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CURRENT POSITIONS:

Associate Professor of Christian Ethics and the theology of world church, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame.

President: The Governing Council of Spiritan International School of Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria (2005-)

EDUCATION:

1989-1993

Regis College/Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto, Canada
Th.D (1993); STD *Magna cum Laude Probatus* (1994)
Major: Moral Theology
Dissertation: "Richard A. McCormick and the Renewal of Moral Theology". Director: Bela Somfai, S.J

1988-1989

University of St Michael's College/Toronto School of Theology, University of Toronto
Th.M., University of Toronto
STL (1990), Regis College, University of Toronto: *Summa cum Laude Probatus*
Major: Moral Theology
Thesis: "Richard A. McCormick and Casuistry: Moral Decision-Making in Conflict Situations."
Director: Bela Somfai, SJ

1980-1984

Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu, Nigeria (in affiliation with Urban University, Rome)
STB, *Magna cum Laude Probatus*
Major: Theology
Thesis: "Christianity Answers Symmachus: A Theological Inquiry into the Problematic of Non-Christian Religions." Director: E. Elochukwu Uzukwu, C.S.Sp.

1976-1979	**Spiritan School of Philosophy, Isienu, Nigeria** Diploma in Philosophy Thesis: "'God Is Dead?': A Study of Friedrich Nietzsche's Philosophy of God" Director: Raymond Arazu, C.S.Sp.
RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY:	Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans), Province of Nigeria-South East
PRIESTLY ORDINATION:	April 28, 1984

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARLY ECCLESIASTICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Invited by the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, Rome, to participate in a deliberation on Pope Benedict's encyclical, *Caritas In Veritate* (October 11-14, 2010)

Appointed by the Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI as "adiutor secretarii specialis," to the 2nd African Synod of Bishops **(October 4-25 2009): Rome:** Participated in the 2nd Special assembly of the Synod of Bishops for Africa as learned expert assistant to the synod.

ACADEMIC HONORS

Best Graduating Student in the Arts- Holy Ghost Juniorate Ihiala: Best graduating Student in the Arts, 1975

Graduated with Distinction from Spiritan School of Philosophy, Isienu, Enugu State, Nigeria, 1979.

Graduated *Magna Cum Laude*, Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu

Graduated *Summa Cum Laude* for the STL- Regis College, University of Toronto, Canada.

Graduated *Magna Cum Laude* for the STD degree- Regis College, University of Toronto, Canada.

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GRANTS/FELLOWSHIP/AWARDS

Toronto School of Theology: Several Graduate Fellowships
ATS/Lily Faculty Theological Fellowship, 2011-2012 (value: $30, 000 – Thirty thousand dollars).

WORK EXPERIENCE

Academic

2005-	Associate Professor of Christian Ethics and the theology of world Church, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame
2001-2005	Visiting Associate Professor of Theology, Department of Theology, U of Notre Dame
2003 -	Associate Professor, Institute of Black Catholic Studies, Xavier University of New Orleans (Summer Program).
1999-2001	Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame
1994-1999	Senior Lecturer, Spiritan International School of Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria
1993-1994	Lecturer in Theology, Spiritan International School Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria.
1992-1993	Lecturer in Moral Theology, St Augustine's Seminary, University of Toronto, Canada
1990-1992	Lecturer, St Augustine's Seminary of Toronto, Extension Division
1985-1987	Teacher, Holy Ghost Juniorate, Ihiala, Nigeria
1979-1980	Teacher, Holy Ghost Juniorate, Ihiala, Nigeria

PASTORAL

2004-	Pastoral Associate, St Hedwig and St Patrick Parishes, South Bend
2002-2004	Priest in Residence, St Monica Parish, Mishawaka
1999-2002	Associate Pastor, St Adalbert and St Augustine's Parishes, South Bend, IN, USA

1991-1993	Chaplain, Cardinal Macquigan and Francis Libermann High Schools, Toronto, Ontario
1987-1988	Associate Pastor, St Joseph's Parish, West Hill, Ontario, Canada
1984-1985	Associate Pastor, St Martin's Parish, Ihiala, Nigeria
1982-1982	Intercultural Pastoral Experience, Kenema Diocese, Sierra Leone

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Monographs

Morality Truly Christian, Truly African: Foundational, Methodological and Theological Considerations Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 2014 (396 pages).

