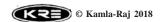
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An Investigation of the Factors Contributing to Proliferation of Churches

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ABSTRACT Ever since the coming of Christianity into Nigeria up to this time, the growth of Christian worshippers and the establishment of churches has being on an increase. Apart from the Orthodox and the Protestant (Anglican Communion) churches which had been in existence for long and which no individual can lay claim of sole establishing, the rise of the Nigerian Pentecostal churches that came forth in the 1970s led and gave rise to the creation of churches in Nigeria. Different church leaders and founders always have one or two reasons for starting their church, and this study tried looking at some of the factors contributing to the creation of churches in Nigeria with its conclusion and recommendations. This study makes use of quantitative research design. Self-administered questionnaire was the instrument used for data collection. Each question was subdivided into five point scale and the data analysis used for the study was descriptive analysis that requires the use of percentages and tables to analyse the various data collected.