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- **Academic Qualifications:**
 - B.Ed. (Religious Studies), 1985, University of Benin, Benin-City, Nigeria
 - M.A. (Philosophy of Religion), 1987, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria
 - Ph.D. (Religious Studies) 1994, Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma, Nigeria.
- **Teaching and Professional Experience:**
 - Lecturing, Researching, External Examination and Supervision of Students, Projects and Administrative positions from 29th May, 1989- till date.
- **Promotions with date**
 - 1989 – Asst. Lecturer
 - 1992 – Lecturer II
 - 1995 – Lecturer I
 - 1998 – Senior Lecturer
 - 2001 – Associate Professor (Reader)
 - 2004 – Professor.

Publications:

- **Materials Already Published:**
 - (1) **Books:**
 - C.O. Isiramen and O. Oroka, *Invitation to Logic*, Warri, Bonaventures Publishers, 1993.
 - C.O. Isiramen and D. Akhilomen, *Essays in Philosophy of Religion, Ethics and Early Church Controversies*, Lagos, A.B. Publishers, 1998.

C.O. Isiramen, *Authentic Dignity of the Nigerian Women*, Lagos, Mamfes Publishers, 1997.

_____, *A Medical, Sociological and Ethical Overview of Abortion*, Canada, Microblu Publishers, 2004.

_____, *Abortion and the Nigerian Society: A Legal and Religious Overview*, Canada, Microblu Publishers, 2004

(ii) **Chapters in Books**

_____, "Biblical Healing: The Craze in Contemporary Nigerian Society", S.O. Abogunrin (ed.) *Biblical Healing in African Context*, The Nigerian Association for Biblical Studies, 2004

_____, "HIV/AIDS and the Nigerian Society: An Ethical-Theological Response", C.O. Isiramen and C.A. Agbebaku (eds.) *Readings in General Studies* (2nd ed), Vol. 1, Nigeria: Ambrose Alli University, 2004.

_____, "Governance in Nigeria: A Proposal for Gender Equity in the 21st Century", F. Iyoha (ed.) *Rethinking Governance and Development in the 21st Century*, Nigeria: Institute for Governance and Development, 2003.

_____, "Niger-Delta Crisis and Women: A Quest for Survival", F.E. Iyoha (ed.) *Women, Youth Restiveness and Development in the Niger Delta*, The Institute of Governance and Development, A.A.U., 2003.

_____, "The Social and Religious Vices of Abortion". D. Asaju and C. O. Isiramen, (eds), *Issues in Ethics and Religion: Contemporary Trends*. Ado-Ekiti, De-Gabson Publishers, 1998.

_____, "Feminist Theory and the Development of Nigerian Women in the Adjustment years (1985-1995): A Critical Evaluation", I. B. Bello-Imam (ed) *Governance in Nigeria: Economy, Politics and Society in the Adjustment Years, 1985-1995*, Ibadan, Stirling-Horden Publishers Nig. Ltd. 1997.

_____, "African Traditional Religion's Business Ethics: A Paradigm for Spirituality in Global Ethics", N. Capaldi, (ed.) *Business Ethics and Globalization* New Orleans, U.S.A., 2005.

(iii) **Articles in Learned Journals**

_____, "Religion and Secularization in Nigeria", B.J.E. Itsueli (ed) *Humanitas*, Vol. 3 No 2, Dec. 1992, pp. 119-132.

_____, "Suggestion for the Moral Reformation of Nigeria" B.J.E. Itsueli, (ed) *Humanitas*, Vol. 4. No 1 June 1992, pp. 104-115.

_____, "The Influence of Christianity on the Nigerian Womanhood" B.Egede, (ed) *Iroro* Vol. 7, Nos. 1&2 Aug., 1999, pp. 203-221.

