



A WORD FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Allow me welcome all of you to the 13th Graduation Ceremony of Busitema University. I thank the University Council, the Senate and Management for the good work done amidst challenging circumstances. We pay special appreciation to H.E the President, the Minister of Education and Sports and the all Government organs that have made it possible for these young men and women to acquire the education to the level we are celebrating today.

To the graduands, today marks the beginning of a new chapter in your life. While at Busitema University you demonstrated zeal towards your studies, showed respect to your Lecturers, the University support staff and your fellow students. This kind of attitude should continue to guide you in your field of work. I give special gratitude to all your teachers, mentors, peers as well as to your parents and guardians, for the help and counsel they accorded you over the years, making it possible for you to attain this celebrated achievement.

While your time at Busitema University has been a phase to help you establish your roots firmly, it is a beginning of continued growth to more productive years ahead of you. You have received ‘nourishment’ in the form of knowledge and anchoring to help you bear much fruit and support to withstand the storms of life that will come your way.

I am confident that your extraordinary experience at Busitema University, the fashion in which you have conducted yourselves over the years, and the knowledge and skills you have received will promote you to overcome the future encounters.

The life expedition that you are now embarking on, incorporates personal, and family responsibilities as well as a navigation of global communities and nations. This is likely to place colossal pressure on you to answer to society dynamics. I have no doubt that, with the knowledge and skills acquired at Busitema University together with increasing creativity and innovation you will make great contribution to your local and global



communities in a significant way. You must continuously adapt to a rapid changing world especially the digital environment in order not to be left behind. Despite our many difficulties, or perhaps because of them, Uganda offers enormous opportunities for innovation in virtually every field. If you aim to serve you will find unlimited opportunity.

Today you join the multitude of convocation members, I challenge you all to intensify and innovate energy to create a better country than what we inherited. A spirit of blame does not in itself meet the crying needs we face. But an unwavering willpower to meet needs, even when we are now monetarily undercompensated, can make a remarkable difference in the lives of the people whom God brings our way and presents us the opportunity to serve. Love is not about getting. It is about giving and until we practice and transform love, I believe we shall not be able to turn Uganda and ourselves around.

I commend you to go out and love the world, starting with your family knowing that our labour in the lord is not in vain! You will be amazed at God's response to your sacrifices and so "let us do everything as unto the Lord". Remember our country's motto: *For God and my Country*. This vision of our motto is the way to peace and prosperity.

I wish you great success and excellent health as you leave the gates of Busitema University. Let us continue, together, to *Pursue Excellence* in everything we do.

For God and My Country

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