

## A life well lived

## **IN LOVING MEMORY**

of the late

## MRS. MARY AKUA BAKAI ADU-BOAMPONG

#### THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST 2020:

LAYING IN STATE/ BURIAL SERVICE TIME: 8.00AM – 10.00AM VENUE: TRANSITIONS HAATSO INTERMENT: AT GETHSEMANE MEMORIAL GARDEN – SHIASHIE

#### SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST 2020:

FINAL FUNERAL RITE **TIME:** 10.00AM – 5.00PM VENUE: KOTOBABI NO2 SCHOOL PARK

#### SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST 2020:

THANKSGIVING SERVICE **TIME:** 8.00AM – 10.00AM **VENUE:** COP JOHN ANIM-SAMPONG TEMPLE, BEHIND RANA PLAZA, SPINTEX



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## ORDER OF SERVICE

### PART ONE

2.	Choruses	<ul> <li>Dn. Samuel Owusu</li> <li>Congregation</li> </ul>	S
	File Past	-	C
4.	Scripture Reading a) Twi	<ul> <li>Dns. Patience</li> </ul>	C
F	Drover of Theorem	Amankwa	S
5.	Prayer of Thanksgiving		
		<ul> <li>Elder Daniel Opoku Asare</li> </ul>	
6.	Introduction	- Conductor	S
7.	Song	<ul> <li>Akwantu bi wo ho a vebetu</li> </ul>	E
8.	Biography & Tributes		Т
	0 1 7	- Family Representative	1
		- Widower	-
		– Children	F
		– Church	S
9.	Song	<ul> <li>Wobehwim yen afa mununkum yi mu</li> </ul>	y S
10.	Sermon	- Ps. Justice Appiah	F
11.	Prayer		C
12.	Offertory		F
13.	Announcement		A
14.	Prayer		
15.	Procession to Ce	metery – Gethsemane, East Legon	V
16.	Committal		C
17.		– Elder Obeng Agyei	E
18.	Benediction		

### FINAL FUNERAL RITE SERVICE

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2020

Opening Prayer	<ul> <li>Dns. Patience Appiah</li> </ul>			
Choruses	<ul> <li>Congregation</li> </ul>			
Introduction	<ul> <li>Conductor</li> </ul>			
Song	- Other District/ Comm.			
	20 Dist./ John			
	Anim-Sampong			
Scripture Reading	- Psalms90:1-12			
English	<ul> <li>Sis. Perpetual Velvin</li> </ul>			
Jones				
Twi	<ul> <li>Dcn. Frank Asare</li> </ul>			
	Bediako			
Prayer of Thanksgiving – Elder Henry Kweteye				
Song	<ul> <li>Akwantu bi wo ho a</li> </ul>			
yebetu				
Sermon	– Ps. Enoch Nii Akrashie/			
Ps. Justice Appiah Afful				
Altar Call / Prayer	-			
Offertory				
Prayer for the Bereaved Family –				
Announcement				
Vote of Thanks – Family Representative				

Conductors: Eld. E. Sabi Opoku/Eld. Peter Batsa

## Biography of the late

## MRS. MARY AKUA BAKAI ADU-BOAMPONG

"The righteous perish, and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away, to be spared from evil. Those who walk uprightly enter into peace: they find rest as they lie in death" – Isaiah 57:1-2

'The deep pain that is felt at the death of every friendly soul arises from the feeling that there is in every individual something which is inexpressible, peculiar to him alone, and is, therefore, absolutely and irretrievably lost.". – Arthur Schopenhauer

Mrs. Mary Akua Bakai Adu-Boampong affectionately called "Maame" or "Aunty Mary" by the family and extended relations was born in Zaire now the Republic of Congo on the 25th of March 1970. She was the seventh child of Mr. Emmanuel Assafuah of Wassa Manso and Mrs. Comfort Assafuah of Wassa Adansi in the Western Region of Ghana. Both of blessed memory.

Her father was a Diplomat and so they travelled around a lot. The family finally returned to Ghana and Maame was enrolled at the Martin Luther King International School in Accra. She then proceeded to the Nungua Secondary School for her secondary education in the year 1984. Maame, after secondary school, enrolled in a vocational training school because of the love she had for fashion. She started the 'Mary Fashion' design shop at Nungua and started designing childrens' dresses and selling to shops in Accra.

Mary was a staunch Christian who loved God at her tender age. She started Sunday school at the Church of Pentecost Children Service at Teshie-Nungua Estate Assembly. She remained faithful in the church and became a Sunday School teacher. Due to her commitment and dedication to the church, when her mother passed on, some of the elders of the church gladly accepted her in their homes. Eventually, she settled with Elder Erskine and family at Nungua.

