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**ACTING VICE CHANCELLOR'S WELCOME ADDRESS AT THE
LAUNCH OF DOCTOR OF MINISTRY IN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
AND MANAGEMENT AT CSU AUDITORIUM ON 1ST JUNE 2026**

The Chancellor of Christian Service University
Registrar
Ag. Director of Finance
Distinguished Faculty Members and Staff
Distinguished Invited Guests from other Universities and Institutions
Clergy and Church Leaders
CSU Alumni Members Present
Respectable Media Houses Present
Ladies and gentlemen:

With profound gratitude to God and a deep sense of purpose, I welcome you all to this important occasion of the official launch of the Doctor of Ministry in Christian Leadership and Management Programme at Christian Service University.

Today marks another significant milestone in the growth and transformation of this University. Today we have gathered here to launch the first doctorate degree programme in the University in the Department of Theology which happens to be the premier Department of this University. This is not by an accident; it is by the divine guidance for the Department of Theology to continue to lead the University into its future glory. Hence, this launch is not merely the introduction of a new academic programme, it is the unveiling of a vision to equip Christian leaders for greater impact in ministry, governance, organizational leadership, and national transformation.

Distinguished audience, this programme also represents a major contribution to the strategic growth agenda of Christian Service University. As a leading faith-based university, we remain committed to expanding graduate education, strengthening research capacity, enhancing academic relevance, and positioning ourselves as a university to impact on humanity using theological education. The introduction of this doctoral programme aligns perfectly with this strategic vision to provide transformational scholarship.

Through research, publications, conferences, and practical ministry engagement, this programme will generate new knowledge to address the realities of ministry within African and global contexts. It will also provide an academic platform for contextual theology and leadership models that respond directly to the unique challenges facing the African Church.

At this point, I wish to express sincere appreciation to all stakeholders who have contributed to the successful development of this programme and its needed infrastructure. Your dedication and commitment have made this vision possible and your names will continue to be with the University.

To prospective students and Christian leaders gathered here today, I encourage you to fully accept and participate in this advanced ministerial and leadership programme. The programme has been crafted to equip prospective students to be spiritually matured, academically grounded, ethically principled, and strategically minded. As Scripture reminds us in Proverbs 11:14, "Without wise leadership, a nation falls; there is safety in having many advisers" (New Living Translation, Second Edition).

May this programme raise leaders who will serve with wisdom, humility, excellence, and integrity for the advancement of God's Kingdom and the transformation of society.

On behalf of the management and governing authorities of Christian Service University, I welcome you to the launch of Doctor of Ministry in Christian Leadership and Management Programme.

May God bless this programme, bless Christian Service University, and bless us all.

Thank you.