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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT



We have been persistent in taking small incremental steps in our journey from an unregistered entity in 2012, to a registered one in 2014. From a group whose purpose was to support one individual to one that has positively impacted on thousands of people. Today, we look back at what we have been able to achieve in those years, lives we have been able to touch and there is an undoubted feeling of gratitude. Gratitude for being together, for having a common goal, for having the platform and the ability to connect to humanity in the way that we do.

While we made grand plans for 2020 as our year of turnaround, Covid-19 has stalled some of our planned activities including annual cataract surgeries which we have had to suspend till further notice. This has however, not stopped us from attending to requests for individual medical bills, feeding the needy (especially as the stay-at-home order is causing hardship) or even engaging stakeholders on progress being made. The current restructuring exercise will boost operations as it is geared towards maximizing the potential of the organization. The sustainability plan is also one that promotes visibility therefore we are revamping the website and increasing social media presence. We plan to have a grand relaunch of the Charity to Cheer brand in September 2020, all things being equal.

We are very pleased to unveil the new Advisory Board of Charity to Cheer Foundation and are thrilled about the wealth of experience the members will bring to the organization. With experience from the public and private sectors, the Advisory Board members are committed to seeing that this organization grows beyond the limits it currently operates within.

This is the first newsletter from Charity to Cheer foundation and I cannot hold my excitement as we take bold steps towards our deliberate and sustainable future. We invite you to actively participate in this journey as we begin taking large incremental steps.

U N V E I L I N G T H E
ADVISORY BOARD
/ BODY OF PATRONS



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Charity to Cheer Foundation has unveiled an Advisory Board.



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**YUSUF
HAMISU
ABUBAKAR OON**

*to the **Advisory Board**,
Charity To Cheer Foundation*



A trained lawyer, an accomplished administrator and businessman, Yusuf Hamisu Abubakar, OON has vast experience at senior Executive level of Private and Public sector. A graduate from the prestigious Bayero University, Kano, Kano State Nigeria.

Yusuf has held a number of appointments both in the public and private sector of Nigeria which includes;

- Commissioner for Health and Social Development in 1993
- Director General, Bureau for Lands and Survey in 1994
- Commissioner for Finance and Economic Planning in 1998
- Executive Secretary, The Petroleum Technology Development Fund (PTDF) in 2000.

Over the course of his career, He has successfully designed robust organizational structure, developed operational culture of excellence and placed these organizations to be fashioned driven proactive organizations.

Yusuf is a member of various professional organizations such as: the Nigeria Bar Association; International Law Societies, London and the International Bar Association, the International Association for Energy Economist and many others.

Yusuf is an Eisenhower Fellow (EF) and also the recipient of the National Honours – Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON).

He is currently the Chairman, Board of Directors Kaduna Electricity Distribution Company Plc, Nigeria

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**HRH MUHAMMED
MUNIR
JA'AFARU OFR, MNI**

to the **Advisory Board**,
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HRH Alhaji Mohammed Munir Jaafaru OFR, mni was born on 25th March, 1956 in Zaria. He graduated from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria with a Bachelors of Law (LL.B) honours (1979) and was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1980 as a Barrister and Solicitor. Alhaji Ja'afaru also holds a Masters of Law (LL.M) from the same university (1983).

He started his career as a Lecturer at the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria from 1981-1983. He attended the National Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies, Kuru (1991). He was at various times the Honourable Commissioner for Local Government and Community Development, Honourable Commissioner for Information, Home Affairs and Culture, Honourable Commissioner for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Kaduna State. From 2001-2005, he was the President, Kaduna Chambers of Commerce, Industry Mines & Agriculture (KADCCIMA).

He is currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Peugeot Automobile Nigeria Limited. He was a one-time Director-General and Chief Executive of National Maritime Authority, and also a Director in many organizations like Nigerian Hotels Limited, Leasing Company of Nigeria, Chairman, NEM Insurance Plc. He was the Chairman of the Nigerian Export Processing & Free Trade Zone (NEPZA), and serves on the Board of Tantalizers Plc among others.

He serves in various Federal/State committees and Non-Governmental Organizations.

He is currently the District Head of Hanwa, Sabon-Gari, Zaria. He is also a recipient of the Officer of the Order of the Federation (OFR) in 2003.





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**IBRAHIM
ALIYU BALA**

to the **Advisory Board**,
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Ibrahim Aliyu Bala is a distinguished titan in the engineering industry with decades of experience in management and engineering to his credit.

He is the Group Executive Director in charge of Business Development of the Lagos Deep Off-shore Logistics (LADOL) Base.

Ibrahim also dedicates his time and expertise to leading successful business ventures, serving as;

- Past Managing Director of IBK Services Limited and,
- Director of Niya Consultancy,
- Niya Engineering Limited,
- Mega Co & Integration and
- SHI_MCI FZE.

