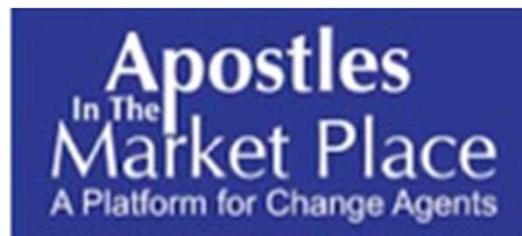




# Faith in Business in Africa



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## + Overview

- What is the **Church's Social Doctrine**?
- Jesus and the Marketplace
- Jesus: Son of a carpenter and **a renowned carpenter Himself**
- What illustrations did Jesus Use?
- Christianity as Light, Salt and a City set on a hill
- In the world **but not of** the world
- Understanding the role of faith and business in societal transformation

## + What illustrations did Jesus use?

- Common everyday things: salt, light, bread, stone, clothes, trees, yeast, sunset, cups, dishes, coins and spices.
- He used aspirational images: fine clothes, treasure, fine pearls, a king's banquets and bags of gold.
- He drew on inspiration from animals including moths, vermin, fish, snakes, sheep, wolves, doves, dogs, gnats, camels, a hen and her chicks, vultures and goats.
- He referred to working situations: a doctor, a teacher, a farmer, a merchant, a fisherman, a landowner, a tax collector, a woman grinding grain and a shepherd.

# + Jesus was a Workplace Minister

- Jesus was a Carpenter and the son of a Carpenter
- In the New Testament, of Jesus' 132 public appearances, 122 were in the marketplace.
- Of 52 parables Jesus told, 45 had a workplace context.
- Of 40 miracles in the book of Acts, 39 were in the marketplace.
- Jesus spent his adult life as a carpenter until age 30 before he went into a preaching ministry in the workplace.
- And, 54% of Jesus' reported teaching ministry arose out of issues posed by others in the scope of daily life experience. Saint Bonaventure said, "His doing nothing 'wonderful' (his first 30-years) was in itself a kind of wonder."

## + Faith in Business can Transform Society

The people are the only ones capable of transforming society.

- **Only the gospel of the Kingdom** can transform society
- God calls **each of us** to make the most of our lives by **discovering our calling and utilizing God's grace** to fulfill the same and in the process making disciples of nations and **transforming society**

# + Transforming Society

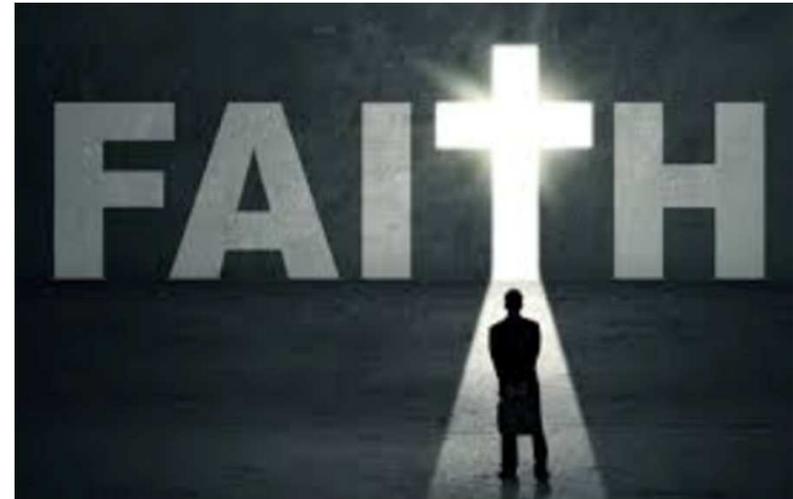
- The mandate of the church is to preach the gospel to every creature – **get individuals to who have a personal relationship with God** (the gospel of salvation) and to make disciples of nations **get individuals involved in the transformation of culture** (the gospel of the kingdom).
- God calls each individual for a purpose and gives them grace to accomplish the purpose
- God's **grace is made available as ability, talent, passion and inclinations**
- Society **will not** transform until people take their position, which is to govern the earth for God.





