

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

REVEREND

Alex
Josiah
Adzew

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in every gesture, dignity and love” - JOHN MILTON





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PART I PRE-BURIAL SERVICE

Musical Interlude / Filing

Bible Reading: Psalm 18:1-25

Hymn 1: How Sweet The Name of Jesus Sounds

Prayer:

Filing Past

Closing Of Casket

Living Choir

Jemimah Jobson Sahene

Pastor Richard Korang

PART II BURIAL AND THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Opening Prayer

Praise And Worship

Announcement of Purpose

Hymn 2: Pleasant Are Thy Courts Above

Reading Of Biography

Hymn 3: Rock Of Ages

Reading of Selected Tributes

Scripture Reading: 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18

Song By GOIL Choir

Sermon

Prayer For Family

Acknowledgments

Love Offering

Announcements

Processional Hymn 4: Come Ye That Love The Lord

Rev. Samuel Partey-Newman

Rev Jasher Taylor

Eric Ato Asante Jnr

Steve Okine

Rev. Dr George Boachie-Darquah

Bishop Edwin Morgan Ogoe

GOIL Choir

PART III GRAVE SIDE

Prayer

Song: Abide With Me

Committal

Hymn 5: Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

Vote Of Thanks

Benediction

Mrs Rosemary Gyenning



BIOGRAPHY OF MR. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW

Alex Josiah Adzew was born on the 20th of June 1966 in Tarkwa to Mr. Isaac Bossman Adzew, a retired E.C.G. Manager (Kasoa Branch) and Madam Mary Ama Yankson, a businesswoman.

He began his schooling at St Mary's Preparatory School and continued at Premier International Preparatory School. His father believed in giving his children a high quality, rounded education even from a young age. An intelligent student, Alex sat for the Common Entrance exam in 1978 and passed with flying colours much to the joy of his parents. He earned admission to Accra Academy to pursue his 'O' and 'A' Level secondary education where he excelled as a science student.

Alex returned to Accra Academy to teach Maths and Physics for his national service. Alex was passionate about football. He loved the game and started playing at an early age, from Great Corinthians Babies to Captaining the KNUST team. He was a formidable defender. Not only did Alex love playing the game, he also supported Manchester United.

After his secondary education, Alex proceeded to the University of Science and Technology (UST) now known as the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology where he studied Mechanical Engineering and graduated with 1st Class Honours. In 1990, Alex was employed for two years at Tractor and Equipment (Division of Unilever) where he was the Inventory Control Manager. From there he proceeded to Ghana Oil Company initially as Sales Engineer in the

Takoradi Zonal Office and Senior Sales Engineer/ Special Assistant to the Area Manager for the Western Region. He was later transferred to the Head Office as the Lubricants Marketing Manager and later rose to become the Fuels Marketing Manager.

Alex participated in the International Oil Trading Course at the Oxford University and attended various seminars and courses at Harvard and Princeton Universities to help get the company at its current leadership role in the Petroleum Sector. In 2016, the Board of Directors of the Ghana Oil Company limited, GOIL PLC, appointed Mr. Alex Josiah Adzew as the first Chief Operating Officer of the Company, a position he held until his painful demise on the 13th of March, 2023.

Rev. Alex was a very devoted Christian, was zealous for the cause of Christ and dedicated his time and resources to propagating the gospel. He was a worshiper at heart. Tears would often flow as he engaged in deep intimate worship whether he was at home or church. Months before his exit he would often talk about how he was overwhelmed with God's enormous love for him. Simply put, Alex loved God.

He was a Pastor, a lover of God's flock, a soul-winner and an ardent teacher of the word. His kindness and generosity were felt by all who encountered him. He donated freely to several churches, hospitals, families and took care of the vulnerable in society.

In 2015, Alex survived a near fatal accident on the Damango – Tamale highway which nearly



took his life. He was left for dead until he was discovered sometime later and transported to Tamale Teaching Hospital. Just before he regained consciousness Alex had a supernatural experience in which he received a spiritual mandate from God to see to the completion of the church building he had started at Ablekuma. The beautiful Flames of Glory church auditorium was completed and dedicated to God in 2019.

Alex was a man of excellence, his gentleness and humility were the two most distinctive things about him.



Alex got married in 1994 to his childhood sweetheart, Sally and were both blessed with Aba a year later. He was a great husband and an affectionate father.

He is survived by his wife, daughter, parents, siblings and many other non-biological children.



TRIBUTE FROM WIFE, SALLY

“Grace was all in his steps, Heaven in his eye, and in every gesture, dignity and love” - JOHN MILTON

My husband was such a wonderful man. I'm not sure I can really express how much I will miss him because not only was he a beloved husband, but also a wonderful father, best friend, colleague, Pastor...and so much more. His ability to make everyone feel comfortable, secure and loved were his greatest strengths.

We got married when Alex was twenty-eight years four months old and the Good Lord granted us exactly twenty-eight years four months of blissful matrimony, and I look back over those years with so much gratitude to God.

Kojo, as I affectionately called him, was such a gentleman, well-mannered, polite and always quick with a witty remark. His joviality and good nature attracted people from all walks of life to him. He would come up with a new nickname for me anytime a funny situation cropped up, laugh contagiously and keep mentioning it until a new one arose.

Rev. Alex Adzew had a passion for soul winning and teaching the word of God. A passion that drove him to pastor the Flames of Glory Church relentlessly until his last breath. He was always praying among other things, that the members would excel in their secular pursuits and be in good health even as their souls prospered. He was such a fine Preacher Man.

When we had Aba, Alex was delighted and

remained a wonderful father to her. It was a blessing to always have Daddy armed with advice for every situation. He was there at every stage of her development and Aba in turn respected and loved him deeply.

Alex was a hardworking and generous man. Not only was he committed to his job – working long hours that would drive me insane – but was also committed to giving back to all. At home when Alex wasn't in a zoom meeting or busy preparing his sermons, he would be found fully supporting Manchester United. He always encouraged us and he tried to bring out the best in all who encountered him. He would always say, 'You can't rest on your laurels, Aba. You must keep forging ahead and make the best of everything’.

