

# Ubongabasi Tommy

## SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Software engineer with 4+ years of experience who is excited by opportunities to solve challenging problems. Experienced with working in dynamic and distributed teams across various time zones. Adaptable and solution-oriented, I thrive in collaborative environments and I am always ready to tackle new challenges. I am currently looking into client side development with React and React native and building AI systems. I am fluent at speaking and writing english language

### SKILLS

**Languages:** Golang | Nodejs ( Javascript | Typescript ) | Python     **Database:** PostgreSQL | MySQL | MongoDB     **Tools:** Git | Docker | AWS

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Gigbanc

#### Software Engineer

11/2023 - Current

Gigbanc empowers freelancers and remote workers from Africa by providing a platform to easily receive and spend foreign exchange. Over 50,000 african remote workers currently use Gigbanc to receive and spend foreign exchange.

**Technologies:** Golang, Gin, Docker & PostgreSQL.

- Key part of developing the kyc service, **integrating 3rd party providers** and building custom solutions. Led to verification of over **10,000 users in the first 3 months**
- Implemented the company's virtual card offerings. **Ensured high fault tolerance of interconnecting services. Accounted for 50% rise in user acquisition within the first two months of launch.**
- Built the backend of an admin dashboard for managing virtual accounts, improving **operational efficiency by 50%.**
- Part of the first 10 hires, **contributed to team building and setting up of efficient development practices in a distributed remote setting.**

#### Globalpay

#### Backend Engineer

06/2023 - 04/2024

Globalpay is a leading POS solution provider in Nigeria serving thousands of small and medium scale businesses.

**Technologies:** Nodejs, Python, Typescript, PostgreSQL

- **Sole developer of a highly performant and fault tolerant settlement engine** processing an average of \$40K daily and up to \$6M during my tenure, implemented efficient monitoring and tracking.
- **Built and maintained a highly performant backend** for customer and admin facing dashboard, improved performance by 80% when compared to existing systems.
- **Implemented RBAC for secure data access** between 5 levels of organizational clearance.
- **Comprehensive documentation** of all APIs and design and implementation decisions, improved developer onboarding time by 80%

#### Stanlab

#### Software Engineer

12/2022 - 09/2023

Stanlab is an edtech platform democratising access to labs for high school students through the use of virtual laboratories. Stanlab also provides features for teachers and students to have a seamless experience by providing teaching and learning assistants available online.

**Technologies:** Nodejs, Typescript, Javascript, Python, MongoDB, Websockets.

- Developed an **AI-powered teaching assistant** platform with **real-time content streaming** for 10k+ students and over 500 teachers.
- **Integrated GPT-3.5** for automated grading, saving 25+ hours/week in manual workload according to user reviews.
- **Migrated the existing codebase from javascript to typescript** improving developer experience and reduction in feature development time by 50%
- Resolved several critical bugs and participated in code reviews, improving system stability by 40%.

#### Waliyy

#### Backend Engineer

08/2022 - 11/2022

Waliyy is an online platform that helps match young muslims with suitable partners based on their preferences.

**Technologies:** Nodejs, Typescript, Javascript, MySQL.

- Built and deployed the backend of the application's MVP, implemented features like the recommendation system for the platform and other endpoints.
- **Integrated a robust payment gateway and subscription model** to support payments and subscriptions in 5 different currencies.
- Wrote **unit and e2e tests** for different features and flows.

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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<b>Middey</b>	<b>Software Engineer</b>	<b>05/2021 - 09/2022</b>
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Middey is a fintech platform based out of Abuja, Nigeria that provides financial services to its customer base. Its offerings include fund transfer, bill payment and automated payroll processing for businesses.

**Technologies:** *Nodejs, Typescript, Python, MySQL.*

- Worked on the bill payment feature and **integrated primary and secondary(fallback) third party providers** to ensure continued reliability and uptime
- Added support for business accounts and employee data management, this served as a building block for implementing the automated payroll processing system.

<b>HNG</b>	<b>Software Engineer Intern</b>	<b>09/2020 - 12/2020</b>
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HNG is an annual internship program providing real world challenges to up and coming engineers globally.

**Technologies:** *Golang, Nodejs, Typescript, Javascript, MySQL.*

- Finalist (Top 1%) of software engineers in the 3 month program.
- Led a backend team to build a platform to enable job seekers manage and track their job applications.
- Learned how to function effectively in a distributed remote setting and benefitted from code reviews conducted by experienced engineers.

## PROJECTS

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**[configgo](#)**

Developed configgo, a configuration parser for golang application, think dotenv for golang apps. Still improving it during my spare time. Goal is to add support for different config formats including Yaml.

- Using **reflection** to inspect and modify struct fields and properties
- Implemented tag parsing to provide validation capabilities to the package.

**Technologies:** *Golang*

**[schat](#)**

Built the backend of a chat application to teach myself how to manage websocket communications.

- Using **goroutines** to manage multiple websocket communications

**Technologies:** *Golang*

## HONORS & AWARDS

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- **Distinguished Performer (3x):** Performance review at Gigbanc