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Editorial Remarks

In every academic setup, there is high impetus and pursue for academic excellence among scholars. As an academic and spiritual institution, VTS deserved to be in forefront in the quest to achieve academic excellence to keep pace with time in this challenging world. This second edition of VTS Journal was hatched for over a year now but was not published as a result of some unforeseen circumstances. We hope that the delay in the publication of this journal may serve the purpose for which it was intended.

The aim of the academic exercises displayed in this journal is to furnish the academic world and the church with some relevant issues which can be employed to provide panacea to some problems confronting both the church and the society. Most of the articles in this journal are written by competent scholars and were proof-read by peer editors. This may not give us a perfect work but to some extent, it may offer solutions to some lingering issues around us thereby contributing to the body of knowledge.

In this edition, readers would find some interesting articles from diverse fields of learning in Theology such as Biblical Studies, Historical Theology and Church History to ponder upon. For instance what is the view of Anglican on the Sacrament? What is Calvin's position on Eucharist in relation to other ecclesiastical views? What is reformed faith concerning rebaptism? How can one partake in unworthy manner in the Lord's Supper? The Novatian's Christology which rarely appear in the journal of religion in Nigeria has been explicated upon. It dealt with the critical issue on the relationship between the Son and the Father i.e. the ontological subordination of the Son to the Father. There

is also a lesson from the reformation and the peace of Westphalia as a panacea to schism in the contemporary church. The Journal rounded up with a review on Religion and Politics in Nigeria. The aim of this review is to introduce readers to this book which is relevant to our context.

I am optimistic that scholars and leaders shall find a lot to enrich their knowledge and to contribute meaningfully to the development of their churches as they interact with the articles in this journal.

The best of wishes from the Almighty.

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