He was my soulmate and my inspiration – my steadfast rock and help through thick and thin. Alex supported and loved us all, and was always there for us through life's challenges.

My husband is in heaven now, and I know he is certainly looking down on us with a big smile, urging us to, “Forge on – make the best of life.”

Goodbye, my dear, sweet husband.
Rest Well.
Da yie, med)fopa

And to all who came out today to honour Alex, I believe he is grateful. Thank you very much.





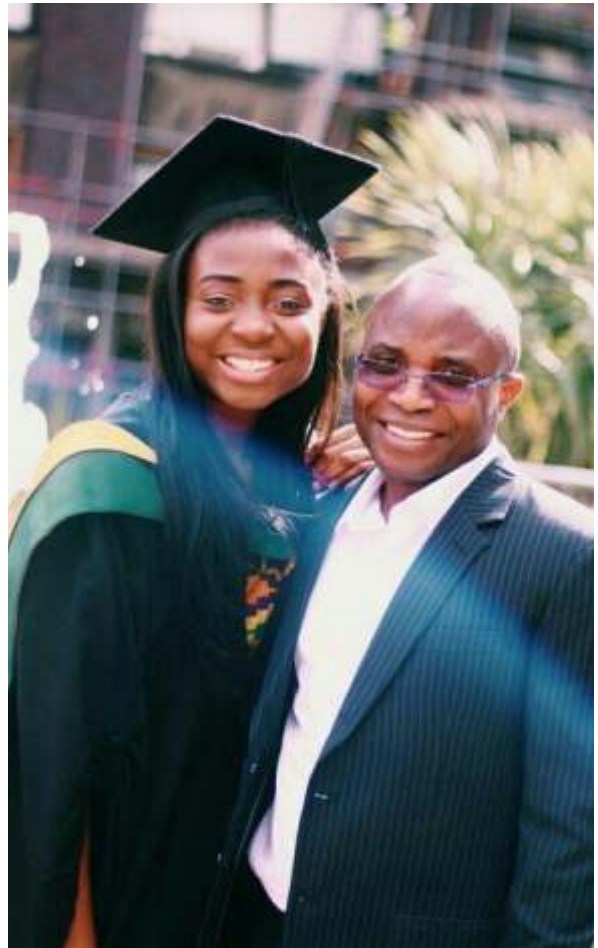
TRIBUTE FROM DAUGHTER, ABA

Daddy, what a privilege and honor to have been fathered and pastored by you for 27 blissful years! I am even more grateful to God for giving us the opportunity to spend time together as a family before He called you.

My Daddy was a kind and gracious gentleman. I never lacked good counsel, I never lacked love, I never lacked guidance, my needs were always met, you always made me aware of your great love for me, you believed in me even when I didn't believe in myself. You always said I could, and pushed me to do what you believed was good for me.

As someone who moved around a lot for school, you were always there when I needed you. You often traveled with me, traveled to visit me, encouraged me, wiped my tears, calmed my fears and prayed for me and with me. You taught me never to settle for less. You were the best personal shopper, personal ATM and travel agent.

You passed away exactly one year after I got my first 'big girl' job! Like you always do, you made sure I was okay before physically leaving us. Every doctor and nurse that took care of you including my colleagues told me how proud you were of me. You were always quick to introduce your 'doctor daughter' with pride and joy and a smirk on your face. You never stopped singing my praises. I promise to continue in your legacy and keep making you proud. Your heart for God and humanity was and always will be inspiring.



So, I stand here on behalf of all your children; spiritual and non biological to say a big **THANK YOU!** Thank you for giving of yourself so selflessly. We love you endlessly. You will forever remain in our hearts.

Like mummy always says "I will strive to live a good life so I can see you again" Till we meet again daddy, rest in the bosom of your infinite lover. Rest in God's arms. I know you are happy.



TRIBUTE FROM PARENTS

*“Thy way, not mine, oh Lord,
However, dark it be;
Lead me by Thine own hand,
Choose out the path for me.*

*Smooth let it be or rough,
It will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it leads
Right on ward to thy rest.”*

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It is still hard to accept the death of our son, Alex Josiah Adzew, especially when we are so old and weak and expect him to stay and be the one to put dust on our coffin when we die, but what do we see here, the mortal remains of our beloved son. Oh death! Why! Why! Why this time?

Why have you secretly laid your icy hand on our son? You have virtually left us empty. Darkness has consumed us in broad day light. Alex we felt it was untimely and too sudden to be confronted with the cold hands of death. Our hearts are filled with sorrow and pain, in fact we still don't believe you have left us, we still feel your

presence.

However, our hope is in God. He alone is our hope, provider, comforter and judge as ISAIAH the prophet of old once said in Isaiah 57:1-2 which reads;“The righteous perished and no man laid to heart. And merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from evil to come. He shall enter into peace; they shall rest in their beds, Each one walking in his righteousness”

Alex, though your demise is painful and shocking to us considering the number of people you are taking care of; the orphans, parents, siblings, nephews and nieces, church members and other lives you are impacting! You have left this world to be present with the Lord, as much as we are hurting, we know and believe your peaceful and timely transition is now a blessing to you. You will forever be remembered in our hearts.

God keep you safe till we meet again. Fare thee well, Alex da yie, Nyame mfa wo nsie.





TRIBUTE FROM SIBLINGS

*"THE LORD IS CLOSED TO THE
BROKEN HEARTED AND SAVE THOSE
WHO ARE CRUSHED IN SPIRIT"
PSALM 34:18*

Our world came crushing down when we got that call that you have departed from the world to join our ancestors.

We are still in a state of disbelief.

Bro, as we affectionately call you, we wish we could fight and bring you back alive but what God has decided mere mortals could do nothing to change it.

Bro, your demise has created an indelible mark in the family. You have taken the sail out of our wind. You have been the pillar and a spring support to the family so why now? Our hearts are severely damaged beyond repairs. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same but as God will call us one by one, the chain will be connected again.

Bro, you have been a hero in our lives. And we will forever miss you. Your support to us is immeasurable, even to the extent of taking care of our bills let alone our children. Indeed, you have been a fountain and a source of hope to us. You never disappoint.

