

OUCHA MEETS TOP AFRICAN UNTAPPED SPORTS RESOURCE

By safe life special correspondent

In Africa

The world renowned HIV/AIDS activist cum composer HIV /AIDS anthem, Prophet Patrick Donald Oucha, has had a fact finding interaction with Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu, who is descriptively one of Africa skilful footballer stuck due to inadequate media exposure, slim access to prominent foot ball clubs and limited access to financial resources.

Prophet Patrick learnt about Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu through safe life Uganda's tracing mechanism for life building for and recovery programs,

"Its important football clubs and other stake holders trace up- coming footballers so that they enjoy required support for growth and development of sports personalities, in the world" says Prophet Patrick Donald Oucha.

The prophet thanked safe life Uganda for giving Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu required media coverage. "With global exposure, I hope someone will come out to facilitate and empower the growth and development of Emmy's talent" says, Prophet Patrick.

WHO IS OCHEN EMMANUEL EDIMU

He is an admirable and skillful footballer who has tremendously raised profiles of many football clubs in Uganda – Africa.

He has always strived to push a football club from zero – to – hero and from nothing –to – something.

His golden talent has had no portion of promotional media across Africa. Learnt from many sources, how great Emmy is a hidden football star in Uganda. Safe life special correspondent is here - to – dissect and serve in small portions. Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu was born on the 09 September 1997 to the family of Mr. David Richard Edimu and Mrs. Goretti Among, both Ugandans by nationality. The father of Mr Ochen Emmanuel Edimu (Mr.David Ricahrd Edimu) serves as a high profile officer in the Government of Uganda, and the mother Goretti Among is the supervisor of family business in Kampala, Uganda.

According to a family member, “love for football runs through every mind within the family. Our dad would forego anything else for football match” explains, a member of the family.

However, Mr Ochen Emmanuel Edimu developed the passion for football at pre- primary school. “I was inspired by my father who was once the manager of Simba football club – Kampala Uganda”. Says, Ochen Emmanuel Edimu.

Additionally, “my dad used to give me exposure and unlimited time to watch games live and replays.”

Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu was blessed to join St. Joseph Nagalama Secondary School ranked one of the football champions in Uganda.

Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu recalls” in high school I was a junior but I played on school team consisting of footballer from super leagues. I played all the way to national coca- cola post primary finals, where I was selected among the best junior footballers in the tournament”.

Additionally,” kibuli secondary school the champions of that tournament retained me on sponsorship basis. I won trophies with their team both at national and East African level.”

On joining Kyambogo University in Uganda, he had adequate time and facilitates to train. He was coached by Mr. Haruna Keba of simba football club.

“I empowered Kyambogo University to win trophies both for national university games and east African university games as champions respectively” explains, Emmy.

Mr Ochen Emmanuel Edimu was once nicknamed Dalima” you know I enjoy playing like Brazilian international Louis Ronaldo Dalima” explains, Emmy.

Some of Ochen Emmanuel Edimu’s memorable scores were in a match against city lads where he scored 5 goals under coach, the late Otti, 3 goals against Naguru foot ball club.

HIS ACCOMMODATION

Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu has caused interior decoration with images of nearly all soccer stars around the world. He stream – lines Football in every conversation at hand.

LOSS OF FUNDS

He has lost millions of cash to fake people who promised to connect him with prominent football clubs around the world or football promoters on mutual terms and conditions.

MINOR CHALLENGES

Budgeting of time between sports and other social activity presents visible conflict in his life.

“I was divided between football and other responsibilities. I have never had time to train to the fullest” explains, Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu.

HIS COLLEQUES

Most of Ochen Emmanuel Edimu’s colleagues are now players at national level but one would wonder why his door is still closed.

FOOTBALL CLUBS PLAYED FOR.

Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu played for Banda stars as first division. He was promoted to microfinance football club where he became top scorer for the league then joined Kyambogo FC which he empowered to advance from 2nd division to 1st division then to regional league where it is now.

HIS FOCUS

Given a chance and with predictable resources, the sky would be a boundary NOT the limit. That’s to say, whichever country promotes me, PRIDE follows to the glory of that nation and God my provider” states, Ochen Emmanuel Edimu

HIS ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Understanding that there is life after football, Mr. Ochen Emmanuel Edimu studied and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in procurement and logistics management. He has a diploma in procurement and logistics management from Kyambogo University Kampala-Uganda.

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