



**Western Civilisation Breeds Terror Groups –
Prof. Maiwada**

The neglect by the Western civilisation of spiritual matters and pursuit of secularism, gave rise to a confused duality in the Muslim personality, after Western colonialism dominated the world. This Western domination had been the major set-back for societies across the world, former Vice Chancellor of *Alkalam* University, Katsina; Professor Danjuma Abubakar Maiwada has disclosed.

Professor Danjuma Maiwada, was speaking on Monday, 16th May, 2016 at Attahiru Jega Twin Theatre, while delivering a paper, titled “Islamic Civilisation: Background, Emergence, Universal Impact and Contemporary Challenges,” during the 3rd Islamic Civilisation Lecture Series organised by the Bayero University Centre for Islamic Civilisation and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID).

He said, the contemporary West emerged with the Renaissance in the 14th, 15th and 16th centuries and in envying the flowering achievements of the Islamic civilisation, reverted to pre-Islamic period of *Jahiliyya* in its world view. He however, proposed the thesis that, civilisations since time immemorial don’t clash; they come one after the other in a cyclical pattern over time.

The university Don said, Islamic civilisation is being guided by the injunctions of Holy Qur’an and *Sunnah* of the Prophet, contrary to the secular inspiration of Western civilisation, which had caused the unity of the Ummah to disintegrate. He opined that the action ultimately resulted in the emergence of the so-called Muslim terror groups.

He expressed concerned that although western civilisation had brought benefits such as modern transportation, housing, education and medical care, however, it has come with some associated negative

effects especially of moral decay culminating in the horrifying life style choice of same-sex marriage etc.

Professor Danjuma Maiwada, said Islamic civilisation laid the foundation and principles of sciences, medicine, pharmacy, geography, arts and agriculture, amongst others; attesting that even the West had benefitted from such legacies that enriched their pursuit of science and technological knowhow as we know them today.

He then faulted the way the Muslims give out zakat, saying that in 2015 Kano State Zakat and Hubs Board, was only able to collect 15 million Naira and some agricultural produce from one member of the State House of Assembly as Zakat, but nothing else was received. He expressed displeasure that many Muslims default by giving 20, 50 and 100 Naira as zakat.

He commended the Kano state government for establishing the commission, adding however, that the government needs to do more because the amount collected as Zakat in a Muslim dominated and commercial area like Kano is too negligible.

Chairman of the occasion and immediate past Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, commended the centre, which he said had started with very serious intellectual activities, even before moving to its building. He implored the centre to relate with Department of Islamic Studies and Shari’a, Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance (IIBF), Department of Arabic, Department of Islamic Law, amongst others to move activities of the Centre forward.

Dean of School of Continuing Education, Professor Salisu Shehu, expressed concerned that “We are not ready as a people, we don’t work. Take journals, you would see that the contributions of Muslims are very inconsequential, we don’t have respect for time; I wonder how people who don’t have respect

for time can change the world". He however, contested the notion that civilisations don't clash as mentioned by the speaker in his paper.

Director of the Centre, Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, recalled the previous lectures delivered at the centre, saying that they rely on God to achieve the objectives just as he commended the University Management for the support to carry out activities and former Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed for setting up the Centre.

KDSF to Honor VC, Prof. M.Y. Bello, former VC Prof. Rasheed and two others

Arrangements have been concluded by indigenes of Kaduna State working in Bayero University, Kano under the umbrella of Kaduna State Forum to hold a grand reception in honor of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and his predecessor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *nni*, MFR.

Others to be honoured at the occasion are the Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed and her predecessor, Alhaji Sani Ibrahim Amin, FNIM. The occasion will take place on Tuesday 24th May, 2016 at the Faculty of Agriculture Lecture theatre by 4:00 p.m.

According to a statement signed by the Chairman of the Local Organizing Committee, Dr. Nura Ibrahim of Faculty of Communication, the former Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed and former Registrar, Malam Sani Ibrahim Amin, who are indigenes of Kaduna have left indelible marks in the history of the development of the university.

Their tenures at the university as Vice Chancellor and Registrar respectively were highly eventful and because of these unprecedented achievements, the forum decided to organize the reception to give honour to whom honour is due.

He said, in the same vein the new Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and the new Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed were part and parcel of the Professor Rasheed's success story, for this reason, the forum also decided to

honour them and wish them Allah's guidance and protection as they also set to make history.