Your loyalty towards us is incomparable. We know your departure is a journey to our Maker. As Shakespeare once said, "Life is a stage; performers come and perform and later have their exit"

We believe you have finished your race and your painful exit is a preparation to receive the crown of salvation from your creator. We

believe you are already resting in the sanctuary of the lord.

In fact, your life on earth was well spent and well fulfilled. The bible says "the memory of the righteous is blessed". This is very true of you. We shared very pleasant memories of you because you have truly lived a good life.

Until the resurrection day, continue to rest in perfect peace, our beloved brother. - **Gifty**

Da yie Bro,
Ewuradze mfa wo nsie

"The world is a stage and all the men and women are merely players. They have their exits and entrances. And one man in his life played many parts". - William Shakespeare

Where do I start from? How do I begin? My dearest Alex was a brother and everything to me was looking forward to seeing you in the UK for your March visit, little did I know that the month of January was going to be the last of us meeting. To accept this cruel reality is the biggest challenge of my existence so far.

To understand that you are no longer here haunts me everyday. Our special bond was made in heaven. Right from our childhood to our adulthood, there are many fond memories that will live with me forever.

We were inseparable as kids and remained inseparable I remember visiting him at Kwame Nkrumah University and sharing his bed



at Katanga Hall. He would talk and share jokes and funny stories Alex often visited my family and I in the U.K. He always made time to come home to see us even when he was on business trip and on a tight schedule. He always picked me up from the airport whenever I came home to visit whenever I have needed help he will there to help.

The void he has left can never be filled. My family and I will always miss him. My love for him will always remain, even in his death. Fare thee well my dear beloved brother. This blow is heavy, but I believe our God has better plans for you. My dearest brother, you are irreplaceable. You will forever be missed.

Onyame 3nfa wo kra ensie.
Onua pa damirifa due, due, due.
Rest in the powerful arms of God.
Ye be hyia bio. - *Rosemary*

and read the word of God. He encouraged us to learn and be active in Church. Apart from being a man of God and a brother to us, he was also our spiritual father, always praying for us.

Anytime we called for our physical needs, he was there for us. One thing we know about our brother is that he didn't joke with education. Whenever he started getting on our nerves by pressuring us to go to school, there were no excuses that could be given to convince him otherwise.

He was diligent, honest, loyal, faithful and a man of integrity. We've had many memorable times with our late brother and we can't say it all.

His sudden demise occurred on 13th of March, 2023 when he went for a check-up, but the Bible makes us understand in Romans 14:8 (ESV), **'for if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.'**

We love our brother so much and he'll forever remain in our hearts. - *Kennedy & Emmanuel*

Our beloved brother, Rev Alex Josiah Adzew was a noble, God fearing, loving and caring man of God. He loved to pray



TRIBUTE FROM NIECES & NEPHEWS

"Listen to my words, lord, consider my lament, Hear my cry for help, my king and my God, for to you I pray'.

Psalm 5:1-2

The icy hands of death struck again! This time depriving us of our other dad. An entire book would not suffice if we each have to pen our moments with Daddy. Our Father, hero, our angel on earth. You took care of us as your own children. We will miss you for the love you shown us.

There was nothing Daddy didn't do for us from our childhood right up till his last breath. Daddy showed us love in many ways, his smiles, actions and gifted hands. He was a disciplinarian and didn't joke with our education. He was also very caring and always insist on pushing money into

our hands so we never lacked.

Our firm speaker in the family who stands on what is right and does not fear anyone. Who will fight for our rights and see to the welfare of the family. The spot reserved for you in our hearts is branded permanent. Daddy was a great blessing to us and countless others.

We really wish that everything is a dream, as we constantly remind God for a miracle each time we communed with him but until then , we find solace in the words of Roman 8:28 which states, **"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God and to those who are called according to his purpose."**

We will forever miss you Daddy.



TRIBUTE FROM IN-LAWS

WE all called him Bro Alex. The good and kind God graciously gave him to us as a gift. He lived among us as a true brother for a short period of about 28 years. Yes, for about 28 years we walked our Emmaus road with you. We failed to recognize the angel God had sent but now, our eyes have suddenly been opened and just beginning to learn who you truly were.

We wish we had more years to physically and more deeply love and cherish each other, however, we deem it more spiritually uplifting to cling on to the hope and blessed assurance in Christ Jesus of meeting you again in eternity without ever losing sight of each other, even for a moment!

Until then, Nyame ne b)fo, Da Yie! Ayekoo.
Forever, you'll remain in our hearts

Mr Patrick Ato Kittoe & Mrs Mercy Kittoe

MANY hearts are broken, many eyes are tearing, many dreams are shattered and for many others death has pinched the wick off the candle, snuffing out the flame that was dimly lighting the end of the tunnel. You touched us all with your kindness and steered us into great heights by your guidance. Bro Alex, and lately Osofo as we affectionately called you was our trailblazer.

We marveled at how you juggled your career, family and church and still managed to maintain a good balance. Tributes are still pouring in about how you oiled the GOIL machinery into great heights, loved and provided for your family unconditionally and pastored your church with an unparalleled passion.

Your calm demeanour in the face of ugly situations is your legacy for me. Perhaps a wingless angel walked with us and we did not know. What we lost

here on earth, Heaven gained and I believe you have joined the assembly of the great cloud of witnesses looking down on us all. A Preacher Woman once taught us that death is actually the last part of God's healing process when in His own timing He takes His Saints out of their frail, ailing and aching bodies into His eternal, restful presence. Rest well 'Big Brother'. - **Pappy**

YOU were more than a big brother.
You loved us all and loved us deeply.
You were the perfect role model.
When I first met my husband, I told him I wanted to marry a Pastor because I admired you so much.

The one word which defines you is humility.
Your warmth and gentleness cannot be matched.
Your memories are deeply embedded in my heart. You will never be forgotten.

Thank you for those childhood trips to the Trade Fair site. Thank you for the many times you visited me in my secondary school days. Thank you for trips to Takoradi, Tarkwa and Prestea. Thank you for the post marital counsel. Thank you for all those deep, spiritual conversations. Thank you for everything.

