



BUK REGISTRAR, JAMIL SALIM DIES AT 60

...As Thousands Attend Funeral Prayer

By Lamara Garba

The Registrar of Bayero University, Kano, Malam Jamil Ahmad Salim, is dead. He died on Wednesday, 26th April, 2023 at the age of 60 after a brief illness.

At the funeral prayer held at the University Juma'at Mosque New Campus, thousands of people attended during which they poured encomiums on the late Malam Jamil Salim, describing him as an easy-going, jovial and very friendly person."

As early as 7 am, people from all directions from far and near had trooped into the New Campus of the University to pay their last respects to the late Registrar whose brief tenure saw a lot of transformations in the Registry Department.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas, who was away on an official trip was shocked when the sad news of the demise of the Registrar was first broken to him. "I was utterly disheartened and dumfounded. Jamil, was a good fellow and a team player whose thinking was always how to make our university great."

According to him, the late Jamil would always be remembered for his selfless service, commitment, dedication and humility. He had no enemy, as he treated all people with respect and dignity. "Indeed, we lost a rare gem whose vacuum left would be too difficult to fill in the nearest future. I pray Almighty Allah to grant him *Jannatul Firdaus*."

Professor Abbas said that the late registrar was so humble, friendly, accommodative and a dedicated public servant, who put in his best in the service of the university.

He prayed to Almighty Allah to grant him *Jannatul Firdaus* and his family the fortitude to bear the irreparable loss.

The funeral prayer conducted at the University Juma'at Mosque, New Campus and attended by thousands of people including University Principal Officers, was led by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Sani Muhammad Gumel. The Management, staff,



Late Jamil A. Salim



VC & Mngt. receiving condolence at Registrar's residence

students and sympathizers attended amidst tears.

The late Jamil Salim was born in Gwale Quarters, Kano City on 21st November, 1963. He graduated in 1988 where he obtained a degree in Hausa/Islamic Studies Combined Honours. He held Postgraduate Diploma in Public Policy and Administration as well as Master's in Business and Commercial Law.

He joined the services of Bayero University, Kano in 1990 and worked for nine years and later left for the National Examinations Council where he served for only one year and returned to the University in 2000.

He worked in various units and directorates. He was a onetime University Examinations Officer, Deputy Registrar, Establishment Matters 2012, Acting Director, Establishment Matters 2015-2016, Director, General Administration 2019, Director, Establishment Matters 2020, Acting Registrar from March-October 2021 and appointed substantive Registrar on Wednesday, 27th October, 2021 for a five-year tenure.

He left behind an aged mother, one wife, nine children and many brothers and sisters.

May Allah grant him *Jannatul Firdaus*.

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JAMIL SALIM: A TRIBUTE

By Lamara Garba

Inna lillahi was Inna ilahi raji'un. From Allah we came and unto him shall be our return.

The above verse of the Holy Qur'an was on Wednesday, 26th April, 2023 translated itself on our able Registrar, Malam Jamil Ahmad Salim, when the cold hand of death snatched away the amiable registrar of our great University.

To say the least, the entire members of the University community were thrown into a palpable state of confusion, agony and bewilderment on the sad demise of Malam Jamil A Salim. Many of us are yet to recover from the traumatising shocking death of a gentleman par excellence, Malam Jamil.

In all the places he worked, Malam Jamil treated everyone with respect and dignity, regardless of their class, status or rank.

Despite the pressures of work and life which can push one to compromise for wordly things, Malam stood out to be unique amongst the people; he always strived hard to earn something legitimate and stay true to himself.

He demonstrated that leadership was not just about achieving results but also about building strong relationships based on trust, respect and integrity.

Indeed, the passing away of this gentleman is a great loss not only to his family. We, the University staff and by extension, the entire people of Kano State and Nigeria lose him as a whole. In particular, those who knew him directly or otherwise can attest to the fact that the man Jamil, as a reflection of the meaning of his name, served as a role model and an inspirational leader whose legacy will continue to linger in our

memory as well as inspire future leaders to lead with consistency, compassion and humility.

