

Mimiko Charges Muslims to Rededicate Selves to God during Ramadan.....as Ondo Muslim Community Pledges Support for his Administration.

Ondo State Governor, Dr. Olusegun Mimiko at the weekend advised Nigerians to be tolerant and love one another irrespective of their religious beliefs and inclinations. Mimiko who spoke at a pre-Ramadan lecture organised by the State Muslims Welfare Board for Muslims preparatory to the annual fasting season in Akure also called on muslim faithful in the state to use this year's Ramadan period to rededicate themselves to the service the God and humanity.

The occasion was also used by the entire Muslim community in the State to pledge their support for the Olusegun Mimiko administration for what they termed its unprecedented development of the State within two and a half years in office.

Specifically, an elated Governor Mimiko, who expressed delight over the mutual understanding between the members of the various religions in the state, berated those fighting their fellow men and destroying property in the name of religion.

According to him, no man could fight for God because He is all powerful enough to fight for Himself. He therefore enjoined Nigerians to tolerate and love one another and ensure that they continue to co-exist in peace.

Mimiko charged the Muslims to continue to maintain the relative peace in the state to enable his administration to continue to deliver more dividends of democracy to the people of the state. He also used the occasion to assure that he would ensure the completion of all on-going projects in the State as well as embark upon new developmental projects that would turn the State around and make it investor friendly state.

He also promised that his administration would assist people especially during the fasting period.

Earlier in his speech, the Chief Imam of Akure, Alhaji Abdul-Hakeem Yayi-Akorede commended the Governor for the appointment of the new Chairman of the State Local Government Service Commission [LGSC], Alhaji Sadiq Obanoyen, describing him as their true representative in government.

Imam Yayi-Akorede lauded the governor for his frantic efforts at transforming the State into a model one in the nation saying that driving through major cities in the State has now shown that Ondo State is now working more than ever before, a development which he attributed to the unprecedented efforts of the Governor who he noted has shown that he is actually a man with a big, caring heart, the religious leader assured him that the entire Muslims in the state were solidly behind his administration.

He, however, urged the governor to ensure that a Muslim becomes the next Chairman of Akure South Local Government Area among other demands.