

CURRICULUM VITAE



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- (f) Name of Wife:** Florence Olusola SEWAPO
- II. (a) Present Job:** Lecturing
- (b) Fields of Expertise:** Biblical Literature, New
Testament Greek and Exegesis, Pauline
Scholarship and Administration
- (c) Date of First Appointment:** Senior Lecturer
- (d) Institution:** University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria
- (e) Faculty:** Arts
- (f) Department:** Religious Studies

III. University Education (with dates)

- (a) University of Ibadan, Ibadan 2000-2004
- (b) University of Ibadan, Ibadan 2005-2007
- (c) University of Ibadan, Ibadan 2008-2014

IV. Academic Qualification (with dates and granting bodies)

- (a) B. A. (Hons) Religious Studies, University of Ibadan, Ibadan. 2004
- (b) M. A. Religious Studies, University of Ibadan, Ibadan. 2007
- (c) Ph.D. Religious Studies, University of Ibadan, Ibadan. 2014

V. Professional Qualifications and Diplomas (with dates)

- (a) Diploma (Christian Studies Option) 2000
- (b) Diploma in Theology 2000
- (c) International Diploma in Applied Ministry and Mission 2010

VI. Scholarships, Fellowships and Prizes (with date) in respect of Undergraduate and Postgraduate (work only)

- Prelate, Methodist Church Nigeria Scholarship Award 2009

VII. Honours Distinctions and Membership of Learned Societies

- (a) Honours Award for the overall best student, Methodist Theological Institute, Sagamu (2000)
- (b) Member, Nigerian Association for the Study of Religions (NASR)
- (c) Treasurer, Nigerian Association for Biblical Studies (NABIS)
- (d) Member, West African Association of Theological Institutions (WAATI)
- (e) Member, New Testament Society of Southern Africa (NTSSA)
- (f) Member, Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)
- (g) Member, Biblical Studies.org.uk

VIII. Details of Teaching/Work Experience

- (a) Lecturer/Chaplain/Registrar, Methodist Theological Institute, Sagamu,
(In Affiliation with University of Ibadan) October (2005 – 2010).
- (b) Lecturer/College Chaplain, Immanuel College of Theology and Christian Education,

- Samonda, Ibadan, (In Affiliation with University of Ibadan) October (2010 – 2012)
 (c) Lecturer, University of Ibadan, Ibadan (2012 till date)

i. Courses taught at Undergraduate Level

GES 102	African Cultures and Civilization
GES 108	Introduction to French
RCS 121	The Synoptic Gospels
RCS 212	Introduction to Greek Grammar
RCS 221	Critical Introduction to the New Testament
RCS 222	Greek Grammar and Syntax
RCS 226	New Testament Background
RCS 325	Gospel According to St. Matthew
RCS 331	Exegesis of St. John
RCS 412	Literature and Theology of St. Luke's Gospel
RCS 422	New Testament Theology
RCS 425	Studies in Epistle II

ii. Courses taught at Postgraduate Level

RCS 730	The Text and Theology of St. Mark
RCS 731	Advanced New Testament Greek
RCS 736	The Kingdom of God
RCS 737	The New Testament in Contemporary Scholarship

iii. Postgraduate Supervision

M. A. Dissertation successfully supervised	20
M. A. Dissertation ongoing	3
Ph.D. Thesis successfully supervised	6
Ph.D. Thesis ongoing	6

iv. Administrative Responsibilities in the University

- (a) Course Registration Officer for 300 Level (2013-2014)
 (b) Course Registration Officer for 400 Level (2014 till date)
 (c) Course Registration Officer for Postgraduate Candidates (2013 till date)
 (d) Member, Religious Studies Department Committee, Affiliated Colleges (2012 till date)
 (e) Member, Religious Studies Department Welfare Committee (2012 till date)

- (f) Assistant Postgraduate Coordinator, Religious Studies Department (2014-2019)
- (g) Member, Faculty of Arts Finance Committee (2015-2017)
- (h) Faculty of Arts Representative on the Faculty Board of the Social Sciences (2017-2018)
- (i) Postgraduate Coordinator, Religious Studies Department (2019 till date)
- (j) Faculty of Arts Representative on Careers Board (2022 till date)