“His last moments” As if he had a premonition of death, Jamil arrived at his office on Tuesday, 25th April, 2023 in high spirits looking calm and quiet, extending his hands for the exchange of greetings to all the people he met. We

greeted and cracked jokes. An hour later, the Management of the University took a bus and headed for Koki quarters for a condolence visit to Alhaji Aminu Dantata, who lost his senior wife in the penultimate week in Saudi Arabia. Throughout the period, it was an exchange of banter. Allahu Akhbar. None of us had any sign

that from that time, his time was almost on the corner.

Malam, as we fondly called him, was a remarkable leader, who left a lasting impression on all of us. His integrity and kindness will be remembered and celebrated by all and sundry. May Allah grant him *Jannatul-Firdaus*, amin.



Late Jamil A. Salim (right) with VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas at the opening of Tafseer by Dr. Sani Umar R/Lemo, OON at the New Campus Central mosque in 2022



Late Registrar, Jamil A. Salim (standing 3rd right) in a group photograph with VC, and other staff at the opening of the Tafseer by Dr. Sani Umar R/Lemo, OON

University Community Reacts to Jamil's Death ... Says it's Dreadful, Devastating

By Lamara Garba



Members of the University community trooping to attend the funeral prayer of late Jamil A. Salim on Wednesday, 26th April, 2023

Members of the University community are in great shock over the death of the Registrar Malam Jamil Ahmad Salim, saying that the event had really traumatised them.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics) Professor Sani Muhammad Gumel while reacting to the death of the Registrar explained that the University community had really lost a patriotic man in the service of the university who always derived pleasure in making other people happy.

“I can't explain how deeply touched I am with Jamil's demise, but we take solace to the fact that Allah Almighty loves him more than we do; I am devastated. May Allah grant him *Jannatil Firdaus*.

Many who attended the funeral could not hold back tears rolling from their cheeks, recalling the fantastic moments they had with the late Jamil Salim whose life touche many people from across all strata.

As for Professor Mahmoud Umar Sani, the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Management Services in his tribute, he simply described the deceased as a symbol of simplicity, humility, service to humanity and a rare gem whose life style had been inspirational to anyone that came across him.

“Jamil is just a person that the very moment you meet



Jamil's last official function at the residence of Alh. Aminu Dantata on Tuesday, 25th April, 2023



Late Malam Jamilu Salim (directly standing behind the Lady Teacher) during days in form 3 at G.S.S. Gwale

him, the memory will continue to linger in one's life forever as he would make you to love him, to like him and be inspired by his attitude, behaviours and manners. The Bayero University community and by extension the entire people of Kano have lost a complete fine gentleman. We pray Allah to make *Jannatul Firdaus* his abode," said Professor Mahmoud.

On his part, the Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Development, Professor Abdullahi Sule-Kano, recalled that in all the years he had known the late Registrar, he was always in a joyous mood. "Hardly could one tell you that he saw Jamil frowning. He was frank and committed to his ideals and principles. He detested injustice and he was incorruptible. I can say the passing away of this man is a great loss to humanity. Nigeria as a whole has once more depleted by another profound good man. The likes of Malam Jamil are very scarce in our generation. We pray Allah to forgive his shortcomings and grant him *Jannah*."

The Chairman of Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), Comrade Mustapha Aminu, who was in deep shock, said Malam Jamil was just too good beyond explanation.

"To get a person like him is a herculean task nowadays. God who created us loves him more than we do. We cannot question why He took him away. We want to believe that God will prepare him a place in His Jannah," said the SSANU Chairman.



Late Jamil Salim along with VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas decorating the Chancellor Oba of Benin at the 36th & 37th Convocation ceremony on 11th February, 2023



The Vice Chancellor,
Bayero University, Kano
Prof. Sagir Adarimi Abbas, FRAS

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