

SCRIPTURAL REASONING (RELIGIOUS DEBATE)

Between two evangelists of the churches of Christ

Theme: Church cooperation in financing evangelism

Date: Saturday June 19th 2021

Session 1: 10:00am to 11:40am, **Session 2:** 12:00noon to 2:00pm

Livestream: <https://www.facebook.com/FaithBasedReasoning>

Organized by Olumuyiwa Sunday ASAOLU and held at the hall of **The Church of Christ Ibeju Lekki**
Opposite Ibeju-Lekki Local Government Secretariat, Igando Oloja, Ibeju-Lekki, Lagos State.

Proposition 1: Church cooperation is delimited under each work; it is unscriptural for a church to send funds from their treasury unto another church for the purpose of supporting the recipient's evangelism work.

[**Affirm:** Osamagbe Lesley Egharevba, **Refute** John Robo Oboroh]

Proposition 2: Church cooperation is generic irrespective of aspect; it is scriptural for a church to send money from their treasury unto another church to help the recipient's evangelism work.

[**Affirm:** John Robo Oboroh, **Refute** Osamagbe Lesley Egharevba]

Rules of the Debate

1. Both the debaters and the audience shall maintain peace and decorum.
2. Everyone shall heed the Moderator.
3. There shall be no use of foul language, clapping, hissing, booing, etc. by anyone.
4. The debaters shall keep to agreed time for each segment.
5. An *affirmer* shall make his case based on the Bible and submitted/approved presentation file.
6. Bible passages shall NOT be referenced in passing but must be fully quoted and explained. Thus a maximum of 18 passages are allowed an *affirmer* in his initial appearance/affirmation.
7. A *refuter* **must first address** the points and passages cited by an affirmer; the Slides of *the affirmer* shall be displayed during refutation.
8. When an *affirmer* poses questions in his second appearance, the refuter is **obligated** to reply and provide answers based on his opinion and/or scripture. (A query can neither be evaded nor responded to via counter-question)
9. The audience shall begin to send in questions only (**no contributions**) to the Moderator after the 1st Proposition has been concluded i.e. from the Break period till the end of the 2nd Proposition interaction. These shall be hand-written or as Facebook Comments.
10. A member of the audience may pose maximum of two questions and indicate which speaker should address a question.

Program of Events

Prelude: Songs & setup: 9:30-9:59

Session 1: 10:00 - 11:40am

1. Opening Prayer - 5mins
2. Introduction and guidelines by Moderator - 10mins
3. Egharevba Affirm Proposition 1- 30mins
4. Oboroh Deny Proposition 1- 30mins
5. Egharevba pose questions and Oboroh responds - 25mins
[Pre-stated & spontaneous follow-up queries are allowed, short direct answers are needed]

Break: ≈ 20mins (music interlude)

Session 2 : 12:00 - 2:00pm

6. Oboroh Affirm Proposition 2 - 30mins
7. Egharevba Deny Proposition 2 - 30mins
8. Oboroh pose questions and Egharevba responds - 25mins
[Pre-stated & spontaneous follow-up queries are allowed, short direct answers are needed]
9. Chorus - 3mins
10. Each debater gives a Closing Statement – 2mins per person [*to concede or re-state his Proposition*]
11. **Moderator Closes Formal Debate** - 3mins
12. Both Debaters respond to Audience Questions as collated by the Moderator - 25mins
13. Vote of Thanks – Asaolu
14. Closing Prayer and blessing of *Refreshment*