

## **BRO. CHIEF SAMUEL SOWEMIMO COKER - (Asalu-Oba Abeokuta).**

He was the eldest child of Daddy Jibolu Coker. He was among the early Christians in Abeokuta and he was prominent in the affairs of the state and church. He was a devote Christian and the first to be appointed the Asalu Oba of Abeokuta. He loved his homestead. It is significant that among the historical events compiled as aids in determining the ages of those without birth records during the 1963 census in the old Western Nigeria was the death of Chief Samuel Sowemimo Coker as 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1892. He was blessed with seven children.

- i. Chief Emmanuel Durojaiye Sowemimo Coker
- ii. Bro. Sobakin Coker
- iii. Sis. Folarin Coker
- iv. Sis. Efunshola Coker (Iyadudu)
- v. Sis. Efunwande Solanke
- vi. Bro. Fred Sorunke Coker
- vii. Bro. Joshua Sofolawe Ore-Oluwa Coker (Baba Ita-Faji)

- (i) **CHIEF EMMANUEL DUROJAIYE SOWEMIMO COKER (PAMBO):** Balogun of Egba Christians and Balogun of Egbaland. Frontline politician in the colonial era, who believed in the full emancipation of Nigerians. He later changed his surname from Coker to Sowemimo.

Pa. Emmanuel Durojaiye Sowemimo (PAMBO) was a very great and powerful man in Egbaland. He was the best in the throwing of Discus at school games. History tells us that it was either because of his interest in Discus or even still, because of his bald-head that he was nick-named (PAMBO). Another source hinted that only great men in Egba are called PAMBO. Even then, he used to fight anybody that called him that name. Pa. Durojaiye was so powerful and successful that the Egbas had to coin this saying in his honour. "Oba wa l'Ake, Ase wa L'ogbe". This means "The King is Ake (Palace), but the authority is at Ogbe". He was the supreme Head of Egba Christian (Balogun-Onigbagbo of Egba). He was also Baba Ijo of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Igbore, Abeokuta. We reliably learnt that he had 35 wives and blessed with over 47 children namely:-

2.i.1 SIS. SARAH OKILU DUROSIMI-ETTI (Mama Oke – Okun), the mother of Bro. Layi Durosimi Etti father of Ore, Yinka, Dele and Lanre.

2.i.2 BRO. LADIPO OLUBI SOWEMIMO, father of

2.i.2a BRO. ALBERT OLAPADE SOWEMIMO, father of Sis. Olajumoke Oseni

2.i.2b SIS. ODUNOLA OLAIYA

2.i.2c SIS. SOYEMI SOWEMIMO

- 2.i.2d SIS. SUBU SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.2e SIS. BISI SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.2f BRO. PETER SONEYE SOWEMIMO, father of
  - (a) Sis. Remilekun Babayemi, mother of Elijah and Elisha Babayemi
  - (b) Sis. Abosede Giwa-Osagie, mother of Rheme and Osadebe Giwa-Osagie
  - (c) Bro. Sowunmi Sowemimo, father of Sotomiwa and Ayomide Sowemimo

- 2.i.2g SIS. ASABI SOWEMIMO, mother of
  - (a) Sis. Sola Morakinyo, mother of Iyinoluwa
  - (b) Bro. Adebisi Adekunle, father of Ademidun
  - (c) Sis. Funke Akande, mother of Toluwanimi
  - (d) Sis. Yemisi Samson
  - (e) Bro. Bayo Adekunle, father of Ayomide

- 2.i.2h BRO. SOFELA SOWEMIMO, father of
  - (a) Bro. Abiodun Sowemimo
  - (b) Bro. Nanu Sowemimo, father of Isaac Sonola Sowemimo
  - (c) Sis. Damilola Sowemimo

2.i.3 BRO. JOHN MAJEKODUNMI ODUNTAN SOWEMIMO (Produce Examiner) Kelma, father of Bro. Ademola Sowemimo, Sis. Aduke Sowemimo, Bro. Olulanu Sowemimo and others.

2.i.4 BRO. ERINOSHO SOWEMIMO (Papa Pattern), father of Efundunni, Matanmi and others.

2.i.5 SIS. MODUPE J. DOSUNMU had three children.

