

# IYINFEST 2024

# YEARLY REPORT



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## 1. Introduction

We thank God for IYINFEST Missions 2024. The year began with a time of prayer, retreat, reflection, and planning. With God's help, the mission progressed remarkably throughout the year.

## 2. Teenagers Conferences

In February, we held our first-ever teenager conference, which hosted about 700 teenagers from various communities across Mopamuro Local Government. The second edition followed in June at Isanlu, with approximately 600 teenagers in attendance. By November, the third edition took place in Egbe, drawing about 340 teenagers.



Encouragingly, more than half of these teenagers expressed their desire to receive Christ. This positive response inspired us to intensify our efforts, reaching out to them weekly through fellowship gatherings, as we have been doing. With this momentum, we extended our reach to additional schools, ensuring more teenagers could hear the gospel.

We are deeply grateful to God for raising men and women after His heart who are passionate about spreading the gospel.

Oh, how blessed are the feet of our dedicated volunteers!

## 3. Community Outreach

In March, over 70 volunteers gathered for an outreach in Ilafin, a community in Isanlu, Kogi State. This outreach was a collaboration between IYINFEST and NCCF (Nigerian Christian Corpers Fellowship) Mopamuro, Yagba East, and Yagba West Zones.



During the course of the outreach, we engaged the community in one-on-one evangelism, food distribution to the needy, outdoor crusades, and medical outreach. We look forward to another such outreach in February 2025, God willing. Please continue to pray with us.



• This year, the Lord also provided three rechargeable speakers for the ministry. These speakers have been instrumental in helping our volunteers communicate more effectively, especially in schools with larger populations, such as ACSS, where about 500 students gather weekly for fellowship meetings.

As we plan for next year, we are trusting God for the provision of five additional speakers, each costing approximately 200,000 naira.

## 4. Volunteers' Development and Training

Training and retreats remain crucial to our ministry's growth and effectiveness. A monthly retreat is held for our volunteers, while the planning team gathers for quarterly retreats. Additionally, the team undergoes a two-day training session every quarter.

These efforts are further supported by the weekly prayer meetings organized by the various ministry axes, ensuring that our work is continually rooted in prayer and preparation.



## 5. 5-Year Mentorship Program

One of the major programs of IYINFEST is the 5-Year Mentorship Program, which is designed for students who have just completed secondary school. The program begins with a three-day camping retreat, where selected participants from different locations come together to receive teachings and guidance.

This year's camp hosted about 40 participants from the four ministry axes: Isanlu, Egbe, Mopa, and Okeoyi. Each participant is paired with a mentor who builds a personal relationship with them, offering necessary teachings and guidance as they navigate their next phase of life. Apart from this, all the participants are engaged in weekly teachings and daily Bible study on their general platform.



## 6. Iyinfest Musical Academy

In August, we held our annual IYINFEST Musical Academy. This program brings together young people from various churches and serves as a boot camp for teenagers during the holiday.

Participants are taught the Word of God as well as musical instruments. We believe they will return to their churches better equipped to serve God and bless their congregations. About 40 young people attended the three-week intensive training, and many of them are now serving God effectively in their respective churches. Praise God!



## 7. Donations and Resources

• In March, we received our first donation of 1,031 Bibles from Wollongong Baptist Church, Australia. These Bibles were purchased through the Bible Society of Nigeria and delivered to the IYINFEST Head Office in Isanlu.

A second donation of 2,628 Bibles followed in August, bringing the total to 3,659 Bibles, valued at approximately 16 million naira. This remarkable generosity from the Wollongong Baptist Church community has been a tremendous blessing.

So far, over 1,500 of these Bibles have been carefully distributed to students who are being saved but previously lacked access to the Scriptures due to financial constraints.

Many of these students have shared powerful testimonies about how owning a Bible has significantly impacted their spiritual growth and deepened their relationship with God.



• During the year, we were also blessed with a donation of 1,000 hymn books, valued at 825,700 naira. Additionally, the Lord provided a brand-new Baja motorcycle and a fairly used Hajoe motorcycle, together worth over 1,665,000 naira.

These motorcycles have proven invaluable for reaching schools in remote areas, many of which are far from main roads. Our dedicated volunteers often travel long distances to bring the gospel to these students.

While we are deeply grateful for the two motorcycles, we continue to pray for the provision of four more to enhance our efforts and enable us to reach even more schools effectively and conveniently.



## 8. School Outreach

The Lord has been faithfully blessing our weekly outreach to various secondary schools. We kicked off 2024 by reaching out to 40 schools in Yagba Land, but by the end of the year, the Lord had graciously increased our reach to 70 schools across Isanlu, Mopamuro, Egbe, Okeoyi, Eruwa (Oyo State), and Ture Mai (Gombe State). Our weekly outreach is packed with diverse activities, including teachings, film shows, counseling sessions, quizzes, and more, all aimed at reaching the lost and helping these young believers grow in their faith. We're grateful to God for the numerous testimonies we've received throughout the outreach. Many lives are being transformed, and people are being conformed to the image of Christ. Praise God!

As we look forward to 2025, we're excited to continue our weekly outreach and trust God to provide more volunteers and resources, enabling us to reach even more schools and touch more lives.

## 9. GK&A Jege Mission Trip



In November, we embarked on a mission trip to GK&A Jege, where we had a wonderful time with their SS3 students. Earlier in the year, we had a productive discussion with the school management on how best to help prepare their SS3 students for life after secondary school. Our plan involves holding six sessions with the students; so far, we have completed two sessions and look forward to the remaining four next year, God willing.

## 10. End-of-year Outreach

As we wrap up the year, plans are already in top gear for the end-of-year annual outreach. This is usually a two-in-one program.

The first day is dedicated to outreach to the vulnerable, including aged widows, the needy, and others. These individuals receive food distributions, medical support, the message of the gospel, and counseling.

The second day features our annual praise festival outreach. It is a gathering of people from different denominations and the 'street' to praise and worship God. It also serves as an avenue to preach the gospel to all who attend the program.

This annual event has been a great platform to reach many who are lost, and yearly, many people come to Christ.

## 11. Conclusion

The goal of IYINFEST Missions is to reach the unsaved with the gospel and to help the saved grow in their relationship with God. We thank God for providing the resources, workers, partners and volunteers who tirelessly ensure that the gospel is preached throughout the land.

To God be all the glory!

Richard Akogun  
Missions Director, IYINFEST Missions

## 11. Team & Staff

This year, the Lord added three new staff members to our organization. Additionally, two interns and four NYSC corps members served under our ministry. These men and women have been instrumental in advancing the gospel through this ministry. We praise God for the provision of their monthly allowances.

## 12. Website Development & Registration

We are delighted to announce the nearing completion of our website, [www.iyinfest.org](http://www.iyinfest.org), which will serve as a valuable resource for our ministry and provide a platform for further outreach.

IYINFEST Missions has been officially registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) as IYINFEST MISSION EMPOWERMENT NETWORK.