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EDITORIAL

We are pleased to present the inaugural issue of the Journal of Applied Science, Arts and Business (JASAB) from Christian Service University, Ghana. This journal addresses the need for interdisciplinary scholarly platforms that are both intellectually rigorous and relevant to contemporary socio-political, cultural, theological, and economic issues. *JASAB* is defined by its commitment to applied knowledge that engages with society, challenges existing structures, and transforms practices. This volume has diverse themes, with each article providing critical insights into important topics across fields such as theology, linguistics, politics, religion, development, and economics. Readers should note that the views and opinions expressed in the articles published are those of the respective authors and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of Christian Service University.

This issue opens with Frederick M. Amevenku's article on decolonised knowledge production through mother tongue biblical hermeneutics, emphasizing the relevance of indigenous epistemologies. Emmanuel Twumasi-Ankrah continues this focus on language by analyzing the Asante-Twi translation of Genesis 2:15, drawing ecological and theological insights for environmental ethics.

Isaac Boaheng and Anthony Fawole address the politicization of Christian identity in Ghana and Nigeria, proposing a Christocentric model of political engagement. From an economic perspective, Reindolph Osei-Anim and co-authors examine how the government's recurrent expenditure positively influences Ghana's long-term economic growth.

Samuel Afrane and Isaac Boaheng call for a shift from rote learning to innovation in African education systems. Nana Danso Boafo and colleagues explore how marketing education improves SME performance. Public health concerns feature prominently in two articles: one by Victor Gedzi and colleagues investigates how cultural perceptions around contraception contribute to teenage pregnancy and hinder girls' education, and another by Michael Akenteng Wiafe's team reveals poor fruit and vegetable intake among Ghanaian women, urging dietary awareness.

Theological themes are explored from diverse angles. Samuel Asare-Antwako examines "the works" in John's Gospel as a call for integrated faith and action, and Samuel Boahen traces the development of glossolalia in Ghanaian charismatic churches. Kelechi Bartram and colleagues provide a theological vision of righteousness from the Hebrew prophets as a foundation for national renewal in Nigeria.

Kenneth Oppong's study addresses the clash between Adventist Sabbath observance and Ghana's electoral processes, suggesting early voting as a solution. Grace Adasi and her team assess the double-edged role of religion in Ghana's development—both empowering and, at times, misused.

The issue concludes with two book reviews: Francis Omondi discusses *Ubuntu Pentecostalism*, highlighting the blend of African communalism and Pentecostal theology, while Kayle Pelletier reviews *Poverty, the Bible, and Africa*, affirming its contextual theology of poverty.

As we celebrate this maiden issue, we also extend an invitation: let us continue to build this space together—a platform where disciplines dialogue, ideas lead to action, and research becomes a tool for justice, equity, and transformation.

In Christ,
Rev'd. Prof. Yaw Adu-Gyamfi
Editor-in-Chief

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