# CELESTIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

# SIMPLIFIED SERVICE GUIDES FOR THE USE OF SERVICE CONDUCTOR'S

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# **English Version**

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#### **PREFACE**

This Service guides was borne of desire to ensure we have quality service guides that will last, also simplifying the services in Celestial Church of Christ for new converts and younger generation. This service guides is a self teaching, you only need to know how to read, and by following step by step guides, you will avoid making a mistakes others made when conducting a service.

It is essential that will follow the mode of worship as laid down by Reverend Pastor and Founder of Celestial Church of Christ World wide in person of Rev. S.B.J. Oshoffa. The visitation of our Lord Jesus on the first Sunday of August 1954 to the Church where He spoke with Prophet Pastor Founder S.B.J. Oshoffa and Reverend Pastor A.A. Bada stated that all the worship that we conduct in Celestial Church of Christ are acceptable to the Father.

#### **Dedication**

This Service Guides is dedicated to the Glory of Almighty God "Jehovah", His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ for given us this great Church. Also to our Papa, Reverend Pastor Founder S.B.J. Oshoffa of blessed memory for the great work and dedication during his life time for establishment of this great Church and others who has work for upliftment of this great church.

# Notices:

Ringing of the bell by the service conductor:

As a member of Celestial Church of Christ, we should bow down our head any where we are as soon we hear the service conductor ring the bell for worship. We should recite these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

When its time to pray, we should learn to close our eyes, knees or stand, at no time should we sit in our chair/floor during the time of prayer.

A church building is a house of almighty God, a place of holiness, it's a place of honour, [a place to reverend the Lord], a house of prayer and thanks, and a house of glory, please learn to honour Him while in His house. Please, do not turn His house to a market place or a club house.

As Christian, we must obey the commandment given to us by our Lord Jesus Christ, to love your God [Your Creator] with all your heart and to love your neighbour as yourself. By doing these, the laws are fulfilled.

We must also obey the rules and regulations as lay down by Rev. Pastor, Prophet Founder S.B.J. Oshoffa of blessed memory.

We should only worship Jehovah through our Lord Jesus Christ in love, holiness, truth and faith.

Reading of the word is vital, we must learn to read the word, also as a doer of the word.

Our behaviour and conformity should reflect that we are children of light, because we are the salt of the earth and we should not allow the salt to turn sour.

Visit to herbalist, secret cult membership, night crawling, fornication, adultery or immoral sexual act, are strictly forbidden as they are abominable to God Almighty.

Lighting of candle on altar by the incense bearer: Incense bearer should start to light the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah, [as this mean kindle the light].

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven, give me this day, my daily bread and forgive me my trespasses, as I forgive those who trespass against me; And lead me not into temptation; but deliver me from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever [Amen]

#### **GIORIA**

Glory be to the Father, to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was the beginning, it's now, and ever shall be world without end [Amen]

#### THE CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and the earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried, He descended into hell, the third day, He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Celestial Church of Christ, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, and life everlasting. [Amen]

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN AND BURNING OF INCENSE

Jerih Moh Yamah
Jerih Moh Yamah
The host of angels full of joy in heaven
The host of angels
The host of angels
They are praising God with joyful songs
In heaven. Amen

#### Yoruba:

Jerih Moh Yamah
Jerih Moh Yamah
Awon Angeli kun f' ayo lorun
Awon Angeli
Awon Angeli
Won nf' orin ayo yin Baba lorun. Amin

#### HYMN FOR LIGHTING THE CANDLES:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Amen

#### Yoruba:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah E tan fitila, Mimo lat' Orun wa E tan fitila, Mimo lat' Orun wa

# HYMN WHILES THE CONGREGATION ARE ON THEIR KNEES.

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman Yah Rah man, Yaman Yah rah man Oh come unto the Lord Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

#### Yoruba:

Yah Raman, Hi Yah Raman Yah Rah man, Yaman, Yah rah man. Wa kalo s' odo Oluwa: Oluwa Wa kalo s' odo Oluwa. Amin

Oh Christ Oh my King I will worship thee Thy art my power and my light Holy thou Holiest [3ce] Amen.

#### Yoruba:

Oh Kristi Oba mi Emi yio sin O Agbara ati imole mi Eni mimo, mimo julo. Amin

- 1. God Almighty, God Almighty the King of life [3ce]
- 2. Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Angel's King [3ce]
- 3. Bow down for Him, bow down for Him, bow down for Him King of all people
- 4. Response by the congregation: I bow to Him [3ce]
- 5. Hi rah jah man jari bam, Hi rah jah man [3ce]
- 6. Holy Spirit, Heavenly dove descend now
- 7. Yah Go Lolah Mari Yah Nga Rih Yeh [3ce]

- 8. Response by the Congregation: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yeh [3ce]
- 9. Pay homage to the King our Lord [3ce]
- 10. Response by the congregation: We pay homage to Him

#### Yoruba

- 1: Olorun, Olorun, Olorun Oba Iye
- 2: Mimo, Mimo, Mimo Oba awon Angeli
- 3: E wole fun E wole fun E wole fun Oba awon araye

Idahun: Mo wole fun Oba awon araye

4: Hi rah jah man, jari bam, Hi Rah Jah Man

Emi Mimo, Adaba Orun e sokale wa

5: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yah Nga Rih Yeh

Idahun: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yeh

E foribale fun Oba Oluwa

Mo foribale fun. [Amin]

# ORIN DAFIDI 51 [PSALM 51]

- 1. Olorun saanu fu mi gegebi iseun ife re, gegebi ironu opo anu re, nu irekoja mi nu kuro.
- 2. We mi ni awemo, kuro ninu aisedede mi, ki osi we mi kuro ninu ese mi.
- 3. Nitori ti mo jewo irekoja mi, nigba gbogbo ni ese mi si mbe niwaju mi.
- 4. Iwo- Iwo nikansoso Ni mo se si ti mo se buburu yi niwaju re, ki a le da o lare nigbati Iwo ba nsoro, ki Ara re kio lemo, nigbati Iwo banse idajo.
- 5. Kiyesi, ninu aisedede ni a gbe bi mi, ati ninu ese ni iya mi si lovun mi.
- 6. Kiyesi, Iwo fe otito ni inu ati ni iha ikoko, ni Iwo o mu mi mo ogbon.
- 7. Fi eje Jesu Kristi we mi, emi osi mo, we mi, emi o si funfun ju egbon owu lo

- 8. Mu mi gbo ayo ati inu didun, ki awon egugun ti Iwo run o le maa yo.
- 9. Pa oju re mo kuro lara ese mi, ki Iwo ki o sin nu gbogbo aisedede mi kuro.
- 10.Da aya titun sinu mi, Olorun, ki o si tun okan diduro sinsin se sinu mi
- 11.Mase samiti kuro ni waju re, ki o ma si se gba ebun emi-mimo re lowo mi.
- 12.Mu aya igbala re pada to mi wa, ki o si fi ominira re gbe mi duro
- 13. Nigbana, ni emi o ma ko, awon olurekoja ni ona re, awon elese yio si ma yipada si o.
- 14.Olorun, gba wa lowo ebi eje. Iwo Olorun igbala wa, ahon mi yio si ma korin ododo re kikan.
- 15.Oluwa, iwo si mi ni ete, enu mi yio si ma fi iyin re han.
- 16.Nitori ti iwo ko fe ebo ti emi ibaru, inu re ko dun si ore ebo sisun.
- 17. Ebo Olorun ni irobinuje okan, irobinuje ati irora aya, Olorun, on ni Iwo ki yio gan.
- 18.Se rere didun inu re si mi, Iwo mo odi igbala re yi mi ka.
- 19. Nigbana ni inu re yio dun si ohun adura mi ati si ohun ebe mi.
- 20.Nigbayi ni emi o fi ijo ati orin ayo, yi pepe mimo re ka. Amin

# ORIN DAFIDI 24 [PSALM 24]

- 1. Ti Oluwa ni ile ati ekun re; aiye ati awon ti o dero sinu re
- 2. Nitoriti o fi idi re sole lori okun, o si gbe e kale lori awon isanomi.
- 3. Tani yio gun ori oke Oluwa lo, tabi tani yio duro ni ibi mimo re
- 4. Eniti o ni owo mimo ati aiya funfun; eniti ko gbe okan re soke si asan, ti ko si bura etan.
- 5. On ni yio ri ibukun gba lowo Oluwa ati ododo lowo Olorun igbala re
- 6. Eyi ni iran awon ti nse aferi re, ti nse aferi re, Olurun Celestial.
- 7. E gbe ori nyin soke, enyin enu ona; ki a si gbe nyin soke nyin ilekun aiyeraiye; ki Oba ogo ki o wo inu ile yi wa.

- 8. Tani Oba ogo yi? Oluwa ti o le, ti o si lagbara, Oluwa ti o lagbara ni ogun.
- 9. E gbe ori nyin soke, enyin enu ona; ani ki a gbe yin soke enyin ilekun aiyeraiye: Ki Oba ogo Jesu Kristi ki o wo inu ile yi wa.
- 10. Tani Oba ogo yi? Oluwa awon omo ogun; on na ni Oba ogo. Amin

# ORIN DAFIDI 100 [PSALM 100]

- 1. E ho iho ayo si Oluwa, enyin ile gbogbo
- 2. E fi ayo sin Oluwa: E wa ti eyin ti orin si iwaju re,
- 3. Ki eyin ki o mo pe Oluwa, on ni Olorun; on ni o da wa, tire ni awa; awa ni enia re ati agutan papa re.
- 4. E lo si enu ona re ti iyin ti ope ati agbala re ti iyin ti iyin; e maa dupe fun un, ki e si ma fi ibukun fun oruko re.
- 5. Nitori ti Oluwa po ni ore; anu re ko nipekun; ati otito re lati iran-diran. Amin

# ORIN DAFIDI 20 [PSALM 20]

- 1. Ki Oluwa ki o gbohun wa ni o ojo iponju; oruko Olorun Celestial ki o dabobowa
- 2. Ki o ran iranlowo si wa lati ibi mimo wa, ki o si ti wa lehin lati Sioni wa
- 3. Ki o ranti ebe ore wa gbogbo ki o si gbohun ebe wa gbogbo
- 4. Ki o fi fun wa gege bi ti inu wa, ki o si mu gbogbo ibeere wa se
- 5. Awa o ma korin ayo igbala re ati ni oruko Olorun wa ni awa o fi opagun wa de ile. Ki Oluwa ki omu gbogbo ibeere wa se
- 6. Nigbayi ni awa to mo pe Oluwa gba eni ororo re la; yio gbo lati orun mimo re wa nipa agbara igbala owo otun re.
- 7. Awon elomiran gbekele keke, awon elomiran le esin, sugbon awa o ranti oruko Oluwa Olorun wa
- 8. Nwon wole nwon si subu, sugbon awa dide, awa si duro sinsin
- 9. Gbani Oluwa, ki Oba ki o gbo nigbati awa ba nkigbe pe o. Amin

# ORIN DAFIDI 118 [PSALM 118]

- 1. E fi ope fu Oluwa; Nitoriti o seun Nitoriti anu re duro lailai
- 2. Je ki Celestial wi nisisiyi pe, anu re duro lailai
- 3. Je ki awon omo Ijo Mimo ki o wi nsisiyi pe, anu re duro lailai
- 4. Je ki awon ti o beru Oluwa ki o wi nisisiyi pe; anu re duro lailai
- 5. Awa kepe Oluwa ninu iponju, Oluwa si da wa lohun ni ibi aye nla
- 6. Oluwa nbe fun wa, awa ki yio beru; kini enia le se si wa
- 7. Oluwa nbe fun wa pelu awon ti nran wa lowo; nitori naa ni awa o se ri ife wa lori awon ti o korira wa
- 8. O ya lati gbekele Oluwa ju ati gbekele enia lo
- 9. O ya lati gbekele Oluwa ju ati gbekele awon omo alade lo
- 10. Gbogbo awon orile-ede yi wa ka, sugbon ni oruko Oluwa wa, o pa won run.
- 11. Nwon yi wa ka kiri; nitoto nwon yi wa ka kiri, sugbon ni oruko Oluwa, awa o pa won run.
- 12. Nwon yi wa ka kiri bi oyin; a si pa won bi ina egun; ni oruko Oluwa, awa o pa won run
- 13.Nwon ti wa gidigidi ki awa o le subu; sugbon Oluwa ran wa lowo
- 14.Oluwa ni agbara ati orin wa, o si di igbala wa
- 15.Ohun ayo ati ti igbala mbe ninu ago awon olododo; owo otun Oluwa ni a gbega; owo otun Oluwa nse agbara
- 16.Owo otun Oluwa ni a gbega owo otun Oluwa nse agbara
- 17.Awa ki yio ku, bikose yiye, ki awa ki o si maa rohin ise Oluwa.
- 18.Oluwa na wa gidigidi, sugbon ko fi wa le iku lowo
- 19.Si ilekun enu-ona ododo sile fun wa; awa o ba ibe wole, awa o maa yin Oluwa
- 20. Eyi ni enu-ona Oluwa, ti awon olododo yio ba wole
- 21.Awa yin o; nitori ti iwo gbohun wa, iwo si di igbala wa.
- 22.Okuta ti awon imole ko sile ni o di Pataki igun ile
- 23.Lati odo Oluwa ni eyi; o se iyanu ni oju wa
- 24.Eyi ni ojo ti Oluwa da awa o maa yo, inu wa yio si ma dun ninu re