Moral Theology in an Age of Renewal: A Study of the Catholic Tradition since Vatican II. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 2003 (412 pages).

Richard A. McCormick and the Renewal of Moral Theology. Notre Dame: Notre Dame University Press, 1995 (254 pages)

Edited Books

Sexuality, Marriage and Family: Readings in the Catholic Tradition. Notre Dame: Notre Dame University Press, 2001 (511 pages).

Africa: Towards Priorities of Mission. Co-edited with E. Uzukwu Enugu: SIST Publications, 2000 (251 pages).

Edited Books (Series Editor)

Seeking Common Grounds: Interreligious Dialogue in Africa (*Collected works of Cardinal John O. Onaiyekan, vol.1)*, Nairobi: Paulines Publications, 2013. Edited with an Introduction by Paulinus Odozor, C.S.Sp.

Scripture, Theology, and The Church Collected works of cardinal John O. Onaiyekan, vol. II), Nairobi: Paulines Publications, 2014.(expected date of publication: Summer 2015). Edited with an Introduction by Paulinus I. odozor, C.S.Sp.

Theology in Context: Inculturation and Evangelization in Africa Collected Works of Cardinal John O. Onaiyekan, Vol. III), Nairobi: Paulines Publications (Summer 2015). Edited with an Introduction by Paulinus I. Odozor, C.S.Sp

In Preparation

"Francis Libermann as Moral Teacher" (Francis Mary Paul Libermann was an Alsatian-Jewish Rabbi who converted to Catholicism and became the founder of the Congregation of the Immaculate heart of Mary which later joined with the Holy Ghost Congregation founded in France in 1703 to become the Congregation of the Holy Ghost under the Patronage of the Immaculate Heart of Mary simply known historically as the Holy Ghost Fathers and Brothers (the Spiritans). Libermann became the twelfth Superior General of the Holy Ghost Congregation. Libermann left a lot of writings to his missionaries and his spiritual protégés. A lot of study has appeared in many languages of his work as scripture scholar, spiritual theologian, and missiologist. In this study, which is at its very early stages, I am looking at the work and teachings of Libermann from the point of view of Catholic moral theology and in comparison with other ethical works of his 19th century period).

ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS:

"The Same-Sex Marriage Debate- Matters Arising" *Concilium* (2016), vol.2, p…

"Vote of Confidence." *The Tablet* (April 11, 2015), p.10-11.

"What is not Sacred? African Spirituality" by Laurenti Magesa, (book Review), *TS* 76 (2) 2015, p.378-379.

"Christology and Moral Theology", *Journal of Moral Theology*, Vol. 2, no.1 (2013): 24-45

"The Second Synod of Bishops for Africa: A Review of Some of the Major Points Discussed," *Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology*, vol.22 (2010), p.87-107.

"An African Moral Theology of Inculturation: Methodological Considerations." *Theological Studies* vol. 69, no.3 (September 2008), pp.583-609

"Liturgy and Life: A Discussion from an African Christian Theological Perspective," *Worship*, vol.82, no.5 (September 2008), pp.413-433.

"Africa's double-edged Inheritance" *The Tablet* (5 July, 2008), pp14-15

"Healthy Vision for Africa," *The Tablet* (26 July, 2008), p.25 (This is a commissioned essay on the 40th anniversary of Humanae Vitae)

"God, Nigeria, and the Church: A Theological Essay on the Church and Politics in Nigeria." *Encounter: Journal of African Life and Religion* (Rome), vol 8 (2008), pp.40-58

"The Challenge of Africa to the Western Conscience: US Bishops and Solidarity with Africa," *Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology*, vol. 17 (2005), p.3-28.

"Classical Moral Theology and the World Church: Some Suggestions on How to Move Forward", *Louvain Studies* vol. 30 , no. 4 (2005), p.276-298

"Emerging African Alternatives to Globalization," *Vidyajoti Journal of Theological Reflection Vol 63, n. 7 (July 1999),* pp. 516-523
--- also published in *Sedos Bulletin vol.32. No.3* (March, 2000), pp. 63-84.

"Tradition, Rationality and Morality," *Nigerian Journal of Theology*, vol. 14, 1998, pp. 20-40.

"Proportionalists and the Reinterpretation of the Principle of Double Effect – A Review Discussion," *Christian Bioethics* Vol. 3, no.2 (1997), pp.115-130

"Globalization and Mission in Africa in the Third Millennium," *Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology*, Vol.9: 1-2. 1997, pp. 3-22.

