SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, ABUJA CENTRAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2017

1.0 BACKGROUND

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) is a worldwide movement fulfilling uniquely one of the principal apostolates of the church. It was founded in France by Blessed Frederick Ozanam in 1833 and extended to Nigeria in 1960.

The Society seeks before everything else the personal sanctification of its members, which bears fruit in acts of justice and charity towards the poor.

A conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was first established in Abuja at Our Lady Queen of Nigeria, Garki in February 1984. This was followed by Holy Rosary Conference, Wuse in 1986, St Paul's Conference, Gwagwalada in 1987 and then the Holy Trinity Conference, Maitama in August 1995. Today, the Society has spread to many parishes in the FCT.

The Abuja Central Council is the Archdiocesan body of the Society which supervises and coordinates the activities of the Conferences within the Federal Capital Territory. The Council was established in 1993 through the efforts of Vincentians such as Bro. Vincent Duru, Sis. Margaret Egenti, Bro. Amajironwu, Sir. Peter Aliu, Sis. Ugbodaga, Sis. Oguleye and Sis. Jumai Kwanashie amongst others.

2.0 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The aims and objectives of the Council lies squarely on charity to the needy; to seek and find those who are forgotten or neglected; to bring Christ's love to those suffering or deprived and comfort those troubled or in distress; to provide food, shelter and clothing to those in need; to render medical assistance to those who are sick; bring succor to those who are in prison and assist in the spiritual growth of those we serve.

3.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETING

The Council holds her meetings quarterly and usually on the 2nd Saturday of the month in a particular quarter slated for the meeting. The meeting rotates round all Conferences within the Council to allow for greater and active participation of Conferences and promote cordial relationship between the Council and Conferences as well as fraternity among members.

4.0 MEMBERSHIP

The Abuja Central Council is populated by over 1000 members from all walks of life across the Federal Capital Territory; helping to change the lives of people in need.

4.1. The Board Members

Following the expiration of the tenure of the Council President in 2017, a new President, **Sis. Joy Ohiagu**, was elected on the 11th November, 2017. She then appointed the following executive

members in addition to the permanent and higher Council board members to assist in overseeing the Council.

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			International Territorial VP	
			for Africa 1	
3.	Augustine Inoh	08027107002	Special Projects	augustineinoh@yahoo.co.uk
			Coordinator, Africa 1	
4.	Vincent Duru		Patron Council Patron	
5.	C.I Amajirionwu	08061159543	Central Council Patron	
6.	G. O. Omiko	08023109867	Central Council Patron	
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13.	Anaedobe Ugochukwu	08069058107	CC Secretary	vitalisugo@yahoo.com
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25.	Sylvester Odogwu	08038804804	Special Board Member	silveodogwu@gmail.com
26.	Jummai Kwanashie		Special Board Member	
27.	Obiageli Adoro	08036357494	Special Board Member	obbyngo3@gmail.com
28.	Kolo Audu	08034517650	Youth Supervisor	
29.	Fidelis Akomaye	08069258134	Youth Coordinator	fidelis.akomaye@yahoo.com
30.	Patrick Ebhojie (Jnr.)	08059217395	Asst. Youth Coordinator	

4.2. Conferences in Abuja Central Council:

i. Inaugurated Conferences:

These are conferences that have been well established and have at least 7 members. They are deemed matured and experienced in carrying out the activities of rendering assistance to the poor within the confines of the rules of the Society. These conferences and their status are listed overleaf:

