Meet Christian Aid Nigeria’s Senior Management Team (SMT)

Nanlop Ogbureke, Team Lead/Programme Manager, Health, Advocacy and Civil Society
Nanlop brings over a decade experience managing donor funded health programmes to bear on Christian Aid’s health programme in Nigeria. Christian Aid’s health interventions, under her watch, continue to improve access to under-served and vulnerable populations, ensuring accountable health governance in project communities. Nanlop leads a team of diverse professionals to engage with National, state and community based NGOs and relevant government institutions. She has delegated authority to lead our overall health programme in Nigeria. She can be reached on NOgbureke@christian-aid.org and on +234 803 642 704.

Charles Usie, Country Director, Christian Aid (UK) Nigeria
Charles brings extensive experience managing large donor funded development programmes to impact Christian Aid Country Programmes in Nigeria. With over a decade of working for Christian Aid UK, Charles is at home with the socio-economic, cultural and political dynamics that defines programme success in Nigeria. He assumed the leadership position of Christian Aid Nigeria as Country Director in 2014. Since then, Charles has led Christian Aid Nigeria, providing strategic direction and oversight to a diverse team of indigenous and expatriate development professionals and spearheading the exponential growth of the Country Programme. Prior to joining Christian Aid, Charles was an international consultant for Action Aid and other UN agencies and development partners such as DFID, UNICEF among others. Charles holds two Masters Degrees in environment, international development and policy (EDP), and health management and planning (HMP). He can be reached on CUusie@christian-aid.org and on +23480304041120.

Retsat Maina-Agogo, Finance Manager
Retsat is head of finance for Christian Aid in Nigeria. She leads a team of finance experts responsible for the financial management of every project in Nigeria. Retsat’s wealth of experience has improved the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian Aid finance portfolio management. Retsat has delegated responsibility to engage with donors and stakeholders regarding issues of finance and compliance. She can be reached on RAgogo@christian-aid.org and on +234 816 420 9581.

Victoria Chenge, Business Systems/Human Resource Manager
Victoria is responsible for all Administration and Human Resources matters for Christian Aid’s operations in Nigeria. Victoria brings extensive experience in human resources, administration and talent management to support the ever increasing Christian Aid staff strength across the Country Programme. She leads a team which facilitates the operations of our main office in Abuja and 9 other sub-offices across Nigeria. She holds delegated responsibility to engage on behalf of Christian Aid with regards to operations in Nigeria. She can be reached on VChenge@christian-aid.org and on +234 802 843 8513.

Sophie Makoloma, Emergency/Response Manager Nigeria
Sophie is responsible for the leadership, representation and overall management of Christian Aid Nigeria’s Humanitarian response in the North East (NE). She equally holds delegated responsibility to act and take decisions on behalf of Christian Aid in Nigeria’s NE. With over 11 years of experience in delivering Livelihood and Resilience building, humanitarian response and managing large and complex programmes. Sophie brings international experience to Christian Aid’s implementation of high impact emergency response in the north-east of Nigeria. Based in the north-east Nigeria, Sophie will be responsible for Humanitarian and Sustainable Livelihoods Programmes in Christian Aid Nigeria. She can be reached on SMakoloma@christian-aid.org and on +234 818 722 983.

Talatu Aiyu, Monitoring Evaluation, Accountability and Learning Manager
Talatu is responsible for all reporting obligations of Christian Aid Nigeria. With her years of experience in M&E in a wide range of programme areas, she brings her experience and expertise to bear in leading a team of experts across the country programme’s different programme areas. In addition, she leads the country programme on accountability to our donors and stakeholders. Talatu holds delegated responsibility to share learnings and insight from all our projects in Nigeria and is responsible for reporting to every contractual reporting expectation. She can be reached on tayiu@christian-aid.org and on +234 803 593 0713.

Abass Yusuf, Programme Funding and Development Manager for West Africa
Abass holds oversight responsibilities for our resourcing efforts covering West Africa and overall compliance but is based in the Nigeria Country programme office in Abuja. Prior to joining Christian Aid, he held various positions as Technical Advisor, Health Systems Strengthening (HSS) and Senior Technical Advisor, HIV/AIDS. With over 8 years’ experience in the development sector, Abass has led successful resource mobilization efforts from institutional donors and development partners, developed and resourced large and complex programmes from various donors such as USAID and the Global fund and has also led programme implementation. He holds a Master of Public Health (MPh) degree and currently finalizing his PhD in Public health (In view). Abass holds delegated authority on contractual issues for all projects. He is the first point of call for any contractual issues established with Christian Aid in Nigeria. Abass can be reached on ayyusuf@christian-aid.org and on +234 816 773 1159.

Tope leads a multi-disciplinary team responsible for Christian Aid’s efforts in Gender, Peace Building and Conflict resolution in Nigeria. His primary responsibility however is to provide leadership and oversight functions for the effective delivery of Christian Aid’s strategic theme on accountable governance in Nigeria. He uses his years of experience in governance programming to design high impact projects; giving voices to communities and improving people-government engagement at all levels. Tope can be reached on TFashola@christian-aid.org and on +234 803 350 2550.