support.

May Caritas Nigeria grow stronger in unity, grace, and impact.

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary!





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE STRATEGIC INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

ENUGU STATE SI TEAM



ABIA STATE SI TEAM



IMO STATE SI TEAM



HQ SI TEAM



Here's a warm congratulations to Caritas Nigeria on its 15th anniversary! Truly, this milestone is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and vision that have shaped its success over the years. It's been 15 years of building and growing, thanks to our dedicated teams. From inception to now, our collective strength has built this brand. Wishing Caritas Nigeria, a happy anniversary and all its employees continued enthusiasm as we forge ahead on this journey together. May Caritas Nigeria always be a place where every member thrives and may the next 15 years be even more successful and fulfilling!

Congratulations on this Incredible milestone!

Strategic Information Department



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

As Caritas Nigeria marks 15 remarkable years of service, the Administrative Department joins the entire organization in celebrating this milestone with immense pride and gratitude.

Over the past decade and a half, Caritas Nigeria has stood as a beacon of hope, compassion, and resilience—touching lives, strengthening communities, and upholding the dignity of the vulnerable across our nation. It has been an honor to support the backbone of this mission through efficient systems, dedicated service, and unwavering commitment.

We salute the visionary leadership, the tireless efforts of our colleagues, and the enduring partnerships that have made this journey impactful. May the next chapter be filled with greater innovation, deeper compassion, and broader reach as we continue to build a more just and humane society.

Happy 15th Anniversary, Caritas Nigeria!

Together, we remain steadfast in faith, united in purpose, and committed to service.
Warmest regards,

Administrative Department
Caritas Nigeria





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Felicitations on the 15th anniversary of Caritas Nigeria

We the members of Finance Department of **Caritas Nigeria**, heartily felicitate with the Board, Management and Staff of Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria, **Caritas Nigeria** on the occasion of her 15th anniversary of her creation on the 22nd September 2025.

For the past 15-years, **Caritas Nigeria** has stood firm as a pillar and beacon of support for the oppressed, marginalized and those in need in our society, with the sole purpose of fostering a harmonious society where everyone enjoys fullness of life.

Our faith-based approach to service is a powerful testament to the love and compassion that can be found within **Caritas Nigeria**. We pray that God continues to bless and strengthen the work we do, granting us continuous success in the years ahead, even as we continue to pray that **Caritas Nigeria** remains a beacon of hope and a source of inspiration for all.

It is our prayer that the good Lord will continue to bless and reward the organization.
Happy 15th anniversary

Sincerely,

Gregory Atogbon
Head of Finance





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM TEAM

On this great occasion of Caritas Nigeria's 15th anniversary, the entire Caritas Nigeria's Global Fund N-THRIP Project team heartily congratulates the Board, Management, and Staff of Caritas Nigeria on the achievements recorded over the years.

Being of the same family, we've had the unique privilege of feeling your profound impact up close. It is a true honour to be a part of this shared mission. Fifteen years of unwavering service, resilience, and compassion are a monumental achievement, and it's a direct reflection of the heart and soul Caritas Nigeria pours into our work every single day.

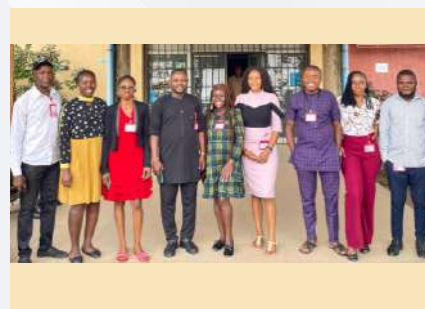
The organizational support is a constant source of inspiration for us. We're proud of all we've accomplished together and are excited to continue this journey of transforming lives and communities.



HQ Team



Bayesla Team



Ebonyi Team



Enugu Team



Abia Team



Imo Team



Community Outreach



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE GRANTS AND COMPLIANCE UNIT

On this remarkable milestone, we the Grants and Compliance Unit extend our warmest Felicitations to our own esteemed organization on its 15 years of excellent and impactful service to humanity.

Over the past decade and a half, we are most pleased to be part of this achieved remarkable growth which has also made a lasting difference in the lives of many. The dedication, resilience, and commitment to excellence are truly commendable.