- 25.Se igbala nisisiyi, awa nbe o, Oluwa, Oluwa awa be o, ran alafia
- 26.Olubukun ni eniti o mbo wa ni oruko Oluwa; awa ti fi ibukun fun o lati ile Oluwa wa.
- 27. Olorun ni Oluwa, ti o ti fi imole han fun wa: e fi okun di ebo na mo iwo pepe na.
- 28.Iwo ni Olorun wa, awa o ma fi ope fun o, Iwo ni Olorun wa, awa o ma gbe o ga.
- 29.E fi ope fun Oluwa; nitori ti o seun, nitori ti anu re duro lailai. Amin

# ORIN DAFIDI 72 [PSALM 72]

- 1. Olurun, fi idajo re fun oba ati ododo re fun omo oba
- 2. On o ma fi ododo se idajo awon enia re, yio si maa fi eto se idajo awon talaka re
- 3. Awon oke nla yio ma mu alafia fun awon enia wa, ati awon oke kekeke nipa ododo
- 4. On o ma se idajo awon talaka enia, yio maa gba omo awon alaini la, yio si fa aninilara ya pere-pere
- 5. Won o si maa beru re, niwon bi oorun ati osupa yio ti pe to, lati irandiran
- 6. On o ro si ile bi ojo si ori koriko ire-mole bi owo ojo ti o rinle
- 7. Ni ojo re ni awon olododo yio gbile ati opolopo alafia niwon bi osupa yio pe to
- 8. On o si joba lati okun de okun ati odo ni de opin aiye
- 9. Awon ti o joko ni aginju yio teriba fun un, awon ota yio la erupe ile
- 10.Awon oba Tarsisi ati Erekusu yio mu ore wa: awon oba Seba ati Seba yio mu ebun wa
- 11.Nitoto gbogbo awon oba ni yio wole niwaju re, gbogbo awon orile-ede ni yio ma sin in
- 12.Nitori yio gba alaini nigbati o ba nke, talaka pelu, ati eniti ko ni oluranlowo
- 13.On o da talaka ati alaini si, yio si gba okan awon alaini la
- 14.On o ra okan won pada lowo etan ati iwa-agbara; iyebiye si ni eje won ni oju re

- 15.On o si ye, on ni a o fi wura Seba fun, a o si maa gbadura fun un nigbagbogbo: lojojumo ni a o si maa yin
- 16.Ikunwo okan ni yio maa wa lori ile; lori awon oke nla ni eso wa yio ma mi bi Lebanoni ati awon ti inu ilu yio si ma gba bi koriko ile
- 17.Oruko re yio wa titi lai: oruko Celestial yio ma gbile niwon bi orun yio ti pe to, nwon o si ma bukun u fun ara won ninu re: gbogbo awon ori-lede ni yio ma pe e ni alabukunfun
- 18.Olubukun ni Oluwa Olorun, Olorun Celestial, enikansoso ti nse ohun iyanu
- 19.Olubukun ni oruko re ti o ni ogo titi lai ki gbogbo aiye ki o si kun fun ogo re. Amin, Amin, Amin.

# PRAYER DAYS, TIMES AND FEASTS

Every day:

Morning Prayer - Throughout the Year: 6am.

Every Wednesday: 9am

Service for the needy, barren women, and job seekers.

First Thursday of every month: New Moon Service 10pm

Every Friday: 12pm

Special Service for Prophets, Prophetess, Dreamers and Visioners on the Mercy Land.

January 1: Thanksgiving service for the New Year: 10am.

January 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Week of Prayer: 6pm

Sunday before Easter: Palm Sunday Procession in the town

Passion Week: Monday to Saturday

Easter Sunday: Special Service 10am

Easter Monday: Meeting Jesus Christ the resurrected one at Galilee. Procession the town.

Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ: 40 day after resurrection

Pentecost Sunday: 50 days after resurrection; Service at 10am

First Friday of July; Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary who appeared to the Pastor Founder.

First Sunday in August of every year; National HQ Harvest Makoko, Nigeria.

September 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>: Pastor Founder's memorial service.

# **Important Notice**

Service conductor must sanctify themselves, keeping off from all impurities for three days prior to the Lord's Day or any other service day. Exodus 19:10-15

# ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE

# [6AM]

- 1: The congregation kneels down while the service conductor Ring the bell three times x3
- 2: The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]
- 3: Hymn: For forgiveness of sins
- 4: The service conductor will render a prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification.
- 5: The Lord's Prayer [Our Father who art in heaven. etc]
- 6: Hymn: Thanksgiving
- 7: Three member's prayer:
  - 1. Thanksgiving and God's favour [Male]
  - 2. Victory and protection [Female]
  - 3. Power and blessing [Male]
- 8: Hymn: Holy Spirit or spiritual power
- 9: Silent Prayer
- 10: Service conductor will render a short prayer after the silent prayer.
- 11: Thanks offering [if there be any]

12: Closing Hymn: Blessing or covenant

13: Closing prayer by a female member in highest in rank.

14: The Lord's Prayer

15: Benediction by the Shepherd

16: Congregation will chant seven halleluiah facing the altar

Shepherd prays for the congregation after the service.

Shepherd to lead Friday morning services.

# ORDER OF SEEKERS SERVICE

**WEDNESDAY: 9AM** 

The outer altar shall be used for this service

#### Material requires for the service:

- a. A stick of candle
- b. A bottle of water
- c. Three different types of fruits without blemish such as; Oranges, Banana,

Apple, Pear, Pineapple, Tangerine, Grape, etc. The fruit should be many.

Members that are unable to attend the service can hand over the items requires for the service to the Shepherd before the commencement of the service. This can be done on Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning. He or she shall pray on the items before handing them to the Shepherd.

Hymn for lighting the candle on the small alter: Host of heaven come into the house etc. The congregation to renders this hymn: Host of heaven come into the house etc. when lighting the candle sticks on the small alter.

- 1: Jingling of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor
- 2: The congregation while bowing down their head recite these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]
- 3: Hymn 155 Forgiveness of sin
- 4: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct

should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

#### Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from our sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge our transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceived me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.O Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou delighted not in burnt offering.

- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar.... Amen

6: Gloria: Glory to the Father etc.

7: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

8: The Lord's Prayer

9: Hymn – 882 or 878

10: Bible Lesson: Genesis 15: 1-5

- 1. After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in his vision, saying, fear not. Abram; I am thy shield and thy exceeding great reward.
- 2. And Abram said, Lord God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?
- 3. And Abram said, behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.
- 4. And, behold, the word of the Lord came unto him, saying, this shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.
- 5. And he brought him forth abroad, and said, look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them; and He said unto him, so shall thy seed be.

#### 11: Three member's prayer

- a. Thanksgiving, Mercy and God favour [male]
- b. Power of victory, stumbling block in the ways of members to be removed

by God [female]

c. God's blessing in all ways [male]

#### 12: Hymn

#### 13: Jehovah [3ce] Deut. 28: 1 – 14

- 1. And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all His commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.
- 2. And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God.
- 3. Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.
- 4. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
- 5. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.
- 6. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thy goest out.
- 7. The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face; they come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.
- 8. The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and He shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
- 9. The Lord shall establish thee a holy people unto Himself, as He hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in His ways.
- 10. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee.

- 11.And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord swore unto thy fathers to give thee.
- 12. The Lord shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in its season and to bless all the work of thine hand; and thou shalt not borrow.
- 13. And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them.
- 14. And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

14: Silent Prayer: Members to pray on the items according to individual needs.

15: Elibamah or Eli Yabah [3c] by the service conductor follows by Psalm 20

#### Psalm 20

- 1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us;
- 2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;
- 3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.
- 5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions.
- 6. Now know that the Lord saveth His anointed; He will surely hear us from His holy heaven with saving strength of His right hand.
- 7. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will continue to remember the name of the Lord our God.

- 8. Our enemies are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand up-right.
- 9. Save, Lord, Please hear us whenever we call Thee. Amen
- 16: Prayer of blessing by the service conductor
- 17: Closing Hymn
- 18: Closing prayer by female member highest in rank.
- 19: The Lord's Prayer
- 20: Gloria
- 21: Benediction by the Shepherd
- 22: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 23: The entire congregation to light their candle stick.
- 24: Hymn- El Beraca
- 25: Prayer by the Shepherd for blessing, God's favour, fruit of the womb. Etc.
- 26: Place members before the Lord, and cover them with altar cloth if available.
- 27: Each member after waking up will eat one each of his or her choice of fruit, drink out of the water and take the remaining water home for drinking.
- 28: The shepherd-in-charge will help those who left items behind for the service by taking one each of the fruit they brought for safe keeping until their arrival. The left over fruits will be share out to the children.

### ORDER OF MERCY DAY SERVICE

#### WEDNSDAY [6PM]

1: Short prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification at the Church entrance by the service conductor.

#### 2: The Lord's Prayer

#### 3: Processional Hymn and burning of incense

Jerih Moh Yamah

Jerih Moh Yamah

The host of angels full of joy in heaven

The host of angels

The host of angels

They are praising God with joyful songs in heaven. Amen

#### 4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above** 

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense bearer should start to light the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah.

## 5: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman

Yah Rah man.

Yaman Yah rah man

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

# 6: Jingling of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recite these words of

#### adoration: Holy! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

7: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

#### Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only I have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar.... Amen

8: Gloria

9: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

10: The Lord's Prayer

11: Hymn: Forgiveness

After the Song, Service conductor will ask the congregation to go on their kneel, the service conductor will then call out Agashadual [3c] the congregation will response by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 100 or 136

Agashadual [3ce] Then Psalm 100 or 136

#### **Psalm 100**

- 1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands
- 2. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing
- 3. Know ye that the Lord He is God; He is hath made us, and not ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

- 4. Enter into His gate with thanks giving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and His name
- 5. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations. Amen

#### **Psalm 136**

- 1. O give thanks unto the Lord; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 2. O give thanks unto the God of gods; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 3. O give thanks to the Lord of lords; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 4. To Him who alone doeth great wonders; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 5. To Him that by wisdom made the heavens; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 6. To Him that stretched out the earth above the waters; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 7. To Him that made great lights; for his mercy endureth forever
- 8. The sun to rule by day; for his mercy endureth forever
- 9. The moon and stars to rule by night; for his mercy endureth forever
- 10.To Him that smote Egypt in their firstborn; for his mercy endureth forever
- 11.And brought out Israel from among them; for his mercy endureth forever
- 12. With great hand, and with a stretched out arm; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13.To Him who divided the red sea into parts; for his mercy endureth forever
- 14.And made Israel to passed through the midst of it; for his mercy endureth forever
- 15.But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea; for his mercy endureth forever
- 16.To Him who led his people through the wilderness; for his mercy endureth forever
- 17.To Him who smote great kings; for his mercy endureth forever
- 18. And slew famous King; for his mercy endureth forever

- 19.Si-hon king of Amorites for his mercy endureth forever
- 20. And Og the king of Ba-shan for his mercy endureth forever
- 21.And gave their land for an heritage; for his mercy endureth forever
- 22.Even an heritage unto Israel his Servant; for his mercy endureth forever
- 23. Who remembered us in our low estate; for his mercy endureth forever
- 24.And hath redeemed us from our enemies; for his mercy endureth forever
- 25. Who giveth food to all flesh for his mercy endureth forever
- 26.O give thanks unto the God of heaven; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13: Prayer for Thanksgiving by the service conductor
- 14: Hymn: Praise or Glory
- 15: Three Members Prayer
  - a. Mercy and God' favour [male]
  - b. God protection and victory [female]
  - c. Blessing and Church progress [male]
- 16: Hymn: Mercy or Blessing
- 17: Silent Prayer [Service conductor should give congregation enough times to render their silent prayer]
- 18: When the congregation has finish their silent prayer by saying amen, the service conductor will then call out Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah [3ce] the congregation then response by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 20: 1-5 follow by short prayer by the service conductor.

Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah [3ce]

Psalm 20: 1 – 5

1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us;

2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;

3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;

4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.

5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions.

Amen

Short prayer by the service conductor

19: Hymn – Evangelism

20: Bible Lesson

21: Gloria

22: Announcement by the Parish Secretary

23: The Creed

24: Short prayer by the Preacher

24b: Sermon

25: Prayer after sermon, this can be done by the service conductor or by a male member lower in rank to the preacher.

**26:** Collection [Alms] Short prayer after collection by the service conductor

27: Thanks Offering

28: Closing Hymn – Covenant or blessing

29: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank.