"Some Thoughts on an African Christian Theology of Marriage," *Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology* 6 (January, 1995), pp.56-71

"Atheism," in *Horizons: A Journal of Theology and Religion* (1983), pp.65-78

"Man and Meaning," in *Colloquium* (published by Bigard Memorial Seminary, Ikot Ekpene) vol. 1.no.1 June 1985, pp.46-60

"Cultural and Religious Stereotypes Militating against Women's Participation in Politics in Nigeria," *Beyond Frontiers* (1997), pp.43-45

CHAPTERS IN REFEREED VOLUMES

"Neither Jew nor Gentile": The Challenge of Ethnicity and Race to Christian Witness in Nigeria: A study and a search for solutions from a Catholic point of View" in *The Catholic Church in Nigeria and the Challenge of Ethic and Sectional Prejudice and Discrimination*, edited by Archbishop Fortunatus Nwachukwu (Forthcoming).

"Theology at the Service of the Church and Human Development" in *Committed to Solidarity* edited by Gabriel Mendy (Enugu: Kingsley Publishers: 2015), p.95-118

"From Theology in Africa to African Theology" in Jesse N.K. Mugambi and Evaristi Magesa, eds, ***Endless Quest: The Vocation of an African Christian Theologian*** - Essays in honour of Laurenti Magesa, : Acton Publishers Nairobi 2014, p. 80-110

"Christian (Catholic) Theological Ethics in Africa: in search of firm Foundations", in *In the Service of Charity and Truth: Essays in Honor of Lucius Ugorji*. Eds. Uzochukwu J. Njoku and Simon O. Anyanwu (Frankfurt/New York: Peter Lang, 2012), p.35-52

"A Theology of Gratuitousness" in *The Moral Dynamics of Economic Life: An extension and critique of Caritas in Veritate*, ed., Daniel K. Finn (Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 2012), p.28-31.

Africa and the challenge of 'Foreign' religious/ethical 'ideologies', 'viruses' and 'pathologies'" in *Reconciliation, Justice and Peace: The Second African Synod*, ed., Agbonkhianmeghe E. Orobator, (Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis books, 2011), p.214-225

"Truly Africa, and Wealthy: What Africa can Learn from Catholic Social Teaching about Sustainable Economic Prosperity" in *The true Wealth of Nations: Catholic Social Thought and Economic Life*, edited by Daniel Finn (Oxford University Press, 2010), pp.267-288.
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"African Catholics in the United States: Gifts and Challenges," in *Uncommon Faithfulness: The Witness of African American Catholics*, ed. Shawn Copeland et al (Maryknoll, N.Y: Orbis books, 2009), pp.195-204

"Casuistry and AIDS: A Reflection on the Catholic Tradition," in *Catholic Ethicists on HIV/AIDS Prevention*, eds. James F. Keenan, S.J, with Jon D. Fuller., S,J., M.D, Lisa Sowle Cahill and Kevin Kelly. New York/London: Continuum, 2000, pp.294-302.
1.
"How Can the Gospel Be Heard in the Secular Culture of Africa's Cities?" in *The Gospel as Good News For African Cultures: A Symposium on the Dialogue Between Faith and Culture*, ed. Juvenalis Baitu. Nairobi: Catholic University of Eastern Africa Publications, 1999, pp.63-84.

OTHER ESSAYS AND ARTICLES

The Church in Africa: What is the Spirit Asking?" *Spiritan* (Spring 2010), vol.34.1, p.16-18

"Shaped by the Good News in the Liturgy", part 1.
http://blogs.nd.edu/oblation/2012/01/18/shaped-by-the-good-news-in-the-liturgy/

Shaped by the Good News in the Liturgy", part 2;
http://blogs.nd.edu/oblation/2012/01/19/shaped-by-the-good-news-in-the-liturgy-part-ii/

Shaped by the Good News in the Liturgy", part 3;
http://blogs.nd.edu/oblation/2012/01/23/shaped-by-the-good-news-in-the-liturgy-part-iii/

"The Making of the Nigerian Constitution," *The Educator***,** University of Nigeria, Nsukka, 1979

Human Rights and the New Nigerian Constitution," *The Educator (November/December, 1980)*

"The Psalms: Prayer For Christians?" *The Nigerian Statesman*, July 19, 1983, pp.4-7.