This anniversary is a celebration of our collective journey to the people we serve and our unwavering vision of love and dignity to the human person.

We join the Caritas Nigeria Family to look forward to the future for continued growth as we aim to reach new heights and inspire others along the way.

Here's to many more years of success, service, and outstanding achievements.

Congratulations!!!!



HQ Team



Abia Team



Enugu Team



Imo Team



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE HUMANITARIAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Celebrating Caritas Nigeria @ 15 – Lifting the Underserved

Dear Management and Staff of Caritas Nigeria,

On behalf of the **Humanitarian Response and Early Recovery Programs**, we joyfully congratulate the entire Caritas Nigeria family on this remarkable milestone – **15 years of service, compassion, and impact.**

Caritas @ 15 is truly a call for celebration, as it represents a decade and a half of *lifting the underserved in our society*. Guided by our vision of a harmonious society where everyone enjoys fullness of life, and our mission to advance the wellbeing of all through participatory measures rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, we have collectively championed the cause of the most vulnerable.

Through our **Humanitarian** interventions, we have delivered love, restored hope, and upheld the dignity of those in need, thereby alleviating suffering and building resilience across Nigeria.

As we celebrate this achievement, we are inspired to continue this noble journey with renewed commitment, bring to life innovative ideas, walk in solidarity with the poor and vulnerable populations. The lives we touch today are the seeds of a brighter tomorrow.

Congratulations once again to the Management and staff of Caritas Nigeria. May the next 15 years be even more impactful and fulfilling.

With deep appreciation,

Humanitarian Response and Early Recovery Programs
Caritas Nigeria



HQ Team



Pulka Team



**ECHOSAHARA
Team with some
JDPC Staff**



GFFO Team



Ekiti Team



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNAL AUDIT UNIT

We, the staff of the Caritas Nigeria Internal Audit Unit, heartily congratulate our esteemed Organization, Caritas Nigeria, on her 15th Anniversary.

This milestone reflects years of resilience, impact, and unwavering commitment to service. We are proud to be part of this journey and history, ensuring transparency, integrity, and accountability in fulfilling the mission of Caritas Nigeria.

Wishing the organization greater achievements and continued success in the years ahead. Congratulations and Happy Anniversary!



HQ Team



Auditor, Enugu



Auditor, Imo



Auditor, Abia



**GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM
LIFTED AGRO LIMITED**

Congratulations to Caritas of Nigeria on reaching this incredible 15 years milestone! Your journey is a testament to outstanding dedication, innovation and unwavering commitment to success. Here's to celebrating the past achievements and looking forward to continued growth, impact and prosperity for many years to come!



The image is a promotional graphic for Lifted Agro Limited. It features a collage of agricultural products including various grains (wheat, corn, beans), vegetables (cabbage, leafy greens), and a field of crops under a sunset sky. The company logo, which consists of two hands holding a plant, is positioned above the company name. The background is a mix of green and yellow gradients.

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GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM OLIVES & CEDAR MEDICALS



OLIVES & CEDAR MEDICALS

GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM OLIVES AND CEDAR GLOBAL CONCEPT LIMITED, CONGRATULATING CATHOLIC CARITAS FOUNDATION OF NIGERIA "CCFN" ON THEIR 15TH ANNIVERSARY.

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CARITAS NIGERIA @15



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM XOWN SOLUTIONS

Congratulations!

We celebrate with **Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria** on her 15th Year of service, impact, uplifting lives and inspiring change accross the nation.

At our recent event, "Full Spectrum with Kaspersky Technologies," we were proud to honor you with the **Industry Trailblazer Award** - a recognition well deserved for your dedication to digital resilience and innovation.

Thank you for your partnership and continued drive to lead with purpose. Here's to many more years of impactful service and excellence!

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GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE LABORATORY SERVICES UNIT

The Laboratory Services department wishes to extend her heartfelt congratulation to **Caritas Nigeria** on the remarkable occasion of her 15th anniversary.

For a decade and a half, Caritas Nigeria has stood as a beacon of compassion, resilience, and unwavering commitment to the most vulnerable among us. Your work in health, humanitarian response, development, and social justice has not only transformed lives but has also inspired a generation of changemakers across Nigeria and beyond.

