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My dear 'Polite,

Sorry, that I've not been able to get back to you in person all this while. I can confirm I've commenced reading your book, which has proved very interesting and inspiring as well. A real legacy for posterity.

I will be attending the launch date

on Sat, 01 August and hope to conclude the book no later than Mon, 27 July (if not this weekend).

I'm actually on my way into work as I send this text and hope to touch base with you, on my return later this evening.

My regards to your lovely family and remain blessed.

07:32

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Hey Prof! The jigsaws appear to be falling in place for me now. How fascinating to begin to make sense of what a beautiful orchestra many have been witnessing in your life story. I'll finish reading soon but can't help slowing down to ponder the lessons and pick the crystals.

Akwasi

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Just dragging myself to bed now. Wow! Will continue tomorrow.

10:43

Friends, I feel privileged to introduce and highly recommend to you a book that I believe captures microcosmically, the challenges and opposition faced by individuals who are determined to operate with very high standards of integrity and moral values, within Nigerian institutions.

I met Professor Hippolite about 20 years ago, when I invited him to join a Christian prayer group which I ran, beginning a much cherished friendship over the years as I unwittingly "witnessed" some of the events played out in this book.

I have never quite met anyone like Professor Hippolite. Startlingly forceful, militant and unwavering when it concerns upholding extremely high principles and values, Hip, as I call him, (I always chuckle at the irony of the 'polite' in his name), is anything but polite when it comes to standing for truth and justice in the fight against endemic institutional corruption. This resoluteness is exhibited in his vision to reverse the quite appalling statistics of high neonatal deaths in Nigeria, this anomaly mainly attributable to corruption, nonchalance and questionable practices in the medical field.

A Professor of Medical Engineering and Technology at Imperial College London,

Hip's unshakable faith and complete dependance on God, proves crucial in his battle against ungodly and perverse forces, in a country blessed with so much potential but saddled with so many challenges. Never one to back out of battle, Hip, a man on a mission, unsheathes his pen to expose reprehensible behaviour and its consequences, within neonatal practice in Nigerian medical institutions. You will not put this book down until you finish it!

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Bro, the book arrived this afternoon. Flipped through it and it's super. I pray that it becomes a tool in the hand of God to change the appalling behaviour of leadership in Nigeria. This book, I believe is a best seller.

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Hippolite, good morning. Once again a huge congratulations on this great accomplishment and the commitment towards the African neonatal research. I will try my best to read the book quickly and make my comments as indicated. I believe this last message is for the person that sent the book to me directly as I received only one copy of the book. We shall look forward to the launching of the book. Wonderful blessings on your endeavor. Thank you.

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I am enjoying it. Currently finishing Chapter 4. I have read about Umuahia, Bayelsa and Asaba. Reading on...

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**Wonderful book indeed.** I've not been able to drop it since I started reading. **The story just kept unfolding. Well done bro.** 🙌🙌🙌

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Dear 'Polite, thanks for the advance the privilege of having the advanced copy of your book. I've started reading the amazing, inspiring and thought-provoking work. Hope to come up with a reflection by the weekend. Blessings

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Good morning Prof., Thanks for the book. Didn't really know how voluminous it is. However, the setting of the content is such that makes it just too difficult to drop when one starts reading it. Couldn't take my eyes off the story till interjected by a visitor. It's simple and intelligently written and set. Will finish it soon barring other responsibilities. I rejoice with you for His grace that works mightily in you. More grace for greater roles ahead.

10:43

I have been reading your book carefully, as I have set aside time each day to read, often mark and annotate notes and learn about centrifuges and neonatal incubators and inwardly digest the strong criticisms etc.

I am amazed at the clear and clinical comments about corruption, crimes and bribery in the Nigerian medical and health services. You name names and shame the culpable. You do not spare the guilty parties, the greedy, the arrogant academics and the lovers of money.

I admire your tenacity in the face of so much adversity.

I hope that you manage to place your book in university libraries, colleges and good bookshops.

It must get to SOAS, and to any place teaching medical ethics and good neonatal practice.

This book is explosive. You expose crimes and misdemeanours.

I shall and I will enjoy reading the book to the end.

Well done. Nigeria is in your debt.

Yours fraternally

John

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Explosive is the word. I started reading this size of a book two days ago and I am about finishing it. A record for me.

