

Simon Tadessa's Story

Simon Tadessa took money his father gave him to pursue swimming and used it to launch an ICT career.

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My name is Simon Tadessa. My father told me always, he convinced me that I take swimming and that I would become a better guy. So, he always asked me to go to swim.

My friend, he was certified. He works at Systems House Company. He's a program developer and network expert. And he told me about Cisco switches and Cisco routers. And I go online and I read more about Cisco.

I went to school first in information technology at Adamas College. After that, my father gave me money to swim. And instead of swimming, I took that money and started attending Cisco networking classes. I kept my secret from my father because he always gave me that money to swim, not to attend class. When I told him, he was so proud. He bought me another computer to practice networking.

I am the lifeguard of the Internet.

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