# The Basics: Principles of the Gospel of the Kingdom

- **Faith in God:** The ability to **trust God to grow your business and maintain integrity** is a **demonstration of faith** in God.
- **Implicit faith in God:** The Christian should **never be desperate.**





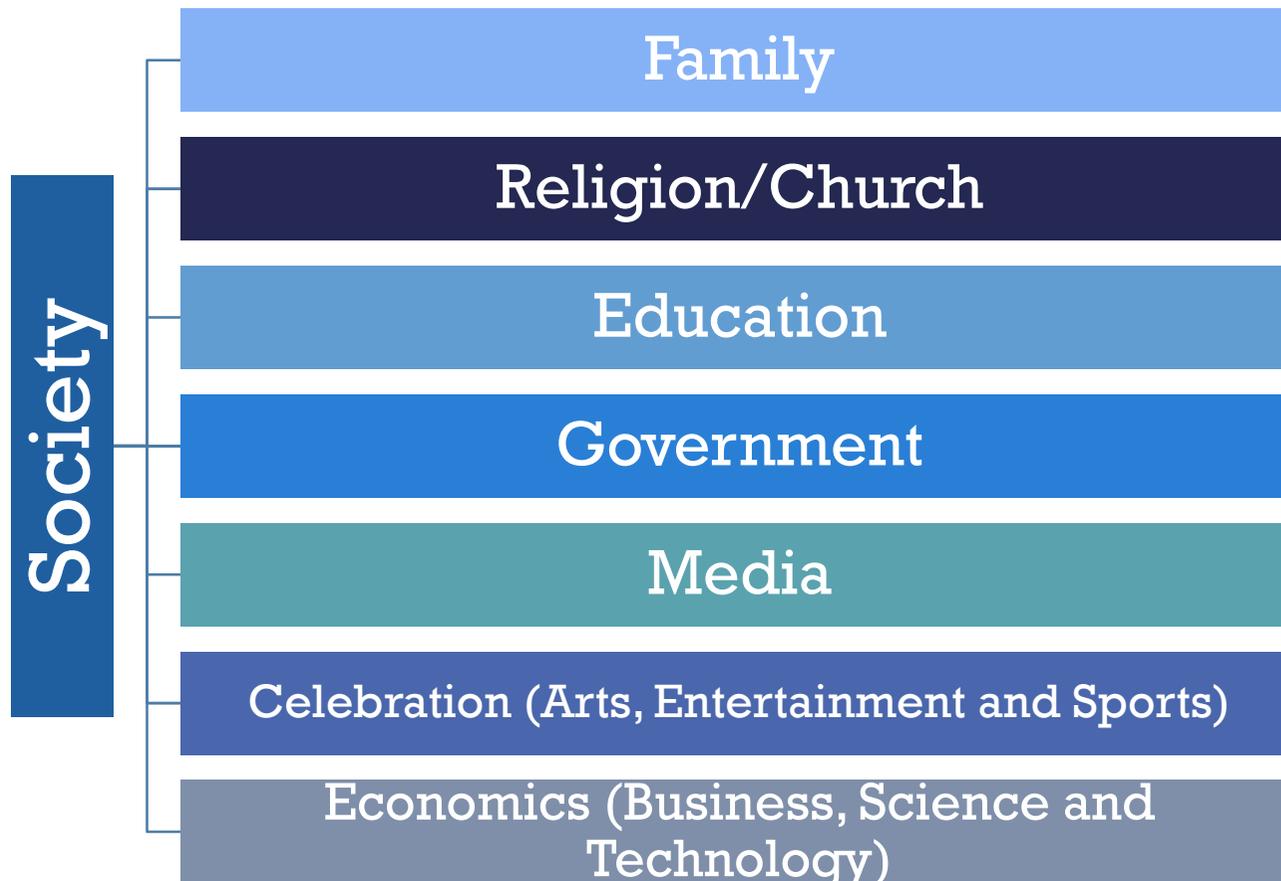
# The Basics: Principles of the Gospel of the Kingdom

- **Godliness with contentment is great gain.** We came naked and we will depart naked.
- **It is God that gives us the power to get wealth.**



# + The Spheres Concept

- Society is comprised of **7 spheres**:



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God's original calling for man was to exercise dominion on earth

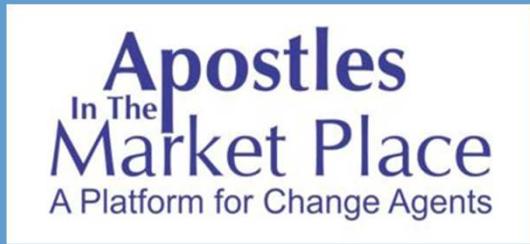
Faith in Business encompasses the mountains of Religion on the one hand and Business and Economy on the other hand.

