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Bishop Oyedepo Banned From Entering The UK Over Church Corruption

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BY SAHARAREPORTERS, NEW YORK

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Bishop David Oyedepo

According to the source, the ban arose from preliminary investigations by Britain's Charity Commission that determined that monies donated to Bishop Oyedepo's church for charitable purposes were funneled to Nigeria to fund the preacher's flamboyant lifestyle.

Bishop Oyedepo owns a plush private jet and has a fleet of expensive cars, among many other astonishing personal assets.

Bishop Oyedepo was barred from entering the United Kingdom in July. However, when SaharaReporters contacted Nicola Kelly, a press officer at the immigration desk at the UK Home Office, she declined to comment on the case.

The same day, our reporter spoke to one Emmanuel Igban, a media aide to Bishop Oyedepo, but he denied that the high-flying preacher had been banned.

But our British source asserted that Bishop Oyedepo and one of his sons had been aware of the probe of church finances for at least three years now. He added that the probe was triggered after the British

Charity Commission found out that the wealthy pastor had taken out more than £16 million from the UK since 2009. He added that the commission closely monitors any repatriation of church resources, disclosing that any repatriation of funds of that size was most likely illegal.

According to the source, Bishop Oyedepo claimed that he was running a not-for-profit religious organization, "but the commission determined that he was diverting funds to engage in a series of profitable ventures."

Bishop Oyedepo, who recently turned 60, is believed to be Nigeria's richest pastor and is widely regarded as one of the richest televangelists in the world.

The UK government has distributed notices warning airlines that operate flights to the UK not carry the bishop.

Mr. Oyedepo's private jet is also barred from entering the UK airspace with him on board.

A few years ago, Bishop Oyedepo provoked international outrage when videotapes of one of his church events showed him slapping a teenage girl he accused of being a witch. In the face of mounting criticism, including calls for his arrest for assaulting a minor, Mr. Oyedepo boasted that he would slap the "witch" again.



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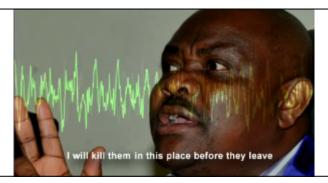


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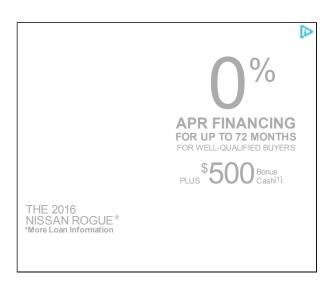
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Gbola • 2 years ago

Waaaooow !!!

Another Pentecostal pastor at it again???

in addition to:

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- --- Now -Oyedepo, Banned on entering uk for alleged corruption.

Could all these pastors blame it on mere daily challenges, mere coincidences OR is this a writing on the wall??

Should we expect more scandals as i surely hope this would be the very last we'll hear AT LEAST FOR THIS YEAR.

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Impulse400 → Gbola • 2 years ago

You forgot to add the name of the KICC founder, Mathew Ashimolowo to your list... He was accused of fraud in the UK long before Oyedepo. Doesn't Reverend King also count or he wasn't popular enough?

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lyke Okongwu → Impulse400 • 2 years ago

and you saving the world where you are! nay-sayer!

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GraceTruth7.org → Gbola • 2 years ago

E.A. Adeboye, Holy Ghost service, Nov. 2008: "... if it is me you want to fight, you have won before you start. I have nothing to fight with ... I know nobody, I HAVE NO MONEY."

LYING Pastors.



Uwa Noghan → Gbola • 2 years ago

You can throw tantrums but the man and his church have employed more than 18,000 Nigerians across the country in their ventures. At least those guys will remain grateful for him ,at least he puts food on their table. Whether the money comes from UK or China is not my headache!



Gbola → Uwa Noghan • 2 years ago

hehehehe...

I guess (according to you) ...Robbing peter to Pay paul is their calling then.

