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Biography/Memoirs

Standing For Truth with Courage : An Autobiography of Njidda Mamadu Gadzama /
Njidda Mamadu Gadzama
Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd, 2020
xxvi, 405p.
Includes Index
9789785769661
\$ 60.00/ PB
725gm.

Standing for Truth with Courage is the autobiography of an accomplished son of Margi land, an international scientist, a scholar, a teacher and able university administrator, Professor Emeritus Njidda Gadzama, OFR, FAS, HLR. From his ancestry and beginning in Margi through his educational pursuits both in Nigeria and the United States of America as made possible through the missionary activities of the Church of the Brethren, to his return to his fatherland - Nigeria - to pick up a career in academics, and his rise through the ranks to become an outstanding university administrator, first as acting and a substantive Vice Chancellor and then the founding Pro-Chancellor of the National Open University of Nigeria, the book presents the author's highs and lows, moments of joy and sorrow to the reader, not just to read to know, but to learn from. The author's resolute to stand for truth with courage, despite all the persecutions he faced in his life adventures is a major theme that reverberated across the book. Beyond being an autobiography, the book is a wonderful resource material on the culture and language of the Margi people. The author has taken a deliberate step of documenting the linguistic code and way of life of his people as his own contribution to the preservation of the Margi culture beside his high traditional title as Shettima Ilmuye of Borno out of respect to his immense academic and administrative achievements.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774622>

Strategic Turnaround : Story of a Government Agency / Dakuku Peterside
Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd, 2021

xxvi, 302p. ; B/W Illustrations ; 273x210mm.

Includes Index

9789785800883

\$ 65.00 / PB

480gm.

Strategic Turnaround is more than a case study of transformational change in an African maritime administration. It is a roadmap for putting agency back into your government department, a go-to guide for reinvigorating your energy-sapped public servants, and a speak-easy description of how to overcome those structural influences of culture and bureaucracy that knee-cap many a change effort. This book is a must-read for those [having to walk the tightrope of balancing the public's expectations against the public's purse when] attempting to restore confidence in an under-performing public service. Armed with Dr. Peterside's inspirational book, you too will succeed in bringing about transformational change in your government agency.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774623>

My Mother's Daughter / Taiwo Taiwo

Lagos: Qurano Publishing (QBooks), 2021

xvi, 228p.

9789785849455

\$ 35.00 / PB

475gm.

Chief Mrs Taiwo Taiwo, an unstoppable force, passionate and driven to deliver change, and to help others in Nigeria, especially in her hometown of Lagos. She brings her energy, humour, and disarming honesty to every page—from her encounters with brutal racism as a child in the UK, her fresh perspective on 1960s Europe as a teenager, to her cultural disconnect on returning to Lagos in the early 1970s.

With clear-sightedness and determination, she takes on daunting business battles and philanthropic challenges in education, urban renewal, and grief counselling. Taiwo's life has privilege but also tragedy. Her story shows us a determined Nigerian who has taken life full-on and delivers everything she

can to make things better for people who pass her way. Despite numerous setbacks, she remains optimistic and passionate for change.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774624>

Driven by Passion, Enabled By Grace : My Service as the 7th CMD/C.E.O of the University College Hospital, Ibadan / Temitope Oluwagbenga Alonge Nigeria: Temitope Oluwagbenga Alonge, 2021

200p.

9789783108936

\$ 40.00 / PB

325gm.

Details of my work and challenges as the seventh CEO/CMD of the University College Hospital Ibadan, Oyo State Nigeria

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774625>

My Story, My Song / Chioma Kanu Agomo

Lagos: Concept Publications Limited, 2021

234p.

Includes Index

9789789800810

\$ 50.00 / PB

425gm.

My Story, My Song is a personal story of a God who is at work in our lives even when it does not seem like it. We do not choose the family we are born into, God does. We often do not choose the experiences we go through, God does! Rejection, insecurity, tragedy, war and their negative impact are told with candour. Running through the story is a clear demonstration of God whose ways are not our ways. It is a demonstration of God's sovereignty over one life that needed to be broken just like Joseph, read in the Bible, in order to be usable by the Maker. My Story, My Song is intended to give hope to the hopeless. It is the author's hope that the reader will hear God's comforting voice through the pages of the book telling you: "Fear Not. I will never leave you nor forsake you."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774626>

Flashback : A Peep into my Adventure in Public Affairs Interventions : A
Preface to My Memoir / Richard Akinnola
Abuja: Rich Konsult, 2021
xi, 310p.
9783563343
\$ 45.00/ PB
430gm.

