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The Boy Who Found Gold: A Story of Hope, Ambition, and the Pursuit of Dreams

Abuja, Nigeria — August 2025 — Nigerian author Caleb Onyeabor has released his latest novel, *The Boy Who Found Gold*, a moving work of fiction that blends African storytelling traditions with timeless lessons on ambition, resilience, and the human spirit.

The book follows the fictional journey of a young boy from the ghetto who, determined not to end up like his father and fueled by a deep desire to provide a better life for his ailing mother, sets out on a quest for gold. Guided by the wisdom of an old family friend, Old Abe, and armed with a symbolic "book of gold," he embarks on a perilous journey to the City of Gold in the far Western part of the country. Alongside six other boys, he encounters trials, loss, and life-shaping lessons that merge ancient wisdom with modern truths.

According to the author, "the aim is to use an African story to inspire young Africans with dreams." The narrative invites readers—young and old alike—to reflect on the power of ambition, the value of mentorship, and the resilience needed to overcome hardship.

To further amplify its impact, the book has inspired the launch of *The Boy Who Found Gold Nationwide Essay Competition* under the theme "The Story of the Boy Who Found Gold: Lessons for Me and My Generation." The competition, which will run from September 30 to December 31, 2025, and is open to secondary school students, undergraduates, and young people across Nigeria.

With its vivid imagery, universal themes, and intergenerational lessons, *The Boy Who Found Gold* is positioned as both a compelling read and a source of inspiration. Critics and early reviewers describe the novel as "raw, gripping, and multi-layered," praising its ability to resonate across cultural and age divides.

The book is now available for pre-order and will be officially released in Nigeria on September 30, 2025.

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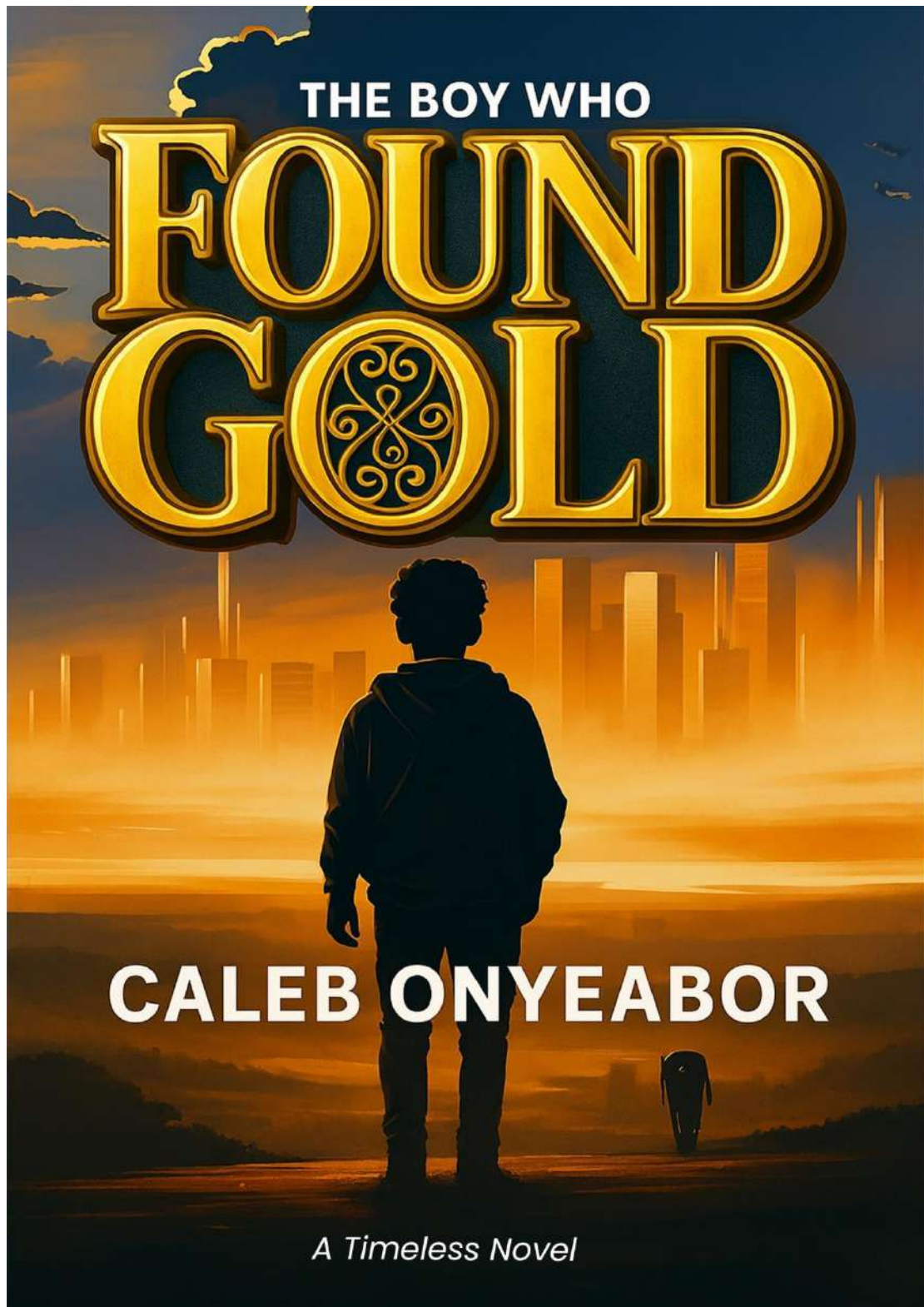
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About Caleb Onyeabor

Caleb Onyeabor, born in 1996 in Ugbawka, Enugu State, is a writer, researcher, and tech professional. A first-class graduate of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, he has contributed to nearly 80 institutional research projects, including 15 sponsored by TETFUND, and served as a Fulbright Project Associate. He currently writes for *African Times USA*, where his pan-African perspectives reach a global audience, and also serves as Director of IT & Communications at UTPRON while co-founding a startup. *The Boy Who Found Gold* marks his debut in fiction—an inspiring novel designed to spark ambition and dreams across generations.

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