You must be a beneficiary of this act. Thats the only plausible reason you would make such an incredible stupid and irrational defence of such a Sunday day-light robbery.

With your analogy, i guess if Shina Rambo had provided employment for 18,000 people, then he ought be praised.



ike → Gbola • 2 years ago

Gbola!!,none of the members complained of robbery or reported to the police.what is your definition of robbery?nobody has ever been coerced directly or indirectly to give in that church



Xman → ike • 2 years ago

Because the members are foolish, most are living in boys quarter and the pastor is living in opulence, and yet they think he is doing it for God, most (more than 90%) of the church members cannot afford to sponsor their children to his schools, was that how the missionary operated then? Most members are as foolish as you are.



Senator D → ike • 2 years ago

Please, before you start abusing me kindly read Mathew 25 verse 31 to 46, James 1 verse 27 and Deuteronomy 26 verse 12... There will be surprises in Heaven because those who we think will be the first shall be the last and those who we think shall be the last will be the first... I speak according to the scriptures...

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Senator D → Uwa Noghan • 2 years ago

Am surprised at you... Was it not Apostle Paul who said in 1Cor 11 verse 1, "Be you followers of me as I am a follower of Christ"?... Was Apostle Paul not a Christian? Why didn't he amass wealth? Can we say that amassing wealth is the way to godliness? I ask you Sir, how do we separate ourselves from thieving politicians who we are trying to outdo by the abominable show of opulence? Are all Christians NOT children of God? How come ONLY a selected few get so stupendously wealthy and the rest are barely eking out a living? Is God partial? So, ONLY Pastors and Bishops are entitled to God's riches? Lest I forget ONLY Pastors and Bishops can continue in sin that grace may abound... Thanks to our brother at Christ Embassy and COZA..............

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ike → Uwa Noghan • 2 years ago

very intelligent and factual commentary. Keep it up Uwa

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Toun → ike • 2 years ago

You called this 'intelligen and factual t'? then you must be dumber than an ass!

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lyke Okongwu → Gbola • 2 years ago

and you practically being useless in your own domain!

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Gbola → lyke Okongwu • 2 years ago

Useless???

Didn't all i state happen?? Or did I make them up??

what's your entire family being useless got to do with this issue???

Go back and beg your illiterate useless mother to teach you how to blab.

What a Moron.

Just cos u feel abit sensitive about your semi-gods doesn't give you the right to publicly expose your retarded self on sahara-reporters..



Gabriel T → Gbola • 2 years ago

Gbola don't mind the gullible wanker, fake pastors and their mumu congregation 5 ^ V • Reply • Share >



lyke Okongwu → Gbola • 2 years ago

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Senator D → lyke Okongwu • 2 years ago

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lyke Okongwu → Senator D • 2 years ago

Suprise or not, people should support the preaching of the word of God!

Destructive criticism (judging) will only endanger the person dishing it out!

Note: The present of the word of God!

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lyke Okongwu → Senator D • 2 years ago

Making money is not a crime! Making it by greedy means is! In as much as capitalism SEEMS to have crept into the church, it doesn't mean God's word should not be preached. I don't think all pastors are 100% had!

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Senator D → lyke Okongwu • 2 years ago

Sir, I will not whip a dead horse with you any longer. Kindly please study the book of Acts of the Apostles Chapter 6 verses 1 to 7 for a better understanding...

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Senator D → lyke Okongwu • 2 years ago

Bro. what are you fighting for? What or who are you defending? God or Man? Please, before you start abusing me kindly read Mathew 25 verse 31 to 46, James 1 verse 27 and Deuteronomy 26 verse 12... There will be surprises in Heaven because those who we think will be the first shall be the last and those who we think shall be the last will be the first... I speak according to the scriptures...



