



COLLABORATION BETWEEN CSN AND SIGNIS NIGERIA INVALUABLE FOR THE SUCCESS OF COMMUNICATION APOSTOLATE OF THE CHURCH

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The Secretary General of the Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria (CSN), Very Rev. Fr. Ralph Madu has reiterated the need for enhanced collaboration between the Secretariat and Signis Nigeria, in order to make the communication apostolate of the Church in the country more productive and in consonance with the position of the universal Church.

Fr. Madu gave this advice while recently receiving the new executive members of Signis Nigeria, the umbrella body for all communication organizations in the country, in his office, in Abuja. The delegation was led by the new President of the association, Very Rev. Fr, Patrick Alumuku, who is also the Director of Communications for the Archdiocese of Abuja.

According to the CSN Secretary General, the importance of communication in the evangelization apostolate of the Church in the country cannot be overemphasized. He

urged the new executive to do everything possible to sustain the communication apostolate as the bastion of evangelization apostolate of the Church in the country.

Going down memory lane on the history and growth of the association in Africa and the country, in relationship with the global body, Fr. Madu disclosed that it has not been an easy journey, but expressed satisfaction of the success achieved so far in the country and the continent and the invaluable role of Nigeria in this perspective.

He noted that the new President who took over from the pioneer president of the association in Nigeria, Rev. Fr. Walter Ihejirika, now President of the African body; is not new to leadership position in the communication apostolate of the Church within and outside the country and expressed the optimism that he, along with his new executive will take the organization to higher level for the benefit of the Church in the country.

Fr. Madu then introduced the incoming Secretary General of CSN, Rev. Fr. Zacharia Samjumi to the visiting executive officers of Signis Nigeria and expressed the hope that the collaboration and cooperation existing between the two organizations will be sustained under his leadership. In his remarks, Fr. Samjumi assured the new executive members of the continued cooperation between CSN and Signis Nigeria; noting that communication is the bastion of the evangelization of the Church in the country, and all hands must be on deck to ensure its continued success.

In his response, the leader of the team Rev. Fr. Patrick Alumuku thanked the Secretary General and the secretariat for the support the association has enjoyed from the Secretariat, under his leadership and intimated him on the purpose of the nationwide tour being embarked upon by the new executive, which is to give new impetus to the communication apostolate of the Church in Nigeria. He promised to take the organization and its affiliate bodies to a higher level, in all ramifications, during the tenure of the new executive.

The delegation had earlier had a useful discussion with the CSN Director of Social Communications, Rev. Fr. Chris Anyanwu on the way forward for the communication apostolate of the Church in the country. The director assured the association of his continued support and collaboration to enable it effectively be the umbrella body for all the associations of the communication apostolate of the Church in the country; and make them more effective and competent in serving and protecting the Church of Christ. The director then briefed the visitors on the progress made by the directorate since he came into office, including the establishment of a printing press for the secretariat.

Other members of the exco who came with the President were: Rev. Fr. Femi Adetunji, Vice President; Rev. Fr. Stephen Udo, Treasurer; Mrs. Ifeoma Opara, Finacial Secretary

and Mr. Tony Agbugba, General Secretary of the association.