Inaugurated Conferences in Abuja Central Council

S/No	NAME OF CONFERENCE	MEMBERSHIP	DATE OF	DATE FOUNDED	CGI REG
1	Our Lady Overs of Nissuis Cauli	STRENGTH	AGGREGATION	1004/03/00	NUMBER
2	Our Lady Queen of Nigeria, Garki	64 45	03-06-96	1984/02/00	
	Holy Trinity, Maitama		20-04-98	1995/07/00	
3	Holy Family, Life Camp	47	03-07-01	1989	
4	Holy Rosary, Wuse		03-06-96		F0077
5	Church of Assumption, Asokoro	F2	17-06-12	2000	59977
6	Christ the King, Kubwa	53	20-04-98	20-07-97	F0003
7	Holy Cross, Gwarimpa	41	17-06-12	14-08-05	59983
8	St. Luke, Kubwa		17-06-12	20-03-00	59981
9	Cathedral of 12 Apostles		17-06-12	2004	59978
10	St. Mary, Karu	31	30-06-04	01-03-98	54425
11	St. Martins Lugbe		23-12-14		60948
12	SS Peter & Paul, Nyanya	22	03-07-01	16-09-94	
13	St. Kevin Jikwoyi	21	30-06-04	2002/01/00	54426
14	St. Donald Karu	28	30-06-04	08-02-02	54427
15	Guardian Angel Police Chaplaincy Lugbe	21	Applied		
16	St. JohnMary Vianney, Kubwa	20	Applied		
17	St. Agnes Wuye	19	Applied		
18	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Galadimma	18	Applied		
19	St. Charles Lwanga, Apo		Applied		
20	St. Christopher Games Village		Applied		
21	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Sabon Lugbe	32	17-06-12	14-09-03	59975
22	Sacred Heart, Gwagwalada	14	03-07-01	04-05-97	
23	St. Kizito Kuje		17-06-12	1998	59974
24	St. Monica Byazhin	19	Applied		
25	St. Theresa, Bwari	19	17-06-12	2009/09	59984
26	St. Jude, Zuba		17-06-12	11-10-09	59979
27	St. Patrick, Karshi	9	Applied		
28	St. Joseph Gwagwga/Jiwa		20-04-98	21-01-96	
29	All Saints, Dutse		17-06-12	2008	59976
30	St. John Paul, Kubwa	16	Applied		
31	Holy Ghost, Saburi		17-06-12	07-08-11	59982
32	St. Linus Chika	8	Applied		
33	St. Anthony Kabusa	15	Applied		
34	St. Mathew Karmo		03-06-96	19-07-92	
35	Church of Archangel Gaduwa/Durunmi		Applied		
36	Arch Angel Raphael Garki	14	Applied		
37	St. John De Baptist Mpape	15	Applied		
38	CKC Kurudu	18	Applied		
39	St. Paul Gwagwalada	12	11-07-94	29-01-87	
40	St. John Tugan Maji	17	Applied		
41	Sacred Heart Airport	11			
42	St. Benedict Efab Estate Lokogoma	24	Applied		
43	St. Augustine Dutse Sagbayi				
44	St. Rita Dakwo		Applied		
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45	Church of Annunciation Arab Road Kubwa		Applied	
46	St Joseph Zone 7, Lugbe	13	Applied	
47	Our Lady Queen of Peace, Utako	20		
	TOTAL:	706		

ii. Un Inaugurated Conferences:

In addition to the Conferences listed above, the Council also has some Conferences undergoing tutelage and awaiting inauguration once confirmed ripe for such by their parent conference. These conferences include:

The Un Inaugurated Conferences

S/NO.	CONFERENCE NAME	MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH
1	Police Chaplaincy Quasi-Parish, Maitama	
2	SSVP, Church of Annunciation Quasi-Parish, Gishiri.	19
3	St. Fabian Mbora, Life Camp	
4	St. Anthony, Jabi	
5	St Edwin Kubwa	
6	St Ignatius of Antioch	12
7	St. Monica Sauka	
8	St. Mary Tudun Wada	
9	St Pius X Gbagalape	19
10	St. Augustine Angwandadi	9
11	Archangels Police Chapel Nyanya	10
12	St. Joseph Kugbo	
13	St. Ephraim, Jikwoyi	8
14	St. Gabriel Conference Karu	
15	St. Michael, Piwoyi.	
16	St. John Mary Vianney- Trademore Estate	
17	Holy Cross, Apo	
18	St. Augustine Sun City Estate	
19	Holy Family, Gosa Centre	10
20	St. Catherine Giri	6
21	St. Peter Abaji	14
22	St. Dominic Kwali	
23	St. Anthony Pasali Kuje	
24	Holy Spirit Byazhin	
25	St. Michael Sabon Gari	
26	Seat of Wisdom, Law School	
27	St. Mathew, Ushafa.	
28	St. Gabriel, Kuduru-Bwari	
29	St Donatus Sokale	
30	St. James Dawaki	
31	Church of Annunciation Saburi	
32	Our Lady of Fatima Kalmajigi	
33	St. Francis Galadimawa	
34	St. John Conference, Ketti	
35	St. Mathew Police Chap., Gwagwa Karmo	