Dance with Jesus. Dance with the angels.
Worship the King. Worship is what you do best.
The gap you have left is huge but I am comforted by the knowledge that Jesus loves you more than we do so he took you.
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints (Psalm 116:15)

Enjoy your crowns and rewards. We shall meet again. - **Ama**



HOURS spent with you whilst growing up insulated me from the hazards of our community. You ordered my steps in so many ways that I cannot forget. Your stories about UST were never ending and whether we sat under the palm or the mango tree outside Papa Soldier's compound house, there was always something to talk about irrespective of our age difference.

I can't forget our Sunday trips to the Arts Center for What-Do-You-Know sessions. Neither can I forget all the weekends that you picked me up from Mfantshipim to Anaji for weekends when you were working between Cape Coast and Takoradi.

We parted in February after sharing a joke and your laughter still rings in my ears; you were full of smiles and laughter.

You are a gift to mankind. - **Ebo**

BRO Alex, thank you so much for the encouragement, prayers, love and care. I can't forget your impact on my life. The rest of who you were to me cannot be written here. God be with you till we meet again. - **Pee**

OSOFO, you gave humanity your best although you had much more to offer. More than a brother-in-law, I looked up to and counted on you for good counsel and sound decisions. You were a man of few words with a big, big heart that embraced all who came into contact with you.

You always had so much wisdom and comfort to offer. I was privileged to know you in almost all aspects of life - you were the disciplined, diligent, outgoing person at the corporate level, the extremely quiet man who rarely spoke or meddled

in anyone's affairs unless you were called upon, the bold preacher who spoke with so much passion like fire shut up in your bones. To date, it remains a mystery to me how you simultaneously played all those roles so well.

Osofo, I looked up to you most times while you remained here with us. Even now, I can literally look up towards the heavens and believe with all of me that you are a part of the cloud of witnesses cheering us on to be the best version of ourselves.

One thing remains, your legacy, and we will, with God on our side, continue where you left off. Rest well, pacesetter. Fare thee well, gentle soul. Till we meet again, enjoy to the fullest extent, sweet fellowship with your Maker!

You are sorely missed!! - **Kuukua**

IT still feels surreal to think that you are indeed no more with us here on earth. I remember all the little chats we had whenever we met and can never forget the wisdom I gleaned from all of them.

From the very first day I met you I always admired your love for God and his work, and was very inspired by the fact that you could excel in your secular job and still be given to the work of God. I thank God for giving you to us to be an example and inspiration to many and above all to lead many to Christ.

Though I wish you were still here I am comforted by the fact that ...“Blessed are the —dead those who die in the Lord from 'this moment on.” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “- they will rest from their labours, for their deeds will follow them.” Rev. 14:13.



You have fought a good fight, you have finished the race, you have kept the faith and I believe a crown of righteousness is laid up for you up there.

We shall meet again if we persevere and faint not. Rest well bro Alex. - **Clement**

I have cherished the many interactions and moments we have shared since getting to know you over two decades ago as a practical and astute gentleman.

I was always intrigued with your depth of knowledge on issues across several fields. Your big heart to inspire the best out of the many people you encountered in your life journey will always be remembered. – **Nii Adamah**

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. Blessed indeed, says the spirit, that they may rest from their labours, for their deeds follow them" Revelation 14:13

W)fa the title we adopted for you by myself and my wife, the day before your demise I left a voice note on your WhatsApp to find out how you were doing. Little did I know that the angels were going to carry you home at a time we least expected.

It is hard to believe you are no longer here with us. We always looked forward to your visits to London. Your nieces would get excited; your guidance, and interest in their education always inspired them. Your prayers and blessings on our home before you departed to Ghana were so precious to us. We will dearly miss special times like that. We are only left with beautiful memories of the love your life emitted. A major link in our

family chain is broken, but we know as God calls us one after the other, this chain is being reformed in eternity where we shall all meet once again. Fare thee well, Rev. We love you and you will forever live in our hearts. - **Eddie**

I called you 'My Pastor' without mincing words because that was exactly what you were to me. You taught me the word of God with so much conviction, passion and sincerity.

As busy as your schedule was, you dedicated yourself to serving the church and made sure that the Great Commission of the Lord was actualized in your life. You were a true example of a Christian to me. I thank God for your life and the opportunity I had to sit and listen to you.

You had so much love to offer anyone and everyone, and I will forever remember you for this. Although I am heartbroken, I believe you are in a better place, resting peacefully with the Lord. Rest in peace My Pastor. - **Anita**

I don't remember much but this one thing still remains; that gentle, calm smile followed by the expression that we only get to meet once a year. Rest in perfect peace bro Alex. - **Elsie**



TRIBUTE BY GOIL PLC TO THE LATE ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."

"Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

Rev 14:13. (NIV)

We are gathered here today in memory of our dear colleague, Alex Josiah Adzew. When we heard that he was no more, we were shocked and saddened and felt a huge loss. Death has taken away a humble, hardworking, and generally warm individual depriving so many others, including us all, a good friend and mentor.

While we mourn the loss of a colleague, we pay tribute and celebrate a life that was well lived. Not many leave a legacy of such dedication and accomplishment.

Mr. Alex Josiah Adzew first joined GOIL in 1992, initially as Trainee Sales Engineer from the Tractor and Equipment (division of Unilever) where he was the Inventory Control Manager. Through hard work and dedication to duty, he rose through the ranks serving in many capacities first as a Sales Engineer (Takoradi Zonal Office) in 1994 and 1995.

He was later promoted as a Senior Sales Engineer and Special Assistant to the Area Manager for the Western Region. He took up additional responsibility as the acting Lubricants Manager in 1998. He was confirmed in 1999 as the substantive Lubricants and LPG Marketing

Manager.

As a result of the same commitment to duty and in-depth knowledge of the industry, he was promoted to management on 14th of March 2003 and appointed to head the newly created department of Technical and Special Products (TSP) on the 14th of March 2007 with additional responsibilities for Bunkering and the Aviation business.

Alex truly loved his work and was passionately committed to GOIL, and it was no surprise that on the 6th of December 2012, he was appointed the Fuels Marketing Manager during the peak period of the company's successful rebranding campaign. He was an integral part of that period which undoubtedly witnessed a phenomenal growth in fuel sales and volumes. He was subsequently elevated to be the first Chief Operating Officer by the Board of Directors on the 4th of August 2016, the position he so ably handled until his demise.

