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PROFILE

Experienced Anglican priest and community leader with over two decades of pastoral, theological, and administrative service across Nigeria and the United States. Recognized for a strong commitment to liturgical integrity, spiritual formation, and social justice advocacy. Skilled in pastoral counseling, theological education, and interfaith dialogue. Holds advanced degrees in Theology and Peace & Conflict Resolution. A retreat leader, conference speaker, and published author with a heart for migrant ministry and clergy welfare reform.

EDUCATION

- Master of Theology (M.Th..) – Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo, Nigeria
 - Master of Arts in Peace and Conflict Resolution (Strategic PCR) – Imo State University, Nigeria
 - Bachelor of Arts (Hons) – University of Nigeria, Nsukka
 - Bachelor of Theology (B. Th) – Trinity Theological College
 - Diploma in Theology (Dip.Th) – Trinity Theological Umuahia, Abia State, Nigeria,
 - Advanced Clinical Education Program (ACEP) – New York, USA
 - Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)
 - First Unit: Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY
 - Second Unit (in progress): NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, NY
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MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Rector, Anglican Church of the Holy Spirit, Bronx, NY

Dates of Service: SEPTEMBER /1/2019– Present

- Leading a multicultural Anglican congregation with a focus on evangelism, liturgy, and migrant support
- Developed community outreach, youth mentorship, and pastoral care programs
- Organized international and local retreats, revivals, and spiritual formation events

Churches Previously Served (Nigeria and United States):

- St. Paul Uba-Agwa
- St. Paul Ndionymaobi
- St. Michael Ubudi-Agwa
- Emmanuel Church, Onono, Anam Anambra
- Uka Ndi Igbo Anglican Church, Bronx New York.
- St Christopher Onitsha, Anambra State
- St Marys Igbokenyi. Anambra West
- Anglican Church of the Holy Spirit, Bronx New York
- Emmanuel Anglican Church Long-Island New York.

Key Roles and Engagements:

- Retreatant & Speaker – Diocese on the Niger (2024)
- Preacher – Collation Service for Archdeacons and Canons, All Saints Cathedral, Onitsha
- Knights Chaplain – Council of Knights, CONNAM USA
- Panelist, Moderator, and Speaker – Global Anglican and peacebuilding conferences

LEADERSHIP & APPOINTMENTS

- Bishop's Emissary to North America, Diocese on the Niger
- Knights Chaplain, Church of Nigeria North American Mission (CONNAM)
- Retreat Chaplain, 2025 National Knights Retreat (USA)
- Honorary Doctorate in Theology, Anglican school of ministry New York

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

- Faith, Priesthood, and Society: Reflections on Anglican Theology and Ministry Practice (Author)
 - Research Paper (In Progress): Nigerian-led Anglican Churches in the U.S.: Origins, Structures, and Migrant Support Systems
 - Thesis (Defended): The Role of Religion in Peacebuilding and Social Cohesion in Izombe, Oguta LGA, Imo State
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SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

- Pastoral Care & Counseling
 - Liturgical Leadership & Preaching
 - Conflict Mediation & Peacebuilding
 - Retreat and Conference Coordination
 - Theological Education & Curriculum Development
 - Cross-cultural Ministry
 - Strategic Planning and Church Administration
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AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Honorary Doctorate in Theology – ADOTT, New York
 - Commendation by the Primate of All Nigeria for service in North America
 - Recognition by the Lord Bishop on the Niger for national retreat coordination
 - Recognition by the Lord Bishop on the Lake.
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REFERENCES

Available upon request