30: The Lord's Prayer

31: Gloria

32: Benediction by the Shepherd –in-charge

33: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

34: Recessional Hymn

35: Short prayer by the service conductor outside the Church

36: Benediction by service conductor.

38: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF POWER DAY SERVICE

## FRIDAY [6PM]

1: Short prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification at the Church entrance by the service conductor.

#### 2: The Lord's Prayer

#### 3: Processional Hymn and burning of incense

Jerih Moh Yamah

Jerih Moh Yamah

The host of angels full of joy in heaven

The host of angels

The host of angels

They are praising God with joyful songs in heaven. Amen

#### 4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above** 

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense bearer should start light to the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah.

#### 5: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman

Yah Rah man.

Yaman Yah rah man

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

#### 6: Jingling of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

7: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

#### Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse me from our sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge our transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only I have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

8: Gloria

9: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

10: The Lord's Prayer

11: Hymn: Forgiveness

After the Song, Service conductor will ask the congregation to go on their kneel, the service conductor will then call out Agashadual [3c] the congregation will response by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 100 or 136

Agashadual [3ce] Then Psalm 100 or 136

#### **Psalm 100**

- 1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands
- 2. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing
- 3. Know ye that the Lord He is God; He is hath made us, and not ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

- 4. Enter into His gate with thanks giving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and His name
- 5. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations

#### **Psalm 136**

- 1. O gives thanks unto the Lord; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 2. O gives thanks unto the God of gods; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 3. O gives thanks to the Lord of lords; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 4. To Him who alone doeth great wonders; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 5. To Him that by wisdom made the heavens; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 6. To Him that stretched out the earth above the waters; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 7. To Him that made great lights; for his mercy endureth forever
- 8. The sun to rule by day; for his mercy endureth forever
- 9. The moon and stars to rule by night; for his mercy endureth forever
- 10.To Him that smote Egypt in their firstborn; for his mercy endureth forever
- 11.And brought out Israel from among them; for his mercy endureth forever
- 12. With great hand, and with a stretched out arm; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13.To Him who divided the red sea into parts; for his mercy endureth forever
- 14.And made Israel to passed through the midst of it; for his mercy endureth forever
- 15.But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea; for his mercy endureth forever
- 16.To Him who led his people through the wilderness; for his mercy endureth forever
- 17. To Him which smote great kings; for his mercy endureth forever
- 18. And slew famous King; for his mercy endureth forever

- 19.Si-hon king of Amorites for his mercy endureth forever
- 20. And Og the king of Ba-shan for his mercy endureth forever
- 21. And gave their land for an heritage; for his mercy endureth forever
- 22.Even an heritage unto Israel his Servant; for his mercy endureth forever
- 23. Who remembered us in our low estate; for his mercy endureth forever
- 24.And hath redeemed us from our enemies; for his mercy endureth forever
- 25. Who giveth food to all flesh for his mercy endureth forever
- 26.O gives thanks unto the God of heaven; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13: Prayer for Thanksgiving by the service conductor
- 14: Hymn: Praise or Glory
- 15: Three Members Prayer
  - a. Power and God' favour [male]
  - b. God protection and victory [female]
  - c. Blessing and Church progress [male]
- 16: Hymn: Holy Spirit or Power
- 17: Silent Prayer [Service conductor should give congregation enough times to render their silent prayer]
- 18: When the congregation has finish their silent prayer by saying amen, the service conductor will then call out Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah [3ce] the congregation then respond by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 20: 1-5 follow by short prayer by the service conductor.

Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah [3ce]

Psalm 20: 1 – 5

1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us;

2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;

3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;

4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.

5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions. Amen

Short prayer by the service conductor

19: Hymn – Evangelism

20: Bible Lesson

21: Gloria

22: Announcement by the Parish Secretary

23: The Creed

24: Short prayer by the Preacher

24b: Sermon

25: Prayer after sermon this can be done by the service conductor or by a male member lower in rank to the preacher.

26: Collection [Light fund] Short prayer after collection by the service conductor

27: Thanks Offering

28: Closing Hymn – Covenant or Prayer

29: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank.

30: The Lord's Prayer

31: Gloria

32: Benediction by the Shepherd –in-charge

33: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

34: Recessional Hymn

35: Short prayer by the service conductor outside the Church

36: Benediction by service conductor.

38: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF EVENING SERVICE ON THE LORD'S DAY

# SUNDAY [6PM]

1: Short prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification at the Church entrance by the service conductor.

## 2: The Lord's Prayer

# 3: Processional Hymn and burning of incense

Jerih Moh Yamah

Jerih Moh Yamah

The host of angels full of joy in heaven

The host of angels

The host of angels

They are praising God with joyful songs in heaven. Amen

# 4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense carrier should start to light the candles starting from the middle candle, then right to the left as soon they started singing Yarah Sarah.

# 5: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman

Yah Rah man,

Yaman Yah rah man

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

- 6: Jingling of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]
- 7: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For *I* acknowledge our transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only I have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10.Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

8: Gloria

9: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

10: The Lord's Prayer

11: Hymn: Forgiveness

After the Song, Service conductor will ask the congregation to go on their kneel, the service conductor will then call out Agashadual [3c] the congregation will response by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 100 or 136

Agashadual [3ce] Then Psalm 100 or 136 Psalm 100

- 1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands
- 2. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing
- 3. Know ye that the Lord He is God; He is hath made us, and not ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.
- 4. Enter into His gate with thanks giving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and His name
- 5. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations

- 1. O gives thanks unto the Lord; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 2. O gives thanks unto the God of gods; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 3. O gives thanks to the Lord of lords; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 4. To Him who alone doeth great wonders; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 5. To Him that by wisdom made the heavens; for his mercy endureth for ever
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- 25. Who giveth food to all flesh for his mercy endureth forever.
- 26.O gives thanks unto the God of heaven; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13: Prayer for Thanksgiving by the service conductor
- 14: Hymn: Praise
- 15: Three Members Prayer
  - a. Thanksgiving and God' favour [male]
  - b. Power, protection and victory [female]
  - c. Blessing and Church progress [male]
- 16: Hymn: Holy Spirit or Power
- 17: Silent Prayer [Service conductor should give congregation enough times to render their silent prayer]
- 18: When the congregation has finish their silent prayer by saying amen, the service conductor will then call out Eli Bamah or Eli

Yabah [3ce] the congregation then respond by saying holy before the service conductor read out Psalm 20: 1-5 follow by short prayer by the service conductor.

Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah [3ce]

Psalm 20: 1 - 5

- 1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us;
- 2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;
- 3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.
- 5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions. Amen

Short prayer by the service conductor

19: Hymn – Evangelism

20: Bible Lesson

21: Gloria

22: Announcement by the Parish Secretary

23: The Creed

24: Short prayer by the Preacher

24b: Sermon

25: Prayer after sermon, this can be done by the service conductor or by a male member lower in rank to the preacher.

26: Collection [Light fund] Short prayer after collection by the service conductor

27: Thanks Offering

28: Closing Hymn – Covenant or Prayer

29: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank.

30: The Lord's Prayer

31: Gloria

32: Benediction by the Shepherd –in-charge

33: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

34: Recessional Hymn

35: Short prayer by the service conductor outside the Church

36: Benediction by service conductor.

38: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR PROPHETS, PROPHETESS, DREAMERS,

# VISIONERS AND SEEKERS OF SPIRITUAL POWER

FRIDAY [12 NOON]

Service takes place on the Mercy-land. Before the commencement of the service, the mercy land should be sanctifies with incense and holy water. Service must be conducted by the Shepherd-in-charge.

Materials Needed: One bottle of water and a candle stick. Nothing should be added to the above mentioned items

## **Service:**

1: Ringing of the bell [3ce]

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

2: Hymn: forgiveness of sins

3: Eyiba [3ce] then Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive us.

- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar.... Amen

4: Gloria

5: Prayer forgiveness of sins and sanctification

6: The Lord's Prayer

7: Hymn: Spiritual Power

- 8: Three Members prayer
  - a. Holy Spirit and Church progress
  - b. Victory and protection for the whole world
  - c. Blessing and God's Grace

9: Hymn: Holy Spirit

10: Silent Prayer: every member shall pray for spiritual power, peace, rebirth and accurate prophecy.

#### 11: Eli Bamah or Eli Yabah

Psalm 20: 1 – 5

- 1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us:
- 2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;
- 3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.
- 5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions.

  Amen

12: Hymn: Sanctification

13: Bible Lesson [the lesson should be based on Holy Spirit and spiritual power]

14: Gloria

15: Announcement: base on the conduct and behaviour of prophets and prophetess and their punctuality to service.

16: The creed

17: Prayer by the preacher

18: Sermon

19: Short prayer after sermon

20: Collection

21: Thanks Offering

22: Closing Hymn

23: Closing Prayer by a female member highest in rank

24: The Lord's Prayer

24b: Gloria

25: Benediction

26: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

27: Special prayer by a prophet highest in rank

28: Placing of those that participated in service before the Lord with their bottle filled with water and a stick of candle lit after cleaning their bodies with altar cloth. The leader will sprinkle holy water on them. They should drink out of the water after waking up and the remaining taking home for drinking.

Note: All other special prayer must conform to the church doctrine and tenets.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

# FRIDAY [3PM] AT THE MERCY LAND

## **Material Needed:**

One bottle filled with water and a candle stick.

#### **Service:**

1: Ringing of the bell [3ce]

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

2: Hymn – Forgiveness of sins

# **3:** Eyiba [3ce]

- 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.

- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar.... Amen
- 4: Gloria
- 5: Prayer: Forgiveness of sins and sanctification
- 6: Hymn: Thanksgiving
- 7: Three member's prayer
  - a. Thanksgiving [male]
  - b. Power and Victory [female]
  - c. Safe delivery and to be joyful.
- 8: Silent prayer
- 9: Prayer by the service conductor

10: Closing Hymn- Spiritual power

11: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank

12: The Lord's Prayer

13: Benediction – Shepherd

14: Seven Halleluiah facing the altar

15: Special prayer for the pregnant women

16: Place the pregnant women before the Lord with their bottle of water and the candle stick. Use altar cloth to wipe their bodies.

17: The women shall drink out of the water when they wake up. The remaining water should be taking home for drinking.

Note: Ungodly behaviour or strange doctrine is not allowed. Only altar cloth should be use to wipe the pregnant women bodies.

# ORDER OF SERVICE ON LORD'S DAY

# **SUNDAY DEVOTIONAL SERVICE [10AM]**

Note: It is important that the house of God is sanctifies by seven members with seven sticks of candle, three sticks of candle position in male side, three sticks of candle in the female side and the seventh on the inner altar with enough incense and holy water. The seven elders should position themselves by the lighted candle stick. They should render seven Spiritual or Power songs before prayer of sanctification.

## Positioning of the seven lighted candle

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After the sanctification, nobody is allow to gain access into the house of God after the crucifix has been placed at the entrance until service is about to commence.

Order of procession into the house of God

- a. The incense man will lead the congregations
- b. Followed by the Choristers
- c. Followed by the female members starting with the youngest female
- d. Male members from the youngest to the elders. The Shepherd will be at the rear. Every member will close their palms as they file into the house of God with humility.

# **Important Notice**

Every appointed officiating members beginning with the service conduct, incense bearer, etc. must sanctify themselves for three days before the service day. The service conductor must be within the Church premises before 10am.

## **Service:**

1: Short prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification at the Church entrance by the service conductor.

## 2: The Lord's Prayer

## 3: Processional Hymn and burning of incense

Jerih Moh Yamah

Jerih Moh Yamah

The host of angels full of joy in heaven

The host of angels

The host of angels

They are praising God with joyful songs in heaven. Amen

## 4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above** 

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above Amen** 

NB: Incense carrier should start to lit the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah.

# 5: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman

Yah Rah man,

Yaman Yah rah man

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

# 6: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

7: Hymn: Oh Christ Oh my King: Oh Christ Oh my King
I will worship thee
Thy art my power and my light
Holy thou Holiest [3ce] Amen.

8: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce]

- 1. Have mercy upon me, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from me iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceived me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.

- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

# 9: Jehovah Ramah [3ce] follows by Psalm 24 Psalm 24

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
- 2. For He hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floors.
- 3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.

- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

10: Gloria

11: Prayer by the service conductor for forgiveness of sins and sanctification.

12: The Lord's Prayer

13: Hymn: Forgiveness of sins

The service conductor can either read Psalm 118, Psalm136 or psalm 27

14: Eliya [3ce] after the congregation have recited holy, follow by Psalm 118 after asking the congregation to say "for He is good: His mercy endureth for ever" for the first four sentences.

# Eliya [3ce] Psalm 118

- 1. O gives thanks to the Lord: for He is good: His mercy endureth forever
- 2. Let Celestians now say, His mercy endureth forever
- 3. Let the congregation now say, that His mercy endureth forever
- 4. Let them that fear the Lord say, that His mercy endureth forever
- 5. We call upon the Lord in distress; the Lord answered us, and set us in a large place.
- 6. The Lord is on our side; we will not fear: what can man do unto us?