Man's assignment was to take the glory of God, which was in the Garden of Eden and spread it all over the world.

The spheres, also called mountains (Isaiah 2:2-3; Micah 4:2-3) are the pillars or domains or planks on which any society is built.

To impact any nation for Jesus Christ, the Church would need to positively influence and transform the seven spheres.

+ Our story: The AiMP  
Network





# Our Story: Apostles in the Marketplace (AiMP)

- Founded in **2003 &** registered in 2008.
- Has **over 3000 people** in the Network.
- Has influenced the founding **of high-impact NGO's.**
- AiMP currently has **8 board members** known as the CWC.
- AiMP is led by the CWC, a distinguished **Advisory Board** and a **Leadership Forum**, which is a Standing Committee of the Network.
- AiMP believes that a **transformed Africa is possible** and that **only transformed men will make it happen.**
- AiMP now has members who are active in public service including a serving **Vice President, an Honorable Minister** and a host of very senior people in government.

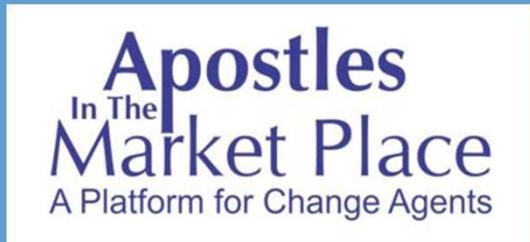
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# + The AiMP Philosophy

- **Business is a calling.**
- It requires grace. Not everyone has been given the grace.
- God **calls people and equips them to finance His kingdom.**
- The greatest work **is working on yourself.** You must deal with yourself and maintain the right heart.
- If your heart is overtaken, you will cut corners.
- Wealth is trusteeship. **God entrusts us with wealth.**
- We are **managers of the earth** on God's behalf.
- Managing the earth was the first Adam's original calling, which was lost in Eden and restored by the second Adam.
- **Business is one of the seven** mountains of society.
- We transform society by transforming the spheres.
- The mountain of **business and the** mountain of **economy** are **one and the same.**
- It is **a calling to reign in the mountain of business and economy.**
- **We bring God glory, when we reign in our mountain.**
- It is by reigning in our mountain that the earth is covered with glory as the waters cover the sea.
- In order to transform society, you need to **significantly influence the mountains of Business and Economy; Politics and Government and Media.**

# + Who is an Apostle in the Market Place?

Change Agents





# History of Faith and Business

Nigeria



# + Pa Sydney Granville Elton

Apostle to the Nigerian Church | A Prophet to the Nations

- Born on April 16, 1907 in Wolver Hampton, United Kingdom; arrived Nigeria in March 1937, where he ministered effectively until his death in January 1987.
- **Pa Elton was an apostle to the Nigerian church.**
- As a prophet to the Nigeria Church, and the body of Christ at large, he preached the Gospel of the kingdom of God.
- **Raised a generation of university students who are fathers of the faith today.**
- Prophesied in 1986 about the turn of the tide for Nigeria and Nigerians.
- **Laid a solid foundation of Righteousness in the Nigerian Church.**



# + Richard L. Kramer

Apostle to the Nigerian Business Community | Business Leader

- Richard L. Kramer and Wanda were born in 1934 in Kansas City, Kansas, United States of America.
- Dick graduated from Kansas University with a degree in Accounting and Business Management in 1956 and from Harvard in 1958
- Joined Arthur Andersen & Company in 1958 and arrived Nigeria in 1978 as Managing Partner of Arthur Andersen Nigerian Practice
- Dick **laid a strong foundation for a generation of ethical Nigerian business leaders** including three who have served as Ministers of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and a currently serving Minister.
- Dick is an apostle to Nigeria, especially in the business and economic mountain and His personal philosophy is **“walking the talk”**.



