



# Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders

## Participant Application: Oluwatobi Solomon

Application Status: Submitted

### I. General Information

<b>Given Name</b>	Oluwatobi	<b>Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident?</b>	No
<b>Middle Name</b>	Daniel	<b>Country of Citizenship</b>	Nigeria
<b>Surname</b>	Solomon	<b>Second Country of Citizenship, if applicable</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>	12/13/1989	<b>Country of Residence</b>	Nigeria
<b>Gender</b>	Male	<b>City or Town of Birth</b>	Egbe
<b>Marital Status</b>	Single	<b>Country of Birth</b>	Nigeria
<b>Citizenship of Spouse</b>		<b>Select the location that best describes where you grew up</b>	Other city or town
<b>I wish to join the YALI Network to access virtual resources and networking opportunities for young African leaders.</b>	Yes	<b>Select the location that best describes where you currently live</b>	Major city
		<b>Do you have a disability?</b>	No
		<b>Have a passport</b>	Yes (Expiration: 8/16/2020)

### II. Contact Information

<b>Primary Phone</b>	2348054225106	<b>Current Address</b>	No 5, Muritala Muhammed Way, Post Office, Ilorin. Ilorin Kwara Nigeria
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<b>Mobile Phone</b>	2348054225106		
<b>Email Address</b>	dominahltech@gmail.com		
<b>Alternate Email Address</b>	solotob3@gmail.com		

### III. Academic Institute Track

<b>First Choice</b>	Business & Entrepreneurship
<b>Second Choice</b>	Public Management
<b>Third Choice</b>	Civic Leadership
<b>Would you like to be placed at the Academic Institute focused on Energy?</b>	No

### IV. Current Professional and Educational Experience

<b>Are you currently a student?</b>	No
<b>Are you currently employed?</b>	Self-employed
<b>Do you work full- or part-time?</b>	Full-time
<b>Job Title</b>	Managing Director
<b>Name of your employing organization</b>	Dominahl Tech. Services
<b>City</b>	Ilorin
<b>Country</b>	Nigeria
<b>Choose the category that best describes your organization</b>	International non-governmental organization
<b>Start date at this employer</b>	20/08/2015
<b>Number of staff you supervise</b>	3
<b>Name of your supervisor</b>	Solomon Oluwatobi
<b>Supervisor phone number</b>	+2348054225106
<b>Supervisor email</b>	solotob3@gmail.com
<b>In what sectors do you have expertise and strong interest?</b>	Banking/Finance Business/Entrepreneurship Communications/Marketing/Advertising Science Technology/Telecommunications

## V. Personal Statements

**Please give a brief description of your professional background and work.**

I Oluwatobi Solomon i am a computer programmer who specialise in the development of web and mobile application. I'm a graduate of computer science from one of the best universities in Nigeria and presently i run and manage my own personal company - Dominahl Tech,where i serve as Managing Director.

**Nelson Mandela said, "It always seems impossible until it is done." Describe a specific instance of when you did something that seemed impossible. How did you gain support from others who did not share or understand your vision?**

I have this experience when i was about to start my company, especially during the period of developing our product. The task was so much it was like i will not get it done, but i was able to finish the system on time and perfectly through the help of God and my brother who put me through the process of contract negotiation and pricing. I spoke to him about my company's idea and he guided and encouraged me. I made him understand what i was doing and he did a great job in the success of my company

**Describe the role you play in your community. Outside of your professional work, what do you do to improve your community?**

I teach student in my area computer studies in order to make them computer literate and give them the chance to also partake in the world of technology.I also help in the management of educational institute in my country. I also help in total computerisation of the

activities of small and medium businesses

**Where do you see yourself professionally in 10 years? How will the Mandela Washington Fellowship help you meet your goals?**

I see myself controlling more than one company. My company will have given birth to companies that will be focus on solving human problems scientifically and making life better for people to live. I love science and technology, my focus will be base on this area, i will have institute of technology which will help in educating people about life in relation to technology. The fellowship will expose me to techniques and ways by which i can make my dream come true and also the connection I will make during the fellowship will help in many ways.

**What do you consider to be your most significant professional accomplishment or most innovative idea? Explain the accomplishment or innovation, why it was important, and how it relates to the track for which you are applying.**

My most significant and innovative idea so far is the product my company offer to the society and institute. The product is called EDUSUITE. It is a system that help in the management and computerisation of the activities of education system. It help in making the operation involve in proper management of schools and colleges easy and fast. This idea is important because, my country is a developing country, and one of the areas of development is in science and technology, basically in education and my product fits perfectly into this process of development. What i'm doing is very important to my country at this stage of development. As an entrepreneur and a company head, i will focus mainly on the entrepreneurial aspect of the fellowship which i believe will help my company's growth tremendously. The idea relates to my track of course in the fellowship, because every knowledge i acquire will be applied when i get back home to enhance my company's performance and productivity.