Fifteen years is not just a milestone—it is a testament to her enduring values, tireless service, and impact in building a more just and equitable society. As we celebrate this journey, may she be strengthened to continue her mission with even greater resolve, innovation, and grace.

We also look forward to the future she is helping to shape—one filled with hope, dignity, and shared humanity.

Congratulations to Caritas once again, and may her next chapter be even more impactful and inspiring.

Warm regards,
Laboratory Services department



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

On behalf of the Human Resources Department, it is with immense pride and heartfelt appreciation that we celebrate CARITAS @ 15.

Congratulations to Caritas on reaching the remarkable milestone of 15 years of dedicated service and transformational impact. May the spirit of service that defines Caritas continue to thrive and inspire.

On this special occasion, we extend our heartfelt goodwill and admiration to the Executive Secretary, SMT, and to every member of the Caritas family. As we commemorate this special occasion, we

also look ahead to an even brighter future—one filled with innovation, collaboration, and continued excellence.

Here's to 15 remarkable years—and many more to come!





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT UNIT

We, the Program Management Unit (PMU) of the ACCESS Project, serving across Enugu, Imo, Abia, and Abuja, join the entire Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria (CCFN) family in celebrating 15 years of impactful service to humanity.

As we celebrate this milestone, we reaffirm our dedication to the values that drive us — faith, service, accountability, and excellence. Together, and with God's grace, we remain committed to building healthier, and a more resilient community.

Congratulations to Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria, Governing Board, Senior Management Team and Staff of Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria for her excellent contribution to advancing human dignity this past 15 years.

May the years ahead be more impactful as we continue to serve with one heart and one purpose.

The Program Management Unit



HQ TEAM



IMO TEAM



ENUGU TEAM



ABIA TEAM



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE PREVENTION, CARE & SUPPORT UNIT

On this momentous occasion of the 15th Anniversary of Caritas Nigeria, the Prevention, Care & Support (PCS) Unit extends our heartfelt congratulations to the entire Caritas family, past and present, for this remarkable milestone.

Fifteen years of dedicated service to the most vulnerable across Nigeria is no small feat. Through seasons of change, challenges, and breakthroughs, Caritas Nigeria has remained steadfast in its mission to promote integral human development, justice, and equity.

The PCS Unit is proud to be part of this impactful journey. Together, we have walked alongside communities, brought hope to people living with HIV, restored dignity through care, and empowered families with knowledge and support systems that change lives. The strides we've made in prevention, adherence support, psychosocial care, and community engagement reflect the enduring values that Caritas Nigeria stands for.

As we celebrate this important anniversary, we reaffirm our commitment to the vision of a just and compassionate society. We look forward to even greater impact in the years ahead, building on the strong foundation laid over the past 15 years, and continuing to serve with empathy, professionalism, and faith in action.

Congratulations, Caritas Nigeria!

Together, we are saving lives, building futures, and transforming communities.

With warm regards,

The Prevention, Care & Support Unit
Caritas Nigeria



HQ TEAM



ABIA TEAM



ENUGU TEAM



IMO TEAM

GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM KOJO MOTORS



Kojo Motors is proud to be associated with Catholic Caritas Foundation of Nigeria and all the good works undertaken by the foundation for the benefit, betterment and advancement of humanity. And most importantly, to the glory of God Almighty. Happy 15th anniversary celebration, CCFN!"

GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM GRADAF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATION

GRADAF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATION
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- * HIV Prevention, Testing & Care, Integrated Disease Management
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- * Community Support Services

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LETTER OF FELICITATION

DEAR CARITAS NIGERIA,

Warmest congratulations to Caritas Nigeria on celebrating 15 remarkable years of dedication to providing exceptional patient care services.

We are honored to partner with an organization that shares our commitment to delivering high-quality care and making positive impact in the lives of those we serve.

Over the past decade and a half, Caritas Nigeria has consistently demonstrated its passion for excellence, innovation and compassion. Your team's tireless efforts to improving patient outcomes, enhancing care delivery and fostering culture of kindness and empathy have not gone unnoticed.

As a partner, we have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the positive impact of your work. Your organization's dedication to providing patient centred care has inspired us, and we are grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with such a reputable and caring organization.

