

A REPORT ON 2025 CYON HARVEST

SUBMITTED BY

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TO THE
CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF NIGERIA,
OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH, ELETA IBADAN, OYO STATE.

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INTRODUCTION

The youth/children harvest is one of the annual programmes of the Catholic Youth Organization of Nigeria, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Eleta. The primary aim of the harvest is to thank God for His mercies and protection. It is also a way of charging ourselves with the responsibility of keeping alive the fire of Christ's love in us and letting it shine to the world. On the secondary, the harvest also serves as a means of generating funds for the development of the house of God and for the support of the parish youth apostolate.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

In the general meeting of CYON, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Eleta, in February 2025, Mr. Adewale Oladiti was nominated by members present in the meeting to take charge of the harvest as the Chairman, Harvest Planning Committee. Other members were appointed to work with the chairman.

2025 HARVEST PLANNING COMMITTEES

- Mr. Adewale Oladiti – CHAIRMAN
- Dr. Gabriel Ige – V. CHAIRMAN
- Miss. Theresa Idowu – SECRETARY
- Miss Josephine Adeboje – FIN. SEC
- Miss Chioma Onyibor – MEMBER(S)
- Miss Mary Olorunsuyi – MEMBER(S)

HARVEST PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

This year's harvest thanksgiving began with the Youth/Children Family Harvest Thanksgiving on 8th June 2025. A total of 20 families had their thanksgiving before the main harvest day. On the harvest day itself, numerous families, tribes, and societies also came forward for their thanksgiving. This brought the total number of participating families and groups to a remarkable figure, reflecting the unity and generosity of the parish community.

In addition, some families brought non-perishable items, which were displayed and later sold during the bazaar to support the harvest.

THANKSGIVING DAY

The 2025 Youth/Children Harvest was held on Sunday, September 14, 2025, at the parish. The Holy Mass commenced at 9:30am with Rev. Fr. Felix Adedigba as the chief celebrant.

The readings of the day were taken from:

First Reading: Numbers 21: 4b-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 78: 1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11

Gospel: John 3: 13-17

Homily Summary:

In his homily, Fr. Felix reflected on the scriptural passages, especially the Gospel reading. He admonished the faithful to always look up to Christ, just as the Israelites looked up to the bronze serpent for healing. He reminded us that God's love, revealed in Christ Jesus who humbled Himself and died on the cross, is the source of our salvation. He encouraged the youth, children, and indeed the whole parish community to remain steadfast in faith, obedient to God, and to always trust in His saving power.

The Mass proceeded as usual, and thanksgiving was offered at the appropriate time. Immediately after Mass, the bazaar began. Special guests were invited to the high table, and the opening prayer was led by Catechist Fadodun followed by the Youth Anthem.

The bazaar was anchored by Mr. Adeboje. Guests and parishioners were served with food and water prepared by the committee. The event was filled with joy, music, and generous contributions.

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LAUNCHING

The launch took place on **3rd August 2025**. A **candle** was used as the launching item, symbolizing light and hope. The parishioners responded with great enthusiasm and generosity, making the event a remarkable success. From the launching, we realized a cash sum of **₦19,000** and pledges totaling **₦17,000**, bringing the total proceeds to **₦36,000**.

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

Rehearsals were duly conducted ahead of the Mass, ensuring that all readers, the choir, the Mass server, and those assigned to the Prayers of the Faithful were well prepared. Each participant attended the practice sessions and demonstrated commendable commitment and punctuality.

On the day of the celebration, the Mass proceeded smoothly and without any issues. The readers delivered the readings clearly and confidently, the choir rendered the hymns beautifully, the Mass server carried out all duties with precision and reverence, and the prayers of the faithful were offered devoutly. Overall, the liturgy was orderly and spiritually uplifting, reflecting the careful planning and dedication of the Liturgical Committee.

WELFARE COMMITTEE

The welfare of all guests and parishioners was carefully considered throughout the event. Refreshments were adequately provided and shared in a warm and orderly manner, ensuring that everyone present was well catered for. We were pleased to welcome our invited guests, who honored the occasion with their presence and participated actively in the celebration.

Despite the current economic challenges, the committee ensured that all needs were met. To supplement expenses, some bazaar items were graciously contributed and utilized to support the refreshments and overall welfare arrangements.