Hackervirus • 2 years ago

Pastor i hail'the ban arose from preliminary investigations by Britain's Charity Commission that determined that monies donated to Bishop Oyedepo's church for charitable purposes were funnelled to Nigeria to fund the preacher's flamboyant lifestyle'. An his blind worshippers will not see this



Gabriel T → Hackervirus • 2 years ago

You mean blind and mumu followers



Sunny Oke. • 2 years ago

The almighty Jesus Christ rode on a donkey, donkeys are not extinct and not a single pastor / man of god or born again christian has ever bothered to ride on a donkey or own at least one donkey in their fleet of jets and life of luxuries. And we say we are emulating Jesus Christ our hypocrisy is enough to inflict bad governance, extreme poverty, unemployment, Ebola, etc as punishment.



Gbola → Sunny Oke. • 2 years ago

I'm Glad you brought that up.

Because in those days that Jesus rode on donkeys, there were riches (equatable to Bentleys and Ferraris as we have today).

There was the wealthy Pharaoh with all his Chariots made of gold and silver together with the large convoy of horses.

And there was also the wealthy Pontious Pilate with his massive roman palace and all.

Yet Jesus Christ rode on a donkey and at times walked for days.

All these pastors claim that their God is a rich God as if Jesus God wasn't a rich God. What about John the baptist. The pastor/prophet who baptized Jesus?

Why wouldn't anyone of these so called pastor truly sacrifice their life for their calling. Isn't HEAVENLY REWARDS better than EARTHLY REWARDS?

They ought to take a look at the life of Madam Theresa.



Ade → Gbola • 2 years ago

Point of correction! most of the donkeys rode on were borrowed



Impulse400 → Gbola • 2 years ago

Point of correction: Jesus as an adult, rode on a donkey only ONCE. He did not "at times walk for days". He ALWAYS walked everywhere he went to, whenever he was not occasionally sailing on a fishing boat.



david olurin → Impulse400 • 2 years ago

You are right. And Jesus rode donkey to signify what he would pass through. Donkey is the only animal with cross at its back, it is the only animal that if you beat will never cry or attack you.



Impulse400 → david olurin • 2 years ago

You are making a faulty assumption. You are assuming that the narrative according to the bible is accurate. The donkey has no significance to anything concerning Jesus or His work, other than that He once rode a donkey half way into Jerusalem.

How the donkey came about is very controversial.



lyke Okongwu → Impulse400 • 2 years ago

and you developing cars in those days for the rich ministers!



Senator D → lyke Okongwu • 2 years ago

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Gabriel T → Gbola • 2 years ago

Exactly the point, Jesus could have had chariots of gold to ride him everywhere but he was humble and money was not on his radar unlike these criminals parading as pastors.

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GoodCitizen → Gbola • 2 years ago

Ever come across this scripture . 2 Corinthians 8:9 (KJV)

For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich. Above all your getting get understanding. Bless you.

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wisened → Gbola • 2 years ago

I get worried with people like you who try to speak for reason but actually are satan's mouthpieces. Inasmuch as you make a lot of logical sense, you make no scriptural sense. You, like satan tempting Jesus, quote just a portion of scriptures to mislead more gullible readers to think that you are smart, but actually you display semi-literacy (which sometimes is worse than illiteracy).

Yes, Jesus rode on Donkeys, yet, He said in Mark 10:29-30_ "...Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's. But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life." He said in Matthew 6:31-33_ "Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and ALL THESE THINGS shall be added unto you."

There are yet many more references in the Bible referring to God wanting His servants to prosper. I agree with you that many abuse this, but it does not change the fact that God desires us to prosper...and scripture is replete with that. And SCRIPTURE CANNOT BE BROKEN.

You can choose to disagree with some Pastors' lifestyle, but when making your points, get all the facts (scripture), and you can still maintain your position, but then intelligently. I am sorry to say that the one you just did lacks that...it is lopsided.



Gbola → wisened • 2 years ago

I made alot of Logical sense BUT NOT Scriptural sense???

You claimed that I quoted a portion of the bible.

For your Correction, I ONLY Referenced the bible. I NEVER Quoted ONE Single passage.

I'm very happy for Satanists like you who always find a passage in the bible to

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support their needs/wants/greed/lifestyles/crimes etc...