Here is to many more years of continued success, growth and dedication to delivering exceptional care towards sustainability and viral suppression of our patients.

We look forward to continuing our partnership and exploring new ways to make a meaningful difference together.

Please accept our sincerest congratulations on this milestone of your anniversary.

Congratulations once more!!!

Signature: _____
DATE: _____
Egbema Chilloke
Executive Director
GRADAF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATION





GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM GALAS STANDARD VISION

As we reflect on years of partnership, we extend our deepest appreciation for your trust and loyalty. Your satisfaction is our greatest achievement, and we look forward to continuing to exceed your expectations in the years to come.

Congratulations!

From
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GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE GOOD GOVERNANCE UNIT

The Good Governance Unit sends heartfelt felicitations to the Governing Board, the Executive Secretary, Fr Peter Audu, the Senior Management Staff, and the entire Staff of Caritas Nigeria on the occasion of our 15th Anniversary. We celebrate our proven track record of professionalism in service to humanity.



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE BENIN REGIONAL OFFICE

Today, we joyfully celebrate fifteen years of touching lives, lifting burdens, and bringing hope to countless people. This milestone reflects not just the passing of time but the dedication, compassion, and love that have guided the work of Caritas Nigeria from the very beginning.

The Benin Regional Office of Caritas Nigeria, under the Protection and Migration Unit, proudly joins millions of well-wishers in congratulating the entire Caritas Nigeria family—management, staff, beneficiaries, and partners on this remarkable anniversary. We are inspired by how the organization has given hope to the voiceless, restored dignity to the marginalized and served as a channel of God's love to those in need.

Our prayer is that God, who has carried Caritas Nigeria through these years, will continue to bless, guide and enlarge its mission. Congratulations to us all on this landmark achievement.

*With love and solidarity,
Benin Regional Office Team, Protection and Migration Unit*



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY STRENGTHENING UNIT

As Caritas Nigeria marks 15 years of impactful service, the Institutional Capacity Strengthening (ICS) Unit joins in celebrating this remarkable milestone. We are proud to have contributed to building the systems and structures that support the organization's mission of promoting dignity, justice, and compassion across Nigeria.

We salute the leadership, staff, partners, and all who have been part of this journey. May the next chapter be marked by even deeper faith, broader reach, and greater transformation for the most vulnerable among us. Congratulations, Caritas Nigeria @15!

With warm regards, The ICS Unit Caritas Nigeria



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM UCHETEX GLOBAL INTERIORS

Congratulations Caritas Nigeria!

The Entire Management and Staff of Uchetex Global Interiors Felicitates with Caritas Nigeria on the Occasion of her 15th Anniversary

It has been 15 years of Impactful Intervention across several states of the country and we are sincerely honored to have partnered and served with you over the years.

We are eagerly looking forward to our continuous harmonious partnership to ensure success in all your interventions

Long Live Caritas Nigeria

Uchenna Philip

For :Uchetex Global Interiors Limited



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM LFO FARMS LIMITED

We staff members and associates of LFO Farms Nigeria Limited hereby extend our warm congratulations to Caritas Nigeria Foundation on this auspicious occasion of her 15th Anniversary. For a decade and a half, Caritas Nigeria has demonstrated exemplary commitment to service, compassion and overall development of mankind. Through your interventions in health care, humanitarian services, good governance, education, Agriculture, the environment and more, you have touched countless lives and contributed immensely to the well-being of our nation. We are marvelled and encouraged about your reach in Agricultural development in rural areas of Nigeria and we cannot wish you anything but greater heights. This milestone is not only a celebration of past achievements but also a testament to the vision, dedication, and integrity that continue to define your work. Indeed, Caritas Nigeria has remained a trusted partner in fostering sustainable human development across Nigeria. As you mark this 15th Anniversary, we pray for renewed strength, wisdom, and resources to sustain and expand your noble mission in the years ahead.

May your impact continue to resonate, and may the future bring even greater accomplishments in service to humanity. Congratulations once again, and please accept our best wishes for your continued success.

Olufemi Eniola Adedeji

For: LFO Farms Ltd



GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM BLESSED MULTIMEDIA

Dear Caritas Nigeria Team,

Blessed Multimedia warmly congratulates Caritas Nigeria on the remarkable occasion of your 15th anniversary.

