

AN APPRAISAL OF PASTORAL MINISTRY IN ONISIWO
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ABSTRACT

This study is a research on “an appraisal of pastoral ministry in Onisiwo Island, Apapa, Lagos.” It investigated the cankerworm that has eating deep into pastoral ministry and the church in Onisiwo Island. The researcher observed that the way which pastoral ministry on Onisiwo Island is being done cannot enhance the fulfillment of mission objective of the church. The study therefore set out to appraise the pastoral ministry of the church in the Island the researcher used questionnaire to gather for analysis and selected one hundred sample from thirteen churches in Onisiwo Island through a simple random sampling technique. Questionnaire guide were used to elicit information on the pastoral position in the area, why some pastors in Onisiwo Island deviate from biblical teaching? What are the effects? And what can be done to improve on pastoral performance in Onisiwo Island. In analyzing the data the simple percentage was used. Finding from the study showed that pastors take alcoholic drink before going on the pulpit on Sundays as shown be 86 percent of respect agreeing to this fast. Again pastor are involve in festish practice as proved by 70 percent of respondents agreed The research aimed at finding solution to the problems. In order to achieve this aim the study organized into five chapters. Chapter one constituted the introductory aspect, while chapter two reviewed adopted for the study while finding and discussion were made in chapter four. Chapter five concluded the study with summary, conclusion and recommendations. The findings revealed that pastoral ministry must hold with high esteem and pastor must be trained theologically to enhance performance in the filed. The researcher recommend that: Pastor that does not demonstrates high sense of calling should not be allowed to pastor in local church and pastor must be train theologically to save the present predicament which the church of God is suffered.

5.2 Conclusion

It was clearly shown that poor pastoral ministry in Onisiwo Island has affected members faith and growth and even lead to the death of some members another conclusion of this study is the fact that poor performance of pastoral ministering hindered the spread of the Gospel in Onisiwo highland, in Lagos State in particular and even Nigeria at large.

Another vital conclusion is that the church must be sanitized and properly enlighten, so that members live according to God's instructions and became witness to the purpose of God.

Finally, pastoral ministry must hold with high extim to fulfill the mandate as expected.

5.3 Recommendations

The research in these study and there findings prompts the writer to make the following recommendations.

1. Pastor that does not demonstrates high sense of calling should not be allowed to pastor in local church.

2. Pastor must be train theologically to save the present predicament which the church of God is suffered.
3. The riverine churches and Lagos State in particular must discourage pastors to establish churches with out been identify with a denomination. That is establishment of churches must be streamline and be control
4. The riverine churches should greatly emphasis the fact that no member should engaged un-train pastor.