- (i) SIS MOYO ADE ONI mother of Sis. Funmilayo Gbenro and Segun Oni
- (ii) BRO. BABABUNMI DOSUNMU father of
  - (a) Sis. Remilekun Alaba
  - (b) Sis. (Chief) Toyin Ajayi-Oworu
  - (c) Bro. Ayorinde Dosunmu
- (iii) Sis. Esther Ogunlana

Among Sis. M.J. Dosunmu's great grand children are Sis. Arike Afoke, Sis. Folake Adegeye, Sis. Busola Odewale and Sis. Ronke Alugin

2.i.6 BRO. MOBO SOWEMIMO

2.i.7 BRO. SOTONWA SOWEMIMO (Oko-Mama-Onidiri)

2.i.8 BRO. SOFOLUWE SOWEMIMO – father of

(a) BRO. ADULPHUS ABIODUN COKER (Baba Ajasa), father of

(a) Bro. Olusola Coker, father of Akinola, Banjo and Jomiloju Coker

(b) Sis. Funmilayo Lawrence, mother of

i. Sis. Ajoke Eyaufe, mother of Avwerosuoghen, Esiri and Ogheneovo Eyaufe

ii. Sis. Olajumoke Lawrence

iii. Bro. Tunde Lawrence, father of Jake Akinwunmi Lawrence and Naomi Omowunmi Lawrence

iv. Bro. Ayodele Lawrence

v. Sis. Remilekun Lawrence

vi. Sis. Bukola Lawrence

vii. Sis. Aina Samson, mother of Noah Samson

(c) Bro. Dapo Coker, father of Mark Coker and Rachael Hutchinson

(d) Bro. Tunde Sowemimo Coker

(e) Sis. Ronke Coker, mother of Olumide Alli-Afoke, Mofoluso Alli-Afoke and Abisoye Alli-Afoke

(f) Bro. Somorin Coker, father of Adrian, Kimberly and Vanessa Coker

(g) Sis. Iyabo Fasoranti, mother of Yewande, Seyi, Olaolu and Oluwatosin Fasoranti

(h) Bro. Moronfolu Coker, father of Temitope Coker

(i) Bro. Sowole Coker, father of Shade Coker

(b) BRO. SONOLA SOWEMIMO – father of

- i. BRO (ENGR.) OLUMUYIWA SOWEMIMO, father of
    - (a) Bro. Abiodun Sowemimo, father of Gbemi and Ayomide.
    - (b) Sis. Efuntola Ogunbola, mother of Innih and Juwon
    - (c) Sis. Efunyemi Sowemimo
    - (d) Sis Efuntomi Sowemimo
    - (e) Bro. Babatunde Sowemimo.
  - ii. SIS SUBU ISHMAEL, mother of
    - (a) Bro. Kola Ishmael, father of Damilola, Sanmi and Ayo
    - (b) Bro. Deji Ishmael father of Kanyinsola
    - (c) Sis. Simi Osinuga, mother of Olajuwon and Olakunmi and Osinuga
    - (d) Bro. Seyi Ishmael.
  - iii. SIS SHIJU SOWEMIMO, mother of
    - (a) Bro. Dipo, father of Ilerioluwa, Toluwanimose and Oluwatise.
    - (b) Bro. Mayowa....., father of Opeloyinka
    - (c) Sis. Shade ....., mother of Toluwanimi
    - (d) Bro. lanre ....., father of Oluwatoyosi
  - iv. SIS LANRE DAVIES, mother of Bolanle Davies
  - v. BRO. AKINWUNMI SOWEMIMO, father of Soyode, Efunwunmi, Sonola, Banke and Dolapo Sowemimo
  - vi. BRO. FOLU SOWEMIMO, father of Afolabi and Awwabell Sowemimo
  - vii. BRO. YINKA SOWEMIMO, father of Mayowa, Efunjoju and Adebola Sowemimo
  - viii. SIS. EFUNTUNDE ADEPEGBA, mother of Jumoke, Gboyega, Yanju and Adewunmi Adepegba.
  - ix. BRO. SOBO SOWEMIMO, father of Efundunni, Efunjola, Efundunde and Sofela Sowemimo.
- (c) HON. JUSTICE GEORGE SODEINDE SOWEMIMO (Late Chief Justice of Nigeria), father of