- _____, “Analysis of the Importance of Religious Education” F.A. Maliki (ed), *Journal of Teacher Education and Teaching* Vol. 2, No. 1 April 1996, pp. 88-95.
- _____, “The Fetus or Embryo is Human”, C. A. Dime (ed) *Epha: Ekpoma Journal of Religious Studies*. Vol. 1 No. 2, June, 1966.
- _____, “Necromancy: A Socio-Religious Practice Among Otuo People of Nigeria” A. Chukwu (ed), *Abia Journal of Humanities*, Vol. 1, No. 1, June 1999, pp. 46 – 59.
- _____, “The Problems of Legalization of Abortion in Nigeria”. A. Okoduwa (ed) *Itan, Journal of History and International Studies, Ekpoma-Nigeria*. Vol. 3, Nos. 1 & 2, April 2002.
- _____, “Human Cloning: An African Assessment”, A. Uhunmwangho, (ed), *Iroko, Ekpoma Journal of Arts*, Vol. 8, Nos. 1 & 2, Sept. 2001, pp. 90 – 96.
- _____ and C. O. Ulokoaga, Cloning and Human Dignity: An Ethical-Religious Overview, J. Onimhawo (ed) *Epha, Ekpoma Journal of Religious Studies, Nigeria*, Vol. 4, Nos. 1&2, June 2002, pp. 80 – 89.
- _____, “Humanism and Women Rights in Nigeria”, B. Gogineni (ed) *Empowering International Humanist*, Vol. 9, London, July 2002, pp. 20 – 21.
- _____, “Women in Nigeria, Culture and the AIDS Pandemic” L. Menton (ed.) *International Humanist*, Vol. 10, London, November, 2003, pp. 11 – 12.
- _____, “Religious Violence: An Obstacle to Development in Nigeria” F.E. Iyoha (ed.) *International Journal of Governance and Development*, Vol. 1, No. 1, March 2003, pp. 85 – 95.
- _____, “Islam and Domestic Violence Against Women”, J. Onimhawo (ed.) *Epha, Ekpoma Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 5, Nos. 1 & 2, June 2003, pp. 33 – 40
- _____, “Sex Export in Nigeria: The Role of the Christian Woman”, A.D. Badaiki, *Journal of Humanities and Management Studies*, Vol. 1, Nos. 1 & 2, 2003, pp. 38 – 50.
- _____, “Islam and Domestic Violence Against Women” Hengycius (ed.) *World Hogming Philosophical Quarterly*, U.S.A., Vol. No2, September, 2004.
- _____, “Society Regeneration and the Christian Prophet”. D. Ashama (ed.) *Focus*. Issue No. 034, London, 2004, pp. 46 – 48.
- _____, “Islamism and the Nigerian Nation” *Orita*, Ibadan Journal of Religious Studies, xxxvi/1-2, 2004, pp. 108 – 121.

----- “Religion and Science in the Nigeria Society” Ade. Dopamu et . al (eds) *Science in the perspective of Africa Religion, Islam and Christianity*, Ilorin, Local Societies Initiative (LSI) and the Nigerian Association for the Study and Teaching of Religion and Natural Science (NASTRENS), 2007.

----- “Religion and Sexuality: A Critical Assessment” *Sexuality and Religion*, Sangowawa (ed.), Lagos African Religious Sexuality Resource Centre, 2006.

----- “ Abortion, Population and the Nigerian Society”, Onah A. Odey et. al (ed) *Religion, Ethics and Population Development*, NASR, 2007, pp.245-268.

----- “ Pentecostalism in Nigerian Society: A Therapy or a Delusion” A.D Nnamani (ed). *The New Religious Movement: Pentecostalism in Perspective*. Benin City, Theological Association of Nigeria (CATHAN), 2007.

----- “ Witchcraft and Women: Ekpoma, Edo State, as a Case Study (ed) *EPHA, Ekpoma Journal Religious Studies*, Vol.5 No. 2&4, 2007, pp. 60-65

■ **Conferences Attended/ Papers presented:**

- (i) International Society for Africa and African Diaspora Studies, (University of the North, Sovenga, South Africa, 1997), “The Philosophy of Religion: An African perspective”.
- (ii) National Association for Biblical Studies (NABIS), (S.S. Peter and Pual Ibadan , 1997), “ the impact of religion on the African Womanhood”.
- (iii) National Association for Biblical Studies (NABIS), (S.S. Peter and Paul, Ibadan, 1997), “The Bible and Women – A Philosophical Theological Response”.
- (iv) National Association for Biblical Studies (UMCA Theological School, Illorin, 2001), “Religion and the Question of Sex Export – A Philosophical Assessment”.
- (v) International Humanist Movement (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, 2001), “The Impact of Religion on the Status of Women”.
- (vi) Conference on Niger/Delta Crisis, (River Bed Hotel, Port Harcourt 2000), “Niger-Delta Crisis and the Impact on Women”.
- (vii) International Humanist Ethical Union Conference, (Amsterdam 2002), “A Critical Assessment of Women and Marriage in Nigeria”.
- (viii) Circle of Concerned Women Theologians, (Addis Ababa, 2002), “Women and HIV/AIDS Pandemic: A Philosophical-Religious Assessment”.
- (ix) International Conference on the Study of Sex and Secrecy, (University of Witwaterstrands, South Africa, April 2003), “Female Sexuality and the Nigerian Society”.

