

PHARMACOGNOSY IN NIGERIA

In August 2007, I was a guest of Dr Afe Ekundayo, the Dean of Natural Sciences (faculty title, Professor of Microbiology) in Ambrose Alli University in Edo State, Nigeria. During my visit Dr Samuel Emuah, the Professor of Botany, arranged a visit to Pax Herbals, a natural-products pharmaceutical company in Ewu-Ishan, some 30 miles outside Ekpoma. The Benedictine monks have run this business for decades, and are building a clinical trial facility.

Professor Ekundayo's staff organized a van and a morning visit, and we drove through gorgeous tropical countryside, past farms, churches, forests, churches... Lots and lots of churches of Christian faiths, and some mosques.


On the top of a hill in Ewu-Ishan the van stopped and the university faculty piled out. We had our picture taken at the front of the dispensary, and after being welcomed by Father Anselm Adodo, pictured below, we were given a tour of the factory.



Photos taken during Dr Dodgson's visit.

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The monastery of St Benedict at Ewu-Ishan in Edo State Nigeria belongs to the Benedictine Congregation of the Annunciation of the Roman Catholic Church.

This monastery was founded at Ewu-Ishan on the feast of St Benedict 11 th July 1979 by Glenstal Abbey Ireland. After 26years the monastery became an independent Priory on July 11, 2006.

Being a religious community, the monks live together in fraternal charity, living under the rule and their Major Superior in a continual spirit of prayer and praise of our Creator.

The monks of the monastery have been involved in community development through direct involvement in supporting, within its means, projects meant to provide basic life's needs for the rural poor. On July 15, 2006, the monastery completed a water project to help provide drinking water to the villagers .

Other Community development efforts by the monks of the monastery include provision of employment for both the youth and adult in the surrounding villages and beyond and also provision of health care to the people in the spirit of charity.


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These pictures are of Ambrose Alli University faculty, and of the factory of Pax Herbals.

The Ewu-Ishan Benedictine Monastery website is at <http://www.ewu-monks.org>. Pax Herbals Nigerian and United States websites are



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