We celebrate the impactful work you have done over the years and pray that the Almighty God continues to bless and strengthen the mission He has entrusted to you. May He guide and uplift every member of your dedicated team, and may Caritas Nigeria continue to grow in grace, strength, and service.

Congratulations once again on this significant milestone!

Warm regards,

Adeyinka Ajibola

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GOODWILL MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM

With hearts full of gratitude and joy, the Senior Management Team of Caritas Nigeria joins our Trustees, Board, staff, partners, beneficiaries, and well-wishers in celebrating fifteen remarkable years of selfless service and impact. This milestone is a testament to the unwavering commitment, resilience, and collective vision that have shaped our organisation from its humble beginnings into a beacon of hope and transformation across communities.

The Senior Management Team reaffirms its commitment to building on the gains recorded over the years, expanding our reach, and deepening our impact for the next 15 years and beyond. With our dedicated staff, partners, and the communities we serve, we will continue to live our mission to advance the well being of all through participatory measures in line with Catholic Social Teaching.

Happy 15th Anniversary to us all.

Long Live, Caritas Nigeria!



KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Barr. Eze Onyekpere

Eze Onyekpere is a lawyer with specialisation in development law including fiscal governance, freedom of information, anti-corruption, extractive industries, political finance, gender and inclusion, human rights and constitutional reforms. Eze started his civil society career as the Head of Legal Resources at Civil Liberties Organisation (CLO) between 1992 to 1995; he was the foundation Executive Director of Shelter Rights Initiative, later renamed Socio Economic Rights Initiative (SERI: 1995-2007) before founding the Centre for Social Justice in 2008.

Over the last thirty-seven years, he has worked on electric power sector reforms, privatisation, gender, trade policy and liberalisation of education. Eze has tremendous experience in the area of public finance management reforms involving fiscal and legal issues and economic governance. The assignments undertaken include drafting of laws, policies, manuals and guides; research and capacity building in fiscal responsibility, procurement, debt and audit reforms, budget analysis, etc.



MEET OUR PANELISTS





Comrade Ene Obi

Past Country Director,
ActionAid Nigeria

Comrade Ene Obi is the immediate past Country Director of ActionAid Nigeria which she led for 6 years, and the immediate past Convener of the Nigerian Civil Society Situation Room. Until her appointment as AAN Country Director in February 2018, she worked in various capacities within ActionAid Federation. Notably is her role as a Regional Trainer at the MS Training Centre for Development Cooperation in Arusha, Tanzania for 5 years (2011 – 2015) teaching human rights, governance and social justice and as an international consultant supporting ActionAid International's Gender Responsive Public Service (GRPS) under ActionAid Denmark (2016 – 2018). Within the last 16 years, Ene has worked in over 15 countries across Africa and some parts of Asia leading various ActionAid's projects towards the realization of the organization's vision to eradicating poverty and promoting social justice.



Fr. Atta Barkindo, Ph.D

Director, The Kukah Centre & Head of Secretariat,
National Peace Committee

Fr. Atta is the Director of The Kukah Centre: Faith, Leadership and Public Policy Research, Abuja-Nigeria. He is a priest of the Catholic Diocese of Yola, ordained in November 2002. He served as the assistant parish priest, St. Theresa's Cathedral, Yola. He was also the Chaplain at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Chaplaincy, Federal University of Technology Yola, and the Director of Inter-religious Dialogue Commission, Yola. In August 2007, Fr. Atta proceeded to the Dar Comboni Institute for Arabic and Islamic studies, Zamalek, Egypt where he obtained his BA in Arabic and Islamic studies. In 2009, he was accepted at the Pontifical University for Arabic and Islamic studies, PISAI, Rome, Italy where he graduated with a Licentiate Degree in Political Islam and Inter-Religious Dialogue in 2011. Fr. Atta enrolled for his MSc in African Politics in 2012 at the School of Oriental and African Studies, SOAS, University of London and in 2016, he completed his PhD in the same University.



Prof. Nentawe Goshwe Yilwatda

National Chairman, All Progressives Congress (APC) Party, and Immediate Past Minister of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Reduction

Born on 8th August 1968 in Dungung, Kanke Local Government Area of Plateau State, Professor Nentawe Goshwe Yilwatda has carved a reputation as both a distinguished academic and a transformative politician.

