



# ARCHDEACON CROWTHER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL (ACMGS), EELENWO.



## MISSION STATEMENT

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**We provide instruction in a caring, safe and healthy environment responsive to each child in collaboration with the family, Church and society.**

**We instill discipline and disciple the learner to become a responsible and productive global citizen, who shall be committed to the transformation and development of the Family, Church and the Nation.**



# NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise, O Compatriots,  
Nigeria's call obey  
To serve our fatherland  
In love and strength and faith  
The labour of our heroes past  
Shall never be in vain  
To serve with heart and might  
One nation bound in freedom,  
Peace and unity.

O God of creation,  
Direct our noble cause  
Guide our leaders' right  
Help our youths the truth to  
know  
In love and honesty to grow  
And living just and true  
Great lofty heights attain  
To build a nation where peace  
And justice shall reign.

# NATIONAL PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria my country  
To be faithful, loyal and honest  
To serve Nigeria with all my strength  
To defend her unity  
And uphold her honour and glory  
So help me God.

# SCHOOL ANTHEM

Elelenwo premier School

Foundest Alma mater hail!

Pioneer Academy.

Records which none can assail!

Hail Elelenwo, we sing!

Source of Knowledge, source of bliss

Ever shall we think of thee:

“Fidelis in minimis”!



“Fidelis in minimis”!

Faith in service, great or small:

Work or play, at School or home,

Others simple, others tall:

Serve with faith in all good things,

Still shall we remember this;

Let us then our motto sing:

“Fidelis in minimis”!



Hail, Archdeacon Crowther, hail!

Dearly held the memory

A.C.M.G.S, shall stand

Strong gainst Satan’s armory!

Hail, Elelenwo, we sing!

May God always grant thee this,

Still to lead in all things good:

“Fidelis in minimis



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# SCHOOL PROFILE

Archdeacon Crowther Memorial Girls' School (ACMGS), Elelenwo was established in 1943 by the Anglican Mission. It was named after Archdeacon Dandison Crowther to immortalize the memory of his immense contributions and interest in the education of the girl-child.

Presently, it undertakes daycare, pre-nursery, nursery, primary, junior secondary and senior secondary education; in addition to boarding and day school system for the Secondary Section. While the Nursery/Primary Section is co-educational, the Secondary Section is purely for girls.

# BRIEF HISTORY

The Anglican Missions established ACMGS, Elelenwo in the year 1943. The school was named after Archdeacon Dandison Crowther to immortalize the memory of his immeasurable contributions and interest in the education of the girl-child.

The initial enrolment at the time of establishment was fifty-one girls from Anglican origin. Entrance examination and interviews were conducted and eligible candidates were admitted into what was then called form one, two and three. By the subsequent years, the forms increased to four and five. The school has since then registered and passed out many students.

This premier institution, in the then East of the Niger, was run as a Mission School till the break of the Nigeria-Biafra civil war in 1967. Over the years, the School was known to have raised an appreciable number of “Old Girls” who rose to position of relevance in both Government and the Private Sectors. After the civil war in 1970, Government decided to take over the Mission Schools and began to run them as Government/Public Schools.



But the law on Government Hand-over of Mission Schools to their original owners passed in our State - Rivers, on 30th July, 2005 and implemented 25th July, 2008 brought about the return of this great institution, together with nineteen(19) others to different denominations that established them. This development has, no doubt, afforded the pioneer Bishop of the Diocese of Eyo, Rt. Rev. Innocent U. Ordu, JP the golden opportunity to actualize his passion which is to see this School rise again.

## VISION

To attain Educational, Moral and Spiritual excellence in Christ: Luke 2:52

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# MOTTO

FIDELIS IN MINIMIS (Faithfulness in little things). Luke 16:10<sup>a</sup>

## CORE VALUES

- ▶ Faithfulness
- ▶ Diligence
- ▶ Academic excellence
- ▶ Dedication
- ▶ Moral uprightness
- ▶ Creativity

## OTHER VALUES

- ▶ Integrity
- ▶ Truthfulness
- ▶ Discipline
- ▶ Respect
- ▶ Kindness
- ▶ Honesty
- ▶ Humility
- ▶ Contentment
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Cleanliness

- ▶ Punctuality
- ▶ Determination
- ▶ Attentiveness
- ▶ Obedience
- ▶ Decency
- ▶ Prudence
- ▶ Fairness
- ▶ Confidence
- ▶ Effectiveness
- ▶ Holiness
- ▶ Righteousness
- ▶ Goodness
- ▶ Godliness
- ▶ Self-control
- ▶ Temperance
- ▶ Charity
- ▶ Joy
- ▶ Peace
- ▶ Longsuffering
- ▶ Meekness
- ▶ Gentleness
- ▶ Patience
- ▶ Tolerance