For decades, Richard Akinnola has been a constant feature in the public affairs space in Nigeria. This book is a preface to his explosive memoir.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774627>

Village Boy : True Life Story Of A Tenacious African Orphan / Anietie Usen
Second Edition
Lagos: Parresia Publisher Ltd., 2021
xxii, 210p.
9789789831074
\$ 40.00 / PB
320gm.

Thrilling, funny, irresistible and full of suspense, Village Boy is not just a real-life saga of a poverty-stricken boy who overcame incredible obstacles and prevailed against all odds. It is the inimitable and absorbing adventure into the village life in southern Nigeria, especially AkwaCross States. For adults, it is a nostalgia to relish. For the younger generation, this is not just a breezy window to the 60s and 70s, but the veritable binoculars to trace the footsteps of their parents and grandparents, in the proverbial good old days. And for teachers and students in secondary and tertiary institutions, this is a study in creative writing. Unputdownable.

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Economics

Political Economy of Media Operations in Nigeria : Essays in Honour of HRH
Oba Michael Bolorunduro Asaju / (Eds) Muiyiwa Popoola & Godwin
Ehiarekhian Oboh
Oyo Town, Oyo States: Ajayi Crowther University, 2018
xvi, 520p. ; color portrait ; 25cm.
Includes Index

9789785238983

\$ 70.00 / PB

910gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774629>

In Search of Muted Voices for the Mirage Named Development : An Inaugural Lecture, 2018/2019 / Ayobami Ojebode

Ibadan: University of Ibadan, 2019

64p.

9789785716436

\$ 12.00/ PB

80gm.

This is an inaugural lecture focusing on the lecturer's scholarly and other efforts to understand and promote communication in support of development efforts in Nigeria. His advocacy efforts in promoting community radio broadcasting and studies of indigenous communication feature in the lecture as well.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774630>

History

Balogun Oderinlo in Yoruba History / Niyi Aborisade

Nigeria: Jacobs Well Publishers, 2021

120p.

Includes Bibliography

\$ 40.00 / HB

250gm.

Niyi Aborisade, the author of 'Voice For Positive Change Nigeria' - is a legal luminary, a Human Rights Activist and an Historian. He is happily married with Three Children. Niyi is the founder and the President of National Movement For Positive Change . He is the founder of Egbe Omo Yoruba in Germany, a Yoruba organisation that is still flourishing in Germany till date .He is a descendant of Balogun Oderinlo and hailed from Ajagba compound, Oke Ofa Baba Isale Ibadan.He is very passionate about History and Human Rights.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774631>

Fellow Countrymen : The Story of Coup D'etats in Nigeria / Richard Akinnola
Revised Edition

Abuja: Rich Konsult, 2013

xi, 340p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9783105008

\$ 55.00 / PB

415gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774632>

Law

Modern Maritime Law and Practice in Nigeria : With Commentary on
Admiralty Jurisdiction Procedure Rules / Ajuzie C. Osondu

Lagos: University of Lagos Press and Bookshop Ltd, 2020

xxxviii, 474p.

Includes Index / (E

9789785764640

\$ 80.00 / PB

775gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774633>

Judicial Terrorism : A Macabre Trial and Death Sentences on Major-General
Zamani Lekwot and Five Others on the Zangon Kataf Crisis / Richard Akinnola
(Foreword) Bishop Hassan Matthew Kukah

Abuja: Rich Konsult, 2017

xviii, 114p.

9783348655

\$ 35.00 / PB

180gm.

"A country can put up with laws that are harsh or unjust, so long as they are
administered by just judge who can mitigate their harshness or alleviate their
unfairness." - Lord Denning.

