THE IMPACT OF MISSION ACTIVITIES ON UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH, OGBOMOSO FROM 1987 TO 2015

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ABSTRACT

The project centers on the Impact of Mission Activities on Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso. Here, the researcher attempted to unravel and critically examine the impacts of the Church on the development of mission and evangelism since her inception. The researcher used historic and descriptive survey for the methodology. The findings showed how Baptist started in Ogbomoso and the idea of Local Church. Also, the researcher dealt with the identity of the church that the church must present the identifying characteristics and the church must present her identity from purity. Finally, the researcher discovered that Unity Baptist Church was able to have four preaching stations; one is yet to be organized. The researcher finally recommended that more mission effort still need to be put in place for the Church renewal and growth in this time. The mission work is and should be a purpose driven project of every individual Pastor and Church Members especially in the Church to actually review the calling and quantity of attention and commitment being given to Mission.

5.2 Conclusion

The summary of the major findings in the mission activities and making Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso as case study gives indication that mission effort is not only God's work, he desires every individual and church to partner in the fulfillment of it.

In the word of Mac Nair and Meek, is the church primarily physical structure of bricks and woods? Is it a programme of weekly activities? Is it a set of problems, or even a set of plants? This writer agrees that the church Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso must have involve in these things because they have effect on the growth of the church as seen in the history and present mission work of Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso. Therefore, the result of her mission work has been considered as an act of shielding old leaves and taking up new ones that help in the fresher and nourishment of the total body.

5.3 Recommendations

In respect to the finding and discussion of this research work, as well as the conclusions made above, the following recommendations was given to the Pastor and the Members of Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso to rejuvenate, motivate, encourage, revitalize and enhance the cooperation of an individual and to venture and support mission activities, especially the contemporary one with a better view and understanding of God's purpose for it.

Pastors:

Based on the chapter of this research work, the historical overview of the Church Mission activities, it is evident that more mission effort still need to be put in place for the Church renewal and growth in this time. The mission work is and should be a purpose driven project of every individual Pastor and Church Members

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Doing mission is the plan of God, this is for the purpose of escheating (kingdom of God and judgment) when the judgment shall be brought to the saved and unsaved gathering under the truth of the "Unity of believers" With Christ General overseer.

Furthermore, Pastors of Unity Baptist Church, Ogbomoso should be strategize in planning on how to grow city, Churches, and suburbs in to a mission Churches with proper leadership provided to be able to meet all their needs. This will help in return to speed up the global Evangelization. On this note, they should learn to make researches and attend seminars on Church growth and mission works, create means of training every member.