- (x) National Association for Biblical Studies, (Babcock University, Ilesa – Reno, June 2003), “Biblical Healing: The Craze in Contemporary Nigerian Society”.
- (xi) International Conference on Rethinking Governance and Development in 21st Century (Benin City, April, 2003), “Governance in Nigeria – A Call for Gender Equity”.
- (xii) National Conference on Women, Youth Restiveness and Development in Niger Delta, (Ekpoma, March 2003), “Crisis in the Niger Delta and Woman: A Quest for Survival”.
- (xiii) International Conference on Ethics and Spirituality in Business Ethics, (New Orleans, U.S.A., June, 2004), “African Business Ethics: A Paradigm for Spirituality in Global Ethics”.
- (xiv) National Association of Women Academics Conference, (UNIBEN, September, 2001), “Sex Export: The Nigerian Experience”.
- (xv) International Conference on Gender Diversity (UK, Manchester, September, 2004)
- (xvi) International Conference on Women Empowerment (UK, Hull, September, 2004), “Governance and Women – A Religious Perspective”.
- (xvii) International Conference on Grief and Bereavement, (Kings College, London, August 4th – 9th, 2005), “Crisis in the Niger-Delta Region of Nigeria and Women”.
- (xviii) African Religious Sexual Institute, (2nd – 10th October, 2005 Johannesburg, South Africa), “Female Sexuality and Religion – The Nigerian Experience”.
- (xix) Local Initiative for Religion and Science Conference, University of Ilorin, April, 2006 – “Religion and Science: Conflicts and Resolution”.
- (xx) National Association for Biblical Studies Conference (Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma, July 11th – 15th 2006).
- (xxi) 3rd conference of the Africa Association for the study of Religions/International Association for the History of religion religious Conference, Botswana (7th – 13th July, 2007). “ The Impact of Witchcraft Belief on the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Nigeria”
- (xxii) 27th Annual Conference of the Nigerian Association for the study of Religions, University of Uyo, Uyo, Nigeria, 2006.
- (xxiii) Conference on African and the Catholic Church, Seattle, U.S.A. (31st Jan- 2nd Feb., 2008), Traditional Catholic Church: Benedictine Ewu Monastery, Edo State as a case study”.
- (xxiv) Conference on New religious Movements in Africa in Michigan State University, USA, (Oct 3-6, 2008 “Pentecostalism and the Nigerian society: A Therapy or a Delusion”.

PUBLIC LECTURES

- (i) Lecture on Human Sexuality and Women, delivered on the 26th of July, 2005 at the Human Sexuality and Resource Centre, Yaba, Lagos.
- (ii) Lecture on Education, The Key to Success in Life at the graduation ceremony of Igbinedion Education Centre ,Okada on the 3rd of February, 2008
- (iii) Lecture on Pentecostalism and the Nigerian Society: A Therapy or Delusion? Presented at the End of Year activities of the Paramount Club of Benin on the 12th of January, 2009.
- (iv) Lecture on Christianity and Inulturation: The Catholic Experience. During the Centenary Celebration of The Catholic Dioceses of Esan on the 17th August 2009 at the Annunciation Catholic Church, Irrua

External Examination:

1. External Examiner – Adekunle Ajasin University Akumgba-Akoko, 2006 – Date
2. ----- - Delta State University, Abraka – 2007-2008
3. ----- - University of Ibadan, Ibadan, February 2008-Date

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Member, University Governing Council, A.A.U., Ekpoma, 2005 – date.
- Director, General Studies Division, A.A.U., Ekpoma, 2001 – 2004
- Head, Department of religious Management and Cultural Studies, 2004 – Date
- Member, University Senate, 2001 – Date
- Member, University Ceremonials Committee, 2004 – Date
- Member, Students’ appeal Review Committee, 2006
- Hall Mistress, 2001 –2003, 2005 – Date.
- Hall Warden, 1995 – 2001
- Chairman – “ Students Advisory Committee, 2002 –2004
- Vice-Chairman, University Endowment Fund Committee
- Chairman, Department Welfare Committee, 2001 – 2003
- Member, Senior Staff Disciplinary Committee 2005 –2007
- Director, Ambrose Alli University Consultancy Services, 2006 – Date
- Member, University Appointment and Promotion Committee 2007 – Date.

MEMBERSHIP OF LEARNED SOCIETIES:

- (i) Member, Nigeria Association for the Study of Religion (NASR)
- (ii) ----- , Nigerian Association for Biblical Studies (NABIS)

- (iii) -----, Nigerian, Humanist Movement (NHM)
- (iv) ----- , International Humanist and Ethical Union (IHEU)
- (v) -----, International Association for Religious Studies (IARS)
- (vi) ----- , African Association for the Study of Religious (AASR)
- (vii) ----- ,International Circle of Concerned Women Theologians
- (viii) ----- , International Association for the History of Religion
- (ix) ----- , America Academy of Religion
- (x) ----- , Theological Association of Nigeria (CATHAN)
- (xi) ----- , World Homing Philosophical Association
- (xii) International Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

I have been teaching courses in Religious Studies and Philosophy since 1989. I have also taught courses in Philosophy and Logic (GST), Comparative Religion, Philosophy of Religion, Sociology of Religion, African Traditional Religion, Ethics as well as Religion and communication Art.

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Supervised and still supervising many Undergraduate projects, Masters Dissertations and Ph.D. Thesis

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