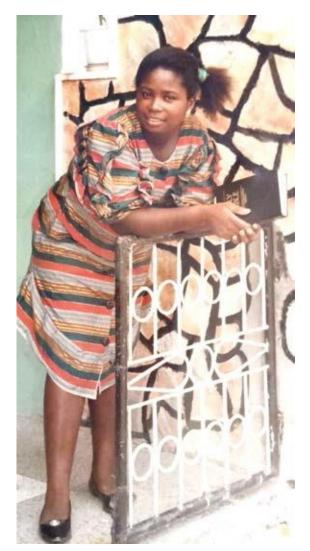
Maame met her life partner Mr. Collins Adu-Boampong who was also with her in the same church and both families were informed accordingly. The young man asked for her hand in marriage and on 18th December 1993 they tied the knot. They moved to settle at Spintex where she started selling fabrics, dressing bags among other things. She named her shop Auntie Mary's Boutique. Their marriage was blessed with three children: two boys and a girl.

After a brief illness on Wednesday the 22nd of July 2020 at the Nyaho Clinic, she passed on to her maker. Mary left behind her husband Mr. Collins Adu-Boampong, her three children: Michael Ohene Boampong, Angela Asantewaa Boampong and Gabriel Adjei Boampong, two sisters and three brothers, and many friends and families.

"Mrs. Mary Akua Bakai Adu-Boampong, heaven has called you. You left so many words unsaid.

Now the time has come probably so many words unspoken. Maybe some regrets, likewise some wishes too, but we are consoled by those cherished memories of you which shall stay with us forever".

Rest in peace our dear sister, friend, daughter, wife, and mother till we meet in the Lord.







# Tribute to MY DEAR WIFE

'When peace like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like seabillows rolls.

Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul".

'I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore, my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope' (Psalms 16:8-9)

How do I start and how should I end it? Too difficult to believe the reality that my dear one is no more. This world is full of sorrows, pain and mysteries which makes here not a perfect place to live as my wife Mary always preached.

I call her Mary or May and she will respond Daddy. Am calling you as usual, shouting or screaming but no response or the usual welcoming smiles. Where are you, why have you kept mute which is unusual of you. I like to hear your soft voice, your recomposing of Pentecostal songs and your powerful prayers. I first met Mary at church and got to know her better while we were serving as Sunday school teachers at the church of Pentecost Bethel Assembly at Nungua. She was a strong devoted Christian who was always at church but quite reserved to make friends and show off her qualities in public. With the recommendation from an Elder of the church we got married on 18th December 1993. We had childbearing challenges at the initial stage of our marriage. One day, I came home to see her crying just because a neighbor had tagged her as barren. I comforted and said to her, God's time is the best. Surprisingly, she got pregnant during that period and gave birth to our first son Michael. God granted us three angels, Michael, Angela, and Gabriel.

Mary was the spiritual pillar of the house. Her constant intercessory prayers, singing of Pentecostal songs, and giving thanks to her marker for the family will be greatly missed. She thought our children how to fast, pray and study the bible. Any time I am to preach,



she will pray special prayers for me and give me feedback after church.

She was a unifier, whose doors were always opened. Never did I for once, see or hear Mary engage in exchange of words with neighbors. People's well-being was her concern. She would go the extra mile to give the little she had to support others with smiles. She was a cheerful giver.

Mary was a friend to old ladies and children. She always wanted to serve her family meal from her kitchen. Even on her sick bed, she requested a nurse to find me food because the likelihood of me eating when I got home was minimal.

You preached to anyone you encountered about the second coming of Christ saying there is nothing better in this world that we should be fighting for. Therefore, we should learn to forgive others. My dear one, on Wednesday 22nd July 2020 at 02.01AM, you left me without a word. What should I tell our children? Who is going to take care of the house? Who will welcome me and give me water when I return from work? Who is going to pray for the family?

How am I going to live in the house when the children are in school? I take consolation in the word of God that those who died in the Lord will rise again and I hope to see you with your glorious crown.

My Dear Mary, Rest well Akua, God keep your soul

# Tribute by the CHILDREN

'Praise be to the God and father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the father of compassion and the God of all comfort. Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God' (2 Corinthians: 1:3-4)

If we are to lose everything with one exception: it is clearly going to be our parents. Sadly, our mother has exited this life leaving us with sorrow and regrets of not saying goodbye.

However, we see this as a glorious exit to her maker, a journey to a land of no pain and sorrow.

We call her mama or mummy and she was always around to respond to our needs. Mummy will always encourage us to pray and read the Bible constantly. She made us believe that, our only weapon was to triumph over devil and succeed in the word of God.