He was a well-rounded individual even though a mechanical engineer by profession, he will easily veer into another colleague's area of expertise, be it finance or law and give you a run for your money.

He faced a challenge to his life by way of a grave illness with great courage. Alex fought till the last. Even though he was unwell, he would log on to zoom meetings and give very intelligent and coherent answers and ideas. His determination to carry on despite trying



personal circumstances demonstrated his commitment to duties and responsibilities. In his own quiet and calm manner, he showed how to work through challenging times and carry everyone along.

He had an in-depth institutional memory of the company and helped us settle into the company by explaining how and why things were done in the company.

Life can be fleeting. But a life lived to the fullest stays in fun memories. Alex through his decorum and grace endeared himself to many.

This is a particularly difficult and painful time not only for his family but for GOIL and the entire Oil and Gas industry.

We wish you farewell in your journey to eternity. It is hard to let go of someone so dear to you, more than just a colleague, he was a father and friend to all.

As we wipe our tears, we are comforted because we know and believe that you are rejoicing with the angels in heaven.

Rest Well Alex.



TRIBUTE BY HON. KWAME OSEI-PREMPEH, GROUP CEO
AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF GOIL
TO REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW

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

It is with a redly heavy heart that I pay
tribute to an exceptional man. One man
that I came to respect and saw as different
in my long period in public service. I first met
Reverend Alex Adzew when I joined the GOIL
board in May 2017. He awed me from the
onset with his deep understanding of issues,
his articulation of issues about everything that
came up for discussion. I learnt he was an
engineer, but I called him "financial wizard".

Hearing Rev. Adzew talking on issues
sometimes made one feel he was an engineer, a
finance person and a lawyer all combined in
one person. My admiration for him started from
there and I never stopped admiring him until
his untimely death.

When I became the Group CEO & Managing
Director, Alex became the pillar on which I
depended. He was the fulcrum around which
the entire work revolved. He had an unpanelled
depth of knowledge about every issue
concerning GOIL and indeed the downstream
industry.

He made my work easier because he was

willing and able to handle every issue be it
simple or complex and always humble enough
to listen to suggestions and offer alternatives.
He spoke his truth quietly but when he had a
different opinion, he would forcefully state his
view.

I can say that with me, at the board and
management levels Alex most often carried
everyone along. Despite his deep knowledge
and command over issues Alex executed his
duties with utmost respect to authority. He
would take his time to explain why he believed
his stand was right but accepted other views.

If today GOIL PLC is thriving one person whose
name will be written in GOLD is Reverend Alex
Adzew. He was humble, knowledgeable, a
workaholic who gave his all to GOIL.

He worked so hard that somewhere last year I
told him that I believe he was doing too much.
From his office work to running from one
meeting to another I told him to slow down
because the company needed him.

GOIL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

After a few weeks at GOIL it dawned on me that
we needed to pray to support our efforts. I told
Alex who readily accepted and became the
automatic leader of the group. Alex was a man
of prayer who believed that committing
everything to God was the way to success.
Under his leadership, with the support of other



men of God the Fellowship has blossomed and we pray for thirty minutes every morning for GOIL.

Those of us who believe in GOD give credit to GOD for our success. We thank God for giving us Rev. Adzew for his role in establishing the Fellowship.

CONCLUSION

We are mourning a collosus. To we humans' death has dealt a blow to the family, the wife and daughter, GOIL and the downstream Oil Industry but we can be consoled by the poet and Preacher John Donne (1572 -1631): who wrote

"Death be not proud though some has called thee mighty. For thou art not so. For those whom thou think, thou dost overthrow, Die not, poor, poor death.. One short sleep past, we wake eternally, And death shall be no more, death thou shall die"

Our hope is that on the Resurrection Morning when Jesus descends from heaven, to take the faithful home we shall see Rev. Alex Adzew again.

Reverend Rest in Peace.
Alex Damirefa due.
Alex, adieu till we meet again.



TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MR. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW BY YAW AGYEMANG-DUAH FORMER MANAGING DIRECTOR OF GOIL

*Blessed are they that mourn for they shall
be comforted. **Mathew 5:4***

I join the family, the GOIL fraternity and all other mourners to mourn the loss to eternity of the Late Mr Alex Josiah Adzew. To his family, I can imagine how much loss you have suffered following his call to glory.

And to GOIL, to say that the company has lost one of its best executive management personnel is an understatement. I was expecting Alex to continue to shine and expand his prominence at GOIL to reach the pinnacle of the company in future. Alas, that did not happen. God knew He had a bigger job for Alex in His Kingdom.

I first met Alex after I joined GOIL in 1995. He had joined the company about three years earlier than I did, as a Trainee Sales Engineer. He was among a team of young Trainee Sales Executives and Sales Engineers as they were referred to then, who had been recruited by the company prior to my entry. They were in the Operations and Marketing Division which I headed as a General Manager when I joined GOIL. Alex was thus down the organizational ladder then. Alex's office was at the current Zonal Office behind Japan Motors. My office was at the current head office.

However, it did not take me long to spot Alex. His smartness enabled him to easily get a grasp

of the vision of his bosses and drive it to achieve desirable results. Thus, through meetings at the Zonal Office as well as work delivery, Alex stood out. I found him to be the star among his peers then.

He was a cool, confident, highly analytical, meticulous, and a very sharp young man. Diligent, Alex would deliver a job given to him on time and in the way needed.

His quiet and unassuming demeanour would at times let one pass him by, but if you were unfortunate to pass him by, you would have lost a gem: an intelligent and talented young man.

Thus, when I got to know him well, I concluded that Alex would grow to have an outstanding career and become a prominent person at GOIL in years to come.

Later, GOIL's organizational architecture was modified to reorient the staff and the job to be more marketing oriented than sales. As part of that strategy, the scope of work and job titles changed from Sales Executives and Sales Engineers to Marketing Executives and Marketing Engineers.

