

CHAPEL OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT UNILAG

Order of service

FOR THE

SOLEMNIZATION OF THE HOLY MATRIMONY

BETWEEN

OLUWAFISADE ADEBUSOLA AKINYEMI

OLUWASEUN IMOIGELE OGUNDAINI

AT

THE CHAPEL OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, AKOKA.

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28[™] DECEMBER 2024

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12 NOON



Officiating Ministers

Reverend Azuka Ogbolumani – Chaplain Venerable (Prof.) F.A. Fajemirokun Reverend Bayo Awala Reverend (Prof.) Bolaji Owasanoye Reverend (Prof.) Fola Tayo Rev. (Prof.) Wale Okunuga Rev. (Prof.) Yemisi Obashoro John Rev. Taiwo Adeniyi Venerable Professor John Foluso Owotade Venerable Dr Richard Olaniyi Ogunlusi Very Rev. Makinde Majekodunmi

Choir-in-stall

THE CHAPEL OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHOIR

Order of Service

- 1. OPENING PRAYER
- 2. PROCESSIONAL HYMN: All Hail The Power Of JESUS Name, FOLLOWED BY Bridal March
- 3. EXHORTATION, CHARGE AND DECLARATION
- 4. NUPTIAL HYMN: The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden
- 5. SOLEMNIZATION OF THE MARRIAGE
- 6. HYMN OF CONSECRATION: O Perfect Love
- 7. SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE COUPLE
- 8. Presentation of the couple
- 9. MINISTRATION OF THE WORD
- 10. SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE REGISTER-SPECIAL MINISTRATIONS: Lemuel Iyalla, Bro Tosin Agbaje
- 11. THANKSGIVING (CHORUSES)
- 12. Prayer and Benediction
- 13. RECESSIONAL HYMN: LEAD us, Heavenly Father, lead us

1. PROCESSIONAL HYMN ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME

- ALL hail the power of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And Crown Him Lord of all!
- 2. Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
 Who from His altar call;
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
- 3. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
 A remnant weak and small,
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
- 4. Ye Gentile sinners, ne'er forget
 The wormwood and the gall;
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
- Let every kindred, every tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball,
 To Him 'all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
- 6. Oh that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall; Join in the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!



2. EXHORTATION, CHARGE AND DECLARATION

EXHORTATION

The minister shall then say:

Dearly beloved, we are gathered here in the sight of GOD and in the face of this congregation as witnesses to join together Oluwaseun Imoigele and Oluwafisade Adebusola in holy matrimony, which is an honourable estate, instituted by God, signifying to us the mystical union that is between Christ and His church. Which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with His presence and by the first miracle that He wrought in Cana of Galilee and is commended by Saint Paul to be honourable among all men and therefore is not to be enterprised nor taken in hand unadvisedly, lightly or wantonly, just to satisfy men's carnal lusts and appetites like brute beats that have no understanding; but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly and in the fear of God, duly considering the causes for which matrimony was ordained.

First, it is ordained for companionship, mutual society, help and comfort, which the husband and wife ought to have for each other in all circumstances.

Second, it is ordained for the increase of mankind according to the will of God and that children might be brought up in the knowledge of the Lord and to the praise of His holy name.

Third, it is ordained that the natural instincts and affections implanted by God in man should be hallowed and directed rightly; that those who are called of God to this holy estate should continue therein in pureness of living.

Into this holy estate, these two persons, Oluwaseun Imoigele and Oluwafisade Adebusola come now to be joined. Therefore, if any man can show any just cause why they should not be lawfully joined together, let him now speak or forever, hold his peace.

CHARGE AND DECLARATION

I require and charge you both as you will answer at that dreadful day of judgement when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know of any impediment or impediments, why you may not be lawfully joined together in matrimony you do now confess it. For be well assured that so many as are coupled together otherwise than the Word of God allows are not joined together by God neither is their matrimony lawful.

3. NUPTIAL HYMN

The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden

- 1. The voice breathed o'er Eden,
 That earliest wedding day,
 The primal marriage blessing,
 It hath not passed away.
- 2. Still in the pure espousal Of Christian man and maid The Holy Three are with us, The threefold grace is said.
- 3. For dower of blessèd children
 For love and faith's sweet sake,
 For high mysterious union,
 Which nought on earth may break.
- Be present, heavenly Father, To give away this bride, As Eve Thou gav'st to Adam Out of his own pierced side.

- 5. Be present, gracious Saviour,
 To join their loving hands,
 As Thou didst bind two natures
 In Thine eternal bands.
- 6. Be present, Holy spirit,
 To bless them as they kneel,
 As Thou for Christ the Bridegroom,
 The heavenly spouse dost seal.
- 7. O spread Thy pure wings o'er them! Let no ill power find place, When onward through life's journey The hallowed path they trace.
- 8. To cast their crowns before Thee, In perfect sacrifice, Till to the home of gladness With Christ's own bride they rise.

Amen.