36	St. Philip, Old Karmo	
37	St. Peter Claver Mini Campus	5
38	Mater-Dei Gwagwalada	
39	St. Luke, Uni Abuja	10
40	St. Peter, Damangaza / St Peter Dogongada	
	TOTAL:	122

5.0 GROWTH

During the period under review, the Council inaugurated Our Lady Queen of Peace Conference, Utako in addition to over 30 newly established conferences undergoing tutelage.

6.0 MAJOR PROJECTS

i. Ozanam House:

The Councils Ozanam House project is still on course. Council is looking at every means to overcome the challenges being faced on the project. The Council has been contributing N1,000,000 yearly to Ozanam Project account to shore up the account to a meaningful level that will enable a tangible activity on the site. The title papers of the land are currently being perfected and Council plans to commence fencing of the site in April this year.

ii. Web Site Development:

The Council in its bid to have a veritable platform to showcase the activities of the Council to the world has embarked on website development. The site will serve as a repository of information on Abuja Central Council. It is within the plans of the Council for the website to be uploaded and come alive in the next two months.

7.0 PROGRAMMES OF THE YEAR:

During the course of the year, the Central Council carried out and also participated in lots of activities as detailed hereunder.

7.1 Conference Inauguration and Awareness Campaign:

The Council as usual continued in carrying out its primary duties of coordinating and supervising the activities and performances of Conferences.

During the course of the year, Our Lady Queen of Peace Conference, Utako was inaugurated and this also involved an awareness campaign at the parish.

Some conferences that were inactive were reactivated through visits and discussions, awareness campaign and membership drive in the respective parishes.

7.2 Food Sharing:

As a usual practice, food sharing during the Easter and Christmas periods was organized to happen simultaneously across all conferences on the same day and at the same time.

7.3 The 400th Anniversary of the Birth of the Vincentian Charism

The Vincentian family in Abuja came together to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the birth of the Vincentian Charism. The Council, as usual, played a leading role which ensured not only to the success of the celebration but also that the Vincentian family fraternity is intact and strengthened. This particularly was notable as the planning committee was headed by the National Patron and International Territorial Vice President for Africa 1, Sir. Patrick Ebhojie, and also the committee was mainly populated by the members of the Abuja Central Council amongst others drawn from the other arms of the Vincentian family.

The Celebration was a global initiative of the Vincentian Family recalling the event of 1617 which has changed the world for the last 400 years. An event at which St. Vincent de Paul's call to action on his congregation and the overwhelming response saved a poor family that had taken seriously ill and in need of food and comfort. This resulted in the great realization by Vincent that for charity to be effective it must be properly organized.

The anniversary which had as its theme "I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." was a 2-day event held from the $7^{th} - 8^{th}$ October, 2017 and featured activities such as talks, Visitation to Hospital, Mass by His Eminence, John Cardinal Onaiyekan and culminated with the feast celebration at the Church's Hall.

7.4 Council's Election:

Consequent upon the new directive from the Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria, that leadership of the Societies in the Church revert to a single term of 4 years as against the 3-year tenure which is renewable after the first term, the immediate past president, Bro. Chibuzor Ezeani, who has served for 3 years stepped aside for a new leadership which will serve the Society for a single term of 4 years.

The National Patron, Sir. P. Ebhojie conducted the election, as directed by the Metro President, Sir. James Akor, in line with the rules of the Society. The election was very successful with Sis. Joy Ohiagu emerging as the new president of the Council.

7.5 Participation at the Metropolitan Council Meeting:

The Council participated actively in the Metro Council meeting which held from the 10th through 12th February, 2017 at St. John's Cathedral, Gboko. The Council was represented by selected members of the board. The Central Council submitted her annual report and paid her dues and levies at the meeting.