A Technical and Special Products Unit (TSP) was created to handle marketing of Lubricants and other technical products and services such as LPG, bunker fuel, bitumen, mines, aviation fuel etc, especially to consumer customers of these



products and services. Alex was chosen to head the new Unit. That motivated the Late Alex to apply his inherent talents and the engineering knowledge and skills he had acquired from the KNUST to the job. And that propelled him to deliver his best to grow GOIL's presence in these products and services.

And when oil exploration and production intensified on offshore Ghana, it was decided that GOIL should increase its presence in offshore bunkering services to boost dollar earnings of the company. I recall after we had done SWOT analysis of GOIL and the new offshore bunkering opportunities, the conclusion was that it would be too risky for GOIL to go into it alone, as the company did not have offshore bunkering knowhow or the financial resources to procure or charter a vessel to do the business. Following brainstorming sessions with Alex as the head of TSP, it was concluded that proceeding with a joint venture partner would

be the best strategy. With his inputs and inputs from a couple of others, a Korean partner was found. The rest is history.

Similar situations transpired when it came to entry of GOIL into aviation fuel, bitumen, mining and other businesses. I can go on and on.

I recall that the last time I spoke with Alex, he told me he had been unwell and would be travelling to the US for medical attention. I bid him a safe trip and comforted him that everything would go well for his safe return. It was thus shocking to me when I was informed that he had been called to glory.

Alex, I wish you farewell as you continue your journey to eternity. I am consoled that you spent some of your time on earth doing God's work.

May your soul rest in the bosom of the Lord.
Alex Nante Yie.



TRIBUTE BY PATRICK A.K AKORLI FORMER GROUP CEO AND MD OF GOIL PLC

*"A true friend is never truly gone.
His spirit lives on in the memories of
those who truly loved him"*

Here lies the remains of a man, who in the GOIL family was simply referred to as 'Alex'. People found it a bit difficult to pronounce his surname 'Adzew' for whatever reason; therefore, he became known in the industry as 'Mr Alex'. The technical colossus of GOIL who dedicated over three decades of his short life to the service of GOIL, the company he loved and toiled for, day and night.

We both joined GOIL in the early nineties when things were a bit rough for the company. We found ourselves in different departments and he was based in the western zone therefore, our paths scarcely crossed until the late nineties when his name kept coming up strongly as we climbed

the management ladder. He was brought back to Accra and became the darling boy of Mr. Yaw Agyemang Duah, the then Managing Director as he kept excelling in all assignments and tasks given to him.

Soon, Alex became not only an ingenious engineer but also, an astute marketing strategist. His industry prowess was in full glow when he was assigned responsibilities in the LP Gas marketing unit; the result was fantastic, GOIL soon became a market leader in that segment. He was then moved to head the lubricants unit; another excellent result was

produced and GOIL was galloping in lubes sales. The Managing Director had to stop him from his "aggressive" growth methods so that the company would not be over exposed.

Management had no option than to combine LPG marketing, Lubricants, Bitumen, Aviation, and all other non-fuel products for Alex to head as the first Technical and Special Products Manager of GOIL.

He became the melting pot, the technical oven where all new ideas and methods were generated and brewed. He was the pivot around which all strategies to combat the aggressive competition from both multinationals and the local oil marketing companies revolved. In 2012, when the lot fell on me to become the Managing Director, I proposed him as the Fuels Marketing Manager; fuels being the main business line as Mr. Charles Darko, the incumbent then, had just retired.

We quickly mobilised every available internal resource both human and otherwise, to continue the rebranding and expansion exercise for the company. Alex led a technical team to review the company's trading policy. He toured all the corners of the country, spreading the "new gospel" of GOIL; many private joint venture dealers came on board and the number of GOIL stations grew from 180 in 2014 to over 400 within 4 years. All hands on deck, and with unwavering support from the board, we moved GOIL from a distant number three to number one oil marketing company within the same



period, winning all kinds of accolades and awards. Yes, it was a teamwork involving many astute professionals sourced internally to change the face of GOIL but Alex was at the hub of it all.

Management meetings were held every Tuesday from 9am to 6pm when possible, and every management member was subjected to peer review and was answerable to the team. In 2016, as the company began to expand and subsidiaries were formed, there was a need for an anchor person for GOIL itself and Alex was the obvious choice. A proposal was made to the board, and it was gladly endorsed. Alex thus became the first Chief Operating Officer of GOIL, the de-facto “Prime Minister” in the year 2016. He continued to work assiduously at the frontline, as we established an upstream company and signed the famous deal with Exxon Mobil in 2018.

In 2014, the late Nana Yaw Owusu (Nana Akwanuasa) Otumfuor Mpaboahene, re-tabled the issue with management on the need for GOIL to have its own Bitumen Depot to remain competitive in that segment of the market and which would also inure to the benefit of the country. This had been on the drawing board for

some time, and it was the passion of Mr Agyemang Duah.

Management moved into action with Alex, playing a key role along with other notable engineers like Benjamin Torkornoo and Alphonso Okai to partner SMB Abidjan to actualise the dream with the support of the past and current board and management of both entities.

Today one of the best brains I ever met in the Petroleum Downstream Industry in Ghana, goes into the grave at his prime. He was summoned when he had just reached the apogee, the climax of his career! Ohh what a loss. My heart bleeds. The face of GOIL at many national and international fora, presenting papers in South Africa, Nigeria, Cote d’Ivoire, UK, United States etc on the downstream petroleum industry in Ghana and West Africa, is no more.

The head and hands that never found time to rest, would now take eternal bow; our great loss today, is a great gain for the heavens.

Cry my beloved GOIL, a star is gone. The small man with the big brain is gone and gone forever. May his good soul rest in peace.



TRIBUTE FROM THE PETROLEUM COMMISSION

It is with immeasurable grief that the Petroleum Commission pays tribute to the memory of Ing. Alex Josiah Adzew, Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the Ghana Oil Company (GOIL) Plc.

In the last few years, the relationship between the Commission, GOIL as well its subsidiary, GOIL Upstream has soared to an altitude that can only be imagined. The man who was the main driving force behind this occurrence is Ing. Alex Josiah Adzew.