# + Okechukwu E. Enelamah

Honorable Minister, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investments | Co-Founder, African Capital Alliance

- Dr. Enelamah earned a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) from the [University of Nigeria, Nsukka](#) in 1985. and a Master's in Business Administration (MBA) from Harvard University in 1994.
- He is a Nigerian Chartered Accountant and a Chartered Financial Analyst.
- He co-founded African Capital Alliance in 1997.
- Dr. Enelamah became Nigeria's Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment in November 2015.
- **He accepts his business career as a calling from God and sees himself as an apostle of righteousness in the marketplace.**



# + Olusegun O. Olujobi

Chief Executive Officer, Vertex Energy

- Received a first-class engineering degree, University of Lagos.
- Joined Andersen Consulting now Accenture in Nigeria in 1987 and became a partner in their oil and gas practice.
- Resigned in 2008 to join ACA as a Principal.
- Launched Vertex Energy Nigeria with a group of his friends.
- Vertex Energy is an upstream indigenous Nigerian company.
- Vertex waited for over four years to sign their first contract, which is still being contested.
- Segun's personal philosophy is absolute trust in God. God is his source and he is committed to carrying Christ into the marketplace.



# + Ayodele A. Adeboye

Econet Wireless International & Kwesi TV

- Holds a first class engineering degree from University of Ibadan.
- Joined Arthur Andersen now KPMG Professional Services in Nigeria in 1990.
- Rose to be an Audit Senior and took an early exit to invest a start company in the Telecom industry in Nigeria
- Ayo rose to become the Chief Billing Officer, one of 4 chiefs that reported to the CEO. As Chief Billing Officer he signed over N4 billion in checks and **with one 'signature' could have become 'instantly' rich.**
- His faith in God came to the forefront. **Ayo's personal philosophy is that wealth at all cost is not what the hassle. He is committed to a life of personal integrity and professional excellence.**



# + Franklyn A. Nlerum

Special Assistant to the Honorable Minister, Federal Ministry of Industry Trade and Investment

- Received a law degree from University of Nigeria and earned Masters Degrees in law from University of Nigeria, Enugu Campus, Dalhousie University, Canada and Columbia University, United States of America; completed work on Doctor of Science degree in Columbia University.
- Franklyn was the founding Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of Rivers State Bureau of Public Procurement (RSBoPP);
- **As MD/CEO, he saved the state billions of naira by effective management of contracts; Franklyn received threats and worked under threat.** Rivers State is the primary oil state in Nigeria where most of the crude oil is drilled and exported.
- **His personal philosophy is that life is black and white and that it is either all for Christ or not all.**



# + Ndidi Nwuneli

Founder, Leap Africa | Co-Founder, AACE Foods | Partner, Sahel Capital

- Ndidi Okonkwo Nwuneli, is a Nigerian social entrepreneur.
- Ndidi holds an MBA from Harvard Business School; and an undergraduate degree with honors in Multinational and Strategic Management from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.
- Has over 21 years of experience in International Development and Business Management
- She founded LEAP Africa and is co-founder of AACE Food Processing & Distribution Ltd., and one of the directors of Sahel Capital Partners & Advisory Limited. an advisory and private equity firm in Nigeria.
- Ndidi is committed to raising ethical leaders who will transform Africa.



# + Alero Ayida Otobo

Chief Executive Officer, Incubator Africa

- Graduate of Oxford University, Barlett School of Architecture and Town Planning, University of London and the London School of Economics.
- Currently CEO at Incubator Africa, a development Agency operating in the African continent.
- A Reformer at heart, **Alero walked away from a banking career to pursue her reform interests in the marketplace.**
- Alero has worked in a myriad of business sectors in Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, and Rwanda.
- Was Special Assistant to Mrs. Oby Ezekwesili, Nigeria's former Minister of Education.
- **Her personal philosophy is that change is possible and the Education sector in Nigeria can be and will be rebuilt.**
- Author of new book, *Reformers Arise*.



# + Joseph Mbulu

Executive Director, Union Bank Nigeria Plc.

