

A Servant on the Move – The Gift of a Motorcycle to Deacon Charles

Introduction

In the heart of Bukirilo Deanery, within the peaceful surroundings of Bugarama Parish, one dedicated servant of God, Deacon Charles, has been tirelessly working to bring spiritual guidance and community support to his people. However, the challenges of reaching remote areas, often on foot or relying on irregular transport, had long been an obstacle to his mission. Everything changed during the Fifth Episcopal Synod, a historic gathering of faith leaders, where a remarkable gesture of support was made — a brand-new motorcycle was gifted to Deacon Charles by Diocesan Bishop Darlington Bendankeha.



A Blessing on Two Wheels

As the synod proceeded with prayers, discussions, and spiritual reflections, the moment of the presentation arrived. Bishop Darlington, standing before the congregation, spoke with a voice filled with wisdom and encouragement: *"The Gospel must move, and those who carry it must not be slowed down by distance. Today, we empower one of our own, a servant devoted to his calling. Deacon Charles, take this gift — not as a reward, but as a tool for the mission God has placed in your hands."*

With humility and gratitude, Deacon Charles received the keys to the motorcycle and, with a voice steady but full of emotion he said: *"For years, I have walked to serve, but today, I ride with renewed strength. This is not just a machine; it is a symbol of God's provision, the love of the Church, and the commitment we share to reach every soul in need."*

A Testament to Faith and Service

The impact of this gift was immediate. Within days, Deacon Charles was able to reach distant villages, conduct home visits with ease, and respond to emergencies swiftly. Rural Dean Christian Joachim of Bukiriro deanery, witnessing the transformation, remarked: *"We have seen Deacon walking tirelessly, sometimes under the scorching sun, just to bring us the Word of God. Now, he moves like the wind—this is truly a blessing for all of us."*

Conclusion: A Journey Forward

As the sun sets over Bugarama Parish, the sound of a motorcycle can now be heard—a sound that signifies movement, dedication, and the relentless pursuit of God's work. Deacon Charles no longer walks alone; he rides with purpose, carrying the light of faith to every corner of Bukirilo Deanery