He it was who came to the Commission a few years in 2018 to make enquiries about how GOIL can apply for and obtain the necessary permits to do business in the upstream sector. For a man who occupied such a sensitive position at GOIL, we appreciated the fact that he personally made those trips to the Commission.

The wisdom in his decision to personally make the enquiries yielded dividends with GOIL's applications for permits not having any challenges at all. That was the humility of Ing. Alex Josiah Adzew.

We recall that as we ramped up efforts to deepen and enhance local content in the upstream petroleum sector, Ing. Alex Adzew approached us to make a case for GOIL and its businesses. In doing so, the gentleman that he was, Ing. Alex Adzew made his case for GOIL without putting any competitor down. He just highlighted the capacity of GOIL to do business in the upstream sector. We found him

convincing and compelling. Since those encounters, Ing. Alex Adzew remained a friend of the Commission.

The Commission admired Ing. Alex Adzew's for his advocacy for GOIL. In our view, not many could pitch for GOIL the way he did. He brought his calm but firm persuasive skills to bear on matters concerning GOIL. For some of us, all it had to take for us to know that Ing. Alex Adzew was on our premises was when a call on our PABX system came through with the caller at the other end saying "the GOIL man is here." That GOIL man was Ing. Alex Adzew.

It was Ing. Alex Adzew who convinced the management of the Commission to tour GOIL's bunkering facilities at the Port of Takoradi and the Naval Base, Sekondi sometime in 2018. That tour was an eye-opener that served to tell GOIL's story without many words.

We are pained that his family, employer and indeed Ghana has lost such a man. Ing. Alex Adzew served GOIL well. We have no doubt that apart from his family, GOIL will be hit most by his passing on. He was an honest broker and sought not to gain by putting others down. This trait of Ing. Alex Adzew is rare in today's world.

The Commission expresses our deepest condolences to Ing. Alex Adzew's family, widow, children as well as the management and staff of GOIL.

May Ing. Alex Adzew's soul be in repose!



TRIBUTE FROM THE NATIONAL PETROLEUM AUTHORITY (NPA)

The news of the passing away of Alex Josiah Adzew, Chief Operating Officer, GOIL Company Limited, really stunned the Board, Executive Management, and the entire staff of the National Petroleum Authority (NPA).

Alex was such an active and lively person that he and the people around him would not anticipate such an eventuality lurking around the corner. But the ways of the Lord always hold supreme.

Alex had excellent working relations with the NPA in the various capacities that he served - as Sales Engineer in the Takoradi Zonal Office; Senior Sales Engineer/Special Assistant to the

Area Manager for the Western Region; Lubricants Manager to his final position as the Chief Operating Officer.

He was indeed instrumental in the establishment and growth of GOIL Company Limited. The industry has lost a gem, but we are consoled by the fact that the officers he had groomed would continue to soldier on.

Alex was a devoted Christian, prayerful, steadfast, and honest. He served his Maker and dedicated his life to His work.

This is indeed a life well lived.
May his soul rest in perfect peace.

TRIBUTE BY CHAMBER OF PETROLEUM CONSUMERS

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." - Stephen Grellet

Upon your assumption of office as the Chief Operating Officer of GOIL on 1st October, 2016, you demystified against all odds the operations of the company in making sure GOIL became the preferred OMC of choice by Ghanaians.

You welcomed us with open arms anytime we needed clarity on issues that revolved around your outfit.

News of your death left us very devastated and shocked because we had been told that you

had fully recovered and was due to return to Ghana. But who are we to question God? His ways are not our ways and neither are His plans!

We are grateful for impacting the lives of many and for your pieces of advice especially on petroleum issues.

Your generosity knew no bounds and extended to anyone who came your way.
May the good Lord rest your soul till we meet again. Rest well Sir.



TRIBUTE TO MR. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW
BY TEMA LUBE OIL COMPANY LIMITED (TLOC)

*"Lives of great men all remind us (that),
we can make our lives sublime, and,
departing, leave behind us, footprints
on the sand of time."*

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
(1807-1882)

We at TLOC were shocked and confounded with sorrow on hearing the news of the demise of Mr. Alex Adzew, our Board Chairman, on that fateful day, March 13th, 2023.

Mr. Adzew's association with TLOC can conveniently be placed in three Phases.

Phase 1

The first phase of Mr. Adzew's relationship with TLOC was between the mid-90s and early 20s when he was the Lubricant Engineer of then Ghana Oil Company Limited (GOIL), and thus the liaison officer between his company and TLOC on matters of GOIL's lubricants production.

His pleasant and easy-going nature, coupled with his understanding and appreciation of the practicalities of the production process, endeared him to all who mattered in the production chain, and this contributed in no small way in ensuring that his orders were always produced on time and in full.

During this era, he made a strong case for discounted pricing for GOIL Marinemix which eventually received Board approval in view of its use by the vulnerable fishing community.

Phase 2

Phase 2 of his relationship with TLOC was from 2013 to 2017 when he attended TLOC Board meetings as Alternate Director for Mr. Patrick Akorli, the immediate past Managing Director and CEO of GOIL, and from January 2018 onwards when he was appointed a full Director to replace Mr. Akorli.

His in-depth knowledge and experience in the Ghanaian petroleum downstream industry and lubricants marketing, helped him and his colleague Board members valuably in providing far reaching policy directions and guidelines for the effective and efficient management of TLOC to ensure its continuous growth and at the same time, satisfy the appropriate interests of shareholders and other relevant stakeholders.

Phase 3

The 3rd Phase of Mr Alex Adzew's relationship began on 1st December 2021 when his colleague Board members chose him as the new Chairman. In this august position, his unpretentiousness was the real power he used in cultivating relationships that facilitated a smooth and effective administration of the Company. He was an affable Chairman, readily available to respond to calls, and regularly proffered advice to Management on crucial issues and decisions. His rich engineering background, immense experience, strict and straightforwardness came in very handy to ensure that the company always went in for value for money projects and CAPEX items.



Mr Alex Adzew unveiling the Plaque at the Donation of a Science Laboratory to Chemu Senior High Secondary School, Tema.

During his tenure, he led TLOC to donate a fully equipped Science Laboratory to Chemu Senior High Secondary Technical School in Tema, as part of the company's Corporate Social Responsibility.

