

CHAPTER TWO

2.0. LITERATURE REVIEW

The Christ Apostolic Church (CAC) has a rich history and a significant presence in Nigeria and beyond. The church's Area Headquarters plays a crucial role in coordinating its activities, promoting spiritual growth, and serving the community. This literature review aims to examine existing research on the CAC Area Headquarters, highlighting its significance, challenges, and opportunities.

Historical Context

The CAC was founded in 1918 by Joseph Ayo Babalola, and since then, it has grown to become one of the largest and most influential churches in Nigeria. Omoyajowo (2008). The church's history is marked by a strong emphasis on prayer, evangelism, and community service. Adeyemi (2015). The CAC Area Headquarters is a key part of this history, serving as a hub for church activities and operations.

Church Growth and Development

Research has shown that the CAC has experienced significant growth and development over the years, with an increasing number of members and branches. Ojo (2017). The church's Area Headquarters plays a crucial role in facilitating this growth, providing support and guidance to local churches and members. Studies have highlighted the importance of effective leadership, strategic planning, and community engagement in promoting church growth and development. Adeboye (2012).

Community Service and Outreach

The CAC is known for its commitment to community service and outreach, with a range of programs and initiatives aimed at serving the needs of the community. Fatokun (2016). The

church's Area Headquarters is involved in various community development projects, including education, healthcare, and social welfare. Research has highlighted the importance of community engagement and partnership in promoting effective community service and outreach. Olowola (2018).

Challenges and Opportunities

Despite its successes, the CAC Area Headquarters faces several challenges, including limited resources, infrastructure, and personnel. Adebayo (2019). The church also faces opportunities for growth and development, including the need to engage with new technologies and innovative approaches to ministry. Research has highlighted the importance of strategic planning, leadership development, and collaboration in addressing these challenges and opportunities. Adeyemi (2020).

2.1. INTRODUCTION

The Christ Apostolic Church (CAC) Area Headquarters project is a momentous endeavor that embodies the spiritual aspirations and communal unity of the Christ Apostolic Church members. As a beacon of faith and spirituality, the CAC has been a cornerstone for countless individuals, providing a nurturing environment for spiritual growth, fellowship, and service. The establishment of an Area Headquarters is a testament to the church's commitment to spreading the gospel and serving as a lighthouse of hope and guidance for its members and the wider community.

Project Overview

The CAC Area Headquarters project is designed to serve as a central hub for various church activities, including worship services, Bible studies, fellowship meetings, and community outreach programs. This facility will not only cater to the spiritual needs of the members but also provide a platform for organizing initiatives that promote social welfare, education, and

moral development. By creating a dedicated space for worship and community activities, the project aims to strengthen the bonds among church members and enhance their ability to serve and impact their communities positively.

Community Impact

The CAC Area Headquarters will play a pivotal role in fostering a sense of community and belonging among its members. It will serve as a place where individuals can come together to worship, learn, and grow in their faith. The project will also provide opportunities for members to engage in various ministries and outreach programs, thereby contributing to the holistic development of the community. By promoting values such as love, compassion, and service, the CAC Area Headquarters will be a source of inspiration and hope for all who are part of it.

Vision and Mission

The vision behind the CAC Area Headquarters project is to create a vibrant and dynamic center of worship and community service that reflects the core values of the Christ Apostolic Church. The mission is to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment where members can deepen their relationship with God and with one another. Through this project, the church aims to empower its members to live out their faith in practical ways, making a positive impact in their communities and beyond.

The Christ Apostolic Church Area Headquarters project is more than just a physical structure; it represents a commitment to spiritual growth, community service, and the propagation of the gospel. As the project comes to fruition, it is expected to become a beacon of hope and a source of strength for the members of the CAC and the wider community. With its focus on worship, fellowship, and service, the CAC Area Headquarters will undoubtedly play a significant role in advancing the mission of the church and touching lives for the better.

2.2. DEFINITION

The Christ Apostolic Church (CAC) Area Headquarters is a centralized hub that serves as the administrative and spiritual center for the church's activities and operations within a designated area. It is a strategic location that provides a focal point for the church's worship, fellowship, and community service initiatives.

The CAC Area Headquarters is designed to meet the needs of the church and its members, providing a comprehensive framework for spiritual growth, community development, and social welfare. It serves as a place of worship, a center for Bible study and discipleship, and a hub for community outreach and service.

The Area Headquarters is typically responsible for overseeing the activities of local churches and branches within its designated area, providing support and guidance to church leaders and members. It also serves as a resource center, providing access to training, mentorship, and other forms of support.