Community Service

- (i) Staff Adviser, Methodist Campus Fellowship, University of Ibadan (2014 till date)
- (ii) Member, Governing Council, Wesley University, Ondo (2017 till date)
- (iii) External Examiner, Baptist Theological Seminary, Ogbomoso (2018 till date)
- (iv) Adviser to Council of Elders, Alaaka Estate, Araromi Town, Ido Local Government Area, Ibadan (2018 till date)
- (v) Secretary (Highlight) to the 2020 Constitutional Review, Methodist Church Nigeria (March 2020 till date)

IX. Research

(a) Completed

- (i) “A Critical Analysis of the Reign of King Solomon vis-à-vis the Regime of President Olusegun Obasanjo (1999-2003)”
- (ii) The Relevance of Ruth and Naomi’s Relationship in Ruth 1:16-17 to Daughter-in-law and Mother-in-law Relationship in Nigeria.

(b) In Progress

- (i) Economic Challenges of the Church in West Africa.

This research investigates economic challenges in the development of the ministry of the Church in West Africa with a view to identifying the key economic challenges of the Church in West Africa and effects of these on the economy in West Africa. It adopts the qualitative method and uses archival materials. Data will be subjected to descriptive analysis. (Likely completion date: May, 2023.)

- (ii) A Rhetorical Analysis of Jesus Christ’s Parables.

This study examines Jesus' parabolic method of communication with a view to establishing the rhetorical devices, which Jesus employed to address the audience. It adopts Rhetoric theory as theoretical framework and uses textual analysis. (Likely completion date: November, 2023.)

- (iii) 'Unacknowledged Rape' in the Cultural Milieu of the Corinthian Christian Community (1Corinthians 5:1) and the Traditional Yoruba Community of Nigeria.

This research examines 1Corinthians 5:1 from the perspective of unacknowledged rape within the context of the Ayegbaju community of Nigeria. This is with a view to establishing the occurrence of unacknowledged rape in the culturally promoted life partnership. Abogunrin's approach of Decolonisation of Biblical Interpretation in Africa was adopted as framework. While Qualitative data are subjected to exegetical analysis, quantitative data are analysed using percentage scores. (Likely completion date: July, 2024.)

- (c) Project, Dissertation and Thesis

- (i) Sewakpo, H. M. "The Relevance of the Guidelines for Church Administration in Titus to the Diocese of Remo, Methodist Church, Nigeria." Unpublished M.A. Project, Department of Religious Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria, (June, 2007).
- (ii) Sewakpo, H. M. "Paul's Damascus Road Experience and its Relevance to the Pastoral Ministry in the Methodist Church Nigeria, Lagos." Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis, Department of Religious Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria, (April, 2014).

X. Publications

(a) Books already published

- (1) Sewakpo, H. M. (2016). *Paul's Damascus Road Experience and its Relevance to Pastoral Ministry*. Saarbrücken: Lap Lambert Academic Publishing. ISBN-13 978-3659958823. (Germany).
- (2) Sewapo, H. M. (2020). *A Piscator of Christ: Bishop E. S. Ahisu of Badagry—A Biography*. Ibadan: Stirling-Horden Publishers Ltd. ISBN 978-978-032-832-0. (Nigeria).

