

Philip Emeagwali Fast Facts

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Here is a look at the life of Philip Emeagwali, supercomputer scientist.

Birth place: In a Boy's Quarter (servant's house) at the junction of Oba Adesida Road and Oke-Emeso Street, in Akure, Western Region, Nigeria, British West Africa. (August 23, 1954)

Little Known Facts:

A set of stamps was issued to mark his supercomputer invention.

Is a trained astronomer in mid-1970s and later a NASA astronaut hopeful.

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In the year 2012: Google Most-Searched "Father of the Internet."

Second Decade Facts: From mid-1960s to mid-1970s

- 1964 Recognized (by St. John's School, Agbor) as hometown's calculating prodigy, the fastest human computer.
- 1965 Recognized (by Common Entrance Examiners) as a math prodigy.
- 1970 Nicknamed "Calculus" at age 15 for his precocity and after his 568-page book on "<u>infinitesimal calculus</u>" and his "calculo analog computer."
- 1972 Mentioned in the science column of the *Daily Times* of Nigeria at age 17.
- 1973 Won a scholarship to the United States through word-of-mouth recommendation.
- 1974 Conceived hyperball network of 64,000 computers around the world, now called an internet.

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1974 First newspaper interview in Oregon, United States at age 19.



Third Decade Facts:

Research: During the decade of the 1980s, Philip Emeagwali attended 500 weekly scientific seminars by as many Who's Who in physics, mathematics, and computing.

By 1989 he was known by word-of-mouth and then for his discoveries that made the headlines in trade publications of the physics, mathematics, and computing community, as well as in newspapers around the world.

Superinternet: Philip Emeagwali coined the word "superinternet" because "it was a new baby that needed its unique name."

His first superinternet referred to a theorized hyperball around the earth, each three thousand square miles apart.

His second superinternet referred to a hypercube that had two-to-power sixteen, or 65,536, computers receiving emails to and from sixteen-bit addresses and along sixteen times two-to-power sixteen communication wires, each akin to short telegraph wires.



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Date: 8/17/2008, 7:03 am, GMT +6

Name: Frank. Ezeokeke < 96.231.47.178>

Location: • Nigeria

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I write in response to the irresponsible insinuations of someone who calls himself Abbey Ige who wrote in from Nevada. Mr Ige claims to have an objective assessment of what he considers to be the unfair treatment the Late Gen Philip Effiong received from the Igbos. This according to him, started from Prof Emeagwali's website which the

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Igbos ('of all people') are using as a platform for 'insulting Gen Efiong who saved them'. One thing is immediately evident in that write up: Mr Ige was born an Igbophobist. He has an axe to grind with Igbos and he alone can explain what the matter is. But I have one message for Mr Ige (if his burning hatred will let him listen). The Igbos were created by God just like all other tribal groups in Nigeria. It is God's intention that the Igbo race will remain. No amount of hatred by the likes of Ige will exterminate the Igbos. Mr Ige must learn to accept that the Igbos are a part of Nigeria. If Nigeria was made bad by Mr A or Chief B or General C, it is not because he/she is Igbo or Yoruba or Hausa or Ijaw etc. Decent

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people do not hold tribes responsible for actions carried out by persons. I'm sure this is too high an ideal for the likes of Mr Ige but the truth must be told. Dr Chris Ngige whom Mr Ige maligned is one of the best governors that Nigeria ever had and Anambra State indigenes have never failed to acknowledge that fact. I hope and pray that the real problem is not that Abbey Ige is jealous of Prof Emeagwali's achievements. If that is his aggro, then I am very sorry for him. Meanwhile, Prof fire on. The Good Lord is on your side. He has chosen you for countless graces and no one can change it, no matter his tribe or inclinations. Jisike!

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Date: 8/11/2008, 9:42 pm,

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Name: Kobah koate

Kobah <195.166.237.254>

Location: • Nigeria

Number: 272

it's really good knowing that there is an outstanding african who is already taking te LEAD.

Date: 8/9/2008, 11:49 pm,

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Name: Aloysius C. Agbo,

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SJ <41.220.127.2>

Location: E Kenya

Number: 271

You are indeed a symbol of success through determination. African ancestors are proud of you. The world loves you.

Date: 7/22/2008, 10:26 am,

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Name: GAM Microsystems

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Inc. <195.189.142.250>

Location: • Nigeria

Number: 270

Imaging a world where everybody in his field is emeagwali phillips. Then we'll be sure to visualise UTOPIA

Date: 7/11/2008, 2:41 pm,

GMT+6

Name: confidence ogedi

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nwaori <195.225.62.43>

Location: Nigeria

Number: 269

I would like to know more about the faher of internet, how he started, the challenges he had and how he rose above the storms of life.

Date: 6/13/2008, 3:55 pm,

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Name: Ahmad Adetola-

Qasim <41.219.201.105>

Location: Lagos

Number: 268

You are great there is no doubt and you have made us proud as AFRICANS, afterall there is

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nothing wrong with being BLACK. I want to be GREATER than YOU.

Date: 5/20/2008, 10:40 pm,

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Name: Mathew

Egbele <83.229.117.198>

Location: Apapa, Lagos Nigeria

Number: 267

Africa needs your support in every area of life through the grace that has been deposited in you by our Almighty Creator.

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Date: 5/14/2008, 7:47 pm,

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Name: Ikeazor

Anieto <86.62.8.106>

Location: onitsha Anambra

State.

Number: 266

i like your good works. keep it up.God loves you. thanks.email me at kizorbest@yahoo.com

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Name: onyekwelu

Igwendu <212.230.105.224>

Location: Valencia Spain

Number: 265

I am delighted to meet and speak with professor Philip Emeagwali in Spain. He is real special person for Africa and the world as whole. He made us feel proud of who we are as African living in Europe.

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Name: Gigi N <79.64.1.179>

Location: UK

Number: 264

Hello, people like you inspired me to create the following blog

http://thefaceofafrika.blogspot.com/

My first blog is about you.

We definitely need successful

African men and women as role models.

Keep up the good work and lets make positive actions for the sake of the African continent!

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Date: 4/16/2008, 7:02 pm,

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Name: johnmario <78.138.8.210>

Location: Ado Ekiti, Ekiti,

Nigeria.

Number: 263

Sir, You are Man of great achievement and a good ambassador of black race. You are a pace setter for coming generation.keep it up, more grace to your elbow. Nice day Sir.

Date: 4/16/2008, 6:53 am,

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Name: Linda

King <71.111.162.78>

Location: Oregon

Number: 262

AWESOME!!!! I am so proud of you and your accomplishments. I am honored that my daughter who is in the 6th grade is doing a report on her heratige and she has chosen you as a person she would like to know. Thank you for everything you have done, and are doing to make this world a better place.

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