An alumnus of Boys' Secondary School, Gindiri, he earned his B.Eng. in Electrical/Electronic Engineering from the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi; M.Eng. from Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi; and a Ph.D. in Digital Systems Engineering from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. He further trained in electronic governance at the United Nations University, Macau, China.

With over two decades of academic excellence, Prof. Yilwatda rose to become Professor of Computer and Engineering Systems and the pioneer ICT Director at the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi. His expertise was sought globally, consulting for the EU, UNICEF, UNESCO, and the World Bank.



Dr Charles Usie

Country Director of
Plan International Nigeria

Dr Charles Usie is the Country Director of Plan International Nigeria. He brings over two decades of experience in civil society and international development, united by a single mission: advancing the rights of girls and ensuring they can lead, learn, decide, and thrive.

A strategic thinker and systems-change advocate, Charles understands that transforming development outcomes requires more than good intentions. His career spans impactful roles with organizations such as Christian Aid, UNICEF, ActionAid, and the Justice, Development and Peace Commission (JDPC). Throughout his career, he has contributed to addressing some of Nigeria's most pressing challenges, including the national response to HIV/AIDS, malaria and climate change interventions, and the ongoing humanitarian crisis.



CITATION FOR HIS EMINENCE JOHN CARDINAL ONAIYEKAN, ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF ABUJA GRAND AMBASSADOR, CARITAS NIGERIA

His primary interests are in Sacred Scripture and fundamental questions of Theology, particularly, the theology of non-Christian religions in the Nigerian context. He has also made notable contributions to the study of Islam, its relationship with Christianity, and the pursuit of peaceful and constructive cooperation between both faiths.

Beyond Nigeria, Cardinal Onaiyekan has served the universal Church in various Vatican commissions, including the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and contributed to ecumenical and interfaith dialogue through the World Council of Churches and Religions for Peace. His leadership extended to the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria, SECAM, and the Christian Association of Nigeria, reflecting his tireless commitment to unity, peace, and justice.

His outstanding service has been recognised nationally and internationally: Commander of the Order of the Niger (2001), Grande Ufficiale of the Italian Republic (2003), and the Pax Christi International Peace Award (2012).

Cardinal Onaiyekan remains a prophetic voice for interreligious harmony, social justice, and the inculturation of faith in Africa. His legacy of scholarship, pastoral leadership, and bridge-building continues to inspire the Church and society.

Born on January 29, 1944, in Kabba, Kogi State, His Eminence John Cardinal Onaiyekan has devoted his life to the service of God and humanity. Following his primary and secondary education in Kogi and Benue States, respectively, he pursued priestly formation in Ibadan and Rome, culminating in his ordination and subsequent service as Rector, theologian, and seminary formator.

In 1982, he was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Ilorin, ordained Bishop on January 6 1983, by Pope John Paul II, and in 1984, he was appointed Residential Bishop of Ilorin. In 1990, he was appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Abuja, and in 1994, the first Archbishop of the newly elevated Archdiocese. In 2012, he was created Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church, and retired as Archbishop of Abuja in 2019.



CITATION FOR MOST REV. DR. LUCIUS IWEJURU UGORJI

ARCHBISHOP OF OWERRI
PRESIDENT, CBCN

His Grace, Most Rev. Lucius Iwejuru Ugorji, born on 13 January 1952 in Umuakali Naze, Owerri North L.G.A. of Imo State, is a renowned Church leader, theologian, and shepherd whose life and ministry reflect over four decades of selfless service to God and mankind.

From his early days at St. Thomas Primary School, Kano (1957–1961) and St. Michael's Primary School, Umuahia (1962–1963), he distinguished himself as a diligent pupil whose thirst for knowledge and holiness would shape his future vocation. He proceeded to the Immaculate Conception Seminary, Umuahia (1964–1970) for his secondary education and thereafter to the prestigious Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu, where he earned his Bachelor's degrees in Philosophy (1970–1973) and Theology (1973–1977). To further equip himself for higher ecclesiastical service, he studied in Germany, obtaining a Diploma in German Language at the University of Münster (1979–1980) and a Doctorate in Theology from the same University (1980–1984). Ordained a Catholic priest on