"Pope John Paul II and Non-violence," *Weekly Star (Nigeria)*, May 23, 1982, pp. 13-14

"Identity and Relevance: Problems for Present-Day Christianity", *The Torch*, no.73 (December 1982-March 1983), p.31-32.

"Solidarity with Africa: Implications for ministries and services', posted on the web at http://www.usccb.org/mrs/pcmr/solidarity1.shtml.

"Jewish – Christian Dialogue in Africa." See http://www.nd.edu/~msigner/2005_spring/documents/JewishChristiandialogue3.pdf

SOME REVIEWS OF MY BOOKS

Morality Truly Christian Truly African: Foundational, Methodological and Theological Considerations. University of Notre Dame Press, 2014

Reviewed in:

Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology
Choice
Theological Studies
New Theology Review

Moral Theology in an Age of Renewal: A Study of the Catholic Tradition since Vatican II. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 2003

Reviewed in:

The Heythrop Journal vol 48 Issue 1, January 2007

Ethica: Wissenchaft und verantwortung, vol 13, no. 3 (2005), pp. 293-302 (**This is an extended study of my work and that of James Keenan and James Bretzke) Title: "Fundamental Moral, 40 Jahre nach den II. Vatikanum: Zu neueren Studien aus den USA**

The *Journal of Theological Studies,* vol 55, issue 2, October 2004
The Interdisciplinary Journal of Pastoral Studies, Issue 143, September 2004
Journal of Markets and Morality, vol. 7, no. 2(Fall 2004)
Religious Studies Review, vol. 30, no 2,3/ April, July 2004
Catholic Library World, vol 74, no.3, March 2004
Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly, vol 27, no.4, Winter, 2004
America, vol. 189 no.18, December 1, 2003.
Pro Ecclesia Vol. XIII, no.2
Theology Digest
Theological Studies 66 (March 2005), p.210-212
Studia Moralia vol.44 (2006), p.289-291.

Richard A. McCormick and the Renewal of Moral Theology. Notre Dame: Notre Dame University Press, 1995 (254 pages).

Reviewed in:
***Toronto** Journal of Theology,* 13/2, 1997
Religious Studies Review, Vol 23 no. 2/April 1997
Theological Studies, vol 57, Issue 3, 1996
New Theology Review, vol 9, no. 3, August , 1996
America, December 2, 1995
National Catholic Reporter, November 17, 1995
Bulletin of Ecumenical Theology

iii) *Sexuality, Marriage and Family: Readings in the Catholic Tradition*. Notre Dame: Notre Dame University Press, 2001

Reviewed in:
INTAMS reviews 9 (2003)
Josephinum Journal of Theology, vol. 9. no.2 Summer/Fall 2002

INVITED LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS /ADDRESSES: (OUTSIDE NOTRE DAME)

"Some Important Issues in Christian/Muslim dialogue in Nigeria" , concept paper presented at the **Forum on the Role of Religion in Social Transformation in Sub-Saharan Africa,** held at Pope John Paul II Pastoral and Social Centre, Abuja, December 17, 2015 and organized by the Kukah Centre for Faith and Public Policy in conjunction with the Centre for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology, DePaul University, Chicago, IL, USA .

"Can There Really be an African Christian Ethics?" (Paper Presented at the International Colloquium on the Future of Catholicism in Africa 50 years after Vatican II organized by the Centre for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology, DePaul University, Chicago, IL, USA and Spiritan International School of Theology, Enugu, Nigeria, held in Abuja and Enugu, Nigeria, December 18-20, 2015.

"Neither Jew nor Gentile": The Challenge of Ethnicity and Race to Christian Witness in Nigeria: A study and a search for solutions from a Catholic point of View." Paper Presented at The First Aquaviva Conference on The Catholic Church in Nigeria and the Challenge of Ethnic and Sectional Prejudice and Discrimination. Organized by the Fortune Aquaviva Foundation in Collaboration with The Kukah Centre, Abuja Nigeria, July 8-9, 2015

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"Catholicism Among the Igbo in the USA in the New Era of Evangelization- Matters Arising."(Keynote Presentation at the Annual Convention of Igbo Catholics USA , (ICUSA)Brooklyn, New York, USA, April 25, 2015.