- Mr. Mbulu is an Executive Director at Union Bank Nigeria Plc.
- Prior to joining Union Bank, Mr. Mbulu was the Chief Operating Officer for the Domestic Bank business unit of Ecobank Transnational (“ETI”), where he coordinated strategy formulation and execution for the banking group’s retail, SME, local corporate and public sector businesses.
- Before ETI, Joe led Strategy & Business Transformation at former Bank PHB.
- He also served as the Vice President for Business Transformation in the Global Finance Organization at Nielsen in New York.
- Mr. Mbulu holds an MBA from the Wharton School of Business, Pennsylvania, an MSc in Finance from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, and BSc in Agricultural Economics from the University of Benin.
- Mr. Mbulu is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountant of Nigerians



# + Programs of the AiMP Network

- **AiMP Series:** Our flagship programme, a discipleship programme for raising change agents.
- **Nation Building Workshop:** An annual workshop focused on nation building.
- **Working for God in the Market Place:** A training programme for young people focused on raising the next generation of ethical Nigerian leaders.
- **Independence Dinner Series:** Held every October to commemorate Nigeria's independence and advance nation building.
- **BloomFY:** An AiMP Catalyst for Change Project aimed at empowering youth/final year secondary school students (BloomFEY) of Nigeria. BloomFEY was set up with the vision of becoming a significant partner for change in transforming young lives.
- **AiMP Publishing:** A platform for publishing legacy materials aimed at raising nation builders and thought leaders who will lead Africa's transformation.



# AiMP Membership: Subscription and Reach

- AiMP is a **voluntary organization**
- Membership is by **subscription**
- A member of the Network is an individual who subscribes to the vision and mission of the Network, aligns with our core values and is committed to supporting the Network financially
- In 2018, AiMP is going **out of the shores of Nigeria** to pursue **its Africa-wide mandate of rebuilding and transforming the continent**
- AiMP believes that the earth will be covered with God's glory as each individual reigns on their mountain.

# + Our Core Values

- **Personal Transformation:** We are committed to the pursuit of personal transformation evidenced by integrity;
- **Passion:** We shall be guided in all dealings with a passion to see the manifestation of the Kingdom of God in our land;
- **Excellence:** We shall strive by HIS grace to be the best in all that we do by a tireless pursuit of excellence;
- **Moral Courage:** We are committed to being the standard in society by challenging error through emphasising the power of one;
- **Respect for Rules:** We shall at all times show respect for rules by promoting order and following due process;
- **Impacting Society:** We shall positively impact society by acting as a platform that shall help change agents identify, articulate and fulfil their burdens;
- **Mentorship:** We are committed to raising the next generation of servant leaders.

# + AiMP Projects, Accomplishments and Achievements

- We have over 3000 professionals on our database
- We have reached even more through the AiMP Series and other programs of the Network
- Graduated five classes of WFGiMP with over 100 graduates
- Laid the foundation of the birth various NGO's and non-profits
- Have members of the Network as senior members of the current administration including the Vice President, and the Honourable Minister, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment
- Held impact-making Nation Building Building Workshops
- Our Executive Director has led several sessions at the National Prayer Breakfast
- AiMP is a refreshing voice for the birth of a new Nigeria in the hands of God.

# + AiMP Future Outlook: 2018

- **Change Agents Academy (New):** The vision and mission of the academy is to serve as a catalyst for change agents and to identify, recruit, equip and deploy change agents in every sphere of society
- **Professionals in Public Service (New):** Is an agency for attracting, equipping and deploying individuals in Nigeria and diaspora who are interested in public service.
- **RYPE:** Being launched in University of Ibadan in Q1 of 2018, a programme for raising a generation of nation builders to accept leadership in the African continent.
- **Make an Impact!:** A platform for packaging burdens as vehicles of societal transformation in order to scale up social impact.

# + AiMP in Reflection: Lessons Learned

- Africa was (is) known as the dark continent; but **Africa has the youngest population of all the continents and some of the greatest prospects for the future.**
- The Business climate is being transformed. Led By Honourable Minister Enelamah and a dynamic Economic Team under the President Buhari-led administration, Nigeria **climbed 24 places in the World Bank's 2017 Ease of Doing Business ranking and was adjudged one of the most reformed and improved economies in the world.**
- **Only transformed individuals can transform society.** Ethical leaders who have a strong foundation in Christ are ultimately leading reform in Africa.
- Nigeria is a country in prophecy. Nigeria has fulfilled the first part of the Elton 1986 prophecy; A new day is upon Nigeria.

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