He is the Chairman, Norrenberger Financial Group.



ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRST QUARTER

The first quarter of 2020 has proved most unpredictable due to the global challenges with Covid-19 and the need to reduce human to human contact to the barest minimum.

This has stalled some activities like elective surgeries, annual cataract surgeries and the likes. This notwithstanding, the Charity has found ways of easing the difficulty faced due to restriction on movement by providing food for those in need.



The end of 2019 and beginning of 2020 witnessed extreme cold weather in Northern Nigeria. Charity to Cheer Foundation donated towards the purchase of warm clothes worth N100,000 for almajirai.

The clothes were distributed in villages in Katsina State.





Payment of group and individual medical bills has been at the core of the objectives of the organization. In the first quarter of 2012, the following beneficiaries have been provided with funding to address their health issues.

1. Imrana Shuaibu.

A 30 year old former Almajiri, Imrana's main source of income was from washing and ironing clothes. He had a kidney infection that required surgery at Arewa Medical Consultants Hospital Ltd, Kano. The sum of N130,000 was donated by the Charity to pay for the said surgery which prevented him from having a kidney failure.

2. Bilkisu Shuaibu

9 year old epileptic patient who would have recurring seizures when her supply of tegretol is exhausted. Bilkisu has not only gotten a supply for four months, a deposit has been made for an additional for months and food supplies have been provided to the family.

FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR

The first meeting of the quarter was held on Saturday March 21, 2020 where the strategic plans were made.



(L-R) Mrs Hadiza Osori, Dr Maryam S. Ahmed, Mrs Amina Yahaya Hamza, Dr Maryam Shehu Mohammed and Miss Zainab Sani



OUR PARTNERSHIPS

OMNISWIFT

Omniswift has provided the branding and corporate identity kit including logo design for Charity to Cheer since inception in **2014** including website design and development including hosting at no cost to the foundation for the past years.

This has been part of our corporate social responsivity efforts that we believe will bring tremendous value to our community.

At Omniswift we believe every organization should have a great website to showcase the work they are doing and the services provided. We took care of all the details from the front-end to the back-end. Working hand in hand with the Founder and other Executives to deliver a fit for purpose online presence.

We will continue to support Charity to Cheer in efforts to provide affordable healthcare and education. As Charity to Cheer embarks on a re-strategizing and refocusing efforts we are in the process of designing a new website that is modern and responsive with new features like online donations, membership registrations and newsletters.

We wholeheartedly believe in the wonderful work that is occurring at Charity to Cheer Foundation and we are thrilled to provide more support to the organization in the coming years.



ABOUT OMNISWIFT

OmniSwift was formed in 2011 by a team of motivated, young, and dynamic business and IT professionals. With headquarters in Abuja, Nigeria, we provide IT strategic consulting, software services and infrastructure solutions to a wide range of clients in the private and public sectors.

OmniSwift is a highly focused systems integration and software consultancy firm. The Company specializes in the provision of information technology skills, products and services using the latest technology available today. With proven experience in strategy and execution of end-to-end technology solutions, we deliver high impact solutions including websites.

OmniSwift counts with a combination of full-time employees, a network of part-time consultants and strategic partnerships with reputable IT service firms.

SPOTLIGHT - MUHAMMAD BELLO SANI



1. Tell us about yourself

My name is Muhammad Bello Sani, I'm an Abuja-based Quantity Surveyor and construction professional originally from Kano State. I am married with three children and enjoy nature and landscape photography.

2. How did you join Charity to Cheer Foundation?

A long time ago C2C started up as a BBM Group called Kindhearts after a very kind-hearted individual got inspired to help a man suffering from elephantiasis which I got invited to donate to via a BBM forward. I reached out and got added to the group and subsequently formed part of the EXCO.

3. How did the group stay together for so long?

Probably due to the passionate EXCO members always willing to volunteer their time and financial resources and the sinc-

erity and professional leadership of the founder.

4. What in your opinion drives you as a member of the organisation?

The impact on the beneficiaries is definitely a driving force, second only to my faith enjoining and encouraging us to do such good deeds.

5. What are two profound cases you have handled in the course of working with this Charity

- A) Borehole Project in Kano
- B) Medical Assistance projects.

6. How are you able to manage projects in different states? How do you manage this with your full time job?

A) Well-monitored delegation. We have a fantastic network of very reliable and trustworthy people around the country that we are able to keep an eye on via various technologies.

B) Shared responsibility through the large number of fellow members of foundation. There are 33 of us and so there's always someone willing to complement my efforts and bridge eachother's shortcomings.

7. How do members agree on projects?

Voting system when we reach a quorum online.

8. What more do you want to tell us about working with the charity?

33 different individuals coming together from different walks of life are able to achieve a lot through sincere commitment, wide network of resources and help from God, I love being a part of such a wonderful team of great people!

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