The CAC Area Headquarters plays a critical role in promoting the church's mission and values, which emphasize the importance of prayer, evangelism, and community. It is a symbol of the church's commitment to serving its members and the community, and it serves as a beacon of hope and inspiration for those seeking spiritual guidance and support.

Overall, the CAC Area Headquarters is a vital component of the church's structure and operations, providing a centralized hub for its activities and initiatives. It serves as a catalyst for spiritual growth, community development, and social welfare, and it plays a critical role in promoting the church's mission and values.

2.3. HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF CAC AREA HEADQUARTER

The Christ Apostolic Church (CAC) has a rich history that dates back to the early 20th century. The church was founded by Joseph Ayo Babalola, a Nigerian evangelist, in 1943. The CAC has since grown to become one of the largest Christian denominations in Nigeria.

Early Years

The CAC's early years were marked by rapid growth and expansion, driven by the evangelistic efforts of Joseph Babalola and other pioneers. The church's message of salvation, healing, and deliverance resonated with many Nigerians, and it quickly gained a large following.

Establishment of the Area Headquarters

The establishment of the CAC Area Headquarters in Kingstep area, Ilorin West Local Government, marked a significant milestone in the church's history. The headquarters serves as a hub for the church's activities in the area, providing a central location for worship, fellowship, and service.

Growth and Development

Over the years, the CAC Area Headquarters has experienced significant growth and development. The church has expanded its facilities, increased its membership, and diversified its activities to meet the needs of the community. Today, the church is a vibrant and dynamic community of believers, committed to spreading the gospel and serving the needs of others.

Impact on the Community

The CAC Area Headquarters has had a profound impact on the community, providing spiritual guidance, social support, and economic empowerment to its members and the wider community. The church's commitment to community service and development has earned it a reputation as a caring and compassionate institution

2.4. CAC AREA HEADQUARTER IN NIGERIA

Here's a list of Christ Apostolic Church area headquarters in Nigeria:

- Adelaja Region: Located at CAC Kano DCC, 81 Atiken Road, Sabongari, Kano, serving Kano, Sokoto, Yobe, Zamfara, Taraba, Adamawa, Borno, and Kebbi States.
- Akilling Region: Located at CAC Agege DCC, 5 Shiaba Street, Agege, Lagos, serving former Lagos 3.
- Akinyele Region: Located at CAC Lagos DCC, 28 Olowu Street, Ebute Elefun, Lagos, serving former Lagos 1.
- Anosike Region: Located at Nehemiah Generation DCC, 123-125 Stanstead Road, Forest Hill London, serving UK, France, Italy, and Europe.
- Babajide Region: Located at CAC Kabba DCC, Oke Isegun, Odi Olowo Street, Kabba, serving Kwara and Kogi States.
- Babalola Region: Located at CAC Eleta DCC, Idi Aro, Elete Road, Near Odinjo Junction, Eleta, Mapo, Ibadan, serving Oyo State.
- Essien Region: Located at CAC Egba DCC, 6 Lisabi Avenue, Isale Ake, Abeokuta, serving Ogun State and Benin Republic.
- Hanson Region: Located at CAC Warri DCC, 18A Sido Street, Off Cemetary Road, Warri, serving Edo and Delta States.
- Latunde Region: Located at CAC Village, Baltimore, United States Of America, serving North America
- Medaiyese Region: Located at CAC FCC DCC, CAC Garki Along Old V.I.O Road, Stadium Roundabout, Durumi Area, Garki, Abuja, serving FCT, Kaduna, and Niger States.

- Odubanjo Region: Located at CAC Akure DCC, Oke Iga Eringbo Street, Akure, serving Ondo State.
- Odusona Region: Located at CAC Abia DCC, Behind Golden Guinea Breweries Railway Quarters, Afaraujuwu, Umuahia, Abia State, serving Abia, Anambra, Enugu, Ebonyi, and Imo States.
- Olutimehin Region: Located at CAC Yenagoa DCC, Azikoro Road, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State, serving Rivers, Bayelsa, Cross River, and Akwa Ibom States
- Orekoya Region: Located at CAC Bauchi DCC, Hospital Road, Bauchi
- Orogun Region: Located at CAC Osogbo DCC, 20 Latona Street, Osogbo, serving Osun State.
- Pearce Region: Located at CAC Mushin DCC, 1 CAC Street, Olorunsogo, Mushin, Lagos, serving former Lagos 2.
- Sophia Ajayi Region: Located at CAC Sophia Ajayi Regional Headquarters, Ogba Alafia, Ijigbo Street, Ado-Ekiti, serving Ekiti State.

Some notable headquarters include:

- Agbala-itura International Headquarters: Located in Ibadan
- Lokoja DCC Headquarters: Located at RP3X+W97, Ajara Road, Lokoja, Kogi State