(3) Chapters in book already published

- (3) Sewakpo, H. M. (2013). A Biblical Examination of Πρεσβύτερος (Presbuteros) and Ἐπίσκοπος (Episkopos) in the Epistle to Titus and their Relevance to Church Administration in Africa. In Fatokun S. A. (Ed.). *Christianity and African Society*. Ibadan: BookWright Publishers. 404-424 pp. ISBN 978-978-088-928-9. (Nigeria).
- (4) Sewakpo, H. M. (2014). Ethnic, Linguistic and Religious Diversity. In Okafor, S., and Ikwuyatum, G. (Eds.). *Nigeria Handbook: All You Want to Know About Nigeria*. Abuja: Federal Ministry of Information. 27-32 pp. ISBN 978-2-9536518-1-2. (Nigeria).
- (5) Sewakpo, H. M. (2018). Prophet Hosea in Matthew's Gospel: Prophecy Fulfilment in Matthean Redaction. In Dada, A. O., Ayantayo, J. K., Akinbamijo, O. B., Adekoya, J. S., Familusi, O. O. and Olaleye, S. K. (Eds.). *Prophecy, Politics and Power in Ancient Israel and the Nigerian Context—A Festschrift in Honour of The Most Rev. Dr G. L. Lasebikan*. Ibadan: Zenith BookHouse Ltd. 283-292pp. ISBN 978-978-960-213-1. (Nigeria).
- (6) Sewakpo, H. M. (2019). Matthean Messenger according to Malachi: the Significance of ἐγὼ ἀποστέλλω τὸν ἄγγελόν μου in the Anecdote about Jesus Praising John the Baptist (Matthew 11:2-10). In Fatokun, S. A., Ayantayo, J. K., Mepaiyeda, S. M., Familusi, O. O., and Okanlawon, S. O. (Eds.). *African Christianity in Local and Global contexts—A Festschrift in Honour of Rev. Prof. Isaac Deji Ayegboyin*. Religious Studies Series, Volume 7. Ibadan: Baptist Press (Nig.) Ltd. 272-285pp. ISBN 978-978—967-952-2. (Nigeria).
- (7) Sewakpo, H. M. (2019). Christianity in Africa. In Muritala, M. O. O. and Adesina, O. C. (Eds.). *African Cultures and Civilization: A Textbook for GES 102*. Ibadan: Ibadan University Press, 93-108pp. ISBN 978-978-8529-81-1. (Nigeria).
- (7) Fatokun, S. A. and Sewakpo, H. M. (February, 2020). Leadership Qualities in the Old Testament. In Ango, S. P. (Ed.). *Hand Book on Church Administration*.

Ogbomoso: ICHE West Africa Network, 69-94pp. ISBN 978-978-983-535-5. (Nigeria). (Contribution: 50%).

- (8) Sewapo, H. M. (2022). A Wesleyan Perspective of Mosaic Redaction of Lay Preaching in Numbers 11:16-29. In Idialu, P. O. and Reddie, A. G. (Eds.). *The Laikos Factor: Underscoring the Imperative of the Laity in the Life of the Church—A Festschrift in Honour of The Very Rev. Raphael Akhijemen Idialu*. Lagos: Leefort Nigeria Company. 356-384pp. ISBN 978-978-90154-0-7. (Nigeria).
- (9) Sewapo, H. M. (2022). An Affirmed Female Disciple of Jesus Christ: Acts 9:36-42 in Light of Exemplary Sacrificial Leadership. In Dada, A. O., Familusi, O. O., Berekiah, O. O. and Sewapo, H. M. (Eds.). *Leadership, Mission and Church Growth in Africa—A Festschrift in Honour of His Eminence Dr. Samuel Chukwuemakwu Kanu Uche*. Ibadan: Zenith BookHouse Ltd. 288-297pp. ISBN 978-978-993-889-6. (Nigeria).
- (c) **Articles that have already appeared in Refereed Conference Proceedings:** Nil
- (d) **Patent and Copyrights:** Nil
- (e) **Articles that have already appeared in Learned Journals**
- (10) Sewakpo, H. M. (2012). Paul's Concept of μεταδίδωμι in 1Thessalonians 2:8 and its relevance for Contemporary Nigeria. *ORITA: Ibadan Journal of Religious Studies*, XLIV/2: 111-136. (Nigeria).
- (11) Sewakpo, H. M. (2013). The Relevance of James' Attitude towards Partiality for Nigeria. *AJBS: African Journal of Biblical Studies*, Vol. xxxi, Nos.1&2: 97-115. (Nigeria).
- (12) Sewakpo, H. M. (2013). The Relevance of Ruth and Naomi's Relationship in Ruth 1:16-17 to Daughter-in-law and Mother-in-law Relationship in Nigeria. *ORITA: Ibadan Journal of Religious Studies*, XLV/1&2: 205-222. (Nigeria).
- (13) Sewakpo, H. M. (2014). The Challenge of Interpreting Jesus' Teaching on Πορνεία in Matthew 19:9 in Contemporary Biblical Scholarship in Africa. *IJOURNELS: Ilorin Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol.4. No. 2: 53-68. (Nigeria).
- (14) Sewakpo, H. M. (2014). Πρεσβύτερος and Ἐπίσκοπος in Titus and their Relevance to Church Administration in Africa. *JORAC: Journal of Religions and Culture*, Vol. 14, Nos 1 & 2: 84-101. (Nigeria).
- (15) Sewakpo, H. M. (2014). Seduction of Leadership Success: A Reconsideration of King David and Bathsheba Seductive Practice. *Insight: Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 10, June/December: 51-66. (Nigeria).
- (16) Sewakpo, H. M. (2015). A Comparative Analysis of Pre-Conversion of Paul in Acts 8-9 and Boko Haram Insurgence in Nigeria: Implications for National Unity. *NIDCASREL: Niger Delta Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 2. No.1: 47-58. (Nigeria).