14:09

Hi Hippolite

The first fifty pages of your story were easy to read, but the second fifty became harder because it was so sad and heart-breaking to read your tales, page after page of bribery, corruption, crime, fraud and infanticide. You encountered serious malpractice, deceit, deception and devious behaviour deliberately, wilfully carried out by people who acted without integrity and shame. They reached incredible levels of irresponsibility. The love of money is shown in your book to be the root of much evil, and it results in what you call murder!

When you reach the UK, in chapter 6 on page 108, the narrative becomes lighter and is tempered by successes, but still you have hardships, trials and tribulations. You did not chose an easy road. It would have been so tempting, as you mention, to be an engineer in the petro-chemical industry. (Even there I understand there are problems and corruption issues, some of which could have been solved by investing in oil refineries, which Nigeria failed to do and lost out on much needed revenue.)

So I am reading on carefully and reflecting on your book.

Blessings and best wishes

13:57

Guys I just got an autographed copy of "Born to live not to die" by our own Prof Hippo Amadi about 45 minutes ago, just read the Foreword by Chief Oluwemimo Ogunde SAN and couldn't wait but to recommend for us all to get a copy not just to support our own but as a necessary eye opener to the rot that underlines our neonatal medical practice. Please everyone is encouraged to get an authographed copy. You can participate in the virtual launching thus:

BORN TO LIVE NOT TO DIE

Saturday 1st August 2020

Zoom: 643 641 3453

Password: 2sYtZC

Charley

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Hippo I started reading your story yesterday and now really coming to terms with the what you had to endure/pass through to be where you are today. Your bravado at University of Portharcourt Teaching Hospital, blocking the gate with your car until your money was brought to you cash and the worst of all what you had to go through in the hands of that devilish DG of HMB in Markudi, Mr Kwade though not his real name I guess. It was deplorable for want of a better expression. I didn't know that some civil servants could be this evil 🤡🤡

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Hippolite

I have started reading the book even though I am a slow reader I have read up to chapter-6.

When we left school and went our different ways I never knew the extent you would go to fight for the survival of defenseless neonatals. You never allow the greedy hospital officials who swears oaths to protect lives but instead they are killing innocent neonatals deterred you. When I read this few chapters of the book, I wasn't surprise what you can do after spending five good years with you in the university. When I read of how you disconnect the control units and blocking their gate until you get your money, I said to my self that these people don't know who they are dealing with. Even though you did not mention their real name in all the hospital s involve, when they read this book, they will identify themselves in shame. Though corruption has become a tread in stock and a tread mark in Nigeria, these people will burry themselves in shame when they read this book .

Coming to how you manage to survive in settling your academic tuitions. When God is behind you, no matter how difficult it is, He is faithful and just He will see you through. After reading few chapters of your book, I said to myself I wish I have read this book many years ago, I could have done many things differently. If we are sincere in Nigeria to save lives through our health care system, this book is a must read to all our government officials and health care providers.

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Hippolite, I tell you this book is INCREDIBLE. I've been reading it since Friday. I intend to finish it today or tomorrow. I will write and do the video script by God's grace and submit on Tuesday. Thank you for standing for the neonates in spite of the corruption in Nigeria including people like Mr. Kwale who refused to pay you and the medical doctors who spited you trying to help the indefensible little ones. We are 100% with you. God bless.

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Absolutely struggling to drop the book

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Thank you bro. Hippo. I got the book this evening. Got back home 8pm ish. I wanted to look at the first chapter and last, but it is gripping. It's so easily written that I am now closing the book at Chapter 5. Looking forward to the discussion on item 3 tomorrow.

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Born to Live and not to Die by Prof. Hippolite Amadi

This is a compelling and well-articulated book; one of those books you would like to devour in one go. Prof. Hippolite carefully unveils the truth behind the high neonatal mortality rate in Nigeria and vividly narrates his challenges, battles and victories in his journey to save neonates. The book will stir your emotions; sometimes makes you want to cry because of the injustice that engulfs our nation, and other times makes you smile because of one man's determination to stop neonates from dying. Thanks to Prof. Hippolite, for shedding light on some of the upsetting practices in neonatal departments and seeking the change Nigeria needs to reduce the high neonatal mortality rate. This book is highly recommended, a must-read and well worth the time of anyone that wants to see a change in the system.

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