# STATEMENT OF BELIEF AND FAITH

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I BELIEVE IN GOD, (*Isaiah 44:6; 45:5*)  
THE FATHER ALMIGHTY  
MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, (*Genesis 1:1; John 1:1-3; Acts 14:15*)  
AND IN JESUS CHRIST, (*Luke 2:11; John 20:28*)  
HIS ONLY SON, (*John 3:16, Proverbs 30:4*)  
OUR LORD, (*John 20:28*)  
WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT,  
(*Luke 1:35*)  
BORN OF THE VIRGIN (*Luke 1:27*) MARY,  
SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, (*Luke 23:23-25*)  
WAS CRUCIFIED, (*John 19:20; Acts 4:10*)  
DEAD (*1 Corinthians 15:3*)  
AND BURIED. (*1 Corinthians 15:3*)  
THE THIRD DAY (*1 Corinthians 15:4*)  
HE AROSE FROM THE DEAD, (*1 Corinthians 15:4*)  
HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN (*Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51, Acts 1:11*)  
AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,  
(*Mark 16:19; Hebrews 1:3*) THE FATHER  
ALMIGHTY.  
FROM THENCE HE SHALL COME TO JUDGE THE  
QUICK AND THE DEAD. (*2 Timothy 4:1; John 5:22*)  
I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, (*John 15:26; 16:7-8, 13-14; Acts 13:2*)

**THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH, (*Galatians 3:26-29*)**

**THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, (*Revelation 19:14; Hebrews 10:25*)**

**THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS, (*Luke 7:48*)**

**THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, (*1 Thessalonians 4:16; John 6:39*)**

**AND LIFE EVERLASTING. (*John 10:28; 17:2-3*)**

# NOTE:

- ▶ \* "quick" means "spiritually alive"
- ▶ \* "communion" means "coming together"
- ▶ **Holy Scripture:** We believe the Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God in its entirety and that it does not contradict itself. It is our guide. (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 2 Peter 1:21).
- ▶ **Salvation:** We believe our salvation comes only through Jesus Christ and cannot be earned. It is a gift of God and can only be obtained by our faith in Christ. (John 3:16-19, 5:24; Romans 3:23, 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:9-10; Titus 3:5).
- ▶ **The Great Commandment:** We believe God loves each of us, and that the necessary response to the love of God is to know, love and serve Him with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind and all our strength, through worship and obedience, and to love our neighbour as our self. Thus, we seek and serve Christ in all persons, strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being (Matthew 22:37-40).
- ▶ **Prayer:** We believe that prayer is a means by which we commune with God and have intimate fellowship with Him. Thus, humility in prayer is the foundation for all we do (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18).
- ▶ **The Church:** We believe the church, as the body of Christ, is the extension of Jesus Christ's character, attitude, behaviour, and mission in our world today. (Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:15-16).

# ACADEMIC PROFILE

## CALENDAR

The Academic Calendar is divided into modules: Junior Secondary School and Senior Secondary School. The school runs from September every year to July the following year. The session is divided into three terms: First - September to December; Second - January to March; Third - May to July.

Here in ACMGS, the curriculum is structured in accordance with the Educational System of the State/Federal Ministry of Education along with that of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

## JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

This group is made up of Students from JSS1 to JSS3 between the ages of 10-13 years. Students in this category are exposed to a wide range of subjects in a bid to make them versatile, empowered and able to choose their career path at the senior secondary level. Subjects offered at this level are English Language, Mathematics, Basic Science, Social Studies, Creative Arts, Agricultural Science, Christian Religious Studies, Physical and Health Education, Computer, Basic Technology, Home Economics, Business Studies, French, Civic Education, Igbo.

## SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

At this level, students ages 13-17 years have a choice to specialize in any of the three major areas of study offered, namely: Science (Engineering, Medicine, etc), Arts (Law, Languages etc), Social Science/Commercial (Management, Education etc). Despite their field of study, students in this category have a list of compulsory core subjects. They include: English Language, General Mathematics, Civic Education, Biology, and Trade Subject (Data Processing/Garment making/Book keeping). The elective subjects which students need to choose to suit their field of study include: Economics, Literature, Christian Religious Studies, Government, Food & Nutrition, Agricultural Sciences, Physics, Chemistry, Geography, Further Mathematics, Technical Drawing, Accounts, and Commerce.

## PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

The school has a functional PTA. All Parents/Guardians of the students and the Academic Staff of the school are automatic members of the PTA of the school. These, in partnership with the school administration, work for the enhancement of the students/pupils.



# DEPARTMENTS AND FACILITIES

## GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING UNIT

There is a full-time professional Guidance Counselor in the school who helps the students deal with career choices, personal relationship, study skills, social, moral and health education. For privacy and to encourage a friendly environment, the Counselor's office is conducive to achieve them.

## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

This department is adequately equipped with standard teaching aids and laboratory apparatus under the skillful and professional hands of qualified and experienced science teachers who are experts in their various fields as well as a laboratory attendant. The laboratories, one each for the various Science subjects - Biology, Chemistry and Physics are fully equipped with up-to-date facilities that help to enhance students' comprehension and practical knowledge of the aforementioned subjects.

## MATHEMATICS LABORATORY

This laboratory is equipped with varied Mathematics equipment and games which are meant to enhance the teaching and learning of the subject.

# SOCIAL SCIENCE / COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

The department avails students the opportunity of understanding the principles of leadership, politics, morals and values. Key subjects such as Economics, Government, Civic Education and Social Studies are offered. The Commercial provides students with commerce oriented career training prospects and principles involving business and management. Major subjects such as Economics, Financial Accounting, Commerce and Business Studies are offered.

Other departments include Languages, Arts and Mathematics/Computer departments which provide students with a wide range of fields of study to choose from: Law, Linguistics, Mass Communication, Education etc. to suit their ambition and personality.

# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

## MUSIC

Good music is pleasant to the ear and as part of our vision to attain educational, moral and spiritual excellence in Christ; music is a vital aspect of our worship. The instrumentalists and choir practice regularly to improve their voice quality, harmony and potentials in the use of instrument such as Keyboard, Drums, Violin, Guitar etc. they are also dedicated to drama skill improvement and discovery.

## INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) LABORATORY

The school has an Information and Communication Technology Laboratory with internet facility and an interactive board. Computer practical classes are held in the laboratory for students in addition to theoretical teachings.

The ICT laboratory is also used for preparing students terminal results through the school website on the internet. In the same vein, students' results could be accessed by parents or students via the school website.

## LIBRARY

Every student has the privilege of judicious use of the library facility. Foreign and local books with other relevant resource materials in the library provide the students an opportunity to expand their knowledge horizon. There is also E Library.

## CLUBS

We recognize that for students to properly fit into the society, they need sound training, not only in the academic horizon, but also in social activities. Various clubs exist in ACMGS. It is in these clubs that some natural endowments of the students are discovered, encouraged and utilized.

For each club to achieve its set goals and objectives, teachers and other skilled persons, who serve as patrons and matrons, work with the students. Provision is made for the clubs to meet regularly. Students are encouraged to join more than one club, both subject-based and non subject-based. The different school clubs include:

- ▶ Literary/Press/Debating club
- ▶ Music club
- ▶ Rotract club
- ▶ Cultural/Drama club
- ▶ Junior Engineers, Technologists and Scientist (JETS) club
- ▶ Scripture Union/Prayer Squad

Plans are on the way to establish the following clubs: Mathematics, Lass Coders (ICT), Interactive, Young Farmers, Home Makers

## SPORTS

To enable students enjoy sound health, better socialization and promotion of skills, the school management has given sports and games a priority. Wednesday and Saturday mornings are sports days. It is coordinated by a qualified Physical and Health Education teacher, Sports Master along with other teachers.

In addition, the school organizes a major Inter-house Sports Competition bi-annually, while the other year is for excursion to different establishments of human endeavour useful for knowledge.

# A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

## CHAPLAINCY

As part of our mission, the spiritual welfare of our students is given serious attention. There are weekly programs for them, which include the every day morning/evening Students' devotion, daily General morning devotion for Staff & students, Wednesday Mid-Week service, Sunday morning worship and House Fellowship on Sunday evenings. Special programs are held for them whenever the need arises, and Revival week with night vigil every month.

## MEDICALS

The Recovery Bay in the school is managed by a professional nurse and an assistant. Minor ailments are handled by the Nurses while the complicated cases which need urgent medical attention are referred to the Diocesan Hospital, Bishop Elelenwo Memorial Hospital, Rumuobiokani.

Parents are also allowed to take their wards for further medical treatment in any other approved hospital when necessary.