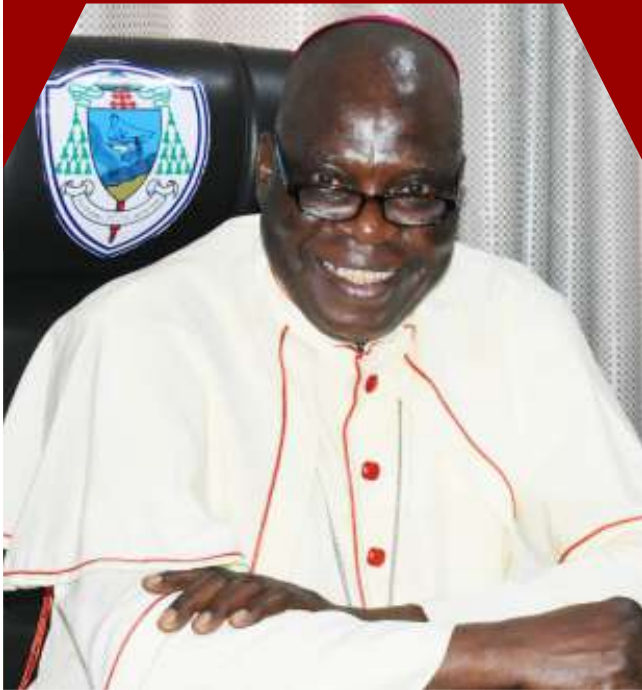
16 April 1977 at St. Finbar's Catholic Church, Umuahia, Rev. Ugorji quickly became a beacon of pastoral excellence. His deep theological insight, coupled with his humble disposition, saw him entrusted with greater responsibilities within the Church. On the 1st of July 1990, he was ordained a Bishop at Mater Dei Cathedral, Umuahia, marking the beginning of a new chapter of shepherding God's people with wisdom and compassion.

Since his episcopal ordination, His Grace has served in several high-level capacities. Notably, he was Apostolic Administrator of Ahiara Diocese (2018–2024), guiding the diocese through a challenging period with prudence and reconciliation. In 2022, he was appointed Metropolitan Archbishop of Owerri and concurrently elected President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria (CBCN), positions he holds to date.

Over the decades, Archbishop Ugorji, has combined erudition with pastoral sensitivity, championing evangelisation, justice and peace within the Nigerian Church and beyond. It is worthy of mention that His Grace was the Chairman of the committee that was constituted by the CBCN for the establishment of Caritas Nigeria. He later served as the second Board Chairman of the organization from 2013 to 2018.

His tireless commitment to priestly formation, social justice and theological scholarship has left an indelible imprint on countless faithful, priests and religious.

Today, as we honour His Grace, we celebrate not only his impressive academic and ecclesiastical achievements but also his unwavering devotion to the Gospel, his outstanding leadership of the Catholic Church in Nigeria, and his exemplary witness as a true shepherd of Christ's flock.



CITATION OF MOST REV. DR. MATTHEW MAN'OSO NDAGOSO

ARCHBISHOP OF KADUNA
VICE PRESIDENT, CBCN

faithful amidst insecurity and hardship. In November 2007, Pope Benedict XVI appointed him Metropolitan Archbishop of Kaduna, a role he has carried out with vision and resilience. Through the years, he has expanded pastoral structures, ordained numerous priests, created new parishes, and strengthened seminary formation. His financial reforms improved accountability, while his passion for education inspired the establishment of a Centre for Research in Religious Studies and the Bring Back Our Schools campaign.

Most Rev. Dr. Matthew Man'Oso Ndagoso, Metropolitan Archbishop of Kaduna, was born on January 3, 1960, in Loh, Adamawa State. His early education took him through St. Peter's Minor Seminary, Yola (1973–1978), and St. Augustine's Major Seminary, Jos (1979–1986), where he studied Philosophy and Theology before his ordination to the priesthood on October 4, 1986, for the Diocese of Yola. With a keen desire for deeper formation, he pursued advanced studies at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum), Rome, where he earned both a Licentiate and Doctorate in Ecumenical Theology in 1998.