General Lekwot to Justice Okadigbo: "The same government that established
this court to investigate the truth, apportion blame and award punishment,
went behind the door and passed laws that have stripped the accused of their
rights of fair defense, meaning that a decision to eliminate us was taken

somewhere outside of this court. What worries me, and I speak for others, is the insincerity in the whole exercise. During the first trial, I called all my witnesses and when government discovered I was not going to be jailed, I was discharged and not acquitted. It was you also who directed the police to re-arrest me and more changes were brought out. How can you convince me that good faith is what this trial is all about? Everything is there in your record. As chairman of this Tribunal, you do not only owe us a duty to doing your job properly, you owe us a duty to let layman understand the implication of some pronouncements. My Lord, like I said before, this is your parade, I take orders from you, what you tell to do. As the president of this Tribunal, I will give the Tribunal the respect by obeying the orders. Obeying orders has been my professional duties for years. I cannot as a layman, without knowing the legal implication, start taking decisions. As far as General Lekwot is concerned, this Tribunal knows everything about my defense because I spelt it out in the first trial. If in addition to that, you still want me to get into the box as a formality so that you can do what you were sent here to do. I leave the discretion to you." Justice Okadigbo: "Withdraw that statement. I give you just one minute to do that".Lekwot: "To withdraw what?" Okadigbo: "Withdraw what you have just said." Lekwot: "What did I say?" Okadigbo:"To do what you were sent here to do" Lekwot:"I am forced to say that because of what I saw from the beginning of this trial. Hostility and intimidation of us and our lawyer. But if you force me to withdraw it, I will, but that is my impression". Read more thought-provoking episodes in this book of the macabre drama of travesty of justice, where the judge exhibited patent and unabashed bias, leading him to passing the death sentences on the defendants.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774634>

Famous Murder Trials in Nigeria / Richard Akinnola

Abuja: Rich Konsult, 2021

v, 138p.

9783105001

\$ 35.00 / PB

215gm.

Long before I fell in love with the television crime investigation series - Crime and Investigations and Discovery ID, Chief Gani Fawehinmi, had sowed the seed in me.

Some of these cases in this book are as old as 1950 and as recent as 1995. This has been garnished with the epochial "Ogoni 9" trials and the trial of Major

Hamza Al Mustapha and others in respect of the murder of Kudirat, wife of Chief MKO Abiola. Major Mustapha was the powerful Chief Security Officer (CSO) to the late maximum ruler, General Sanni Abacha, between 1994 and 1998.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774635>

Judge Don Beg Me : The Odyssey of Fela Anikulapo-Kuti's Encounters with the Law / Richard Akinnola

Abuja: Rich Konsult, 2015

152p.

9783348612

\$ 35.00 / PB

185gm.

Bankole Osunla (Fela's aide): "Fela, you dey fear?" Fela: (Awaiting court ruling on his bail application at the Federal High Court, Ikoyi, Lagos): "Why I go fear court? Court wey judge go dey sleep. Na so so lie dem dey talk for court, all these lawyers dem ... Kanmi dem people. Police go arrest accuse for Mushin. Dem go call IPO wey no dey dia when accuse thief o, as witness. E no dey dia o, but police go say na prosecution witness. Lawyer go go London and India to go cite case wey happen for 1900 for the thing wey happen for Mushin in 1984. And the judge wey go judge case dey live for Ikoyi. Which kain justice be dat? That was vintage Fela Anikulapo-Kuti. Read more of the travails of this iconoclast, who made at least 300 court appearances in his lifetime, charged with all manner of criminal offences by the State, over his fight for social justice, using his music as the instrument of protest. It's a collector's item.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774636>

Beyond the Broken Chains / Omoyele Sowore

Budapest, Hungary: Nelson M46664 Human Rights Association, 2021

ix, 358p.

9789785747270

\$ 55.00 / PB

495gm.

This is a revolutionary compendium and essays around the events that unfolded from that wistful night when Omoyele Stephen Sowore, Nigerian pro-democracy campaigner, journalist and former presidential candidate, was forcefully whisked away in the wee hours of 3 August 2019.