- i. BRO. ROTIMI SOWEMIMO, father of Babasola, Toba and Daisi
  - ii. BRO. OLUSEYI SOWEMIMO (SAN), father of Efunkemi, Akinola and Fusibi.
  - iii. SIS. EFUNYEMISI....., mother of Lawunmi, Jide, Toro, Yetunde and Bimbo
  - iv. BRO. OLUSEYE SOWEMIMO, father of Oluwaseun, Oluwasayo and Oluwasorefunmi
  - v. BRO. OLUWATOBI SOWEMIMO
  - vi. SIS. EFUNSOLA SOWEMIMO
  - vii. BRO. SOTAYO SOWEMIMO, father of Tosin, Efunkemi, Sobayo and Efunwunmi.
  - viii. BRO. OLUMIDE SOWEMIMO, father of Yetunde, Efuntosin, Efunronke and Efuntoke.
  - ix. SIS. EFUNDUNKE SOWEMIMO
- (d) CHIEF MRS. ADUKE BAJOMO – (Olori Ebi 2008 till date), mother of
- i. BRO. REMI BAJOMO, father of Femi Bajomo
  - ii. BRO. KUNLE BAJOMO, father of Ibukun, Akinwunmi, Anuoluwapo and Funmilayo Bajomo
  - iii. BRO. MUYIWA BAJOMO, father of Tomi, Oreoluwa and Akinlolu Bajomo
  - iv. BRO. GBENGA BAJOMO, father of Ayooluwa, Ayodeji and Ade Bajomo.
- (e) BRO. CHIEF SOBO SOWEMIMO SAN (Jagunna of Egbaland) father of Dolamu, Efunike, Motola, Durojaiye, Somuyiwa, Koyejo, Dotun and Shodamola Sowemimo
- (f) BRO. CHIEF SUNDAY IDINI ADEKUNLE SOWEMIMO COKER, father of Bisi, Femi, Busola, Biodun, Sofidipe, Efuntola and others.

2.i.9 BRO. OLUKUNLE SOWEMIMO-COKER, father of

- a. MRS. ADUKE LANIYAN, mother of
  - i. Bro. Ademola Laniyan

- ii. Bro. Olushola Laniyan
  - iii. Bro. Adeniji Laniyan
  - iv. Bro. Olatunji Laniyan
  - v. Bro. Babatunde Laniyan
- b. LATE FUNMILAYO KOFWOROLA SOWEMIMO-COKER
- c. BRO. (ENGR.) SOKALU OLAYIWOLA SOWEMIMO-COKER, father of
- i. Bro. Olukunle Sorinmade Sowemimo-Coker
  - ii. Sis. Oyebanji Efunwande Turawa
  - iii. Bro. Sofoluwe Olayiwola Sowemimo-Coker
  - iv. Bro. Oladipupo Sowande Sowemimo-Coker
  - v. Bro. Sodamola Abiodun Sowemimo-Coker
  - vi. Bro. Sowunmi Omodolapo Sowemimo-Coker
  - vii. Sis. Folabomi Efuntosin Sowemimo-Coker
  - viii. Bro. Soyemi Olayinka Sowemimo-Coker
- d. BRO. OLAYINKA SOWEMIMO-COKER, father of
- i. Sis. Omolola Sowemimo-Coker
  - ii. Sis. Olamide Sowemimo-Coker
  - iii. Sis. Itunu Sowemimo-Coker
  - iv. Sis. Moremi Sowemimo-Coker
  - v. Sis. Ifeoluwa Sowemimo-Coker
- e. LATE OLATUNJI SOWEMIMO-COKER, father of
- i. Sis. Moremi Sowemimo-Coker
  - ii. Sis. Ifeoluwa Sowemimo-Coker
- f. LATE FUNKE BIOBAKU, mother of
- i. Sis. Biola Biobaku