7.6 Participation at the National AGM:

The Council also actively participated at the 39th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the International Confederation of the Society of Saint Vincent De Paul, (ICSSVP) Nigeria which held from 27th to 30th April, 2017 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, Auchi, Edo State.

The theme of the AGM was "Economic Recession: The Challenges Before the Society of Saint Vincent De Paul (SSVP) In Nigeria"

7.7 Equipment Purchase and Creation of Social Media Platforms:

To effectively enhance the training of members and the dissemination of information, the Council purchased office and training equipment such as Cabinet and box files for office use as well as a public-address system, projector, projector screen and laser pointer for training programmes. The Council also created E-mail, SMS Accounts and WhatsApp platforms for effective dissemination of information.

7.8 Financial Account:

It has been the policy of the Council to maintain strict accountability and as such ensured the timely preparation of her annual accounts and submission of same to Cardinal and the Spiritual Adviser after presentation to the Council and forwarding to all conferences.

7.9 Monitoring Teams

The Council in its bid to have an effective and constant supervision of conferences set up a conference monitoring committee. This committee is made up of 5 groups covering different zones within the Council. The Zones include: Lugbe/Gwagwalada Zone, Garki, Karu, Kubwa and Life Camp. The Monitoring group was tasked to:

- i. Revive dysfunctional conferences and conferences whose operations are not consistent with our rules and ethics.
- ii. Visit conferences, guide and proffer solutions to their challenges.
- iii. Liaise with mother conferences of uninaugurated conferences.
- iv. Visit conferences in their jurisdiction.
- v. Try to establish the society in parishes where they are not existing in their jurisdiction.
- vi. Encourage conference interaction within their jurisdiction.
- vii. Encourage conference to utilize the internal twinning process.
- viii. Submit report of activity at every Central Council meeting.

The monitoring teams have been very effective and have brought a lot of improvement in the activities of conferences within their zones.

7.10 Submission of Quarterly Reports:

In order to ensure accountability within the conferences, the Council mandated all conferences to be submitting their financial reports quarterly. This has enabled the Council to ensure that the Conferences are keeping the records of their finances as expected using

their annual report booklet. They are also encouraged to submit these reports to their parish priests.

7.11 Zonal Visitations to Institutions:

In order to maintain a closer collaboration of conferences within the zones, the Council introduced the Zonal visitations to institutions within their respective areas. Conferences within a Zone come together and carry out visitation to any institution (Orphanages, IDP Camps, Prisons etc.) of their choice. It also provides an opportunity for conferences unable to embark on visitation due to paucity of funds to do so.

7.12 Training:

The Abuja Central Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Nigeria in its bid to equip members with the wherewithal to face challenges encountered in the course of carrying out its duties to their masters (the poor and the needy) and also to understand the rules and regulations of the Society in order to take the Society to greater heights organizes training for its member's bi annually.

However, due to circumstances beyond its control, the Council was unable to have 2 training sessions within the year under review.

The only training within the year took place at Holy Rosary Conference, Wuse was on the 19th August, 2017. In attendance at the training were over 200 Vincentians from 51 conferences in Abuja Central Council.

Vincentians were trained on topics such as "Vincentian Faith and Patience in Handling Clients" and "Comprehensive Annual Reporting and Packaging" handled by Rev. (Barr.) Victor Nyoroh, CM and Sis. Joy Ohiagu, respectively.

The Comprehensive Annual Report Packaging centered largely on the proper book keeping and effective utilization of Uniform Account Record Booklet and also put into consideration the recent amendments introduced by the National Council.

7.13 Youth Wing:

Within the year under review, tremendous encouragement, guidance and support was given to the youth by the administration knowing full well that the youth are the leaders of tomorrow. This enabled them participate and host youth rallies, carry out training and visitations to the needy.

7.14 Hosting of Metro Youth Rally:

The Council's youth successfully hosted and participated in the Metro Youth Rally which had as its theme: "Repositioning the Vincentian Youth for a more effective service to the poor in our society", and took place from the 4th – 6th August, 2017 at SS Simon and Jude Minor Seminary, Kuje, Abuja.