Archbishop Ndagoso's ministry has been marked by significant responsibilities, from parish assignments and diocesan leadership roles to serving as Rector of Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Kaduna. In 2003, he was appointed Bishop of Maiduguri by Pope John Paul II, where he courageously led the

Beyond administration, Archbishop Ndagoso has shown a deep commitment to justice, peace, and dialogue. He has supported the less privileged through the Archdiocesan JDPC and St. Gerard's Hospital, serving people of all faiths. Through consistent promotion of interreligious dialogue, he has fostered peaceful coexistence between Christians and Muslims in Kaduna and beyond. Guided by the principles of solidarity, subsidiarity, and collaboration, Archbishop Ndagoso continues to inspire priests, religious, and laity to witness to the Gospel, building a united and vibrant Church in the heart of Northern Nigeria.



CITATION FOR PROFESSOR NENTAWÉ GOSHWE YILWATDA

IMMEDIATE PAST MINISTER OF HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS AND POVERTY REDUCTION

University of Agriculture, Makurdi. His expertise was sought globally, as he consulted for the EU, UNICEF, UNESCO, and the World Bank.

In 2017, he brought his intellect to public service as INEC Resident Electoral Commissioner for Benue State, where he championed reforms that gave voice to Internally Displaced Persons and Persons with Disabilities.

His political journey began in 2021, culminating in his candidacy as APC governorship flagbearer in Plateau's 2023 elections. In October 2024, he was appointed Minister of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Reduction, Disaster Management and Social Development, a sector that aligns with the vision of Caritas Nigeria to ensure fullness of life for all. During his tenure as Minister of Humanitarian Affairs, he pursued bold reforms in poverty reduction and social investments. By July 2025, his leadership earned him the position of National Chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC), where he is celebrated as a consensus-builder and technocratic leader.

From the lecture halls of academia to the corridors of power, Prof. Yilwatda embodies scholarship, innovation, and inclusive leadership qualities that continue to shape Nigeria's democratic journey and development aspirations.

Professor Nentawe Goshwe Yilwatda was born on the 8th of August 1968, in Dungung, Kanke Local Government Area of Plateau State. He attended Boys' Secondary School, Gindiri, and the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi, where he earned a Bachelor's in Electrical/Electronic Engineering and a Master's in Engineering from Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi. He later bagged a doctorate in Digital Systems Engineering from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. He was further trained in electronic governance at the United Nations University, Macau, China. With over two decades of academic excellence, Prof. Yilwatda rose to become Professor of Computer and Engineering Systems and the pioneer ICT Director at the Federal



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RAYMOND ALEOGHO DOKPESI,
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Students' Union. Upon returning to Nigeria at the invitation of the then Head of State in 1977, he worked with the Federal Ministry of Transport before venturing into the private sector, where he became the first Managing Director of the first indigenous shipping line, African Ocean Line, and later Baldock Shipping Line.

He pioneered Nigeria's first independent radio station – RayPower FM – in 1993/1994 and the first global satellite television station – Africa Independent Television (AIT) – in 1996. Both RayPower FM and AIT are pan-Nigerian broadcast stations. He also established another indigenous radio station, Faaji FM 106.5, in 2013.

He is a Fellow of the Nigerian Society of Engineers (2019); the Automotive and Locomotive Engineers Institute (2019); the Nigerian Institute of Management (1992); the Chartered Institute of Transport (1991); the Nigerian Institute of Shipping (1989); the Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (1988); and the Institute of Transport Administration, UK (1985).

In recognition of his numerous patriotic roles and contributions to Nigeria in academic publications, broadcasting, sports, the growth of the entertainment industry – music and Nollywood – and entrepreneurship, he was conferred with the National Honour of Officer of the Federal Republic (OFR) in 2008.

Engr. Raymond Aleogho Dokpesi was born on the 25th of October 1951, in Ibadan, Oyo State. He hails from Agenebode in Etsako East Local Government Area of Edo State.

He attended Loyola College, Ibadan, and Immaculate Conception College, Benin City. In 1969, he proceeded to Poland for his university education at Wyższa Szkoła Morska, Gdynia, and the University of Gdansk, Sopot, where he obtained his Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate degrees respectively. He graduated with a First-Class Degree in Marine Transport Engineering and emerged as the best graduating student in fifty years at the University in Poland.

While in Poland, he served as a university lecturer and President of the African

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