Through the collective efforts of the committee and the generosity of parishioners, the welfare and hospitality of the event were well managed, leaving everyone satisfied and appreciative.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The committee is pleased to report that various avenues of fund generation were successfully explored during the event. Family thanksgivings were joyfully offered, with detailed records carefully taken for proper accountability. We also received generous sponsorships from individuals and families who supported the celebration both in cash and in kind.

Overall, the combined contributions from family thanksgivings, sponsorships, launching, and pledges greatly enhanced the financial success of the celebration, ensuring that the objectives of the event were met despite the prevailing economic challenges.

Financial Report

a. Thanksgiving Collections (per Sunday)

Date	Group/Family	Item	Amount
8th June, 2025	Jolaoso Family and Siblings	Mopping Stick (2pics)	1310
8th June, 2025	Ige Michael and Siblings		2600
8th June, 2025	Idowu John and Siblings	Big Bowl	3700
8th June, 2025	Oladiti John and Siblings	A dust bin	4300
8th June, 2025	Adeboje Tosin and Siblings	Drinks	4420
15th June, 2025	Onyibor Family and Siblings	Table water (3packs)	3040
15th June, 2025	Joseph Aderinto and Sibling		6020
15th June, 2025	Adeniyi Family and Siblings	Laundry Basket	1670
15th June, 2025	Akanbi Felix and Siblings	Laundry Basket/Moppig Stick	3070
22nd June, 2025	Imuniairo Family and Siblings	Pepsi/Bottle water	3070
22nd June, 2025	David Michael	Mopping Stick (1pics)	850
22nd June, 2025	Adekeye Gabriel and Siblings	1 pack of biscuits	3070
22nd June, 2025	Adekeye Alice and Siblings		1450
29th June, 2025	No Thanksgiving		0
6th July, 2025	Ufondu Maryjane	Vegetable Oil and detergent Sc	1490
6th July, 2025	Ope Peter Paul		11270
13th July, 2025	No Thanksgiving		0
2nd July, 2025	Falade Mary and Siblings	1 packs of drink (soft drink)	4410
27th July, 2025	David Faith	1 crate of egg	5650
27th July, 2025	Idowu Pascal and Siblings	Mopping Broom	3290
3rd August, 2025	Lauching		19000
3rd August, 2025	Ayayi Michael and Siblings		2970
3rd August, 2025	Babatunde Victoria and Siblings	Noodles	5040
10th August, 2025	Oyesola Esther and Siblings		1000
24th August, 2025	Oladiti Gideon and Siblings		1820
31st August, 2025	Adeniyi Family and Siblings	A bottle water, buscket and tw	5080
31st August, 2025	Kudaisi Family and Siblings		2500
31st August, 2025	Oladele Judes and Siblings		6080
7th September, 2025	Ogundele Josephine and Siblings		2280
Total			110450

Family Thanksgiving	110450
Launching	36000
Sub Total	146450
Pledge	14000
Total	132450

b. Supports for Harvest Food

Supporters	Amount
Feranmi Adeboje	1900
Abiodun	5000
MaryJane	1000
Tosin Adeboje	4000
Kapo (CYON Group)	10000
Oluwamayowa John Olokodan	20000
Stephen	5000
Total	46900

c. Expenses

Expenses	Amount
Nylon for thanksgiving	500
Transport to Agbowo	5000
Printing of Letters	2000
CYON Refreshment/Meeting	9200
Yowican Convention	14000
Transportation of Food	1300
Transportation to Queen of Peace Seminary	5200
CYON Rally	30000
Ponmo	9500
POS Charges	2300
Pledge Launching	7000
Pepper	10000
Total	96000

d. Before and After Harvest Day

Thanksgiving at Mass before Harvest Day	139450
Thanksgiving at Mass on Harvest Day	50015
Money Raise By Parish Priest	383700
Bazar Sales	220500
Total	793665

e. Final Balance Sheet

Total Income (Thanksgiving + Donations + Pledges Realized): ₦461000

Total Expenses: ₦105000

Cash @ Hand: ₦50865

Cash @ Bank: ₦176800

Net Balance: ₦793665

APPRECIATION

All glory be to God for His mercies, guidance, and faithfulness.

We sincerely appreciate our Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Felix, the Parish Pastoral Council, PLC, Harvest Committee members, parishioners, and all benefactors.

We pray God's abundant blessings upon all who contributed to the success of this year's harvest.

Mr. Adewale Oladiti

Chairman, HPC

Mrs. Theresa Idowu

Secretary, HPC

Mr. Felix Akanbi

President, CYON Eleta