- 7. The Lord taketh our part with them that help us: therefore shall we see our desire upon them that hate us.
- 8. It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in man.
- 9. It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in princes
- 10.All nations compassed us about but in the name of the Lord, we will destroy them.
- 11. They compassed us about yea they compassed us about: but in the name of the Lord we will destroy them.
- 12. They compassed us about like bees; they are quenched as a fire of thorns for in the name our God we will destroy them.
- 13. Thou hast thrust sore at us that we might fall: but the Lord helped us.
- 14. The Lord is our strength and song, and is become our salvation.
- 15. The voice and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous, the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly
- 16. The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly
- 17. We will not die, but live to declare the works of the Lord.
- 18. The Lord has chastened us sore, but He has not given us over to death.
- 19. Open to us the gates of righteousness, we will go into them, and we will praise the Lord.
- 20. This the gate of the Lord into which the righteous shall enter
- 21.We will praise thee for thou hast heard us and art become our salvation
- 22. The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.
- 23. This is the Lord's doing it is marvellous in our eyes
- 24. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25. Save now we beseech thee; O Lord , O Lord we beseech thee, send now prosperity
- 26.Blessed be He that cometh in the name of the Lord, we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.
- 27.God is the Lord, who hath showed us light, bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the house of the altar,

- 28. Thou art our God, and we will praise thee; thou art our God we will exalt thee.
- 29.0 gives thanks to the Lord; for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever. Amen

# Psalm 136 [Eliya 3ce]

- 1. O gives thanks unto the Lord; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 2. O gives thanks unto the God of gods; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 3. O gives thanks to the Lord of lords; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 4. To Him who alone doeth great wonders; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 5. To Him that by wisdom made the heavens; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 6. To Him that stretched out the earth above the waters; for his mercy endureth for ever
- 7. To Him that made great lights; for his mercy endureth forever
- 8. The sun to rule by day; for his mercy endureth forever
- 9. The moon and stars to rule by night; for his mercy endureth forever
- 10.To Him that smote Egypt in their firstborn; for his mercy endureth forever
- 11.And brought out Israel from among them; for his mercy endureth forever
- 12. With great hand, and with a stretched out arm; for his mercy endureth forever
- 13.To Him who divided the red sea into parts; for his mercy endureth forever
- 14.And made Israel to passed through the midst of it; for his mercy endureth forever
- 15.But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea; for his mercy endureth forever
- 16.To Him who led his people through the wilderness; for his mercy endureth forever
- 17.To Him which smote great kings; for his mercy endureth forever

- 18. And slew famous King; for his mercy endureth forever
- 19.Si-hon king of Amorites for his mercy endureth forever
- 20. And Og the king of Ba-shan for his mercy endureth forever
- 21. And gave their land for an heritage; for his mercy endureth forever
- 22.Even an heritage unto Israel his Servant; for his mercy endureth forever
- 23. Who remembered us in our low estate; for his mercy endureth forever
- 24.And hath redeemed us from our enemies; for his mercy endureth forever
- 25. Who giveth food to all flesh for his mercy endureth forever.
- 26.O gives thanks unto the God of heaven; for his mercy endureth forever

## Psalm 27 [Eliya 3ce]

- 1. The Lord is our light and our salvation whom shall we fear? the Lord is the strength of our life whom shall we fear
- 2. When the wicked even our enemies and our foes come upon us to eat our flesh up they stumbled and fell.
- 3. Though a host should encamp against us, our heart shall not fear: though war should rise against us, in this will we be confident.
- 4. One thing have we desired of the Lord, that will we seek after; that we may dwell in the house of the Lord all days of our life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple.
- 5. For in the time of trouble He shall hide us in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide us; He shall set us upon a rock.
- 6. And now shall our head be lifted up above our enemies round about us: there will we offer in His tabernacle sacrifices of joy; we will sing yea; we will sing praise unto the Lord.
- 7. Hear O Lord, when we cry with our voice: have mercy also upon us and answer us.
- 8. When thou said, seek ye my face; our heart said unto thee, thy face, Lord, will we seek.

- 9. Hide not thy face far from us; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been our help; leave us not neither forsakes us, O God of our salvation.
- 10. When our friends and neighbours forsake us, then the Lord will take us up.
- 11. Teach us thy way, O Lord, and lead us in a plain path, because of our enemies.
- 12.Deliver us not over unto the will of our enemies: for false witness are risen up against us, and such as breathe out cruelty
- 13. We had fainted, unless we had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
- 14. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen our heart: wait I say, on the Lord. Amen

## 15: Gloria

16: Prayer of thanksgiving by the service conductor [This prayer must be render by the service conductor himself]

# 18: Hymn – Thanksgiving or Praise

19: Jehovah Lass [3ce] while the congregation shall be on their knees, they should all response by saying Holy. Follow by Psalm 72 to be read by the service conductor

- 1. Give the King thy judgements, O God and thy righteousness unto the King's son.
- 2. He shall judge thy people with righteousness and thy poor with judgement.
- 3. The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills by the righteousness
- 4. He shall judge the poor of the people, He shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces our oppressor
- 5. They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure throughout all generations

- 6. He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that waters the earth.
- 7. In His days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.
- 8. Celestial church shall have dominion from sea to sea, and from river unto the end of the earth.
- 9. They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before Him, and His enemies shall lick the dust.
- 10. The Kings and of the isles shall bring presents: The kings shall offer gifts.
- 11.Yea, all kings shall fall bow down before Him: all nations shall serve Him
- 12. For He shall deliver the needy when they crieth; the poor also and he or she that has no helper:
- 13.He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.
- 14.He shall redeem our souls from souls from deceit and violence; and precious shall our blood be in His sight.
- 15. And He shall live, unto us shall be given gold: prayer shall be made for Him continually; and daily shall He be praised.
- 16. There shall be a handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; our enemies shall be confounded, and we shall flourish like the grass of the earth.
- 17. His name shall endure for ever; the name of Celestial Church shall be continued as long as the sun: men and women shall be blessed in Him: all nations shall call Him blessed.
- 18.Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Celestial Church, who only doeth wondrous things.
- 19.And blessed be His glorious name for ever, and let the whole world be filled with His glory. Amen, Amen, Amen.

# 20: Three member prayer:

# **Important Notice:**

Prayers must be said as spelt out by the service conductor. Unnecessary repetition should be avoided.

- a. Prayers for spiritual power and Progress [male]
- b. Prayers for Victory and protection and all children [female]
- c. Prayers for blessing, God's favour and peace all over world [male]
- 21: Hymn: Power or Holy Spirit
- 22: Silent prayer by all [Service conductor should give the congregation enough time to render their prayers]
- 23: Service conductor to recites Eli-bamah or Eli-yabah after saying amen to the congregation prayers follow by Psalm 20: 1-9

Eli-bamah or Eli-yabah [3ce] [Congregation response by saying holy]

- 1. The Lord hear us in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Celestial defend us;
- 2. Send us help from the sanctuary, and strengthen us out of the Holy place;
- 3. Please remember all our offerings, and accept our burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Please Lord, grant to us according to our heart desires, and fulfil all our plans.
- 5. We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: Lord, Please fulfil all our petitions.
- 6. Now know that the Lord saveth His anointed; He will surely hear us from His holy heaven with saving strength of His right hand.
- 7. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will continue to remember the name of the Lord our God.
- 8. Our enemies are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand up-right.
- 9. Save, Lord, please hear us when we call. Amen

**25: Hymn** 26: First Lesson [then Gloria] 27: Hymn 28: Second Lesson [then Gloria] 29: Hymn – faith **30:** Announcement by the Parish Secretary 31: The Creed 32: Short prayer by the preacher [then sermon] 32: Silent prayer after sermon 33: Prayer after sermon by member not higher in rank than the preacher **34: Collections** 35: Thanks offering 36: Closing hymn – promise or blessing 37: Closing prayer by female member most senior in rank 38: The Lord's Prayer 39: Gloria **40:** Benediction [Shepherd]

24: Short prayer by the service conductor

- 41: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 42: Recessional hymn Jerimo Yamah
- 43: Prayer outside the Church by the service conductor
- 44: Benediction by the service conductor
- 45: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR NEW MOON

# [12 MIDNIGHT]

Materials required for the service:

- 1: One bottle of water
- 2: One candle stick.
  - a. 10pm, members to congregate in the Church in preparation for the service.
  - b. The shepherd will start the service at exactly where the outer alter is usually placed.
  - c. Hymn 172 [lets work for purification of our souls etc] to be render.
  - d. Opening prayer by the service conductor [Shepherd].
  - e. Singing, drumming and dancing take place from 10pm 11.45pm
  - f. 11.45pm members pray silently with their candle for their individual heart's desire.
  - g. After prayer, candles are collected for use in the house of the Lord as follow:
  - 1. Seven candle sticks should be lit on the inner altar
  - 2. Seven candle sticks should be lit round the bottle of water belonging to male member
  - 3. Seven candle sticks should be lit round the bottle of water belonging to female member
  - 4. Seven candle sticks should be lit round the house of worship
  - 5. Seven candle sticks should be lit on the mercy land altar
  - 6. Surplus candles can be kept somewhere for use during services in the house of God.

Service starts at exactly 12 midnight

It is the duty of the shepherd in charge to conduct the service using the inner altar. The outer altar should be removed for the service.

1: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce].

## 2: Hymn:

- a. God Almighty, God Almighty, God Almighty the King of life [3ce]
- b. Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Angel's King [3ce]
- c. Bow down for Him, bow down for Him King of all people
- d. Response by the congregation: I bow to Him [3ce]
- e. Hi rah jah man jari bam, Hi rah jah man [3ce] Holy Spirit, Heavenly dove descend now
- f. Yah Go Lolah Mari Yah Nga Rih Yeh [3ce]
- g. Response by the Congregation: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yeh [3ce]
- h. Pay homage to the King our Lord [3ce]
- i. Response by the congregation: We pay homage to Him [3ce]
  Amen
- **3: Eyiba [3ce]**

- 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.

- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen
- 4: Gloria
- **5:** Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor
- 6: The Lord's Prayer
- 7: Hymn Thanksgiving
- 8: Agashadual [3ce] by the service conductor follow by Psalm 103

- 1. Bless the Lord o our souls and all that is within us bless His Holy name
- 2. Bless the Lord o our souls and forget not all His benefits
- 3. Who forgiveth all our iniquities and healeth all our disease;
- 4. Who redeemeth our life from destruction; who crown us with loving kindness and tender mercies;
- 5. Who satisfied our mouth with good things; so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- 6. The Lord executed righteousness and judgement for all that are oppressed.
- 7. He made known His ways to papa Oshoffa, His acts unto the children of Celestial Church of Christ.
- 8. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy
- 9. He will not always chide: neither will He keep His anger forever.
- 10.He hath not dealth with us according to our sins; nor rewarded us after our iniquities.
- 11. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy towards them that fear Him.
- 12.As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us
- 13.Like as a father pity his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.
- 14. For He knoweth our frame; He remembered that we are dust.
- 15. As for man, his days are like grass: as a flower of the field so he flourished
- 16. For the wind passed over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.
- 17.But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children

- 18.To such has keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them
- 19. The Lord hath prepared His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruled over all.
- 20.Bless the Lord, ye his angels that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word.
- 21. Bless ye the lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of His that do His pleasure.
- 22.Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of His dominion: bless the Lord, O our soul. Amen
- 9: Prayer for thanksgiving by the service conductor
- 10: Hymn: Spiritual power
- 11: Prayer by seven members as directed by the service conductor [Four males and three females]

**Important Notice:** 

Prayers must be said as spelt out by the service conductor. Unnecessary repetition should be avoided.

- 12: Hymn Gospel
- 13: Reading of the Bible lesson
- 14: Gloria
- 15: Announcement
- 16: The Creed
- 17: Prayer by the preacher Shepherd
- 18: Silent prayer after the sermon by the congregation
- 19: Short prayer after sermon by a member junior in rank to the preacher

20: Collection

21: Thanks Offering

22: Closing Hymn

23: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank

24: Gloria

25: Benediction – Shepherd

26: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR BABY CHRISTENING

# **Material Requires:**

- 1: Seven different types of fruits
- 2: Salt
- 3: Sugar [cube]
- 4: A jar of pure honey
- 5: Two packets of candle
- **6: Incense**

The baby mother is not allowed to sit inside the Church; she should sit at a close distance from the house of worship. She should not touch any spiritual materials like candle to be use in the church due to her uncleanliness for the time being.

## **Special note:**

- 1. 1: A Prophet [male] carry a male baby, while a prophetess [female] carry a female baby
- 2. The prophet or prophetess carrying the baby and the child are to be sanctified by the shepherd with holy water.
- 3. If no prophet is readily available to carry a male child, a male member will carry the baby, while a prophetess stays beside the child to prophesy. Above process should be follow when there is no prophetess to carry a female child. A female member carry the baby, while a male prophet stays beside the child to prophesy.
- 4. Seven sticks of candle are to be arranged in a white bowl, three of the seven sticks of candle we be lit before entering the church. The remaining four candle sticks to be lit during Yara sarah
- 5. Before the baby is handed over to the prophet or prophetess, a sign of the cross three times should be made on each of their palm by the shepherd.