"Theology at the Service of the Church and Human Development"**. (**Invited paper delivered on May 11, 2012 at the SIST Convocation 2012 to mark the Jubilee celebrations marking the foundation of the institute).

"Evangelizing Locally and Globally: Upholding Christian Moral Standards" Invited presentation at the Symposium on New Evangelization at Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria, November 8, 2012, to mark the centenary celebration of the founding of the Catholic Church in the Owerri Ecclesiastical Region of Nigeria.

"From Theology in Africa to African Theology (historical notes): the impact of Vatican II on a new generation of African Theologians and on African theology in General". Invited presentation at the symposium at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA to celebrate 50 years of Vatican II, September 28, 2012

"The politics and ethics of Health Care in the United States: Taking a look at the debate on the "contraceptive mandate from the point of view of the Catholic moral theological

tradition." (Invited presentation to the Frassati youth conference on : "Freedom: Spiritual and Political" at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, church, Carmel IN, July 22, 2012.

"Africa and the challenge of "foreign" religious/ethical "ideologies", "viruses "and "pathologies" (Invited Presentation at Hekima College, Nairobi, at a follow-up convention on the synod of Africa organized by Hekima College (The Jesuit Theological Faculty in Nairobi) and Orbis books, New York, **March 16-**March 20, 2010: **Nairobi, Kenya**.

"Catholic Women Theologians on the HIV/AIDS pandemic." A review discussion of *Calling for Justice throughout the World: Catholic Woman Theologians on the HIV/AIDS Pandemic***,** edited by Mary Jo Iozzio (with Mary M. Doyle Roche and Elsie M. Miranda (June 10-13: Cleveland, OH**:** The Annual Convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America).

"Fuelling our faith as we reclaim our faithful" (Made a series of presentations on this theme as director at the annual retreat organized by the Office of lay catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Chicago Techny Illinois: July 30- August 1 2010

"The Synod in Review: A Synopsis of the Major Points of the 2nd Synod on Africa"(A paper delivered at the 11th convention of ACCCRUS (African Conference of Catholic Clergy and Religious in the United States). South Bend: August 4-8, 2010). Also, delivered the welcome address as president of the hosting chapter on "African Missionary presence in the US today: Issues, Challenges and Prospects."

"*Caritas in Veritate* and the Economics and Ethics of Gratuitousness A Reflection on the American Situation by an African "Alien" Resident in the United States of America" **(** Invited presentation at the conference on "*Caritas in Veritate* and the United States," co-sponsored by the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies and the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace. Rome: October 14-16, 2010)

"Truly Africa and Wealthy!: What Africa can Learn from Catholic Social Teaching about Sustainable Economic Prosperity." (Invited Presentation at the Conference on The true Wealth of Nations: Developing an Architecture for Analysis, organized by the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies at the University of Southern California), June 18-22, 2008.

"God, Nigeria, and the Church: A theological Essay on the Church and Politics in Nigeria" (This is a major address I was invited to give as part of the celebrations to mark the 25th anniversary of the Episcopal ordination of His Excellency, Most Reverend John O. Onaiyekan, Metropolitan Archbishop of Abuja, Nigeria.), Tuesday, January 29, 2008

"Paths of Peace: Islam, Christianity, and African Traditional Religions in Dialogue" (Invited lecture at the conference on Dialogue of Cultures organized by the Notre Dame Centre for Ethics and Culture), November 29-December 1, 2007.

"The Future of Catholic Moral discourse" (Presentation to the group New Wine, New Wineskins" during their annual convention, July 29, 2006. My book, *Moral Theology in an Age of Renewal* was chosen as the work for discussion this year. I was therefore invited to make a presentation to the group as my contribution to the discussion.

"Mending Broken Fences: The Challenge of Solidarity Between Africans and African Americas (2005 Augustus Tolton Lecture presented at Catholic Theological Union, Chicago under the auspices of the Augustus Tolton Pastoral Ministry program and the office of the President, CTU, Chicago), March 3, 2005.

The Marital Sacrament: Issues, Challenges and Lessons from Africa." The Keynote Presentation at the conference on Christian Marriage and Family**,** St Louis University, St Louis Missouri, November 19, 200
"Religious/Priestly Formation in Nigeria: A reflection on the task ahead as we prepare to enter the Third Millennium." A paper presented to the Regional meeting of the Carmelite Missionaries in Enugu, January 12, 1999.

