TOKUNBOH ADEYEMO

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Apart from one or two media names and the odd scandal, people in the West are unaware of the breadth and depth of Christian leadership in Africa. Because of this, the death of Dr. TokunbohÂ Adeyemo has hardly caused a ripple in the new in Britian. But as this tribute shows, the church has lost a statesman and a real man of God.

> *In order for him to be recruited in the mission of God for the church in Africa, the Lord granted him the privilege of training in some leading evangelical schools and public universities of all times. He had his Bachelor of Theology degree in ECWAÂ Theological Seminary, Igbaja, Nigeria; Masters of Divinity and Theology at Talbot School of Theology of Biola University, California, USA; Doctor of Theology degree at Dallas Theological Seminary, Texas, USA; and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Philosophy at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland.It is obvious that Adeyemoâ€™s passion for ministry was leadership in Africa. He believes that the problem of Africa is not lack of human or material resources. According to him, â€œAfricaâ€™s problem can be summarized in one word: â€˜leadershipâ€™ â€“ inept leadership, corrupt leadership, selfish leadership. We need leaders who do not focus on greed, but see themselves as servants of the people. If we could use properly the wealth with which God has endowed this continent, Africa would be a super-power!â€ Adeyemo did his best to educate the church of this great need while he served for 22years as the General Secretary for Association for Evangelicals in Africa (AEA, the umbrella body for Evangelical Churches in Africa) with its headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya. (Read the whole tribute.)*

Some readers of this blog will know Dr Adeyemo as the editor of the excellent Africa Bible Commentary: A One-volume Commentary Written by 70 African Scholars.

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