Prayer by the Shepherd: Jehovah, Jesus Christ, Holy Michael he will the read Psalm 24 or Psalm 150

#### Psalm 24

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
- 2. For He hath founded it upon the saes and established it upon the floors.
- 3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

- 1. Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary: praise Him in the firmament of His power
- 2. Praise Him for His mighty acts: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness.
- 3. Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet: praise Him with the psaltery and harp.
- 4. Praise Him with the tumbrel and dance: praise Him with stringed instruments and organs.
- 5. Praise Him upon the low sounding cymbals: Praise Him upon the high sounding cymbals.
- 6. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

Prayer: Jehovah, Jesus Christ, Holy Michael, our Father and our Lord, we present this child before you, please transform him/her blood and flesh from flesh into spirit in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ [Amen] then, sprinkle holy water on the child three times.

## The lining up:

- 1. The incense carrier
- 2. The prophet/prophetess carrying the baby
- 3. The bowl carrier
- 4. Seven elders
- 5. The choir
- 6. Female Children by female side and male children by male side
- 7. Elders male by male side and elders female by female side
- 8. Visitors and members without prayer garment.

The incense carrier, the prophet/prophetess carrying the baby, the person carrying the white basin and the seven members that ushered the baby into the church will dance round the fruits and the chair where the person carrying the baby will seat seven times.

The four candles not yet lit inside the basin should be lit simultaneously as the altar candles are lit. After the candles has been lit, clean water will be poured into the basin in which the seven candles are lit.

## The Service:

1: Procession Hymn: We will thank you Lord etc

2: Hymn for lighting candles Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Amen NB: Incense carrier should start to lit the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah.

3: The congregation kneels, while singing: Yah Raman Ih Yah Raman Yah Raman Yah Rah Yah Raman Oh come unto the Lord Oh come unto the Lord. [3ce] Amen

4: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! To the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

5: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness O God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

#### 6: Psalm 128

- 1. Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walk in His ways.
- 2. For thou shall eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.
- 3. Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thy house; thy children like olive plants round about thy table.
- 4. Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord.
- 5. The Lord shall bless thee out of holy place: and thou shall see the goodness of Celestial all the days of thy life

6. Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children and peace upon Celestial Church.

7: Gloria

8: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

9: The Lord's Prayer

10: Hymn: Forgiveness of sins

11: The service conductor will recite Jerimoh-yamah [3ce] while the congregation are on their knees then read Psalm 113.

#### **Psalm 113**

- 1. Praise ye the Lord. O ye servants of the Lord, Praise name of the Lord.
- 2. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.
- 3. From the rising of the sun into the going down of the sun, the Lord's name is to be praised.
- 4. The Lord is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens.
- 5. Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelled on high,
- 6. Who humbled Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and on earth!
- 7. He raises up the poor out of the dust, and lifted the needy out of the dunghill;
- 8. That he may set him with princes even with the princes of his people.
- 9. He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the Lord.

12: Prayer for thanksgiving by the service conductor

13: Hymn: Thanksgiving

14: Three member's prayer

a: Male - for wisdom

b. Female – for Knowledge

c. Male – for blessing and long life for the child.

15: Hymn – Holy spirit of power song

**16:** Reading of the lesson [Luke **2: 21** – **39**]

17: Gloria

18: Announcement by the Parish Secretary-

The announcement must be brief. No reading of the tenet of the church, except on a Sunday service. The announcer must mention the name of the new baby parent.

18: The Creed

19: Short prayer by the preacher

20: Sermon

21: Short prayer after the sermon. Service conductor can either render the prayer or appoint any appropriate person to do so.

22: Collection

Procedure for naming the child: They will appoint six elders and one officiating minister [Four males and three female]. The officiating minister will announce the names of the baby. The Six appointed elders will assist the officiating minister in performing child naming process.

22: Naming of the baby: The officiating minister will administered the items provided for the naming one by one while pronouncing the

baby's new name before each administration. The officiating minister will first administered water, follow by salt and honey. The officiating minister should make sure the baby have a taste of the water, salt and honey. [The sugar is for the congregation and the visitors to taste when blessing the baby]

After the administration the above items by the officiating minister, one of the male elder from the selected three shall read Deut. 28: 1 – 14. Before he read the bible he should first recite Jehovah Chekohiram 3ce then proceed to read Deut. 28: 1-14 calling out the names of the new baby.

- 23: Prayer for the baby by the seven selected members. The officiating minister will render the grace.
- 23: Seven Halleluiah by the mother of the new baby, follow by the father of the baby and there after the father of the baby have chanted seven Halleluiah, the congregations and visitors will face the altar and chant seven Halleluiah.
- 24: Thanks offering by the parent of the child and others
- 25: Closing Hymn
- 26: Closing prayer by female members highest in rank
- 27: The Lord's Prayer
- 28: Gloria
- 29: Benediction by the Shepherd
- 30: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 31: Members according to their rank[starting from the shepherd] followed by the visitors give money to the baby by placing the money in the bowl or tray provided, they should pick one sugar then dip it

inside the remaining honey and salt then have a taste. They will also take of the fruit provided.

# Filling out:

- 1. The bowl carrier
- 2. The prophet or the prophetess carrying the baby
- 3. The bowl/tray containing gift money
- 4. Seven selected members
- 5. The choir
- 6. The congregation.

# When handing the child over to mother:

- 1. The mother will kneel down at the entrance of the church
- 2. The bowl containing water on the right side, the money on the left hand of the mother
- 3. The seven selected members that ushered in the baby will surround the mother.
- 4. The Shepherd will sprinkle holy water on her, without touching the mother; the Shepherd will make signs of the cross on her palms in the air 3ce.
- 5. The Shepherd will now take the child from the prophet/prophetess and hand over the baby to the mother.
- 6. Prayer by the seven members for protection, peace, long life, victory, blessing, light of God to remain with the child and the family.
- 7. The conductor of the service will say the closing prayer and grace.
- 8. Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world.

Note: The sanctified water in the bowl and the seven half burnt candles are to be used for the baby.

The seven half burnt candle are to be use for seven days, one to be lit each day where the child is placed i.e. where the child sleep. Little sanctified water to be mix with the baby's bathing water and for drinking of the baby for three months.

Important notice: Immediately after the service, seven anointed members to sanctify the church with seven candle sticks. The church wardens are to sanctify the baby's parent house with seven candle sticks before the return of the baby.

# **Special notice:**

It is compulsory to name a child on the 8<sup>th</sup> day according to Celestial Church of Christ tenet.

If it becomes impossible for whatever reason to present the baby for naming on the 8<sup>th</sup> day, a stick of candle shall be put inside a white cloth having seven crosses representing the child and shall be handed over to the prophet or prophetess. After the service, the baby should have a taste of the honey, salt and sugar used for the naming service wherever he or she may be on that very day.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR BIRTHDAY

# 1: Procession Hymn: Songs of praise

# 2: Processional Hymn and burning of incense

Jerih Moh Yamah

Jerih Moh Yamah

The host of angels full of joy in heaven

The host of angels

The host of angels

They are praising God with joyful songs in heaven. Amen

# 3: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above** 

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense carrier should start lit the candles starting from the middle candle, then right to the left as soon they started singing Yarah Sarah.

# 4: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Hi Yah Raman

Yah Rah man.

Yaman Yah rah man

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. Amen

## 5: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

- 6: Hymn: Oh Christ Oh my King Oh Christ Oh my King
  I will worship thee
  Thy art my power and my light
  Holy thou Holiest [3ce] Amen.
- 7: The service conductor must call out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 20. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 21. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 22.For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 23. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 24.Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 25.Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 26. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 27. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 28. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 29. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 30. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

- 31.Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 32. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 33.Deliver me from blood guiltiness O God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 34.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 35. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 36. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 37.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 38. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen
- 8: Jehovah Ramah [3ce] follows by Psalm 24
  - 1: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
  - 2: For He hath founded it upon the saes and established it upon the floors.
  - 3: Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
  - 4: He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
  - 5: He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
  - 6: We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
  - 7: Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
  - 8: Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
  - 9: Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.

10: Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

#### 9: Gloria

- 10: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification
- 11: The Lord's Prayers
- 12: Hymn [Thanksgiving]
- 13: Agashadual [3ce] Psalm 118
  - 1: O gives thanks to the Lord: for He is good: His mercy endureth forever
  - 2: Let Celestian now say, His mercy endureth forever
  - 3: Let the congregation now say, that His mercy endureth forever
  - 4: Let them that fear the Lord say, that His mercy endureth forever
  - 5: We call upon the Lord in distress; the Lord answered us, and set us in a large place.
  - 6: The Lord is on our side; we will not fear: what can man do unto us?
  - 7: The Lord taketh our part with them that help us: therefore shall we see our desire upon them that hate us.
  - 8: It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in man.
  - 9: It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in princes
  - 10: All nations compassed us about but in the name of the Lord, we will destroy them.
  - 11: They compassed us about yea they compassed us about: but in the name of the Lord we will destroy them.
  - 12: They compassed us about like bees; they are quenched as a fire of thorns for in the name our God we will destroy them.
  - 13: Thou hast thrust sore at us that we might fall: but the Lord helped us.
  - 14: The Lord is our strength and song, and is become our salvation.

15: The voice and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous, the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly

16: The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly

17: We will not die, but live to declare the works of the Lord.

18: The Lord has chastened us sore, but He has not given us over to death.

19: Open to us the gates of righteousness, we will go into them, and we will praise the Lord.

20: This the gate of the Lord into which the righteous shall enter

21: We will praise thee for thou hast heard us and art become our salvation

22: The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

23: This is the Lord's doing it is marvellous in our eyes

24: This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25: Save now we beseech thee; O Lord, O Lord we beseech thee, send now prosperity

26: Blessed be He that cometh in the name of the Lord, we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.

27: God is the Lord, who hath showed us light, bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the house of the altar,

28: Thou art our God, and we will praise thee; thou art our God we will exalt thee.

29: O gives thanks to the Lord; for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever. Amen

14: Gloria

15: Prayer for thanksgiving

**16: Hymn** 

17: Three member's prayers

A: Thanksgiving for his/her and for the family

B: Prayer for long life, protection and peace

C: Prayer for blessing, joy and progress. **18: Hymn** 19: Lesson 20: Gloria 21: Announcement 22: Songs of Praise 23: The Creed 24: Short prayer by the sermoner 25: Sermon 26: Short prayer after sermon 27: Collections 28: Holy Communion 29: Thanks-offering 30: Closing Hymn 31: Closing prayer [Female] 32: Gloria 33: Benediction

**34:** Seven Halleluyah to the four corners of the world

35: Recessional Hymn

**36:** prayer by the service Conductor outside the church and Benediction

37: Seven Halleluyah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR HOLY MATRIMONY

- 1: Prayer at the entrance of the Church by the service conductor
- 2: Lord' Prayer
- 3: Procession
  - 1. Incense carrier
  - 2. Male chorister to follow
  - 3. Bridegroom and his father to follow the choristers, Bridegroom's mother to file behind the father, Bestman stays behind the Bridegroom.
  - 4. Female choristers fill behind them
  - 5. Bridal train to follow female choristers while the Bride and her father walk side by side behind the Bridal train. Chief Bridesmaid and the Brides mother file behind the bride, her father and the Bridal train
  - 6. Female members from children to the most senior in rank to follows
  - 7. Male members from children to the most senior in rank to follows
  - 8. All invited guests to follows.

## **Sitting Arrangement:**

1: Bride Groom
Chief Brides Maid Bestman

2: Brides Father Bride

**Brides Mother** Chief Bride's Maid

3: Groom' father Groom
Groom's Mother Bestman

1: As members file into the church, nobody should sit on the sitting arrangement as shown in sitting arrangement [1]

- 2: Groom's father, mother and bestman and the Groom will sit on sitting arrangement [2]
- 3: Bride's father, mother and Chief Bridesmaid and the Bride will sit on sitting arrangement [3]. Flower girls shall follow; members and guest shall sit behind them. Bridal train sits behind the Bride and her parents.

#### Service:

1: Hymn for lighting candles
Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah
Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah
Kindle the light
Divine from Heaven above
Kindle the light
Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense carrier should start to light the candles on hearing Yarah Sarah.