4. SOLEMNIZATION OF THE MARRIAGE

Exchange of Vows

The minister shall say to the groom:

Oluwaseun Imoigele will you take this woman, Oluwafisade Adebusola to be your lawfully wedded wife to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony? Will you love her, comfort her, honour and keep her in all circumstances and forsaking all others, keep yourself only to her, so long as you both shall live?

The groom answers: "I will, God helping me"

The minister shall say to the bride:

Oluwafisade Adebusola will you take this man Oluwaseun Imoigele to be your lawfully wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony? Will you love him, comfort him, honour and keep him in all circumstances, and forsaking all others, keep yourself only to him so long as you both shall live?

The bride answers: "I will, God helping me"

The minister shall address the congregation:
Who gives Oluwafisade Adebusola to be married to Oluwaseun
Imoigele?

The father of the bride shall answer: I do, in Jesus' name.

The minister receiving the woman at her father's hand shall cause the man with his right hand to take the woman by her right hand and the groom facing the bride shall say as follows:

I, Oluwaseun Imoigele, before God and these witnesses take you, Oluwafisade Adebusola, to be my lawfully wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, in all circumstances and challenges of life, in trials and testing, in triumphs and prosperity; never leaving nor forsaking you all the days of our lives, according to the holy will of God. This is my solemn vow.

SOLEMIZATION [Cont'd.]

The minister shall cause the woman with her right hand to take the man by his right hand and the bride facing the groom shall say as follows:

I, Oluwafisade Adebusola, before God and these witnesses take you Oluwaseun Imoigele to be my lawfully wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, in all circumstances and challenges of life, in trials and testing, in triumph and prosperity; never leaving nor forsaking you all the days of our lives, according to the holy will of God. This is my solemn vow.

Exchange of Rings

The minister receiving the ring shall bless them saying: Bless, oh God, these rings which we bless in your name and grant that Oluwaseun Imoigele and Oluwafisade Adebusola, who shall wear them, keep true faith unto each other and that they both may abide in your peace and according to your will and ever live in mutual love unto their lives end, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

The minister hands over the bride's ring to the man to put on the fourth finger of the woman's left hand and the man holding the ring there shall say:

With this ring I wed you, with my body I adore you and with all my worldly possessions I endow you, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The minister hands over the groom's ring to the woman to put on the fourth finger of the man's left hand and the woman holding the ring shall say:

This ring I give you in token and pledge of my constant faith and abiding love, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then they both shall kneel down while the congregation stands and the minister shall pray as follows:

O Eternal GOD, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life; send Your blessing upon these Your servants Oluwaseun Imoigele and Oluwafisade Adebusola, whom we bless in Your name; that living together, they may surely perform and keep the vow and the covenant between them made, of which these rings given and received are token and pledge, and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, living according to Your laws through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

Pronouncement

Then shall the minister join their hands together and say:
For as much as Oluwaseun Imoigele and Oluwafisade Adebusola have consented together in holy wedlock and have proclaimed the same before GOD and this congregation by the exchange of vows and have declared the same by giving and receiving of rings and joining of hands, I as a minister of the Church of JESUS CHRIST, by the ordinance of GOD and according to the laws of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, pronounce you man and wife in the name of the FATHER and of the SON and of the HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

THOSE WHOM GOD HAS JOINED TOGETHER LET NO MAN PUT ASUNDER.

5. HYMN OF CONSECRATION O Perfect I ove

- O perfect Love, all human thought transcending, Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy throne, That theirs may be the love which knows no ending, Whom Thou for evermore dost join in one
- O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance
 Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
 Of patient hope, and quiet brave endurance,
 With childlike trust that fears no pain nor death.

- 3. Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow, Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife; And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow, That dawns upon eternal love and life.
- 6. SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE COUPLE
- 7. PRESENTATION OF THE COUPLE

The minister shall ask the couple to face the congregation and say:
And now, I am happy and privileged to congratulate and introduce to
you, Dr. & Mrs. Oluwaseun and Oluwafisade Ogundaini

- 8. MINISTRATION OF THE WORD
- 9. SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE REGISTER-Lemuel Iyalla, Bro Tosin Agbaje
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- II. ANNOUNCEMENTS
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- 13. WITHDRAWAL HYMN

LEAD us, Heavenly Father, lead us

- LEAD us, Heavenly Father, lead us, O'er the world's tempestuous sea; Guide us, guard us, keep us, feed us, For we have no help but Thee; Yet possessing every blessing, If our God our Father be.
- 2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us, All our weakness Thou dost know; Thou didst tread the earth before us, Thou didst feel its keenest woe; Lone and dreary, faint and weary, Through the desert Thou dids't go.
- 3. Spirit of our God descending, Fill our hearts with heavenly joy; Love with every feeling blending, Pleasures that can never cloy: Thus provided, pardoned, guided, Nothing can our peace destroy.

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The families of Barr. & Mrs. Akinyemi and Prof. & Mrs. Ogundaini, extend their appreciation and gratitude to you for coming to witness this joyous celebration.

Our heartfelt gratitude also goes out to the entire body of Chapel of Christ Our Light, University of Lagos.

May the Good Lord bless you all.

Amen