Reconciliation as Evangelization: A Reflection on Nigeria." A paper presented at a meeting of the Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria held at the Daughters of Divine Love Retreat and Conference Center, Emene, Enugu, Nigeria, March 11-14, 1999

"How can the Gospel be heard in the Secular cultures of Africa's Cities?" Invited paper read at the Conference on Faith and Culture organized by the Pontifical Council for Culture, Vatican City in Nairobi, Kenya, February 11-18, 1998

"Emerging African Alternatives to Globalization." Invited paper presented at a conference on globalization and the victims of history, organized in Delhi, India, by Missio-Achen, Germany in collaboration with the Vidjajyoti Jesuit School of Theology, Delhi, India, January, 26- February 1, 1998

"A Moral Evaluation of Technology and its effects on Human Relations." Lecture presented to the Faculty and Students of Claretian Institute of Philosophy, Nekede, Nigeria, March 3, 1995

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AT NOTRE DAME

"*Agwa Bu Mma*: Beauty and Virtue in an African Community" (Paper Presented at the Conference on ***Finding Beauty in the Other****- Inaugural World Religions, World Church Conference, Department of Theology, University of Notre Dame, September 10-12, 2015*

"The Catholic Church and the HIV/AIDS Pandemic: A Theological Discussion." (Paper Presented at Notre Dame at the invitation of ND student government to mark World AIDS DAY 2005, November 30, 2005

The American Bishops' text on Solidarity with Africa: Implications for international ecclesial and political engagement with Africa. Address to the planning committee for the conference on solidarity with Africa, Notre Dame, October 17, 2002

A Call to Solidarity with Africa: US Bishops on the challenge of Africa to (the Western) Christian Conscience – A Review Discussion. Address to the Board of the Institute for Church Life (ICL), Notre Dame, 2003

CONFERENCE LECTURES

"Aquinas in Africa: What African moral Theology can learn from the Angelic Doctor concerning method in Christian Ethics," Society of Christian Ethics, New Orleans, January, 2011.

Theological challenges to Inculturation of Moral Theology in Africa". Convention of World-wide Catholic Ethicists, Padova, Italy, July 9, 2006

"Liturgy and Spirituality from a Global Perspective". Invited presentation at the Conference on Liturgy and Spirituality, University of Notre Dame, June 20, 2006

"Postmodernity and The Subject in African Christian theologies". Catholic Theological Society of America Convention, San Antonio Texas, June 10, 2006

Invited presentation on "Catholic Theological Perspectives on Female Sexuality & Violence against Women" as part of the discussion following the performance of *The Vagina Monologues* at Notre Dame, *February* 14, 2006.

African Catholics in the United States: Gifts and Challenges." Invited paper presented at the conference on "Uncommon Faithfulness: The Witness of African American Catholics," (University of Notre Dame, March 11-14, 2004).

"Solidarity with Africa: Implications for ministries and services." Paper presented at the Conference on Migration Sponsored by the USCCB office of the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Refugees, Washington, D.C. at Omni Center, July 8, 2003.

"Preaching the Gospel of Life in a Milieu of Death." Paper Read at the Culture of Life Conference, University of Notre Dame, November 29-December 2, 2001.

"Marriage, Truly African, Truly Christian?" SIST Annual Theological Symposium, November, 2-5, 1995.

"Moral Good for the Life of the Church and the World: Reflections on the Third Chapter of *Veritatis Splendor*," Invited paper presented at the "Theology week" of Catholic Institute of West Africa, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, May 9-11, 1994

"The Wider Ecumenism: Muslim/Christian Relations in Nigeria." Presented at Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing, Ihiala, May, 1986.

"After the Euphoria: The Church in Eastern Nigeria in the year 2050." A paper presented to the men and women religious in Onitsha Archdiocese at a seminar for the centenary celebrations of the Church in Eastern Nigeria, August, 1985

"The Challenge of Atheism in Africa Today," Paper Presented at Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu, under the auspices of Bigard Theological Coterie, April 1982.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Notre Dame: Undergraduate

Theology of Marriage
Introduction to Christian Ethics
Theology University Seminar
Introduction to Theology
Veritatis Splendor
The Popes on Morality (Fall Semester, 2010)
African Literature and the Moral Imagination (spring, 2014).

