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### INVESTITURE OF ENGR. K. A. ALI, FNSE, AS THE 26TH PRESIDENT OF THE NIGERIAN SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS

On Saturday 12th January 2008, history was made as Engr. Kashim Abdul Ali, FNSE, was sworn in as the 26th President of The Nigerian Society of Engineers. The night before (11th January), the Pre-Investiture/Traditional Night was held. The entire event took place at the International Conference Center, Abuja. The Special Guest of Honour at the Investiture ceremony was Dr. Aliyu Modibbo Umar, who is the Honourable Minister of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT).

#### Burial

Announcement



Mr. J. C. Benibo  
1926—2008

The immediate Past Chairman of The Nigerian Society of Engineers, Port Harcourt Branch, Engr. B. J. Benibo, FNSE, father's burial will take place on Saturday 23rd February 2008 at Wokoma's Compound in Buguma in Buguma by 10.00 am. Mr. Joshua Crawford Benibo was born in 1926. He was 82 years old.

#### Photos of the Investiture Ceremony



Engr. & Mrs. K. A. Ali



Engr. Emeka Ezeh, FNSE



Engr. K. A. Ali, FNSE



Dr. Aliyu Modibbo Umar



High Table



Police band



Transfer of power



High Table



Cross section of dignitaries that were present at the investiture ceremony. 2nd picture from right are Engineers from Ghana

#### Photos of the Pre-Investiture/Traditional Nite



Some PH Branch members present



Engr. Ezeh, FNSE & Engr. Ali, FNSE



Engr. Ebele Okeke, FNSE, OON



Guests



Cultural dance



Guests

**ENGR. OGARIAWO ASSUMES OFFICE AS PH BRANCH CHAIRMAN**

**E**ngr. Bateim Max Harrison Ogariawo MNSE, on Tuesday 15, January, 2008 received the medallion of office as the 21<sup>st</sup> Branch Chairman of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch. The investiture ceremony which was held amidst pop and pageantry also had the chairman performing the inauguration of the new executive committee as first official assignment.

The President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers, Engr. Kashim Abdul Ali FNSE, who was unavoidably away in the USA, demonstrated his committed solidarity with the branch by sending a full cr me of Exco members at the national level led by the Vice President, Engr. Adekunle Mokuolu FNSE to represent him. The high power delegation includes Engr. Fyne Chima Ogolo FNSE, who is the National Executive Secretary, Engr. Mrs. Valerie Agberagba MNSE, Exco member and Engr. Mrs Nkechi Sigwe FNSE former Vice President. Other personalities at the occasion include Engr. Mrs. Nwokolo MNSE, CON, PHCN Port Harcourt who assisted the branch with a donation of N100,000.00. The former Rivers State Government Special Adviser on Special Projects and MD/CEO LASO Engineering Ltd., Engr. Hon. Lasbry .O. Amadi MNSE, The Honourable Commissioner for Local Government, Chieftaincy and Community Affairs, Barr. Dr. Tammy W. Danagogo and Elder (Hon) O. W Amachree represented the Chairman of Asari Toru Local Government Council.

The Special Guest of Honour, The Deputy Governor of Rivers State, Engr. Tele R. Ikuru MNSE, was represented by Engr. L. S. A. Ikan, FNSE, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Water Resources. In an address by the outgoing chairman of the branch, Engr. B. J. Benibo FNSE, expressed gratitude to God for his successful tenure. He x-rayed some of his laudable achievements especially the acquisition of 30 plots of land for the Engineering Resource Centre and sued for the sustenance of the dream project with the active involvement of all stakeholders involved in the professional development of engineers including Government, Industries, Captains of industries and members of the society.

Other dignitaries present at the investiture ceremony include, Venerable & Mrs. Harrison Ogariawo parents of the new chairman. Engr. Prof. H. I. Hart FNSE, Dean Faculty of Engineering, RSUST, Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, Engr. I. Z. S. Akobo MNSE, Engr. M. D. Derefaka FNSE, all past chairmen of the branch, Engr and Mrs. C. O. Ahme, Managing Director & CEO KOJACO Nig Ltd., Engr. Chief G. Massari FNSE, General Manager Danelec Limited, other numerous dignitaries and captains of industries. The intermittent choral renditions by a special choir group courtesy of Engr. Bateim Max Harrison Ogariawo MNSE, the new chairman, made the occasion spiritual and colourful.

**Photos of the Investiture Ceremony**



Members of the High Table



Engr. B.J. Benibo, FNSE



Engr. B. Ogariawo, MNSE



Engr. & Mrs. B. Ogariawo



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New Executives



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Procession



Members of the High Table



Engr. & Mrs. Oruye



Engr. & Mrs. I.Z.S. Akobo



Cross section of guests



Handing over of power



Engrs. George & Massari



Guests



Guests



Guests



Choral rendition



Meal time