2: The congregation kneels, while singing:
Yah Raman Ih Yah Raman
Yah Raman Yah Rah Yah Raman
Oh come unto the Lord
Oh come unto the Lord. [3ce] Amen

- 3: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor
  The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words
  of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]
- 4: The service conductor must shout out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

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- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
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- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
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### Psalm 24 Jehovah Ramah [3c]

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
- 2. For He hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floors.
- 3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

#### Gloria

5: Prayer forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

6: Lord's Prayer

7: Marriage:

- 1. Handing over of the Bride to the groom's father and mother by the Bride's father and mother: The Bride's father and mother shall say these words before handing over the Bride "In view of the mutual love between your son and our daughter and according to all relevant marriage rites performed in respect of our daughter...........[names], we hand over our daughter to you, as wife to your son with assurance of God' blessing on them" [Amen]
- 2. Bridegroom's parents shall receive the Bride with thanks saying "we thank you for the love you have shown to us giving your daughter to our son....... [Names] as wife. We also have assurance of God's blessing on them [Amen]
- 3. The Bridegroom's parent shall hand over the Bride and the Groom to the representatives of the church members [a male and a female] with the following words: "Elders of the church, we hand over this Bridegroom and the Bride to you for proper care and to be guided from all worldly temptations and for Holy Wedlock of the couple with honest and sincere love and complete peace of mind to the end of their life's"
- 4. The elders will then proceed to hand over the bride and groom to officiating minister with these words: "Our minister, we present this bride and groom to you for your blessing before the Lord"
- 5. The officiating minister will hold the Bride's hand facing the congregation and make this pronouncement: "Behold our daughter whom we know before as a maiden but she is now ready to be joined to her husband. Is there anybody here present who is against this holy matrimony? If there be any present let such person signifies his or her hand. [This pronouncement will be made three times] If there is no opposition, then these two have become independent and an authority unto themselves without any obstacle or hindrance from man' May God bless their union [Amen]
- 6. The Bridegroom will then proceed to hold the bride's left hand with his right while still facing the congregation, and recite after the officiating minister: I ......groom' name] take you......[Bride's name] as my wedded wife, to have and to

hold, to love and to cherish till death do us part, according to God's holy law, and to this I give you my truth. The Bride will likewise hold the groom on the right hand with her right hand and recite after the officiating minister: I ......bride's name] take you......[groom's name] as my wedded wife, to have and to hold, to love and to cherish till death do us part, according to God's holy law, and to this I give you my truth.

- 7. The two rings which had been brought to the altar for sanctification shall be brought forward.
- 8. The groom shall then proceed to put the wedding ring on the bride's finger. He shall initially hold the ring while reciting the following words after the officiating minister: "with this ring I wed you, my body, I will honour you, and with my possession I will care for you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord [Amen]. The Bride will do likewise and recite the same words as groom did. Through these proceedings, the Bestman and Chief Bridesmaid will stand behind the bride and the groom. When doing this, they shall face the Altar, after the this session, the bride and groom will go hand-in-hand to their wedding seats [sitting arrangement 1]

8: Bible lesson

9: Announcement

The Creed

11: Prayer by the preacher

12: Sermon

13: Prayer after sermon

14: Collection

15: Administering the Holy Communion with song: I dwell in righteousness and Holy Spirit descend into our midst]

- 1. Officiating minister, other minister present
- 2. Bride and Bridegroom
- 3. Groom's parents, Bride's parents
- 4. Bestman, Chief Bride's maid and Bridal train
- 5. Elders of the church [male and female]
- 6. Interested guests
- 15: Signing of the marriage register
- 16: Thanks Offering
- 17: Closing Hymn
- 18: Closing prayer by female highest in rank
- 19: Lord's Prayer
- 20: Gloria
- 21: Benediction
- 22: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 23: Recessional Hymn
- 24: Prayer outside the church entrance by the service conductor
- 25: Benediction
- 26: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR LAYING FOUNDATION STONE

### **Material requires:**

- a. Seven sticks candle
- b. Incense
- c. Water
- d. Four big stones
- e. A bottle of perfume
- f. White basin

#### What to do before the commencement of the service:

- a. One stone place near each of the four corners of the foundation pit
- **b.** Four candles to be lit at the each of the four corners of the foundation pit.
- c. The candles to be lit at the centre of the foundation site.
- d. Three candles to be lit round the water inside the white basin [water for sanctification] placed in front of the service conductor.
- f. Burning on incense.

#### **Service**

1: Hymn C.C.C. H.B 58

Sing raise your voices in song

Unto the Lord our king

That Holy King might redeem us

In this His Holy fold

That Holy King might redeem us

And send His heavenly help

To keep us off all sinful deeds

And forgive us all our sins. Amen

- 2: Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51
- 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.

- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I
- 20.shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar...Amen

# Jehovah Ramah [3ce] follows by Psalm 24

#### Psalm 24

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
- 2. For He hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floors.
- 3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

#### 3: Gloria

4: Prayer forgiveness of sins and sanctification of the land and building under construction.

# 5: Lord's Prayer

# 6: Hymn-

It is fitting for us to thank our King and Lord Let us all give thanks offering to our Lord Little ants give thanks to God Sand of sea shore offer thanks Let us also give our thanks Halleluiah to the Lord Let us give praise to God. Amen

- 7: Bible Reading 1 Chronicles 22: 1 19
- 8: Announcement
- 9: Short prayer by the preacher
- 10: Short Sermon
- 11: Short prayer after sermon
- 12: Laying of foundation stones
  - 1. Hymn 731 [Oh lift ye your heads high etc]
  - 2. This song to be sang along the laying of the foundation stone exercise.
  - 3. Starting from the first corner [right hand side where the main Altar will be placed
  - 4. Bible Reading: ELO-HIM JAH [3ce] Zechariah 6: 12 15]
  - 5. Laying of the foundation at the corner followed by prayer.

Note: This procedure is repeated throughout the foundation laying exercise with incense burning and sprinkle of the holy water.

13: Prayer for blessing by seven members.

- 1. A: The seven members to stand by the seven candles lit at the foundation site before the commencement of the service.
- 2. B: Hymn 426 [El Beraca Bered Eli etc]
- 3. C: Prayer for blessing by the seven members. The congregation respond by saying Amen
- 14: Lord's Prayer
- 15: Gloria
- 16: Benediction
- 17: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR PRIVATE HOUSE DEDICATION

# **Preparation:**

- 1: A ribbon is tied across the entrance to the new building
- 2: A pair of scissors in tray
- 3: Sanctified water, incense and candles
- 4: Service conductor takes position at the entrance of the new building
- 5: Members of the household and guests are to congregate at the entrance of the new building.

Service: service takes place at the entrance of the new building.

- 1: Hymn 205 [God the King of heavenly light]
- 2: Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51 [service conductor Psalm 51
- 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2. Wash me thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.
- 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sins are ever before me.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold, I was sharpened in iniquity and in sin did my mothers conceive me.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make me to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge me with the blood of Jesus and I shall be clean. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make me to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.

- 9. Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10. Create in me a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
- 12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then I will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver me from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of my salvation and my tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou my lips and my mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would I give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto me, build thou the walls of salvation around me.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with my prayer and supplication. And now I
- 20.shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar...Amen
- 3: Gloria
- 4: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor
- 5: Lord's Prayer
- 6: Hymn 736 [Jesus love me this I know etc]
- 7: Prayer for Thanksgiving
- 8: Psalm 121 or Psalm 125

#### Psalm 121

- 1. We will lift up our eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh our help
- 2. Our help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth
- 3. He will not suffer our foot to be moved; He that keepeth us will not slumber
- 4. Behold, He that keepeth Celestial Church shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5. The Lord is our keeper: the Lord is our shade upon our right hand.
- 6. The sun shall not smite us by day, nor the moon by night.
- 7. The Lord shall preserve us from the evil: He shall preserve our soul.
- 8. The Lord shall preserve our going out and our coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Amen

#### **Psalm 125**

- 1. They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.
- 2. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even for ever.
- 3. For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.
- 4. Do good, O Lord, unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.
- 5. As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the Lord shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: but peace shall be upon Celestial Church of Christ. Amen

#### 9: Gloria

10: Three member prayer as direct by the service conductor

11: Jehovah Ramah [3ce]

Psalm 24

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
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- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
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- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen
- 12: Prayer for peace and comfort, presence of the Holy Spirit etc.
- 13: Cutting of the ribbon
- 14: Opening of the door of the new building with key and rendering Hymn 731 [Oh lift ye your heads high etc] with incense burning and sprinkling of sanctification water.
- 15: One candle sticks to be lit in each room
- 16: Seven member's prayer for the house owner and the household led by the service conductor with the keys to the new house in his hand. After the prayer, the service leader hands over the keys to the house owner.

- 17: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world.
- 18: Merry, merry, [Entertainment]

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR CHURCH DEDICATION

# **Preparation:**

- 1: A ribbon is tied across the entrance to the new building
- 2: A pair of scissors in tray
- 3: Sanctified water, incense and candles
- 4: Service conductor takes position at the entrance of the new building
- 5: Members of the church and invited guests are to congregate at the entrance of the church
- 6: Plenty of fruit inside the church

Service: service takes place at the entrance of the church.

- 1: Hymn 205 [God the King of heavenly light]
- 2: Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51 [service conductor

#### Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.

- 8. Make us to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
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- 10. Create in us a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within us.
- 11. Cast us not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
- 12. Restore unto us the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then we will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver us from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou our lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we
- 20.shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar...Amen

#### 3: Gloria

- **4:** Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor
- 5: Lord's Prayer
- 6: Hymn
- 7: Prayer for Thanksgiving

#### 8: Psalm 121 or Psalm 125

#### **Psalm 121**

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#### 9: Gloria

10: Three member prayer as direct by the service conductor

# 11: Jehovah Ramah [3ce]

#### Psalm 24

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- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.
- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

#### 12: Gloria

- 13: Cutting of the ribbon with prayer for the presence of the Holy Spirit, sanctification, dedicated worshipers, victory, blessing and God's mercy etc, with burning of incense and sprinkling of sanctification water.
- 14: Opening of the door of the church with key and rendering Hymn 731 [Oh lift ye your heads high etc]
- 15: Seven candles to be arranged on the main Altar.

#### **Service:**

1: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense bearer should start lit the candles starting from the middle candle, then right to the left as soon they started singing Yarah Sarah.

2: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Ih Yah Raman Yah Raman Yah Rah Yah Raman Oh come unto the Lord Oh come unto the Lord. [3ce] Amen

3: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

4: Hymn: Oh Christ Oh my King Oh Christ Oh my King
I will worship thee
Thy art my power and my light
Holy thou Holiest [3ce] Amen.

5: The service conductor must shout out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make us to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.
- 10. Create in us a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within us.
- 11. Cast us not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
- 12. Restore unto us the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then we will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver us from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou our lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.

- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

6: Gloria

- 7: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor
- 8: Hymn
- 9: Prayer for thanksgiving
- **10: Hymn**
- 11: Three member's prayer
  - 1. Power of sanctification, Holy Spirit and church progress [male]
  - 2. Victory and upliftment [female]
  - 3. Mercy of God and blessing [male]
  - **12: Hymn**
  - 13: Silent Prayer
  - 14: Bible Lesson Reading
  - 15: Announcement Parish Secretary
  - 17: The Creed
  - 18: Prayer by the preacher
  - 20: Short prayer after sermon

21: Collection

22: Thanksgiving

23: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank

24: Lord' Prayer

25: Benediction

26: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

27: Recessional Hymn: Jeri Moh Yah Mah

28: Prayer at the church entrance by the service conductor

29: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

30: Merry, Merry [Entertainment]

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR BAPTISM

# **Important Notice:**

- 1. Participant must have completed one year as Celestial Church member before receiving the sacrament of Baptism
- 2. Shepherd should allow themselves to be pressurised into baptising a member that are not qualified.
- 3. Such member must be fully aware of the tenets of the church
- 4. Shepherd must have organised seminars for the new members on the word of God and the importance of Baptism. He must be able to identify fruits of the Holy Spirit in those to be baptised.
- 5. The Shepherd-in-charge must put into practise the teaching of the doctrines of the church
- 6. All Shepherds are warned against baptising a member that has not completed one year as a member of the church
- 7. Shepherd must be in spirit during the baptismal exercise
- 8. Before proceeding for baptism, the Shepherd must inspect the river or stream where baptismal exercise will take place. The stream or the river must not be too deep.
- 9. Only full time church worker from the rank of Assistant Evangelist upward are the only authorised ministers to carry out baptism of member
- 10. Female member must not put on transparent wears so as not to expose their body.