- ii. Sis. Kemi Biobaku
- iii. Sis. Bukola Biobaku
- g. SIS OLUFEMI OWOLABI, mother of
  - i. Bro. Mayowa Owolabi
  - ii. Bro. Ayoleke Owolabi
  - iii. Bro. Ayomide Owolabi
- h. BRO. FOLAHAN SOWEMIMO-COKER
- i. SIS OLUYEMISI SOWEMIMO-COKER
- j. BRO. OLANREWAJU SOWEMIMO-COKER
- k. SIS. TITILOLA SOWEMIMO-COKER
- l. BRO. OLUBAYO SOWEMIMO-COKER
- 2.i.10 BRO. SOWOLE SOWEMIMO (Papa Kaduna), father of Rotimi, Taiwo, Kehinde, Anu, Idowu, Foluke, Abiola, Kayode, Gbenga, Dupe and Muyiwa.
- 2.i.11 SIS. ADEOLA ADEKUNLE, mother of Mr. Akintomiwa Adekunle and Mrs. Tinu Kushimo.
- 2.i.12 SIS ARONKE FOLAMI, mother of Mrs. Ibiro Jaiyesimi who was the mother of Mr. Sunday Jaiyesimi and Mrs. Mowunmi Awodipe.
- 2.i.13 SIS. ADEYOLA SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.14 BRO. OSOBAYO SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.15 SIS. OLABISI SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.16 SIS. OYEBIMPE OGUNMUYIWA – mother of Peju and Tokunbo
- 2.i.17 BRO. JUSTICE SOGUNLE A. SOWEMIMO, father of:
  - a. Bro. S. Akintoye Sowemimo, father of Sowunmi and Hannah Sowemimo
  - b. Sis. Efunlola Bamgboye, mother of Ayoola, Dasola, John and Doyin Bamgboye
  - c. Sis. Efunwunmi Olubanwo, mother of Damilola, Demilade and Sunmimade Olubanwo
  - d. Sis Olufunmilayo Evbuomwan, mother of Uyi and Demilade Evbuomwan (Eze)

- e. Sis. Abioye Olayinka (late), mother of Damilola Olayinka
- f. Sis. Ronke Osunkoya, mother of Monifeoluwa Osunkoya
- g. Bro. Akinbowale Sowemimo, father of Tosin and Tobi Sowemimo
- h. Bro. Idowu Sowemimo, father of Olufemi and Fehinti Sowemimo
- i. Sis. Modupe Fagbemi, mother of Olufemi, Olubomi and Oluseni Fagbemi
- j. Bro. Sotonwa Sowemimo, father of Tioluwani and Oluwaferanmi Sowemimo
- k. Sis. Atinuke Sowemimo, mother of Nana ama and Kweku

2.i.18 BRO. JOLADE SOWEMIMO

2.i.19 BRO. IJAOLA SOWEMIMO (Baba Oke-Ado), father of

- (a) BRO. GBOLAHAN SOWEMIMO, father of Bukola, Bunmi, Bimpe, Tayo and Akin Sowemimo
- (b) BRO. TUNJI SOWEMIMO, father of Tope, Gbenga, Dupe, Tosin, Funke, Enitan and Toyin Sowemimo
- (c) SIS. AYINKE BALOGUN, mother of Ajoke, Funke, Bode and Alfred Balogun
- (d) BRO. KOLA SOWEMIMO, father of Matthew and Luke Sowemimo
- (e) BRO. OLUWOLE SOWEMIMO, father of Dayo and others
- (f) BRO. KAYODE SOWEMIMO, father of Ayodele, Seyi and Remilekun Sowemimo
- (g) SIS. KOFO ADENIJI, mother of Lawunmi and others
- (h) Professor OLABODE SOWEMIMO father of Olufemi and Olutayo Sowemimo
- (i) BRO. OLA JIDE SOWEMIMO, father of Babatunde, Yemisi and Ibukun Sowemimo
- (j) SIS. TITI OLUKOYA, mother of Ropo and others
- (k) SIS. FOLASHADE....., mother of Remi, John and others