- (17) Sewakpo, H. M. (2015). An African's Perspective on Leadership in the Book of Titus. *IJOURNELS: Ilorin Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol.5. No. 2: 1-22. **(Nigeria)**.
- (18) Sewakpo, H. M. (2016). Paul's Proclamation of Reconciliation for Peace Building in Nigeria. *Religions: Journal of the Nigerian Association for the Study of Religions*, Vol. 25, No.1 January: 168-185. **(Nigeria)**.
- (19) Sewakpo, H. M. (2016). An Interpretation of Christ as the Sacrifice in Hebrews 9:26 and its Relevance to a Holistic Relationship with God. *IJSSS: International Journal of Social Science Studies*, Vol. 4, No. 7: 26-33 **(United States of America)**.
- (20) Sewakpo, H. M. (2017). A Chosen Instrument of God: Acts 9:15 in light of Paul's Pastoral Ministry. *Ghana Bulletin of Theology*. Vol. 6, New Series: 33-48. **(Ghana)**.
- (21) Sewakpo, H. M. (2018). Jesus' Fulfilment of the Law in Matthew 5:17: A Panacea for Breaking the Law in Africa. *Africology: The Journal of Pan African Studies*, Vol. 12, No. 5: 108- 124. **(United States of America)**.
- (22) Sewakpo, H. M. (2018). Johannine Ποιμαίνων (Shepherding): John 10:11 In Light of an Exegetical Discourse. *Ife Journal of Religions*, Vol. 14: 37-60. **(Nigeria)**.
- (23) Sewakpo, H. M. (June, 2020). Mission in the New Testament with Emphasis on Mark's Gospel. *International Bulletin of Mission Research*, Vol. 44, No. 3: 268-278. **(United States of America)**.
- (24) Sewapo, H. M. (April & October, 2021). A Jacobean "Context" Χριστιανός? Examining the Poor and Rich in light of Socioeconomic Justice. *AJBS: African Journal of Biblical Studies*, Vol. xxxvi, No. 1 & 2: 1-20, **(Nigeria)**.
- (25) Sewapo, H. M. (April & October, 2021). Reflection on Παραβολὴν Τῶν Ταλάντων "The Parable of the Talents" towards Leadership Excellence in Africa. *Spectrum: Journal of Contemporary Christianity and Society*, Vol. 6, No. 1 & 2: 5-21, **(Nigeria)**.
- (26) **Sewapo, H. M.** and Ajibade, E. O. (June, 2021). Conflict Resolution in Nigerian Partisan Politics: Insights from the Quest for Leadership in Markan Narratives. *IJAH: Integrity Journal of Arts and Humanities*, Vol. 2, No.1: 1-7. **(Kenya)**. (Contribution: 50%).
- (27) **Sewapo, H. M.** and Chintuwa, S. N. (March, 2022). Pattern of Christian Praxis on Vegetarianism: Revelation 22: 2 In Light of Health Reform Teaching among the Seventh Day Adventists. *SGOJAHDS: Sapientia Global Journal of Arts, Humanities and Development Studies*, Vol. 5, No. 1: 159-174. **(Nigeria)**. (Contribution: 50%).
- (28) Sewapo, H. M. (2022). Family of God on Human Rights and its Relativity to the Episteme of the Traditional African Family Systems with reference to 1Timothy 5: 1-16. *AJRPC: African Journal of Religion, Philosophy and Culture*, Vol. 3, No. 2: 55-72. **(United Kingdom)**.
- (29) Sewapo, H. M. (December 2022). An African Christian Cultural Perspective of the Symbolic Value of Water in the Fourth Gospel. *IQRA JOURNAL: Theological and Religious Studies*, Volume 2: Issue 4: 5-15. **(United Kingdom)**.