# **Baptismal Exercise**

- 1: Every participating member to have one candle sticks each for the service
- 2: Shepherd to call the names of those to be baptised one by one. The approved list will kneel down facing the east, while the Shepherd will face the members.
- 3: Hymn 79 [Worship ye the Lord in this His Church etc]

# 4: Eyiba

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.
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- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen
- 5: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification
- 6: The Lord's Prayer
- 7: Hymn 674 [Let us work for the purification of our soul etc]
- 8: Announcement by the Shepherd.
- 9: The Shepherd will ask participating members these questions:
  - 1. Brethren, do you desire to be baptised in our Lord Jesus?
  - 2. Will you forsake the worldly things, idolatry, fornication, adultery, deceit, stealing, fighting and all vices?
  - 3. Are you all prepared to abide with all rules and regulations of the church to the end? They should all response by saying yes to all the questions.
- 10: Bible Reading: Matt 3: 13 15 or Acts 19: 1 5
- 11: The Creed
- 12: Short Prayer by the preacher
- 13: Sermon base on the lesson read.
- 14: Hymn 229 [Holy Spirit descend into our midst etc]
- 15: Shepherd will start to lay his hand on their head with prayer, then pray for them

- 16: Shepherd will sanctify the stream/river while members are singing hymn 901 [Jesus we shall worship thee etc]
- 17: Immersion of member one after the other by the Shepherd. He will make sign of cross on their forehead, chest and back of the participating male members. For the female members, the Shepherd will use candle to make a sign of the cross as above.
- 18: Closing Hymn: Hymn 378 [It is fitting for us to thank our King and Lord etc]
- 19: Prayer and Benediction with seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 20: Shepherd prays inside the stream/river to indicate the end of the baptismal exercise. Members the return to the Church
- 21: Prayer in the church
- 22: Each member to use the candle stick to place self before God at home keeping off all impurity.

# WASHING OF THE FEET AND HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

#### **PASSION WEEK**

#### Note:

Passion Week should be a week for sober reflection when all should wear the garment of repentance. All members [male and female] must obey the rules of sanctification. Dressing this time should be modest.

# **Important Notice on Washing of the Feet:**

- 1. All Shepherd, a senior member and two senior female members from each Parish all over the world to present at the washing of feet service which normally takes place on Saturday preceding the Passion Week at the International Headquarter. The service will be conducted by Pastor of Celestial Church of Christ worldwide at the mercy land.
- 2. All Heads/representatives in all International Headquarters of Celestial Church of Christ are to attend the service.
- 3. After the service, Shepherd/representatives to obtain sanctified water for use in their Parishes for washing of their members feet on Thursday [Good Friday Eve]
- 4. All Shepherds and International headquarters representatives are to attend Palm Sunday services which take place on the second day at International headquarter. The Rev. Pastor will administer the sacrament of Holy Communion to all.
- 5. After the service, Shepherds/representatives are to obtain Holy Communion items before leaving to their respective destination.
- 6. The sanctified water and Holy Communion items that was obtained from the International headquarter are to be used in their Parishes during Holy Communion service on Thursday [Good Friday Eve].

#### Lent:

- 1. Fasting and praying start from Monday the next day after Palm Sunday and end on Saturday. All Celestians are endeavour to pray and fast during this Holy week.
- 2. On Saturday Passion week, all Celestial members will congregate at the National headquarter Makoko Lagos by 8pm and by 10pm members will light a stick of candle each in procession to the cemetery singing, dancing and drumming for a special service to be conducted by the Rev. Pastor.

**Service of Washing of the Feet and Holy Communion:** 

1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost by the service conductor.

2: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

Eyiba [3ce] the service conductor to read Psalm 130 or Exodus 20 or Deut. 5

#### **Psalm 130**

- 1. Out of the dept have I cried unto thee, O Lord.
- 2. Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.
- 3. If thou, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?
- 4. But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.
- 5. I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in His word I hope.
- 6. My soul waited for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.
- 7. Let Celestians hope in the Lord: for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption.
- 8. And He shall redeem us from all our iniquities.

#### Exodus 20

- 1. And God spoke all these words, saying,
- 2. I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- 3. Thou shalt no other gods before me.
- 4. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above or that is in the water under the earth:
- 5. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them the hate me;
- 6. And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- 7. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.
- 8. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- 9. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
- 10.But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:
- 11. For six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- 12. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
- 13. Thou shall not kill
- 14. Thou shalt not commit adultery
- 15. Thou shalt not steal
- 16. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour
- 17. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

- 18.And all people saw thundering, and the lightings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood afar off.
- 19. And they said unto Moses, speak thou with us, and we hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.
- 20. And Moses said unto the people, fear not, for God is come to prove you, and that His fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.
- 21.And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God was.
- 22. And the Lord said unto Moses, thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.
- 23. Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.
- 24.An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burn offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thy oxen: in all paces where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.
- 25.And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shall not build it hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool up it, thou hast polluted it.

# **Deuteronomy 5:**

- 1. And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, hear O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.
- 2. The Lord our God made covenant with us in Horeb.
- 3. The Lord made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all us here alive this day.
- 4. The talked with you face to face in the mount out of the mist of the fire,
- 5. I stood between the Lord and you at that time, to shew you the word of the Lord: for ye were afraid by reason of fire, and went not up into the mount; saying,
- 6. I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

- 7. Thou shalt have none other gods before me.
- 8. That shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in earth beneath, or that is in the water beneath the earth:
- 9. Thou shalt mot bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am as jealous God, visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me.
- 10. And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- 11. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.
- 12. Keep the Sabbath day to sanctify it, as the Lord thy God hath command thee.
- 13. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
- 14.But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.
- 15.And remember that thou was a servant in the land of Egypt and that the Lord thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the thy God commanded thee to keep the Sabbath day.
- 16. Honour thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee; that the days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
- 17. Thou shall not kill
- 18. Neither shalt not commit adultery
- 19. Neither shalt not steal
- 20. Neither shalt bear false witness against thy neighbour
- 21. Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife; neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

- 22. These words the Spoke unto all your assembly in the mount out of the mist of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and He added no more. And He wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.
- 23. And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the mist of darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;
- 24. And ye said, behold, the Lord thy God hath showed us His glory and his greatness, and we have heard His voice out of the mist of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man and liveth.
- 25. Now therefore why should we die? For this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of the Lord our God any more, then we shall die.
- 26. For who is there of all flesh, that halt heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the mist of the fire, as we have, and lived?
- 27.Go thou near, and hear all that the Lord our God shall say: and speak thou unto us all that the Lord our God shall speak unto thee; and we will hear it, and do it.
- 28.And the Lord heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and the Lord said to me, I have heard the voice of the words of the people unto thee: they have well said all that they have spoken
- 29.O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!
- 30.Go say to them; get you into your tent again.
- 31.But as for thee, stand that thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, and they may do them in the land which I give them to posses it.
- 32.Ye shall observe to do therefore as the Lord your God hath commanded you; ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or the left.

- 33.Ye shall walk in all the ways which the Lord your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall posses.
- 3: Gloria
- 4: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification
- 5: Lord's Prayer
- 6: Hymn
- 7: Bible Lesson
- 8: Gloria
- 9: The Creed
- 10: Short prayer by the preacher
- 11: Sermon [Shepherd]
- 12 Prayer after sermon
- 13: Washing of the feet exercise: The entire congregation should file out in a single file starting from the Shepherd to the lowest in rank for the washing of the feet, while the choir will render relevant hymn as the exercise is going on.

Notice: The Shepherd and some senior male members wash the feet of male members, while some senior female members wash the feet of the female members. The exercise shall take place outside the precinct of the Church.

Immediately after the washing of the entire member presence, Holy Communion Service will start.

# **Holy Communion Service [Shepherd]**

- 1: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
- 2: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce].

# 3: Hymn:

- a. God Almighty, God Almighty, God Almighty the King of life [3ce]
- b. Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Angel's King [3ce]
- c. Bow down for Him, bow down for Him, bow down for Him King of all people
- d. Response by the congregation: I bow to Him [3ce]
- e. Hi rah jah man jari bam, Hi rah jah man [3ce]
  - i. Holy Spirit, Heavenly dove descend now
- f. Yah Go Lolah Mari Yah Nga Rih Yeh [3ce]
- g. Response by the Congregation: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yeh [3ce]
- h. Pay homage to the King our Lord [3ce]
- i. Response by the congregation: We pay homage to Him [3ce] Amen

# 4: Eyiba [3ce]

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.

- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make us to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.
- 10. Create in us a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within us.
- 11. Cast us not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
- 12. Restore unto us the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then we will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver us from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou our lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

### 5: Gloria

6: Three member's prayer

- a. Thanksgiving, God's mercy for all the members and Parishes [male]
- b. Victory over the power of darkness and for unity within the church [female
  - c. God's Holy Spirit and blessing for all [male]

7: Hymn 674 [Let us work for the purification of our soul etc]

8a: 1<sup>st</sup> Bible Lesson 8b: 2<sup>nd</sup> Bible Lesson

9: Gloria

10: The Creed

11: Short prayer by the preacher [Shepherd]

12: Sermon

13: Prayer after sermon

14: Collection and prayer over the collection

15: Administration of the Holy Communion:

The Shepherd shall administer the sacrament of Holy Communion inside the main altar in this order: [rendering of relevant hymn should be render while the exercise is going on]

- 1. The Shepherd first then silent prayer
- 2. Deputy Shepherd and church workers
- 3. All members sitting in the altar
- 4. After above people as had their sacrament of the Holy Communion, close entrance to the main altar.
- 5. Senior female members of the church clasping their palms, will all kneel down in front of the entrance to the main altar for the exercise
- **6.** Follows by all qualified members

# **Important Notice:**

- 1. Any member who has not received the sacrament of Baptism is not qualify to partake of the Holy Communion
- 2. Any member who is neither a Shepherd nor a Church worker should not touch Holy Communion items and utensils.
- 3. On no account should female members have anything to do with Holy Communion items.

16: Closing Hymn

17: Closing Prayer by female highest in rank

18: Lord's Prayer

19: Gloria

20: Benediction by the Shepherd

21: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN WAKE

- 1: Hymn 674 [Let us work for the purification of our soul]
- 2: Prayer for forgiveness of sins, God's mercy for the deceased, the families and the church.
- 3: The Lord's Prayer

Part Two: the following Hymns

4a: Hymn 774 [Holy is Lord Jesus Christ etc]

b: Hymn 158 [Jesus my great assistant etc]

c: Hymn 580 [When the trumpet of the would sound etc]

- 5: Three member's prayer:
  - 1: Forgiveness of sins and God's mercy for the deceased [male]
- 2: Protection over the children, families, and the church, also for long life for

the children/families [female]

3: God's abiding presence for the families and the church [male]

Part Three: the following Hymns

6a: Hymn 207 [Golden organs sound louder etc]

b: Hymn 283 [O hearken all ye people etc]

c: Hymn 233 [Celestial Church girdle your lions etc]

7: Bible Reading – Ecclesiastes 3: 1 – 9

8: Hymn 668 [In my Fathers' house in heaven etc]

9: Announcement – Parish Secretary

10: The Creed

11: Sermon

- 12: Prayer after the sermon
- 13: Hymn 575 [O Lord do not forget me etc] and Hymn 620 [Ye children of Celestial etc]
- 14: Concluding prayer
- 15: Benediction.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR BURIAL

# **Important Notice:**

Carrying of corpse into the church is forbidden in all Celestial Churches all over the world. Service is to be held in honour of the departed souls at their residence

#### Note:

- 1. Service of songs/wake-keeping takes place at the residence of the deceased
- 2. Short service in the residence of the deceased before burial.
- 3. Two candle sticks to be lit, one by the deceased head and by the feet.
- 4. Service to be led by a senior member in rank

#### Part one:

- a. Hymn 774 [Holy is the Lord Jesus Christ]
- b. Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor
- c. The Lord's Prayer
- d. Hymn 674 [Let work for the purification of our soul]
- e. Three member's prayer as directed by the service conductor

#### Part Two:

The corpse leaves its residence for its final resting place [Burial ground]

Procession start from the residence of the deceased to the burial ground if the burial ground is not far to the residence, but if the burial ground is far, procession starts near the burial ground.

# Order of procession:

- 1. Elders of the Church
- 2. Corpse bearers
- 3. The family of the deceased stays by the right and left of the corpse with the relations.
- 4. Choir and members [While singing Hymn 647 'We come to the market in the world']

We come to market

We come to market

We come to the market in the world

We come to market

We come to market

We come to the market in the world Amen.

Service conductor reads the following extract from the bible, after the reading, they will continue to render the Hymn "we come to market in the world"

1: Bible Reading extract: "Jesus said I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me, though he was dead. Yet shall he live. And whoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. [John 11: 25 -26]

Hymn: we come the market in the world etc.

2: Bible reading extract: "Let not your heart be trouble: ye believe in God believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you, I go prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself that where I am, there you may be also" [John14: 1-3]

Hymn: we come to the market in the world etc.

3: Bible Reading: "And though after my skin worms destroy this body yet in my flesh shall I see God. Whom I shall see myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. Though my reins be consumed within me" [Job 19: 27 - 27]

Hymn: we come to market in the world

4: Bible Reading extract: "For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we cannot take any thing out of this world, the Lord gave, the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord"

[Tim 6:7] "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord" Job 1:21

#### At the Burial Ground:

Place the corpse over the grave; the head towards the right hand and the feet towards the left hand side of the service.

# **Burial Service in the burial ground:**

- 1: Hymn 674 [Let us work for the purification of our soul]
- 2: Prayer for forgiveness of sins and sanctification
- 3: Lord's Prayer
- 4: Hymn 649 [Thy mercy Father we pray etc]

Thy mercy Father we pray
Things of the world are vain
Thou most holy Father
Do come and redeem us. Amen

# 5: Reading of Psalm 90

- 1. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations
- 2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.
- 3. Thou turnest man to destruction, and sayest, return, ye children of men.
- 4. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.
- 5. Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are like grass which growth up.
- 6. In the morning it flourisheth and growth up; in the evening it is cut down, with hereth.