- 2.i.20 SIS. OLAPO SOWEMIMO, mother of Sis. Funlayo Adeniran.
- 2.i.21 BRO. IJADE SOWEMIMO-COKER, father of Sis. Ebun.
- 2.i.22 BRO. IDINI SOFIDIPE SOWEMIMO, father of Sonoiki, Olubayo and others.
- 2.i.23 BRO. OLALEYE SOWEMIMO, father of Segun.
- 2.i.24 BRO. OYEKAN SOWEMIMO, father of Bose and Bisi
- 2.i.25 SIS. EFUNREMI AKINDELE, mother of Wojuara, Ibilola and Yinka.
- 2.i.26 SIS. EFUNTOLA SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.27 BRO. SOWANDE SOWEMIMO, father of Akinsola (Baba Ibeta), Babatunde, Mrs. Omotunde Bello, Taiwo, Oluyemi and others.
- 2.i.28 BRO. SOTUNDE SOWEMIMO - father of Gbenga.
- 2.i.29 SIS. EFUNDIPE OGUNTADE, mother of Rotimi and Ariyike.
- 2.i.30 SIS. MORIYIKE ADEBIYI, mother of Mrs. Alamu and others.
- 2.i.31 BRO. SOGBEYIN SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.32 BRO. ADEYEMI OLUFUNMILAYO SOWEMIMO, a Catechist, organist, compose and broadcaster. Father of
  - (a) BRO. CHIEF SONIRAN OLUWOLE SOWEMIMO, father of
    - i. SIS. OLUFUNMILAYO EFUNSOLA STANLEY (Chief Magistrate), mother of:
      - (a) Enoch Chinazaekpere Mofolorunsho Stanley
      - (b) Joshua Okwuchigeme Adeyemi Stanley
      - (c) Deborah Anametechi Kunbi Stanley
      - (d) Praise Amanachi Mopelola Stanley
      - (e) Mercy Oyechi Anjola-Oluwa Stanley
    - ii. BRO. SOFOLAYO OLUYINKA SOWEMIMO, father of:
      - (a) Taiye Efunwumi Sowemimo
      - (b) Kehinde Efuntola Sowemimo
      - (c) Soniran Oluwole Sowemimo (Jnr.)

- iii. BRO. SOBAYO OLALEKAN SOWEMIMO
  - iv. SIS. ABOSEDE EFUNDUNNI SOWEMIMO
  - v. BRO. SODOLAMU OLUFEMI SOWEMIMO
  - (b) BRO. SOYEMI SOWEMIMO, father of Folusho, Sunday and Bunmi Sowemimo
  - (c) BRO. SOMUYIWA SOWEMIMO, father of Tomiwa, Sonola, Omobola and Fikayo Sowemimo
  - (d) SIS. YEMARE FUNKE SOWEMIMO
  - (e) SIS. YEMARE JOKE OMITOGUN, mother of Tolu, Tope and Titi Omitogun
- 2.i.33 BRO. SOKANMI SOWEMIMO, father of Olaolu, Mrs. Iyabo Adesanya and others.
- 2.i.34 BRO. SOROYE SOWEMIMO, father of Femi and others.
- 2.i.35 BRO. JOLAOSO SOWEMIMO, father of Kike, Janet and others.
- 2.i.36 SIS. TAIWO OLUFUNMILOLA FASHINA, mother of Nike Aquan, Seyi, Toyin, Kehinde, Taiwo and others.
- 2.i.37 BRO. KEHINDE SOWEMIMO, father of Gbemi, Akin and others.
- 2.i.38 BRO. SODIPO SOWEMIMO, father of Sis. Ashake Akinbode, Adunni, Efunjoke Yombo, Taiwo and Kehinde Sowemimo.
- 2.i.39 SIS. OLUFUNKE SOWEMIMO, mother of Osho, Odejimi and others.
- 2.i.40 SIS. MORINOLA SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.41 BRO. OLADUNJOYE SOWEMIMO, father of Babatunde
- 2.i.42 SIS. JUMOKE SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.43 SIS. OWOADE ALLI, mother of Akinola, Nimota and Adun.
- 2.i.44 SIS. IJAKANOLA SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.45 SIS. IBIRONKE SOWEMIMO
- 2.i.46 SIS. JUMOKE SOWEMIMO, mother of Taiwo, Kehinde, Biodun and others.
- 2.i.47 BRO. OLUFEMI SOWEMIMO, father of Sotinoye, Efunduni, Somuyiwa, Ronke, Titi.

