

Serve the people with all your might, Mimiko charges 36 NASS and ODHA members elect

The thirty six members-elect into the Senate, Federal House of Representatives and House of Assembly under the umbrella of Labour Party from Ondo State have been challenged to be united and always pursue programmes that would add value to the lives of the people who elected.

The state Governor, Dr Olusegun Mimiko stated this on Wednesday at his office in Akure the state capital, while playing host to the newly elected lawmakers, who RE trooped to the Governor's office to show their appreciation following the receipt of their Certificates of Return from the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in Akure. The Labour Party in the state won all the three senatorial seats, eight out of nine House of Representative seats and twenty-five from twenty-six seats of the state Assembly in the last month's general elections. Governor Mimiko while receiving the Legislators told them that the only way they could reciprocate the gesture of the people was to work for them by embarking on various life transforming projects capable of changing their lives for the better. He stressed that the support being received by the Labour Party administration in the last two years was as a result of the numerous visible programmes being executed in the state by his administration saying they must borrow a cue from this in the task ahead of them both a the national Assembly and the State Assembly.

He, therefore, rallied the lawmakers to always champion the cause that would positively affect their Constituencies instead of pursuing selfish interest, warning that they would be held responsible for the progress or retrogression of their people.

Mimiko however described the Labour Party as a progressive party that has affected the lives of the people in the areas of healthcare, education and infrastructure among others.

His words "The only way to say thank-you to the people of Ondo State is to work for them. I want to congratulate all of you; you are part of the revolutionary historical phenomenon. I don't want to sound immodest, but by the time we are through, we want to prove to the world that these men are capable of transforming the lives of their people and I beg you in the name of God Almighty, let us key into this together. "We have three Senators and, for God's sake, each time I think of this, I wake up in the night and sing praises to the Lord for giving us this opportunity. Three Senators from level zero to level 100%. They are not just Senators but they are super Senators. Each time I imagine what these wonderful people; the difference they will make to the people of this state, I just feel excited.

"Can you imagine the synergy that will happen in this state by the time these people bring their opportunities and merge them with the opportunity here in Ondo State? There will be a great transformation in the lives of our people". I want to congratulate those that participated in the primaries; you are all heroes of what we are celebrating today especially those that were faithful to the end". Earlier in his speech, the state Chairman of Labour Party, Dr Olaiya Oni attributed the success of the party in the last election to collective bargaining and spirit of oneness among members from the party primaries to the general elections, urging the legislators to be focused in their decisions. Responding on behalf of the legislators, a senator-elect, Barrister Boluwaji Kunlere (Ondo South) assured the Governor and people of the state of their readiness to turn around the fortunes for good

of the state through selfless efforts.. He added that they would follow the standard already set by the Governor, which according to him had attracted many people into the Labour Party.