Members of the University are cordially invited.

Prof. Bichi appointed member Kano Poly Governing Council

Governor Abdullahi Umar Ganduje has approved the appointment of Professor Mustapha Hassan Bichi as member representing Bayero University, Kano in the re-constituted Governing Council of Kano State Polytechnic.

A letter dated 30th March, 2016 from the office of the Secretary to the State Government, signed by the Permanent Secretary REPA, Alhaji Aminu Musa conveyed the appointment to Professor Bichi.

The letter said Professor Bichi's appointment into what it called exalted position of immense public trust and confidence was informed by the recognition of his professional competence, proven integrity, academic excellence, patriotic disposition as well as the exhibited commitment at uplifting the educational standard of the state.

The Kano SSG said he has the conviction that these attributes would be availed for purposeful conduct of his assignment at the institution. 'It is my ardent prayer that your appointment will greatly assist the present administration in realizing its vision of enhancing quality training of manpower in such critical areas necessary for the society's technological development.

BUK Staff reminded to patronize Buffer Layya programme

Members of the Bayero University community particularly the Muslim ummah have been reminded that the Eid el-Kabir, the Muslim Festival of Sacrifice is fast approaching and therefore efforts should be made to cultivate the culture of monthly savings from their earnings to enable them buy ram for the purpose of the sacrifice.

The advice was contained in a leaflet made available to BUK Bulletin from Director of Buffer

Engineering and Management Consultancy Services Nigeria Limited, the promoter of the programme.

It said this year's 2016 Buffer Layya and feeding at ease programme was the 3rd since the commencement of the programme in 2014.

Buffer Layya and Feeding at Ease programme gives colleagues the opportunity of saving a little from their monthly earnings to enable them buy ram and perform the sacrifice with less stress.

It said the savings are of different categories of ₦20,000, ₦30,000 and ₦ 40,000 depending on the choice and strength of individuals, adding that 'a person will be paying install mentally depending on the selected amount per head (size) through the company's bank account (0001101311) with Jaiz bank, Bello Road branch, Kano.

It further explained that the second mode of payment was that subscribers could pay using any of the followings:

1. Jaiz account on any quickteller enabled ATM in Nigeria using any Bank's verve, Master card or Visa.
 - A. Enter your card
 - B. Select quick teller
 - C. Select bill
 - D. Select others
 - E. Enter payment code 24901 deposit
 - F. Key in account /Reference Number
 - G. Confirm account name
 - H. Type the amount and play.
2. Using bank teller at Jaiz bank branches.
 - A. Pick and fill customized teller using the company's name and account number
 - B. Pay to the collecting teller
 - C. Finish
3. Bank standing Order
4. Salary deduction (where applicable/Bank standing Order).

It said the benefit of the programme includes: elimination of show off, reduces financial burden, eliminates animal handling, reduces environmental

pollution and maximizes reward, the statement concluded.

GUIDE TO BETTER GRAMMAR

With Sheriff Ahmed

Common Mistakes in Subject -Verb Agreement (2)

By way of refreshing your memories on the previous lesson, try the following exercise:

Select one of the two verbs in parentheses which agrees in number with the subject. Remember that the verb and the subject must agree in number.

1. A large pile of broken bricks and stones (was, were) left outside the town.
2. Carelessness in the use of simple tools (causes, cause) many household accidents.
3. Abba, along with Shehu, Ladan and Umami, (has, have) decided to become a teacher.
4. The opinions of the critics, not the acclaim of the audience, often (determines, determine) the success of the play.
5. In England participation in class discussions, not just high test scores, (counts, count) toward one's final grade.
6. The players on our team (looks, look) tired.
7. An exhibit of student drawings and photographs (is, are) on display in the main hall.
8. Coach Siasia's remarks concerning Mikel Obi (was, were) most flattering.
9. The loss of the two track meets (leaves, leave) us in last place.
10. In bobsledding, perfect rhythm on the turns, in addition to a certain disregard of danger, (is, are) necessary to win.

The correct answers will be provided next week, God willing.