2.i.48 EFUNDAMOLA SOWEMIMO

2.ii BRO. SOBAKIN SOWEMIMO-COKER

2.iii BRO. FOLARIN SOWEMIMO

2.iv SIS. EFUNSOLA SOWEMIMO-Coker (Iyadudu)

2.v SIS. EFUNWANDE SOLANKE, mother of

2.v.i Mr. Ige Solanke

2.v.ii Mr. Egberongbe Solanke

2.vi PA. FRED SORONKE COKER (Papa Sofuntere) a teacher who later settled in Sofuntere, Ebute-Metta. Some of his children are:

2.vi.1 MR. I. AKINWUNMI COKER, a retired P&T Territorial Controller, father of:

(a) Sis. Ibisomi Fatusi

(b) Sis. Morenike Coker – former Miss Nigeria (1969)

(c) Bro. Dr. Akintoye Coker

(d) Bro. Dotun Coker

(e) Bro. Tunde Coker

(f) Bro. Adetokunbo Coker

(g) Sis. Adewunmi Coker

(h) Sis. Ibidun Awosika

(i) Sis. Shade Imhasi-Jacobs

(j) Bro. Akinola Coker

2.vi.2 SIR CHIEF (DR) ROWLAND OLUWOLE COKER (KCW)– The First Nigerian Surveyor-General of the Federation, father of:

(a) DR. FUNLAYO COKER, father of: Olumife, Feyi and Tosin Coker

(b) SIS. BISI ADELUYI, mother of Bro. Femi Adeluyi, Sis. Bola Orewole, Bro. Tunde and Seun Adeluyi.

- (c) SIS. GBEMI OGUNTUGA, mother of Olufunmilayo and Yejide Oguntuga
- (d) SIS. TITI ADEKANMBI, mother of Femi and Lolade Adekanmbi
- (e) SIS. BUKOLA OLUBORI, mother of Olumayowa, Segun and Feyi Olubori.
- (f) BRO. SOMORIN COKER, father of Oluwadara and Anuoluwa Coker
- (g) DEACONESS YINKA OLATUBOSUN, mother of Olufoyeke, Olutoye and Olufunmiloye Olatunbosun
- (h) SIS. DOLAMU ARCHER
- (i) BRO. AKINOSHO COKER, father of Efunwumi, Oluwole and Bukky Coker
- (j) BRO. GBOLAHAN COKER, father of Taiye, Mosun and Coker
- (k) BRO. SEUN COKER
- (l) BRO. AYOTUNDE COKER, father Imogene and Theodore Coker
- (m) SIS. OMOTAYO, mother of Michael and Rowland
- (n) SIS. TOLULOPE, mother of Tamilore and Ajisola

2.vi.3 SIS. TALABI COKER

2.vi.4 SIS. IYOWUAWI TAIWO

2.vi.5 BRO. OBAFEMI COKER

2.vi.6 BRO. BANKOLE COKER

2.vii. PA. JOSHUA ORE-OLUWA COKER (Baba Ita-Faji), father of

2.vii.1. Olori Omolewa Coker (Mama Ede), wife of the Late Timi of Ede

2.vii.2 Sis. Egun Adeyemo

2.vii.3 Sis. Mope Afolabi

2.vii.4 Sis. Adunola Coker

2.vii.5 Mrs. Ololade Idowu

2.vii.6 Mr. Olusoji Coker

2.vii.7 Sis. Omoyisola Sowunmi

2.vii.8 Mrs. Femi Titilayo Okunola , Mother of

(a) Olukayode Okunola father of Lara Okunola (b) Omolara Okunola mother of  
Oreoluwa Laniyan (c) Olumuyiwa Okunola father of Olukemi, Woleola, Bolanle and  
Jolaoluwa Okunola (d) Omolaja Okunola father of Jamail and Tomi Okunola (e) Olayinka  
Okunola father of Feyi, Fola and Oyinkan Okunola (f) Olalekan Okunola father of Olaseni  
and Olajuwon Okunola

2.vii.9 Bro. Kola Coker

2.vii.10 Bro. Bayo Coker

2.vii.11 Sis. Ekundayo Enitan Sobande.