

Editorial Comment

The Department of Religion and Cultural Studies, University of Nigeria, Nsukka organised its 7th hybrid international conference between February 27 and 29, 2024. The theme of the conference was Religion, Politics and Environmental Sustainability. The conference attracted scholars from Nigeria and beyond whose papers addressed the theme of the conference from different perspectives. This special issue of *Nsukka Journal of Religion and Cultural Studies* (NJRCs) focuses on Religion, Politics and Environmental Sustainability, represents some of the papers presented during the conference after being thoroughly peer reviewed. The volume opens up with the work of C. Nzeadibe, N.G. Onah and K.I. Uwaegbute which dissects the nexus between environmental sustainability and religion with a focus on the Nigerian context. Next, is J.N Akah and A.C Ajah's article which explores a cross-cultural methodological approach to environmental sustainability. This is followed by E.C Aneke's piece on religion and environmental sustainability in Nigeria. B.O. Fawenu's article explores the intersectionality of social justice movement in Isaiah 24:1-6 and environmental issues. It is one of the many papers dealing with biblical approaches to environmental issues accepted for publication in this volume of the journal and tells how the book of Isaiah intercepts with environmental issues. Next is E.K Okonkwo and H.C. Achunike's article which theorises about eco-spirituality as a response to climate change issues in Nigeria. Following this is R. C Ugwuogo and H.C. Achunike's article which shows how African Traditional Religious practices form an antidote to environmental challenges in Nigeria. This is followed by M.E. Utaji and D.S. Nyityo's article which focuses on the impact of religion on environmental sustainability in the context of Benue State, Nigeria while C.P. Onuorah's article focuses on the South-Eastern zone of Nigeria, exploring how religious practices intercept with environmental sustainability in that region. H. C. Achunike, D.R. Yilben, A.K. Gotau and G.C. Asadu's article addresses the role of Church of Christ in Nations (COCIN) in ensuring environmental sustainability in Plateau State of Nigeria. Lastly, G. Maya's article focuses on the Durkheimian theory of religion to show how such impacts African Traditional Religion as far as environmental sustainability is concerned. These articles, in their various ways, have contributed and broadened our vistas of knowledge regarding what is known about religion, politics and environmental sustainability particularly in a Nigerian context where the need to address such issues remains imperative.

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