University of Notre Dame: **Graduate**

Foundations of Christian Ethics
Christian Ethics and Pastoral Practice
African Christian Theologies
Modern Catholic Moral Theology

Spiritan International School of Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria: Undergraduate

Ethical Problems of Life and Death
The Popes on Social Justice
Human Sexuality and Christian Marriage
Fundamental Moral Theology

Spiritan International School of Theology: Graduate

Moral Theology since Vatican II
Philosophical Texts as Background to Christian Ethics

St. Augustine's Seminary, University of Toronto: Graduate

Fundamental Moral Theology
The Popes on Social Justice
Human Sexuality and Christian Marriage

Institute for Black Catholic Studies, Xavier University of New Orleans (Summer Program): Graduate

Moral Issues in the Black community

Summer Institute: Catholic Archdiocese of Abuja Nigeria, June/July 2014

(1) **(For the Priests and Religious of the Archdiocese): Sex, Sexuality and Marriage: Some Theological,** Pastoral and Ethical Issues
(2) **For Laity in the Archdiocese: Thinking theologically and Ethically about the Teaching of the Catholic Church on Family, Sex and marriage**

SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Foundational Issues in Moral Theology/Christian ethics
History of Moral Theology
Questions in Fundamental Theology
African Christian theology Contextual theological issues, including questions relating to inculturation, Theology and society
Inter –Religious Dialogue
The Moral Dimension of African literatures

SERVICE

University of Notre Dame

Academic

Member: Faculty Senate (2011-2013; Secretary of the Faculty 2012-2013).

Member: Ad hoc committee on theology, religion and dialogue in the world church (2005)

Coordinator: The Africa Scholarship Initiative, Theology Department: 2007-

Member: Master of Theological Studies Committee (2006-)

Member: M. Div Committee (2004/2005)

Faculty Advisor: African Students Association, Notre Dame (2006-)

Member: Provost's Committee on Africa (2007-2009).

Lead Organizer 2002-2004: Played pivotal role along with Professor John Cavadini and others in organizing at/for University of Notre Dame series of Conferences centered around the pastoral letter of the United States Bishops on a *Call to Solidarity with Africa*. The Conferences were held both at Notre Dame. September 23-26 and in Nigeria, January 3,-12, 2004.

Doctoral Dissertation work
Have served or am serving on four doctoral dissertation committees and have participated in four candidacy examinations
Senior Theses Advising work.
Have worked as adviser on three senior theses; taken part in a quite a few MTS comprehensive examination boards.

Spiritan International School of Theology,
Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria

Academic

2005 to date	**President**, Governing Council, Spiritan International School Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria.
1994-1999	**Academic Dean,** Spiritan International School Theology, Attakwu, Enugu, Nigeria.
1994-1999	**Secretary,** Governing Council, Spiritan International School of Theology, Attakwu, and Enugu.
1993-1994	**Registrar,** Spiritan International School of Theology, Attakwu, Enugu.

Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu, Nigeria

1982-1984 **Founding Editor**, *Horizons* (now *Bigard Studies*) a Journal of Religion and Theology, Bigard Memorial Seminary, Enugu, Nigeria.

Holy Ghost Juniorate, Ihiala, Nigeria

1985-1987 **Dean of Studies**, Holy Ghost Juniorate, Ihiala, Nigeria, 1985-1987

SERVICE TO THE LARGER ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

2013-2015 Elected to the **Board of Directors** of the Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA)

2006-2008 **External Examiner** for doctoral theses (Faculté des etudes Supérieures, Université de Montréal, Canada, 2006

2006- Manuscript evaluator, Scranton University Press, 2006

2005-2009 **Member**, Grievances Committee, Society of Christian Ethics.

2001- Article referee for *Theological Studies.*

1996- Article referee for *Toronto Journal of Theology*.

1995-1998 **Membe**r- Board of Directors and **Chairman,** Research and Publications Committee, Catholic Theological Association of Nigeria.

SOME OTHER ECCLESIAL SERVICES

1998 Member, Lineamenta/Planning Committee, Catholic Bishop's Conference of Nigeria for the Nigerian Synod, 2002

1986-1987 Member (Representing the ordination classes, 1980-1985), Onitsha Archdiocesan Presbyteral Council

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Catholic Theological Society of America
Catholic Theological Association of Nigeria
Canadian Theological Society
Society of Christian Ethics
Black Catholic Theological Symposium (USA).
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