- *Neither Ahmad nor his brothers **wants** to attend the funeral.*

We already know that singular subjects joined by 'or' or 'nor' take a singular verb, as in:

1. *Neither a building nor a tree **was** left standing.*
2. *Either the level coordinator or the class monitor **delivers** the message.*

Both sentences are correct. In the sentence under review, however, ‘nor’ joins a singular subject (‘Ahmad’) and a plural subject (‘brothers’). When this happens, another rule of agreement comes into play. It states:

When a singular subject and a plural subject are joined by ‘or’ or ‘nor’, the verb agrees with the nearer subject.

If this is true, it means the singular verb ‘wants’ is incorrect.

Correct: *Neither Ahmad nor his brothers want to attend the funeral.*

More examples:

3. *Neither Uba nor his supporters **were** happy with the result.* [supporters were]
4. *Either the editors or the reporter **is** at fault.* [reporter is]

In sentence (3) ‘supporters’ is nearer the verb ‘were’ than ‘Uba’, the other part of the compound subject. The verb must be plural to agree with the nearer subject, ‘supporters’. Likewise, in sentence (4) the verb ‘is’ must agree with ‘reporter’, since this singular part of the compound subject is nearer to it.

Some grammarians find this kind of construction awkward, and suggest that it is usually best to avoid it. Rewriting the sentences, you have:

5. *Uba **wasn’t** happy with the result and neither were his supporters.*
6. *Either the editors **are** at fault or the reporter **is**.*

- None of the two essentials **exist**.

The verb ‘exist’ defies the grammatical *rule of concord*. ‘Exist’ should be corrected to read *exists* – none of them *exists*.

GRAMMAR POINT: When you use ‘none of’ with an uncountable noun, the verb is in the singular, as in:

7. *None of the work **was** done.*

When you use *none of* with a plural noun or pronoun, or a singular noun referring to a group of

people or things, you can use either a singular or plural verb. The singular form is used in a formal style in British English, as in:

8. *None of the trains **is/are** going to London.*
9. *None of her family **has/have** been to college.*

2014/15 ACADEMIC SESSION
UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

The names of the following level 100 student (FEES/14/URP/00009) Aliyu Sani Wada of Department of Urban and Regional Planning and Abdullahi Taye Mohammed of Department of Medical Laboratory Science who scored the highest CGPA of 4.76 and 4.67 respectively have been forwarded for the payment of the University’s Scholarship Award of ₦30,000:00

A statement signed by the Deputy Registrar, Directorate of Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR), Hajiya Amina Umar Abdullahi, said the two candidates’ names were omitted from the lists of candidates who won the University’s Scholarship on account of scoring the highest CGPA.

The statement requested the University Bursar to pay the two students the amount of ₦30,000:00 each as the approved University Scholarship Award.

The students are expected to present their I.D. cards and the letter of Award for verification.

Health and Safety Tips from Health Services

- ❖ STDs affect all genders, all ages, economic level and are more prevalent in adult practicing unprotected sex and commercial sex workers.
- ❖ STDs remain endemic in an area where sexual promiscuities are rampant.
- ❖ Using un-disinfected public toilets in schools, markets, prisons, mosques, churches etc where

different people including STDs patients are visiting to ease themselves, and in the process of doing that, are passing discharges from their genital organs containing STDs infective agents (microorganisms) and when these microorganisms come in contact with your genital organ, you may develop STDs.

- ❖ People in the habit of sharing panties with others may stand a chance of getting the infection; also wearing of moist dirty pants for a long period of time may be a predisposal factor for STDs.
- ❖ Sharing of bath towels and sponge should be discouraged.
- ❖ Some of the STDs are asymptomatic (with no symptoms) particularly in some patients, however, a person infected with no symptoms can still pass the disease to his/her coition partner(s).
- ❖ In case of HIV/AIDs and hepatitis, sharing of un-disinfected Sharpe objects e.g. razor blade and needles, as well as blood transfusion etc should be avoided.
- ❖ Food handled by untreated hepatitis patient should be avoided; therefore, Medical examination of food handlers should be encouraged.

SEMINARS

The following Faculties/Departments/Centre invite the University Community to their seminars/workshop, scheduled as follows:

Faculty of Engineering: Faculty Seminar

Presenter: Dr. Hashim M. Alhassan

Topic: Impact of Adverse weather on Roadway capacities

Chairman: Dr. S. Dan'azuma

Date: Tuesday, 31st May, 2016

Time: 11:00 p.m.

