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Obasanjo -FORMER President of Nigeria, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo has urged the Celestial Church of Christ (CCC) to embark on the task of uniting all factions within its fold with all fairness.

Obasanjo, yesterday while thanking the CCC leaders for deeming it fit to visit him at his hilltop mansion in Abeokuta, said that the unity of the CCC all over the world is of paramount importance to him.

According to the two-time president, "Almighty God is the creator of the church and He alone has the power to resolve any conflict within it. I am happy to hear that peace has finally returned and for me personally, the unity and unification of the Celestial Churches worldwide is very paramount to me because this is a big church that has a deep history and any division whatsoever will not serve its interest either now or in the future. I do not take sides in any dispute and the court has spoken which must be respected."

He added, "I encourage you to be strong, embark on this task with all fairness and do all within your powers to unite the church."

Obasanjo promised to offer his support in ensuring lasting peace and unity within the Celestial family.

Leading the delegation to Obasanjo was the unified leader of the Celestial Churches worldwide, Rev. Olatosho Matthew Oshoffa, who said the visit was part of a process in putting to rest the acrimony that had surrounded the leadership tussle.

Rev Oshoffa added, "We are happy that an end has finally come to the unsavory situation we found ourselves in the church between my brothers and other leaders in different locations. I want to assure you that we are now a united family and the glory of the Celestial Church worldwide will continue to shine and fulfill it's mandate in both the service of God and adding colour to the destiny of its members."

Continuing, he said, "We are here today to brief you of the developments and seek your counsel as a father to us and someone who has been a great friend of the church since the days of our fathers in fostering unity within our family and the church."

Olatosho said further, "My vision as the unified head is to see that there is peace in all of our churches and all the leaders function as laid down within the divine order delivered to our forebears. We intend to develop the international headquarters at Imeko into a true convergence ground worthy of the purpose it was created at the beginning. Individuals, private organizations and even governments at different levels will only identify with us if there is unity of purpose among us; and this is the task before me which I hope to accomplish with the support of my people."