Delegates from Abuja, Gboko, Lafia, Idah, Lokoja, Makurdi and Otukpo Central Councils were present except Kastina Ala Central Council. The rally featured talks, debates, visitations and cutting of the Unity Cake.

8.0 MAJOR CHALLENGES:

One of the greatest challenges being faced by Abuja Central Council is the development of the Ozanam House. Council is looking for ways and means to sort out the challenge of access to the site and is equally raising fund to kick start the project.

Furthermore, the need to maintain accurate record keeping by conferences is a challenge the Council has decided to tackle headlong. Council believes that maintaining good and accurate book keeping will uplift the image of the Society and as well build the confidence of the benefactors, priests and lay faithful on the Society, who contribute financially to the work of the Society in catering for the poor and needy.

9.0 INSTITUTION, AGGREGATION AND TWINNING

Abuja Central Council was instituted on 3rd July, 2001. In pursuit of meeting with the stipulated criteria and operating strictly in consonance with the set objectives of the Society, the Council ensured that over twenty (20) non-aggregated conferences fill out the aggregation forms and had been submitted to the National Council.

However, twenty-four (24) conferences in the Council had been aggregated and the Council hopes to receive a substantial number of aggregation certificates for her conferences this year. Additionally, the Council has been making serious efforts in training conferences to understand the meaning, modalities and benefits of twinning.

Council is still operating her Internal twinning arrangement which was introduced as part of the efforts to make conferences understand the twinning practice and procedures enables conferences twinned together to interact for cross fertilization of ideas, financial assistance and mutual collaboration in resource sharing.

It is hoped that very soon, Conferences will fully understand the modalities and benefits and take advantage of it.

10.0 WAYS OF COOPERATION

There is the need for greater cooperation between the Conferences and the Council. This was achieved though rotational meetings of the Council between the Conferences and regular visits of the Council to the Conferences. Since all Conferences are working towards achieving the same goals of the Society, many conferences with more resources had been of great support to those with less resources to enable them take care of the needy in their environments.

Also, the Council introduced conference monitoring which enables closer interaction between the Council and conferences.

11.0 WAYS HIGHER COUNCIL CAN ASSIST LOWER COUNCIL

While lower Councils perform their financial obligations to higher Council, higher Council should in turn give moral support to the lower Councils; advising them in the face of challenges and open up constant channel of communications for smooth flow of information. Higher Councils should also as much as possible consult the lower Councils when matters such as levies are planned to be introduced.

There is also the need for the higher Council to conduct trainings for the lower Council especially on the effective annual report writing so as to ensure a uniform understanding of the income and expenditure heads as well as the statistical part of the report.

12.0 SOURCES OF FUNDS:

The Council derives fund from the following sources:

- 1. Levies
- 2. Alms Box Collection
- 3. Secret Bag Collection
- 4. Donations from Benefactors
- 5. Anonymous Donations
- 6. Donations from Members
- 7. Annual Dues
- 8. Publications

13.0 PUBLICATIONS:

The Council constantly made publications in the Society's Annual Magazine produced by the National Council. Equally of note is the Uniform Annual Report for Conferences which was newly published and introduced for use in the Council.

14.0 FINANCIAL & STATISTICAL REPORT

14.1 **INCOME**

		AMOUNT(₩)	AMOUNT(₩)
S/No.	INCOME	2016	2017
1	Amount B/F	14,995,667.74	9,836,891.91
2	SBC	3,079,311.00	2,012,598.00
3	Alms Box Collection	40,168,655.98	34,038,421.75
4	Grants from Higher Council	1,304,925.00	432,000.00
5	Church Collections	28,779,575.00	16,097,055.00
6	Anonymous Contributions/Donations		3,721,005.00
7	Donation from Benefactors	14,353,682.50	17,490,903.00
8	Annual Dues	217,900.00	558,500.00
9	Fund Raising	17,159,901.84	22,259,178.00
10	CGI Funds		2,000.00
11	Endowment Fund		
12	Foreign Aid		