We miss her piercing voice and her hilarious way of recomposing songs when she did not know the lyrics. Even in her demoralized, sick, and unhappy states, she ensured everyone's tummy was filled. Undoubtedly, our mummy was kind to all and loved by all because she was a cheerful giver with pure heart as observed in 2 Corinthians 9:7

Our wish was to see you grow very old with daddy and see your grandchildren.

Although it hurts to lose you mummy, we know you are rejoicing wherever you are. We promise you, we will continue to love and

serve God with all our hearts, strength and all our substance. We will make you proud as always.

Rest well Mummy until we meet again.





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# Tribute by the FAMILY

"Those who walk upright enter into peace: They find rest as they lie in death" – Isaiah 57:2 (NIV).

As the family reflects on the personality of our dear sister Maame, the name we affectionately called her, we have come to know and believe that she was divinely sent to touch lives.

Maame set an example of showing us a true servant's heart: not just caring for her family but was a care giver to relatives and even those she did not know.

Maame made sure that she had attracted many people to form good relationships which she sustained and protected over the years.

Maame, we are deeply and sincerely saddened by your sudden departure and will forever hold you dear in our hearts. You have indeed created a huge vacuum in our hearts, but we are consoled by the fact that you have been called by your maker who will give you eternal rest in peace. It is true that God also needs good people to manage His work in Heaven, otherwise why would He have called you suddenly?

He must have known that you are such a great person that can handle any person and situation.

Maame, since God Himself has called you, we say fare thee well till we meet again in greater joy and love.

REST IN ETERNAL PEACE. MAAME NYAME MFA WONSIE YIE.

## Siblings



Assafuah Agnes



Assafuah Isaac



Assafuah Comfort



Assafuah David



Assafuah Samuel

## Tribute by the CHURCH OF PENTECOST JOHN ANIM-SAMPONG TEMPLE COMMUNITY 20 DISTRICT.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge will award to me on that day and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for His appearance" (2 Timothy 4: 7-8)

Mrs. Mary Adu-Boampong, happened to be one of the members chosen to start John Anim-Sampong Temple in community 20 District with her husband Elder Collins Adu-Boampong. She was baptized by the late Rev. M.T. Wayoe, who was then the District Pastor for La and Teshie/Nungua in the year 1988.

A young lady as she was, she showed much interest in the childrens' ministry.

She was chosen as one of their teachers at the then Teshie/Nungua Estate Assembly. Later she moved to Nungua township and joined Bethel Assembly of which she again moved to Baatsonaa with her husband. Mary showed much interest in all church activities from local to area level but declined to take on officership role.

Mrs. Adu-Boampong, you were like Dorcas in the scriptures, you had no boundary of offering a helping hand. You give to the rich and poor, young, and old. The ministries and the church will remember you for your support over the years. WHAT A CHEERFUL GIVER! Maa Mary, as she was affectionally called was once with us and we know we will one day be with her in Paradise. That is our hope.

"Oh, what a shock!" was the saying of all and sundry who heard of her demise on that faithful day of 22nd July 2020 which threw especially the aged from near and far into a state of mourning and wailing.

Mary, today you have left a great vacuum in the church and a deep valley in peoples' lives which even road construction firms cannot fill. Your sober thoughts and guiding principles of the word of God will forever be remembered.

Mary, Maa Mary, rest in perfect peace. Da yiyie. Amen.

### Songs:

- 1. Ahen mu Hen na oreba n'ampa
- 2. Yereko man papa bi mu



## Songs

## Akwanti bi wo ho a yebetu

- Akwantu bi wo ho a yebetu, Enye wiase ha akwantu no bi, Soro ho akwantu na yeretwen, Anigye ben na saa da no beye!
- Sε sum hyε kabii ma apranaa bobom, Ma Kristo mu awufo sore kan, Na sε yεne won bom kohyia Kristo a, Anigye ben na saa da no bεyε
- Anigye na yede betu kwan no, Ahurusi na yede behyia Kristo, Gyedifo nyinaa bebom anantew, Anigye ben na saa da no beye
- 4. Yεbehu yen ho anim ne anim, Bere a yebehyia wo ahengua no anim, Na sε ahotewfo nyinaa bom tena a, Anigye ben na saa da no bεyε

5. Yεwɔ dwom foforɔ bi a yɛbɛto,
Soro abɔfo mpo renntumi nnte ase,
Yεn nkunimdi ho dwom na yɛbɛto,
Anigye bɛn na saa da no bɛyɛ

### Wobehwim yen afa mununkum yi mu

- Wobehwim yen afa mununkum yi mu Ako yen Agya nkyen wo soro honom Yen koma beto yen yam Wobema yen akwaaba
- Se yepue Kristo anim wo soro ho a Yebenya anuonyam ahenkyew pii Abofo beto yen nnwom Na woama yen akwaaba





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