

**A HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY
OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL OF NIGERIA (1964-1999)**

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CONCLUSION

Institute of Church and Society of Christian Council of Nigeria is in existence today by the divine grace of God to achieve her aim of stimulating the search for a deeper understanding of Christian Responsibility in the Church and Society and to help Christian in the fulfilment of their task.

Achievements recorded so far has been wonderful, success recorded from programme of extra-mural conferences and consultations has been

¹² Phillip Ladokun, "Institute of Church and Society Programme of Events," Ibadan: 1 January-31 December 1997, p. 7.

glorious. The fostering of increased personal contact between man and women from different ethnic, cultural and social group, and ability to gather people from different parts of the country for residential conference and consultation has been very fantastic. Glory be to God.

Failure to appreciate the initiators of the Institute is not a right attitude. Hence congratulations to the Christian Council of Nigeria. Congratulation to German Churches Central Agency for Development Aid which was approved together with overseas grants received to enable a conference centre, with offices and staff accommodation to be built. Thanks to Directors and staff who have worked and are still working with the Institute.

Life is full of problems, the major problems of concern which the Institute is facing today is financial, how to generate fund to keep the running cost of the Institute. The writer of this essay is of the opinion that if all the representatives of the Board of the Institute will rise to motivate their denominations to give to the Institute and they will make themselves available when needed to contribute meaningfully. This problem if not totally removed shall be minimised.

Decision is said to be the bedrock of life. Board of ICS should note that wrong decision-making will definitely ruin the Institute's life. Hence, they should not be among those who hits and run but to see that the good seed that was sown about 35 years ago germinates and bears good fruits. If the Institute henceforth will be great, as God used people in the past, today, He wants to use them as well.