## SAFETY AND SECURITY

The school has put in place adequate arrangement for the security of our students during and after school. Our gates are manned by trained security officers. Students are not allowed to go out of the school compound, except with an exit pass, and in company of their Parents/Guardians.

The school compound is securely kept in the night by our school security officers; in addition, the school contracted the services of members of the Nigeria Police Force who team-up with the school security officers to provide a well secured environment for our boarding students.

## NUTRITION

It is our belief in ACMGS that good health is a component of a sound mind. To educate a man is not only to take care of the soul and spirit but also to keep his body frame in good shape. Part of the activities of the 'Home away from Home' of this citadel of learning is to provide our students with rich and nourishing meals.

The menu is accompanied with some fruits and vegetables weekly. Also available is treated water which provides safe drinking water for the students.

# POLICIES

## ADMISSION

The school offers admission basically into JS 1, 2 and SS 1, 2. Our admission policy is without any prejudice on ethnic or cultural background. To qualify for admission, the following procedure must be strictly followed:

- ▶ Intended candidate must be 10 years old on or before September of the year of admission.
- ▶ Obtain admission form from the school.
- ▶ Sit for the entrance examination (written test) in the following subjects: English Language, Mathematics and General Paper.
- ▶ Oral interview is usually conducted for the successful candidates in company of both parents. (Parents are to come to the interview with their passport photographs).
- ▶ A letter of offer of provisional admission, together with bank teller for payment of school fees, is given to each successful candidate.
- ▶ Bank tellers or any other evidence of payment should be returned to the school after payment for collection of necessary materials



# REVIEW

The admission policy shall be reviewed by a committee which consists the following:.

- ▶ Principal as the Chairman
- ▶ Vice Principal Administration.
- ▶ All the departmental heads as members
- ▶ Students' affairs officers (Junior and Senior school) as members.

## NOTE:

Admission into ACMGS, Elelenwo is purely on merit.

# WITHDRAWALS

Parents who wish to withdraw their wards either from the dormitory or school are expected to give a term's notice in writing to the school. This would help the school in facilitating the necessary documents that could affect such withdrawal.

If any parent fails to notify the school, such parents would pay a term's fee in lieu of notice.

# NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

- ▶ We do not discriminate against any denomination (both for our Staff or Students). But they must abide by our Bible-based School's Vision/Mission Statements, Core Values, Statement of Faith and Motto. We believe that from hearing the word, they can be transformed to be better Christians.
- ▶ On health, we do not discriminate against those (Staff or Students) who have medical issues, but we take medical precautions.
- ▶ We do not discriminate against any tribe. All tribes are admitted as Students or employed as Staff.

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## **CONTRABANDS**

Our students are not expected to come to school with unapproved items. Such items include radio, mobile phones (GSM), etc. To this effect; a list of approved items and the school code of conduct are issued to the students, on admission.

## **OPEN DAY**

It is our belief that parents and teachers are partners in students' progress. Hence, every half term, on the day of Mid-Term Break, we observe our Open Day. This affords parents the opportunity to see the progress made by their children. It also affords them the opportunity to meet with the teachers of their children; find out the level of improvement, and what could be done to help the children.

## **CAREER DAY**

Our career day provide student with dynamic and tangible experience that facilitate a connection between their academic pursuit and professional endeavours in the future. Additionally, our career day provides a platform to develop meaningful and personal connections between our students, Professionals of different fields of human endeavour, alumni, parents and friends. Career day is one way that the centre for innovation

in teaching and learning encourages students to explore their interest and passion as an extension of their academic program, and in the process between understanding themselves, their community and the world.

## PROMOTION

Students are promoted on merit: 50% average score including Mathematics and English. The senior students, however, must have a minimum of six credits, including English Language and Mathematics, to be promoted to the next class. Students who fail Mathematics and English Language are made to re-sit before they could be promoted, if they are successful.

## SCHOLARSHIP/INCENTIVES

The school, in her bid to encourage hard work, gives scholarship to students who have distinguished themselves in their studies. The best student of the session is offered one **SESSION** scholarship. Students who win Laurels are also handsomely rewarded.

‘Excellent Girls’: girls who score 85% and above in the term receive the Principal’s reward. This is meant to motivate as well as stimulate hard work in them.

## FEES

The basic fees charged in the school include: School(Tuition), boarding, books, uniforms and ICT. The school always appreciates when all fees are settled during the holidays so as to avoid the students being driven from school.

## VISITING DAY

Parents are allowed to visit their wards. The date is usually last Sunday of every month



*“FIDELIS IN MINIMIS”*

*We live to this great expectation  
And bring greatness to our nation...*