Venue: Faculty Conference Room

Department of Civil Engineering: PG Seminar

M.Sc. Seminar:

Presenter: Anika Clara Nnuayenwo (SPS/12/MCE/00038)

Topic: Prediction of Flood Return Period Using Flood Frequency Analysis: A Case Study of Shintaku Area of Bassa L.G.A, Kano State.

Supervisor: Dr. Salisu Mohammed

M.ENG. Internal Defense

Presenter 1: Abubakar Modibbo Ahmed (SPS/13/MCE/00034)

Topic: Comparative Study on the Use of *Moringa Oliefera* Seed and Pod Extracts from Turbidity Removal from Surface Water.

Supervisor: Dr. Kasim Mohammed

Presenter 2: Abdulkarim Muhammad Auwal (SPS/13/MCE/00018)

Topic: Corn Cob Ash as Pozzolana in Self-Compacting Concrete (SCC)

Supervisor: Dr. E.N. Ogork

M.ENG. Proposal

Presenter: Muhammad Muhammad Makki (SPS/14/MCE/00030)

Topic: Determination of Effects of Municipal and Industrial Waste-Water used for Irrigation on Soil and Vegetables Grown from it. (Case Study: Kano Metropolis Gardens)

Chairman: Dr. Aaron Aboshio

Date: Wednesday, 25th May, 2016

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Venue: Faculty Conference Room

Department of Physics: Staff Seminar

Presenter: Dr. Usman M. Gana

Topic: Electromagnetic Cloaking using homogeneous and Isotropic Media.

Chairman: Dr. Tijjani H. Darma

Date: Thursday, 26th May, 2016

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Physics Research Laboratory

Department of Public Law: *Seminar Series*

Presenter 1: Dr. Aisha Haruna

Topic: Health as a Justiciable Right in Nigeria: Lessons from South Africa.

Presenter 2: Hafeez Aliyu El-Yakub

Topic: Commercial Arbitration as a Dispute Settlement Mechanism: A Look at the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 2004.

Date: Wednesday, 25th May, 2016

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Faculty of Law Conference Room (F204)

Wedding Fatiha

1. Engr. Hussaini Ahmad Daura of Civil Engineering Department is pleased to invite members of the University Community to the wedding Fatiha of his son, Engr. Kabiru Abdullahi Ahmad which is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday 21st May, 2016

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Venue: Dr. Ahmad Mosque (Darul Hadith), Tudun Yola, Kabuga, Kano.

2. Malam Buhari Bala Zangina of Mechanical Engineering Department is pleased to invite members of the University Community to his wedding Fatiha which is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday 28th May, 2016 (21st Sha'aban, 1437 A.H.)

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Venue: Alhaji Sulai Residence, U/Kuyambana, Wase, Plateau State.

APPRECIATION

Bayero University, Kano Muslim Forum in conjunction with the University Mosques Committee wish to extend their appreciation to staff members who have been contributing financially, morally and physically for the successful maintenance of mosques and other charitable activities of the committees. A statement signed by Professor Musa M. Borodo, Professor Junaidu Na'aliy, Ameer Muslim Forum and Secretary, Mosques Committee pray that Allah would inspire you to continue to support the committees in all ways and may He make you the best both here and hereafter.

LOST PHONE

1. A wallet containing B.U.K. ID Card, Scholarship ATM Card, ATM Card, BVN Number and a huge amount of money was lost on Saturday at Faculty of Education.

Owner: Safiyanu Ibrahim Bappah (EDU/15/SPE/00152), Special Education Department.

If found, please return to the HoD's Office, Special Education Department.

SUDDEN DEATH OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

The death of Deputy Director Utilities, Maintenance Services Department; Engineer Muhammad Haruna Saleh has been announced. He died on Saturday 14th May, 2016 after a protracted illness.

May his soul rest in peace, amen.

Do You Know:

- That the Environment Needs our Care and Attention?
- That You Have to Nurture Nature in Order to Enjoy It?
- That the Pressure on the Environment is too Great?
- That We are Losing too Many Trees, Fauna and Flora?
- That the University spends a lot of Money to Maintain the Environment?
- ✓ **Plant a Tree Today and Maintain it to Maturity.**
- ✓ **Keep Your Office and Residence Neat and Tidy.**
 - ✓ **Use the DUSTBIN to Dispose of all Litter.**

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