Punch wrote a story about Pastor Oyedepo being banned from entering the U.K based on allegations surrounding Corruption.

I based my write-up on the likes of the Pastor in question in which you also agreed that his likes do exist.

Whats so difficult for you to understand in that??

Did I state anywhere in my posting that ALL Pastors are Corrupt??

I also asked a question : Isn't HEAVENLY Reward better than EARTHLY REWARDS or POSSESSIONS?

see more

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Rally T. → Gbola • 2 years ago

There is no where that "Punch wrote a story about Pastor Oyedepo being banned from entering the U.K"

This is another figment of your imagination and the likes of these internet 'cut and paste' jobless fools who call themselves 'journalists '

I live in the UK and if there is any story about Oyedepo being banned from entering for corruption, we here should be the first to know!



Senator D → Gbola • 2 years ago

Point of correction Jesus was never poor! If Jesus was poor how could he have afforded to feed thousands of people without asking them for offering or special "seed-sowing"? Jesus was never a host but always a visitor to everyone who cared to invite him in... How many poor people in Oyedepo's Church have been visited by him (Oyedepo)? Talk of pride in disguise... Also, the lady he slapped and called a witch if it was discovered to be OBJ's grand-daughter would he (Oyedepo) have boasted that he will slap her again? Finally, I ask did the Bishop pay 50k as acceptance fee when he went to Kwara Poly? And did he pay 400k+ when he read Architecture? Why then is it so with his Universities? Is the extravagant school fees commiserate with quality of education there? Are the graduates from his universities better than those from Middle/Eastern-Europe who pay lesser for better quality education? Has Oyedepo's schools been able to abolish social vices like cultism and the rest? Please someone should tell me "Touch not my anointed and do my prophet no harm!"... Nonsense!!!!!!!



WIs → Senator D • 2 years ago

My broda u have said it all

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Gbola → Senator D • 2 years ago

Thank you Austine,

You couldn't have explained it better.



Jite → Gbola • 2 years ago

Are you saying all Pastors or servant's of God is suppose to be poor and live in poverty? Where in the bible does it say Jesus (God) was poor?

What we need to do is focus on the inappropriate Behavior of these Pastor's and really make sure what they preach a lines up with the Bible. Wealth is secondary unless you see a wealthy Pastor and he is Preaching in a church he can never seem to finish for the last 20 yrs.



Gabriel T → Jite • 2 years ago

Sharrap you dunce



Gbola → Jite • 2 years ago

No, not at all.

But there just seems to be a Strong Correlation between pastors riches and the size of the congregation.

First Class ticket on an airline is no longer enough.

The latest is owning a Jet while most of the congregation is languishing in poverty.

Owning 3 cars isn't enough.

A Rolex is nothing.

Then u have this pastor always lacing on a Gold chain like a hip hop-ster.

There's a big difference between wealth and Ostentatious goods especially in the face of poverty stricken congregations.

Even the pope who is the leader of the LARGEST Denomination of Christianity doesn't own a private jet.



Senator D → Gbola • 2 years ago

You are talking as if apologizing... You owe him NO APOLOGY SIR! A sin is a sin period. No matter who commits it. Our Churches are becoming worldly and the world becoming Churchy because we cannot separate ourselves from the greed and merchandising of the world. Can you believe it that despite the fact that none of these men-of-God paid such outrageous school fees in their times as students yet they charge exorbitant school fees from both Church members

(he you a worker or not) and from uphaliovers as well. They do not give

anything free in the church... It is always sowing of seed and sowing of seed for everything under the earth. You sow seed to get a husband. You sow seed for NEPA to give you light. You sow seed for Jonathan to impregnate Patience... Yet we have widows, orphans, the poor, senile and destitute abandoned by the same Church which they are supposed to embrace, protect, provide for and preach the good-news to... Abeg make we leave this matter for another time...



Senator D → Jite • 2 years ago

How do you separate a LEOPARD from its SPOTS? A Pastor's character cannot be separated from his nature. And our nature determines who we are be

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