13	Projects	1,537,390.00	312,905.00
14	Sales of Magazines		
15	Other Publications	2,355,015.00	765,750.00
16	Refunds	3,534,212.00	2,847,850.00
17	Bank Interest	49,220.79	445,384.59
18	Others (Please Specify)		278,500.00
	Total Income Less Brought Forward:		101,262,050.09
	GRAND TOTAL:	<u>127,535,456.85</u>	<u>111,098,942.25</u>

14.2 **EXPENDITURE**

S/No.	EXPENDITURE		AMOUNT(N)	AMOUNT(₦)
			(2016)	(2017)
1	Cash Spent on Adoptees Including Food		51,555,048.16	37,502,468.00
2	Rent and Repairs of	Houses	5,572,610.00	1,892,150.00
3	Beddings/Clothing			35,215.00
4	Building of Houses 8	Shelters		110,000.00
		Nurseries		57,000.00
5	Payment of School	Primary	5,794,060.00	1,259,386.00
3	Fees and Training	Secondary	3,794,000.00	1,708,530.00
		Vocation/Training		2,224,395.00
6	Subscriptions to High	ner Council and Annual	4,305,785.00	3,626,875.00
	Dues			
7	Stipends for Masses		390,460.00	576,120.00
8	Drugs/Hospitals		34,514,855.00	30,228,928.69
9	Overheads (Stationary, Transportation, Etc.)		5,076,156.00	4,412,880.00
10	Correspondences (Mails, Letters, Etc.)			192,680.00
11	Prison Visits			798,000.00
12	Orphanage Visits		467,900.00	1,822,902.50
13	Old People's Home Visits			
14	IDP Camp Visits			927,000.00
15	Endowment Fund			4,000.00
16	Youth Development			1,200,900.00
17	Way Sides		1,700,488.00	1,525,320.00
18	Projects		6,472,330.00	14,386,745.00
19	Bank Charges		39,486.89	52,132.93
20	Magazines			,
21	Almanac			
22	Other Publications		1,135,040.00	492,180.00
		TOTAL:	<u>117,024,219.05</u>	<u>105,035,808.12</u>

14.3 **SUMMARY**

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
TOTAL INCOME	127,535,456.85	111,098,942.25
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	117,024,219.05	105,035,808.10
BALANCE:	₩10,511,237.80	₩6,063,134.15

15.0 NON-FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Desc	2016	2017	
Number of Councils		1	1
Number of Conferences		45	47
Number of Benefactors		401	362
Number of Active Members		1112	769
Number of Meetings held in a	year	2242	1563
Average Weekly Attendance		673.49	406.38
Average Weekly Absence with	permission	225.25	139.09
Average Weekly Absence with	out permission	232.36	267.47
Total Number Adoptees	Total Number Adoptees		4465
Total Number Adoptees visited at Home		1840	1249
Total Number Adoptees visited at Institutions		2113	1274
Total Number Clients attended	to by the wayside	1387	1522
Total Number of Visits to Vario	us Families and Groups	3184	2603
	Prisons		4
	Old Peoples Home		
NUMBER OF VISITS TO:	Hospitals		223
NOWIDER OF VISITS TO.	Orphanages		11
	IDP		2
	Other Institutions		

16.0 OBITUARIES:

The Council lost twenty-one (21) masters, three (3) members and three (3) benefactors during the period under review. Resurrection prayer was said for the members and masses equally had been booked for all the faithful departed.

17.0 APPRECIATION:

The Council remains extremely grateful to the Archbishop John Cardinal Olorunfemi Onaiyekan, our Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Sebastian Musa, Parish Priests and Spiritual Directors of Conferences as well as Benefactors for their support and cooperation during the year. We pray for God's guidance and blessings to them all.

The Council equally appreciates the president and members of the conferences for their wonderful support, cooperation and service towards the progress of the Council.

The Council indeed remains grateful also to the Poor for giving us the opportunity to serve Christ in them.

Finally, we give God the glory for given us this wonderful opportunity to perform actions towards our own salvation through the activities of the Society in caring for the poor, the needy and the less privileged ones in our environment.

Sis. Joy Ohiagu Sro. Ugochukwu Anaedobe

Sis. Joy Ohiagu President Bro. Ugochukwu Anaedobe Secretary