(c) **Books, Chapters in Books and Articles already accepted for Publication**

- (30) **Sewapo, H. M.** and Oyeniyi, O. D. (2022). The Place of ΔΙΚΑΙΟΣ: Luke 1:6 in Light of Marital Stability amidst Barrenness Challenges. *AJRPC: African Journal of Religion, Philosophy and Culture*, (in Press), (United Kingdom).
- (31) **Sewapo, H. M.** and Oyeniyi, O. D. (2022). Lucan Barrenness Management: A Panacea for Mishandling Infertility in African Christian Society, *AJRPC: African Journal of Religion, Philosophy and Culture*, (in Press), (United Kingdom).

XI. Major Conferences Attended with papers read (in the last 5 years)

- (a) 3rd Biennial International Conference. Theme: Polity Debacle and the Burden of being in Africa, at University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria, March 14-18, 2017.
Paper Read: Reflection on ΠΑΡΑΒΟΛΗ ΤΩΝ ΤΑΛΑΝΤΩΝ “The Parable of the Talents” towards Leadership Excellence in Africa.
- (b) Faculty of Arts 2019 Annual Conference. Theme: *Leadership and Religion: Panacea for Conflict Resolution*, at Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State, Nigeria, April 14-17, 2019.
Paper Read: The Quest for Leadership in Markan Narratives: A Panacea for Conflict in Nigeria’s Partisan Politics.
- (c) 32nd Annual International Conference of Nigerian Association for Biblical Studies (NABIS) in Honour of Rev. Prof. David Tuesday Adamo. Theme: *The Bible in Africa and African Experiences*, at Babcock University, Ilisan Remo, Ogun State, Nigeria, July 2-5, 2019.
Paper Read: An African Interpretation of μεταδίδωμι within the Context of the Post-Resurrection Experiences of Peter in the Acts of the Apostles.
- (d) Nagel Legon International conference 2019. Theme: *African Language, Literature, Music and Prayer Repertoires: Exploring Indigenous Epistemologies and Spiritualities*, at University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana, July 24-26, 2019.
Paper Read: An African Christian Cultural Perspective of the Symbolic Value of Water in the Fourth Gospel.
- (e) Sacred Texts International conference 2022. Theme: *Interpreting Sacred Texts within Changing Contexts in Africa*, at University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana, 29th June -1st July, 2022.
Paper Read: A Corrupt Member in the Cabinet of Jesus Christ: John 12:3-8 in Light of Effective Management of Corruption in Nigeria.

- (f) New Testament Society of Southern Africa International conference 2022.
Theme: *Orality and memory in the study of Jesus and/or the Gospels*, at Stellenbosch University, South Africa, September 20, 2022.

Paper Read: Orality and Jesus' Cry of Dereliction in Marcan Narrative

XII. Book Review

- (a) *Who are You? Simple Steps to Self Realisation* by Sunday Oluwole ADEGBOLA; Lagos: Graphix One Limited, 2009 74pp.
- (b) *Fulfilling Your Destiny in a Grand Style* by David Olaniyi ONI; Ibadan: Leading Edge Publishers, 2010 186pp.