- 7. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.
- 8. Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.
- 9. For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.
- 10. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.
- 11. Who knoweth the power of thine anger? Even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.
- 12.So teach us to number our days, that we may apply your hearts unto wisdom.
- 13.Return, O Lord, how long? And let it repent thee concerning thy servants.
- 14.O satisfies us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
- 15. Make us glad according to the days wherein we have seen evil.
- 16.Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.
- 17. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea the work of our hands establish thou it.
- 6: Three members' prayer as directed by the service conductor.
- 7: Hymn 528 [Jehovah thou our gracious shield]
  Jehovah thou our gracious shield
  We are looking unto Thee
  Open wide thy merciful door
  That we go home not in vain. Amen
- 8: Bible Lesson Revelation 14: 6 13
- 9: The Creed
- 10 Short prayers by the preacher

- 11: Sermon
- 12: Sanctify the grave with holy water and incense.
- 13: Lowering the corpse into the grave
- 14: Hymn 646 [Belele a o na Bonono]
  - 1: Belele a o na Bonono Belele a o na Bonono Moni Seroba Roba Na Michael Zoni Belele a o na Bonono
  - 2: Let us go to the side of the Lord
    Let us go to the side of the Lord
    To heaven beside Holy Michael
    Brethren let us go to the side of the Lord. Amen

Service conduct sanctifies the corpse with incense in this order:

Left side

Right side

The leg

Head of the corpse.

15: Prayer for God's mercy on the family of the deceased, congregation and all sympathisers.

16: The family and relations of the deceased sprinkle holy water instead of sand or ashes on the corpse in the order of seniority.

17: The grave is covered

Note: Prayer takes place at the residence of the deceased for seven days with one candle lit each day at the very place where he or she dies.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR REMEMBRANCE

# [AMISSA]

# Materials requires for the service:

- 1. Corn pap [koko] and bean cake [Akara] to be prepared in abundance
- 2. Seven types of fruit to be provided in the church
- 3. Nine candle sticks for deceased adult, two candle sticks for a deceased juvenile.
- 4. Incense and other sacred items

# **Candle Arrangement:**

- a: Seven sticks of candle on the inner altar
- b: Two sticks of candle lighted on the head and foot of the catafa
- c: If the service is in respect of a deceases juvenile, the two candles will be lit on the upper and lower side of the catafa.

#### Service:

- 1: Prayer outside the church entrance by the service conductor
- 2: The Lord's Prayer
- 3: Processional hymn Brethren come with me etc.
- 4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Kindle the light Divine from Heaven above

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above Amen

NB: Incense bearer should start lit the candles starting from the middle candle, then right to the left as soon they started singing Yarah Sarah.

5: The congregation kneels, while singing: Yah Raman Ih Yah Raman Yah Raman Yah Rah Yah Raman Oh come unto the Lord Oh come unto the Lord. [3ce] Amen

6: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

# Eyiba [3ce] Psalm 51

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make us to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.
- 10. Create in us a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within us.

- 11. Cast us not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
- 12. Restore unto us the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then we will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver us from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou our lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

# 7: Eli Yah [3ce] Psalm 24

- 1. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof the world and they that dwell therein.
- 2. For He hath founded it upon the saes and established it upon the floors.
- 3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His is holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands and a pure hearth; who hath not lifted his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- 5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6. We are the generation that seek Him that seek thy face, God of Celestial.

- 7. Lift up your heads o ye gates; and be lifted up O ye everlasting door; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your head O ye gate; even lift them up O ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory Jehovah shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts; Jesus Christ, He is the King of glory. Amen

8: Prayer of mercy, sanctification and forgiveness of sins for the deceased and all present

9: Lord's Prayer

10: Hymn 16 [forgiveness of sin we pray etc]

11 Alfaji Ara – Hach [3ce] Psalm 90

- 1. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations
- 2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.
- 3. Thou turnest man to destruction, and sayest, return, ye children of men.
- 4. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.
- 5. Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are like grass which growth up.
- 6. In the morning it flourisheth and growth up; in the evening it is cut down, with hereth.
- 7. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.
- 8. Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

- 9. For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.
- 10. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.
- 11. Who knoweth the power of thine anger? Even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.
- 12.So teach us to number our days, that we may apply your hearts unto wisdom.
- 13.Return, O Lord, how long? And let it repent thee concerning thy servants.
- 14.O satisfies us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
- 15. Make us glad according to the days wherein we have seen evil.
- 16.Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.
- 17.And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea the work of our hands establish thou it.
- 12: Prayer of thanksgiving on behalf of the children, family and relation of the deceased by the service conductor
- 13: Hymn 674 [Let us work for the purification of our soul etc]
- 14: Three member's prayer for the deceased and family he/she left behind
- 15: Hymn 176 [Father from heaven authorises etc]
- 16: Bible Lesson [Either of the three Lessons] Eccl. 3: 1-9, John 11: 21-33 or 1Cor. 15: 30-42
- 17: Announcement
- 18: The Creed

19: Short prayer by the preacher

20: Sermon

21: Short prayer after sermon

22: Collection. 22b Prayer over the collection

23: Special prayer for the deceased

The leader of the special prayer will kneel down behind the catafa to be assisted by incense bearer. The prayer leader will call out the name(s) of the deceased while burning incense over the catafa, the choir/congregation render this song Hymn 646 [Belele a o na Bonono]

1: Belele a o na Bonono Belele a o na Bonono Moni Seroba Roba Na Michael Zoni Belele a o na Bonono

2: Let us go to the side of the Lord
Let us go to the side of the Lord
To heaven beside Holy Michael
Brethren let us go to the side of the Lord.

24: After above exercise, the prayer leader and the congregation will kneel down to pray led by the special prayer leader.

25: Benediction after the prayer by the prayer leader

26: Seven Halleluiah all facing the altar

27: Thanks Offering

28: Closing Hymn – hymn 254 [Jesus gives us thy power etc]

29: Closing prayer by a female member highest in rank

30: The Lord's Prayer

31: Benediction

32: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

33: Recessional hymn- [I am going to Jerusalem etc]. As the congregation file out, they will take out of the fruit that was provided.

34: Prayer outside the church entrance by the service conduct

**35:** Benediction by the service conductor

36: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE END OF YEAR

# 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER EVERY YEAR AT 10PM

**Service Conductor: Minister-in-Charge [Shepherd]** 

1: The entire congregation will hold one lighted candle each before entering the church.

- 2: Prayer by the service conductor at the entrance of the church
- 3: Procession into the house of God with sing: "Halleluiah from heave above

sing the songs of joy". The incense bearer will lead the procession in to the

church while burning incense.

4: Hymn for lighting the candles:

Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Yarah Rah Sarah, Yah Rah Samahtah Kindle the light

Kindle the light

Divine from Heaven above

Kindle the light

**Divine from Heaven above Amen** 

NB: Incense carrier should start lit the candles starting from the middle candle, then right to the left as soon they started singing Yarah Sarah.

5: The congregation kneels, while singing:

Yah Raman Ih Yah Raman

Yah Raman Yah Rah Yah Raman

Oh come unto the Lord

Oh come unto the Lord. [3ce] Amen

6: Ringing of the bell three times x3 by the service conductor

The congregation while bowing down their head recites these words of adoration: Holy! Holy!! Is the Lord God of Hosts [3ce]

7: Hymn: Oh Christ Oh my King - Oh Christ Oh my King I will worship thee Thy art my power and my light Holy thou Holiest [3ce]. Amen.

8: The service conductor must shout out Eyiba [3ce] and wait for the congregation to respond holy before he asks the congregation to repeat Psalm 51 after him. When reading the Psalm, service conduct should read it slowly and allow the congregations to finish repeating after him line by line before he continues with another line.

# Eyiba [3ce]

- 1. Have mercy upon us, o God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions.
- 2. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.
- 3. For we acknowledge our transgressions and our sins are ever before us.
- 4. Against Thee, Thee only have sinned and done these evils in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speaketh and be clear when thou judgeth.
- 5. Behold we were sharpened in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceived us.
- 6. Behold thou desireth truth in the inward parts and in the hidden parts. Thou shall make us to know wisdom.
- 7. Purge us with the blood of Jesus and we shall be clean. Wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.
- 8. Make us to hear the joy and gladness that the bones which thou have broken may rejoice.
- 9. Hide thy face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.

- 10. Create in us a clean heart o God and renew a right spirit within us.
- 11. Cast us not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
- 12. Restore unto us the joy of thy salvation and uphold us with thy free spirit.
- 13. Then we will teach transgressor thy ways and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14.Deliver us from blood guiltiness o God. Thou God of our salvation and our tongues shall sing aloud of thy righteousness,
- 15.Lord, open thou our lips and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.
- 16. For thou desireth not in sacrifice else would we give it. Thou desireth not in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, broken and a contrite heart. O God, thou will not despise.
- 18.Do good in thy pleasure unto us, build thou the walls of salvation around us.
- 19. Then shall thou be pleased with our prayer and supplication. And now we shall dance and sing a song of praise around thy Holy altar... Amen

9: Gloria

10: Prayer forgiveness of sins and sanctification by the service conductor

11: Lord's Prayer

**12: Hymn** 

13: Eliya [3ce] Psalm 118

- 1. O gives thanks to the Lord: for He is good: His mercy endureth forever
- 2. Let Celestians now say, His mercy endureth forever
- 3. Let the congregation now say, that His mercy endureth forever
- 4. Let them that fear the Lord say, that His mercy endureth forever
- 5. We call upon the Lord in distress; the Lord answered us, and set us in a large place.
- 6. The Lord is on our side; we will not fear: what can man do unto us?
- 7. The Lord taketh our part with them that help us: therefore shall we see our desire upon them that hate us.
- 8. It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in man.
- 9. It is better to trust in God than to put confidence in princes
- 10.All nations compassed us about but in the name of the Lord, we will destroy them.
- 11. They compassed us about yea they compassed us about: but in the name of the Lord we will destroy them.
- 12. They compassed us about like bees; they are quenched as a fire of thorns for in the name our God we will destroy them.
- 13. Thou hast thrust sore at us that we might fall: but the Lord helped us.
- 14. The Lord is our strength and song, and is become our salvation.
- 15. The voice and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous, the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly
- 16. The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly
- 17. We will not die, but live to declare the works of the Lord.
- 18. The Lord has chastened us sore, but He has not given us over to death.
- 19. Open to us the gates of righteousness, we will go into them, and we will praise the Lord.
- 20. This the gate of the Lord into which the righteous shall enter
- 21.We will praise thee for thou hast heard us and art become our salvation

- 22. The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.
- 23. This is the Lord's doing it is marvellous in our eyes
- 24. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25. Save now we beseech thee; O Lord , O Lord we beseech thee, send now prosperity
- 26.Blessed be He that cometh in the name of the Lord, we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.
- 27.God is the Lord, who hath showed us light, bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the house of the altar,
- 28. Thou art our God, and we will praise thee; thou art our God we will exalt thee.
- 29.O gives thanks to the Lord; for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever. Amen
- 14: Three members' prayer as directed by the service conductor
- 15: Bible Lesson
- 16: Gloria
- 17: Announcement
- 18: The Creed
- 19: Prayer by the preacher
- 20: Sermon
- 21: Short prayer after sermon
- 22: Congregation to pray silently before 12 midnight: To thank almighty God for the year that is coming to an end, also for the coming New Year. They should made personal petitions to God

for the New Year. This prayer should be done nearing 12 midnight. At 12 midnight, ushering in the New Year with singing and dancing.

Second part of the service start after dancing and singing to welcome the New Year.

- 1: Hymn: God Almighty, God Almighty etc.
  - j. God Almighty, God Almighty, God Almighty the King of life [3ce]
  - k. Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Angel's King [3ce]
  - Bow down for Him, bow down for Him King of all people
  - m. Response by the congregation: I bow to Him [3ce]
  - n. Hi rah jah man jari bam, Hi rah jah man [3ce] Holy Spirit, Heavenly dove descend now
  - o. Yah Go Lolah Mari Yah Nga Rih Yeh [3ce]
  - p. Response by the Congregation: Yah Go Lolah Mari Yeh[3ce]
  - q. Pay homage to the King our Lord [3ce]
  - r. Response by the congregation: We pay homage to Him [3ce] Amen
- 2: Seven members' prayer [four male and three female] as directed by the

service conductor.

- 3: Collection and prayer over collection
- 4: Thanks Offering
- 5: Closing Hymn
- 6: Closing prayer by a female highest in rank
- 7: The Lord's Prayer

- 8: Gloria
- 9: Benediction
- 10: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world
- 11: Recessional Hymn- Halleluiah from heaven above etc.
- 12: Prayer outside church entrance by the service conductor
- 13: Benediction
- 14: Seven Halleluiah to the four corners of the world