On that stale night when men slept, some 8 heavily armed men from the Nigerian State Security Service, carrying IWI Tavor-21 bullpup assault rifles and ominously decked in black, stormed the residence of Sowore as he prepared to lead revolutionary minds into a second Nigerian independence via the #RevolutionNowprotest. The protest was in reaction to continuing inept governance, frightening insecurity, decades of national stagnation and retrogression, demeaning social injustice and the unprecedented hardship on the hapless citizenry who became insecure victims from the tragic governance of a clueless few.

In and out of detention, events quickly overtook one another even as the Nigerian government under President- General Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, severally circumvented the rule of law and left justice shivering and groping behind closed doors.

Court after Court, Sowore was granted bail with strident conditions, including restrictions not to travel outside Abuja, the Federal Capital Territory of Nigeria. In all of these, little did they know that they were unconsciously laying the solid foundation for a paradigm shift and the rebirth of a new Nigeria as the unbroken Sowore, swiftly and courageously, walked beyond the broken chain to unveil...

A document spanning 533 days of incarceration, unlawful detention of a prisoner of conscience written in 92 chapters, 446 pages and 40 colourful photographs.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774637>

Literature

Soyinka's Feminist Aesthetics / Chinyere Nwagbara

Ibadan: Rasmed Publications Limited 2015

xviii, 310p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789788516859

\$ 45.00 / PB

420gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774638>

The Conquest of Azenga : The Confession of a Ruthless Imperialist : A Novel /

I. Harry Hagher

Ibadan: HEBN Publishers Plc., 2021

xiv, 290p.

9789780816469
\$ 35.00 / PB
350gm.

Lord Gilbert Payne, a British imperialist, the High Commissioner of Northern Sofalia, and later Governor-General of Sofalia, has earned his ruthless reputation; exterminating and conquering the tribes of British Sofalia. By combining forces with the local imperial power, the Caliph of Sobikhotanu, the rest of the country is forcefully amalgamated and occupied. Using his weapons; the Maxim gun and the Bible, Lord Payne, is determined to convert and conquer these “savages”, secure in his approval from the British government, which allows him to commit some violence for a good cause. But the Azenga tribe of Sofalia is determined to resist the occupation of their land and to civilize Payne and the British, whom they consider pitifully ignorant. The combined Caliphate-British Army is routed by Azenga warrior’s poisoned arrows.

Payne resorts to more invidious and reprehensible methods. He institutes a witch hunt in Azenga land. Unsuccessful, the Azenga contest Payne’s witch hunt, choosing death over humiliation, leading to the deaths of many Azenga elders.

When Payne’s wife Lady Liliana Payne throws away everything decent to support positive imperialism, British Imperial rule is severely rattled and brought to an end in British Sofalia.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774639>

On Attending My Own Wake and Other Episodes / Aduke Gomez

Ibadan: Bookcraft, 2021

xiv, 46p.

9789785795776

\$ 15.00 / PB

90gm.

It is a thing of supreme difficulty to write of hard things with clarity, truth and music. Aduke Gomez somehow managed this feat in *On Attending My Own Wake & Other Episodes*. In a society that has succeeded in banishing taboo subjects to the realm of whispers, Aduke's unsettling script marks a point of departure and of supersession. There is dark humour and candour here, and uncannily, there is hope too, and a throbbing pulse. – Tade Ipadeola, *Author of The Sahara Testaments*

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774640>

Philosophy

African Freedom : The Freedom of Philosophy / Maduabuchi Dukor
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2021
359p. ; 229x152mm.
Includes Index
9789785878905
\$ 50.00 / PB
525gm.

African Freedom. The Freedom of Philosophy is a collection of the author's writings, over the decades, on the theme of freedom in Africa, or African freedom in a world of brutally competitive national and racial elites who are exerting multi-directional influence in attempts at continuously reshaping, or directing modern human affairs to their advantage.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774641>

African Philosophy in the Global Village : Theistic Panpsychic Rationality, Axiology and Science / Maduabuchi Dukor
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2021
306p. ; 229x152mm.
Includes Index ; Bibliography
9789785878912
\$ 50.00 / PB
450gm.

