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DEDICATION



This book is dedicated to God Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and the Earth and all that is therein, for His love towards my life and for inspiring me to write this book. To Him be the glory!

And to everyone whose path has crossed mine thereby contributing to the shaping of my life.

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Many people contributed to the success of this book to whom I am greatly indebted.

My cousin, Dele Adewumi played an important role by way of encouraging me to write this book. When I told him that God impressed upon me to write a book sharing fifty testimonies to mark my 50th birthday celebration but that I was too busy to embark on that journey, he persuaded me to create time for it as he had been inspired by my previous write-ups posted on Facebook. He was convinced many people will be blessed from reading about God's faithfulness to me.

I met Mrs Abiola Adedotun on board Overland plane from Ibadan to Abuja on the 11th of October 2018 while trying to use the opportunity of sitting next to me to win my soul for Christ. She wanted to know if I was a Christian to which I replied "I'm a minister of the Gospel". I shared with her how good God has been to me and my plan to write a book to testify of His goodness. I was deeply engrossed in thoughts over how to quickly finish the book before 8th January, 2019 (my 50th birthday) when her question interjected my thoughts. I requested that she would be part of those to review the book when the first draft was ready and she accepted. I am grateful for all her efforts, including that of her daughter (Mabel) in ensuring that the book came out well. .

Aside Mrs Abiola Adedotun and her daughter, Dele Adewumi and my sister-in-law, Mrs Taiwo Odewenwa

created time from their tight schedules to review the book. May you never lack helpers in Jesus name. Amen!

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PREFACE



The thought of writing a book never crossed my mind. The first prompt in that direction was from one of my friends (Pastor Dele AdeOluwa) who over 10 years ago told me God instructed him to tell me to write a book and title it 'I will do the will of God'. Also, some friends on Facebook and WhatsApp have at different times advised that I write books after reading some of my posts but the urge was never there.

I was ruminating on all God has done in my life while driving to Asaba from Ibadan alone a few years back when the Lord impressed it on me to write a book. I later thought of naming the book '50 Testimonies' and I decided to release it during my 50th Birthday celebration. But as the date was approaching, my morale was low because of some unmet expectations and I discarded the thought of writing the book. I however lost my peace and I could not focus on anything, not even my job. I knew the cause and by 16th of September 2018, I drew the outlines for the book. My peace got restored the more I spent time on the book.

To ensure I commit myself to the writing of the book, I informed important people in my life of the plan to write a book that will be published and launched on my 50th birthday celebration. The Lord Himself gave me the needed inspiration, direction and speed to write the book. I spent approximately 20 days on the writing of the book.

It is my belief that God has a purpose to achieve through this book in the life of those that will come across it. My

Lord and my God, I have done what is required of me; let
Your perfect will be done. AMEN.

Pastor Akintoye Odanye

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