





THIRED QUARTER /2015 NEWSLETTER

Introduction

The July, 25th Graduation at our splendid campus was very colorful indeed. Since the preparation for the occasion started by formation of the Graduation Committee, all that could be done was carried out in time. A colorful booklet, in commemoration of the graduating class, and a bulletin, prepared by the Research and Publication Office were published for the occasion. The activities as carried out during the grand ceremony are related pictorially, herein under:

The opening-

Pastor Mathias of the Enterprise opened the program by a Thanksgiving Prayer.



We were all pleased that we could carry out yet another graduation, overcoming many odds against our humble efforts. To this we are grateful to our Lord for all the strength and steadfastness shown by all our faithful friends and partners during the academic year . Our friends Doug & Betty Holland travelled all the way from the States to attend the graduation. We are so grateful to them .



Dr. Doug & Betty Holland seen here with Dr. Lemma , the Executive Director of Hope Enterprise .

Inspirational spiritual message was brought by the Board Chairman, Ato Dereje Asmare. Ato Dereje's message was befitting one to the new graduates as the message was based on 1st Peter 2:25. He stressed on the values one ought to attach to God's power to enable oneself to a position so aspired. If given due respect and honour, God can in-



Ato Dereje Asmare giving spiritual message

deed change the weakest element to iron-rod strength. All the efforts for position, recognition, being heard at the highest hierarchy, are all human. The making of one requires a Divine complement, it was stressed.

A welcome address was made by the President of the College. In his message to the audience, the President stressed on the importance of education in changing citizens lives for the better. The collaboration of many partners, both from abroad and from home has opened the door for many needy youth, including those graduating on this very day, it was stated. The College's un-

wavering stand to back female applicants; intended expansion of the support base to the local sponsors; implementing competency based education, as well as promoting research and publication are among the focus areas in the coming five years, highlighted in the address.



The President's welcome address

The delivery of the degrees -



The College's Registrar Ato Fekadu Worku declaring the candidature of the graduates .

candidates from both faculties were invited by their respective Deans to collect their degrees. Ato Amanuelworq Abebe, the General Assembly Chairman, presented degrees to the Business faculty graduates.

while Ato Dereje Asmare, the Board Chairman did to the Information Technology faculty candidates. A total of 101 candidates graduated this time and some 11 were from the extension programs.



Ato Amanuelworq Abebe presenting degrees



Ato Dereje Asmare presenting degrees



Speech by Student Representative



Speech by Alumni Representative

A female candidate was this year's valedictorian and thus was awarded with the top trophy.



Woizero Birtukan Gebrezgi, awarding the Gold Medal to the Valedictorian



The trophy winner with the guest of honor .

Among the graduating classes, two students, one female and a male were recognized for their outstanding leadership during their entire college tenure and thus, were presented with honor trophies. Our College is indeed proud of such students showing brave and noticeable characteristics. As they leave us, we believe that they continue to be role models in the communities they join.



The Gust of Honor , awarding the trophy to Denkebeyesus Yaekob



The Gust of Honor , awarding the trophy to Kelshaday Getahun



The Trophy Winners with the Guest of Honor.

The Guest of Honour- the message delivered-



Woizero Birtukan Gebrezgi, delivering parental message

Our Guest of Honour this year was a brilliant banking professional with over 30 years' wealth of skills and knowledge. As a higher educational establishment that earnestly endeavors to promote female students' empowerment, we were lucky enough to have a woman entrepreneurial talent, this time. Woizero Birtukan Gebrezgi, Vice President of Enat Bank, gladly accepted the College's invitation to be the Guest of Honour.

Woizero Birtukan, awarded trophies and medals to the outstanding graduates and delivered the final message to the graduates. Her message was as brilliant as her career. Looking at the graduates with the rather motherly love and caring eyes, she reflected on her long years of non-stopping quest for self-improvement. This was only possible by stepping one step at a time, though facing the eminent and ever-changing challenges. She stressed on the values of honesty and integrity to both self as well as to the employing agencies. She was as defiant as she could be in regards to importance of hard work in overcoming poverty and backwardness.



Pausing for National Anthem



The Guest of Honor with Board & General Assembly Chairmen



The Guest of Honor with Academic Staff



The Gust of Honor giving interview to the local media



The President giving interview to the local media



Partial View of Business Faculty Graduates



Partial View of Information Technology Faculty Graduates



Our Campus filled with Happy Graduates Parent's



Our student Cafeteria served a modest Lunch for the Esteemed Guests

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