In this book, Maduabuchi Dukor presents a comprehensive interpretation of African Philosophy that is informed by the idea that everything in the universe includes a 'spiritual' dimension, what he calls theistic humanism. Imperceptible agents such as God, lesser divinities, and ancestors, as well as forces such as witchcraft and magic, play prominent roles in Dukor's accounts of not just metaphysics, but also ethics, aesthetic, and epistemics. By highlighting the diversity in intellectual world currents philosophy stimulates intercultural dialogue, African Philosophy in the Global Village. Theistic Panpsychic Rationality, Axiology and Science is a response to major contemporary socio-cultural challenges in the global village.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774642>

Theistic Humanism of African Philosophy : The Great Debate on Substance and Method of Philosophy / Maduabuchi Dukor

Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2021

xviii, 316p. ; 229x152mm.

Includes Index

9789785878936

\$ 40.00 / PB

495gm.

In this book Maduabuchi Dukor seeks to articulate an authentic African Philosophy, one which is distinct and at its heart is a unique combination of holding that the enhancement of human interest is the ultimate end, albeit set in a world imbued with imperceptible agents such as God, lesser divinities, and ancestors. Dukor applies this 'theistic humanism' to a variety of debates, including idealism/materialism, mind/body, and determinism/indeterminism.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774643>

Politics

The Legislature and Governance in Nigeria, Volume Two : A Festschrift for Emeritus Professor John A. A. Ayoade (Ed) Emmanuel O. Ojo

Ibadan: John Archers (Publishers) Ltd., 2018

xviii, 274p.

9789785655582

\$ 40.00 / PB

410gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774644>

Nigerian Foreign Policy Since 1960 / Sunday Olagunju (Foreword) Professor Bolaji Akinyemi

Ibadan: Sabic Publishers, 2021

viii, 160p.

Includes Index

978978245091X

\$ 35.00 / PB

260gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774645>

Democracy and the Untold Story of June 12 / Abimbola Aboderin
Lagos: Icon Initiative & Promotion Limited, 2020

xiv, 290p.

9781716875380

\$ 65.00 / HB

470gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774646>

Publish the Truth and Go to Jail : The Decree 4 Trial : A Witness to History /
Richard Akinnola

Lagos: Rich Special Publications, 2018

xviii, 208p.

9783105006

\$ 40.00 / PB

315gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774647>

Religion, Politics and Conflict in Nigeria / Mike Omilusi & S. S. Avidime
Ibadan: Prime Publishers & Educational Services, 2020

x, 174p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789785604085

\$ 35.00 / PB

230gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774648>

Nigeria Democracy Without Development : How to Fix it / Omano Edigheji

Lagos: A'Lime Media Limited, 2020

xxviii, 200p.

Includes Index

9789789800803

\$ 45.00 / PB

310gm.

There is a paradoxical relationship between democracy and development in Nigeria. In the twenty years of electoral democracy, poverty, inequality, unemployment, underemployment and insecurity have increased. The economy has remained dependent on primary sectors – agriculture and oil – and low value added services. The aspiration that by 2020, Nigeria would

become one of the twenty leading economies in the world has not been achieved. The political elite have captured the state for personal gains and unsurprisingly, Nigeria remains one of the most corrupt countries in the world. While democracy remains the best form of government, its credibility and legitimacy are undermined when it does not yield developmental dividends for a majority of Nigerians. This book examines the factors that account for the current situation in Nigeria; offers practical solutions on how the deficiencies of electoral democracy can be overcome; and suggests how Nigeria can promote inclusive development. It calls for a developmentalist coalition driven by ideology of development nationalism, to come together to address the development challenges facing the country so as to achieve democratic development.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774649>

Why Not? : Citizenship, State Capture, Creeping Fascism and Criminal Hijack of Politics in Nigeria / Pat Utomi

Ibadan: Bookcraft, 2021

x, 262p.

9789785776300

\$ 40.00 / PB

330gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774650>

On the Next Level : Nigeria in Transformation and the Demands of Patriotism / Akpenpuun Dzurgba & Kator Iorwuese Akpenpuun

Ibadan: John Archers (Publishers) Ltd., 2020

x, 122p.

Includes Index

9789785768213

\$ 35.00 / PB

195gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774652>
