

## **PROFILE OF PROF. (MRS.) AUGUSTINAH 'NIRETI DUYILEMI**

Prof. (Mrs.) Augustinah 'Nireti Duyilemi is from Ondo town in Ondo State, Nigeria. Born to the family of late Mr. Callisto Akinyosoye Ojo and Late Mrs Josephine Funmilola Ojo. She attended St. Catherine Catholic Primary School in Ondo between 1960 and 1965 for her Primary Education before proceeding to Mount Carmel Secondary School, Ikare-Akoko for her Secondary School Education (1966-1971).

Prof. (Mrs) Duyilemi started her working experience as a banker in 1972 in Lagos and rose to the position of a Supervisor in First Bank PLC, Akure branch, Ondo State. In 1977, She proceeded to Ondo State College of Education, Ikere-Ekiti where she obtained her Nigerian Certificate in Education (NCE) in Biology/Geography in 1980. She obtained her Bsc.Ed in Biology Education in Ondo State University, Ado-Ekiti now Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti in 1988 and her Masters in Science Education in the same University in 1991. She further had her Ph.D in Science Education in 1997 at the University of Ibadan, Ibadan Oyo State.

Prof. (Mrs.) Duyilemi started as a Graduate Assistant in Ondo State University, Ado-Ekiti, 1990. She became Assistant Lecturer in (1992), Lecturer II in (1995) and Lecturer I in (1997). She was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 2000 in Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko; Associate Professor of Science Education in (2005) and Professor of Science Education in (2015).

Her Administrative Experience in the University started when she became Sub-Dean, Faculty of Education, Ondo State University, Ado-Ekiti (1997-1998), Head of Department of Curriculum and Educational Technology (2000-2002), Acting Director, Institute of Education (2002-2004), Dean of Student Affairs (2010-2013), Acting Director, Women Studies Development Centre (WSDC), 2012 to date.

She has, at different times served as a member of Senate of Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko, (2001-2003, and 2010 – to date); Member, Fifth Anniversary Commemoration Committee, AAUA, (2004 - 2005); Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Educational Thought (2004 - 2006); Member, Business Advisory Committee, AAUA (2006 - 2008); Member, Sports Council, (2006 - 2012); Chairman, AAUA Staff Children's Party Committee (2006 - 2011); Member, University Ceremonies Committee, (2007 – to date); Chairman, Postgraduate Board of Studies, Faculty of Education (2014); Chairman, TRCN Induction Committee; Chairman, Committee on the Needs Assessment Committee; Chairman, AAUA Fire Policy Committee; Member, Search Team for the Appointment of a New Vice Chancellor (2014); Member, AAUA Senate Building Commissioning, (2014); Member, AAUA Space Allocation Committee (2015); Member, Constitution of the Student Information Handbook Review Committee (2015); Member, Constitution of the 2015 Best Staff Award: Academic Category (2015) among others.

She is a member of 10 Local and International Professional Bodies. She has attended 20 conferences all over the world presenting conference papers on different intervention strategies to improve the teaching and learning of Science and the empowerment of the girl child at all levels of Education. She has over 40 publications in Local and International journals, chapters in books and

Conference proceedings. She was a former National Secretary of Dean of Student Affairs in Nigerian Universities from 2012 to 2014.

Prof. (Mrs.) Duyilemi was a Resident Guest Researcher with Forum for African Women Educational, Nairobi, Kenya for three months in 2004. Her research centered on using Constructivist Intervention Strategies to improve the Performance and interest of girls in Science, Technology and Mathematics and Role Modeling strategy to catch the girls into STM at all levels of education. A Compilation of over 200 Successful Nigerian women in STM was made in a book form after the research.

Prof. (Mrs.) Duyilemi has received over 20 Awards and Honours among which are Mount Carmel Old Girls Award of Women of Excellence (2003), Cited in Who's who in Nigeria 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (2001), Nominated as 2000 outstanding scholars of the 21<sup>st</sup> century by the International Biographical Centre Cambridge, CB<sub>2</sub>, 3QP England, Best couple Award by St. Michael Catholic Church, Ado-Ekiti (2009), 2013 Award of Women of the Year for the Centenary Celebration of Nigerian Women by Embassy of the Republic of Cuba, Outstanding Role Model Award by National Association of Nigerian Students (NANS) (2015) among others.

She is the President of Mount Carmel Old Girls Association, Ikare - Akoko from 2003 to date. She is a consultant on empowering the Girl child at all levels of Education in Ondo and Ekiti States where she has organized seminars showcasing successful women in different Careers to share their experiences with the younger ones. Currently as the Director Women Studies and Development Centre, (WSDC) Prof. Mrs. Duyilemi has organized so many seminars to develop the potentials of female students and women towards their capacity building, female leadership style, curbing immorality among students and raising a female football Team in the University known as "AAUA SUPERFALCONS". Prof. Mrs. Duyilemi's marriage to Late Prof. B.O. Duyilemi is blessed with Successful children.