**What do you consider to be a serious issue in your community or profession that you are working to address? Describe any challenges you are facing and the skills and resources you are using to help find a long term solution to this problem. Please also explain how you have used your leadership skills to address the challenge.**

The major issue in my company presently is marketing my products to the potential customer. The process of getting customers interest in my product is the issue, making them to know the usefulness and importance of the system seems difficult for me. Presently i am recruiting marketers who will help in the marketing of this product and each of the marketer will be paid a percentage as commission for the work he or she has done. The marketers are not base on salary, they only get paid on the number of customer they bring into the company. My leadership role in tackling this challenge is organising a form of orientation for my new marketers, making them know the importance and usefulness of the product to the society and the country as a whole.

Another challenge i'm facing is finance. I want to expand my staff population in order to be able to cover more grounds, but money has been the issue delaying it. I am currently putting up proposals to private and public offices to sponsor my company. I'm making them understand the importance of my product and how it will be of great help to the society and also how it comply to the trend of development my country is undergoing presently.

## VI. Optional Professional Development Experience

**Would you like to apply to the Mandela Washington Fellowship internship?**

Yes

**What are your goals for the Professional Development Experience? How might you apply an experience working in an American organization to your work after returning your home country?**

My goal is to get experience and more enlightenment on how to make my country a better place in the area of Information Communication Technology. I will use the experience gotten in the US to improve the ICT sector of my country.

## VII. Previous U.S. Experience

<b>Have you traveled to the United States before?</b>	No
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<b>Date of Entry to U.S.</b>	<b>Date of Exit from U.S.</b>	<b>U.S. Visa Type (J, F, B, etc.)</b>	<b>Host Institution (if applicable)</b>	<b>Purpose of Travel (study, personal, business, etc.)</b>	<b>Funding Source or Sponsor (personal, US government, etc.)</b>
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### VIII. English Language

<b>Reading</b>	<b>Writing</b>	<b>Speaking</b>	<b>Listening Comprehension</b>
Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

### IX. Resume

See formatted resume at end of document.
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### X. Optional Supplemental Documents

<b>Optional File</b>	<a href="#">EDUSUITE.pdf</a>
<b>Optional File</b>	<a href="#">DOMINAHIL TECH ( Final).pdf</a>
<b>Optional File</b>	Not available

### XI. Supplemental Questions

<b>How did you learn about the Mandela Washington Fellowship?</b>	Recommended by a colleague/partner organization
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# Oluwatobi Solomon

Ilorin, Nigeria

## SUMMARY

Solomon Oluwatobi is a computer programmer and also the Managing Director of Dominahl Tech Services. I manage a software company which focus in developing reliable and efficient system which help in making life easy for people. My goal is to be the best manager in the world and also my company being the best software outsourcing company in the world.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Deeper Christian Life Ministry

Jun. 2013-Oct. 2013

Pension Officer and Data Analyst | Lagos, Nigeria

I prepare the data of pension and also analyse it, as part of the payment procedure of the pension.

## EDUCATION

### University of Ilorin | Ilorin, Nigeria

Oct. 2009-Jun. 2013

BS, Computer Science

University Certificate. Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.

### ECWA George Campion Academy | Egbe, Lagos

Oct. 2002-Jun. 2008

Non-degree program, Science and Technology

Senior Secondary School Certofocate

### ECWA George Campion Academy. | Egbe, Nigeria

Sep. 2000-Jul. 2002

First Living Certificate, General

It is basic education

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

### Poultry Keeping | Darkingari, Nigeri

Nov. 2013-Nov. 2013

A short program to sensitize on how to keep poultry and make it profitable to our own use.

## COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER WORK

### Maxi Computer College | Ilorin, Nigeria

Jul. 2015-Sep. 2015

I taught young student introduction to computer and desktop publishing.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

### Award of Successful Service

Oct. 2014

Nigeria Christian Corpers' Fellowship

An award of stewardship

## SKILLS

Languages:

- English Language (Full proficiency)
- Yoruba (Full proficiency)

**Software:**

- C and C++ programming (Intermediate proficiency)
- HTML AND CSS (Advanced proficiency)
- Java and Basic (Limited proficiency)
- PHP, JAVASCRIPT, JQUERY AND AJAX PROGRAMMING (Advanced proficiency)
- Visual Basic Programming (Intermediate proficiency)