Our hearts go out to you Sally, Michelle, the family and GOIL. We are deeply sorry for your loss. May God comfort you, grant you peace and bless you.

Mr. Adzew, you have accomplished many good things in life. You worked hard and followed the

path of philanthropy.

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sunshine warm upon your face;
May the rains fall soft upon your fields;
May God hold you in the palm of His hand
Sleep well, boss. We pray that God rests your soul in peace.

Rest in Perfect Peace Everlasting! AMEN.



TRIBUTE TO COO FROM COO'S OFFICE

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, from now on "Yes" says the spirit that they may rest from their labour, and their works follow them" (Revelation 14:13).

We thank God, for giving us COO whom we passionately call Boss. He was a loving, caring and committed Boss. He was a father, a mentor, a teacher, a strong tower, and worthy vessel from which we drew a lot of wisdom and inspiration.

He was a doyen of the Oil Marketing Industry. Indeed, GOIL owes a debt of gratitude to him for being a resource who has contributed immensely to the growth of the company. Recognised as a bastion of certain principles, Boss was not for the benefit of just GOIL, he extended his knowledge and experience to other institutions and was a cherished GEM.

You had a great deal of patience, and you stayed calm in every situation. Even in the most turbulent of times, you still maintained a calm disposition.

Simplicity was your way of life, and this reflected in your style of dressing but was impeccably meticulous in all your dealings.

Your modesty was worth emulating. In meetings where we witness your presence, you never assumed an intimidating posture during deliberations. With you, there was never a silly question, and was always opened to

suggestions. You never ceased to amaze us with your intelligent responses to every question posed.

At times we found it difficult to read your handwriting when typing draft documents for you or when you made corrections on draft documents. On such occasions, you would quickly crack a joke that we should not mind your poor handwriting then we laugh it off. With nostalgia, we remember fondly, how we always look forward to Fridays. We always counted on you to convert that Friday to 'a good Friday', you mostly come out of your office with your bag hanged on your left shoulder and say, 'me ya eeih', we then look at you and you exclaim! You people...where we all leave the office happy.

Aside working as COO, you loved the Lord so much that it evidenced especially during Easter period in your preparation for your Easter Convention. You become so engrossed with church documents for the Convention as if your whole life depended on it.

You also had a good heart. We remember how you instructed us to get some clothes for all the women in your church to celebrate them on Mothers Day. Which we gladly did, wrapped it nicely and in the following week, you informed us of how they appreciated it. You have left a lasting impression. We will really miss you.

You will surely rest in tranquil peace Boss.



TRIBUTE TO MR. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW – DEALERS OF FUEL RETAIL STATIONS, GOIL PLC

Tribute on Behalf of Southern Zone Dealers by Ashiata Kamilia Abdulai

Although it's been over 8 years, it looks like just a day ago when we personally first met, Mr. Alex Josiah Adzew. We had come to see him with some problems usually confronting us as fuel dealers. We were very warmly received and by the time we left his office, it seemed like we had known him for ever.

Most dealers shared similar experiences. Mr Adzew was ever present when needed and was always forthcoming with solutions to whatever problems confronted us as dealers.

Alex, we only got wind of your being ill a short while ago, and that's why your departure is so sudden and painful. You were a man with a good heart who cared so much about people. You contributed to the development of every single one of us that came to you with challenges, and you never ceased to be an inspiration to us all.

You may be gone but you have left a great legacy for us. You mentored us and sowed in us the seed of great satisfaction and joy towards our daily business lives.

Thank you for living a great and fulfilled life. Thank you for your sacrificial life. May your Gentle Soul Rest in perfect peace. Amen

Tribute on Behalf of Middle Belt Zone Dealers

"Lord teach us to number our days and to apply our heart unto wisdom."

Adzew, your death came to us as a shock since you were always in good health to the envy of most of us and the GOIL fraternity. You were an indispensable part of GOIL company and your absence would be immensely felt by us.

The late Adzew, was a perfect gentleman who had a cultured intellect and diction. He had a delicate taste and dispassionate mind. He was a very simple man but quite intelligent in the use of tact in handling of human relations. He was approachable and will forever be remembered for his useful pieces of advice.

Goil Middle Belt Dealers sympathize with his widow and children, the board and management of GOIL.

We pray the good Lord will grant his gentle soul perfect peace.





Tribute on be half of South East Zone by Daniel Daku-Mante

“Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light” (Matthew 28-30).

Our hearts are heavy, and our minds are struggling to comprehend this great and shocking loss to our Zone and the entire company. Comfort us Lord and give us rest in the light of your word. It is with great sorrow that we pay this tribute to the memory of our beloved friend, boss, and leader Mr Adzew, whose body lies before us today.

Mr Adzew, today, you have left us and gone to your maker and our maker. Your departure was so sudden and unexpected. In your final moments, we did not get the opportunity to interact with your thoughts and wisdom concerning our businesses and welfare in general. We have enjoyed working with you before and during your role as the COO of GOIL PLC.

During your time as COO, you used our Dealers' meetings to enlighten us on the various developments in the oil industry at both national and international levels. During our meetings, you took time to explain to us how the developments in the oil market were impacting our stations and GOIL PLC as a whole. Your hard facts always helped us to understand our work better and you also used that platform to educate us on what we needed to do as Dealers to move GOIL PLC forward. Mr Adzew, you knew

how to calm us down during our usual heated question and answer (Q&A) sessions in our meetings.

You always responded positively by providing outstanding answers to every single one of our teething problems and we always had good ideas and strategies to take away from our fruitful dealers' meetings. We appreciated your surprise visits to our stations to buy fuel and check up on us to see how we were doing in every aspect of our operations. During your visits to our stations, you listened to our problems and gave us appropriate advice as to how to get help through the existing channels in the company. There were times that you offered prompt solutions to our challenges directly.

Mr Adzew, you were a team player. You knew how to carry us along with the company's vision and you taught us how to speak the same language “grow your business or sell more and make profit.” We have lost a pillar, a very dynamic and selfless worker and manager. Mr Adzew, one thing is sure, you knew your assignment at GOIL and you endeavoured to live selflessly to your task to the benefit of our zone and the entire company. As in the parable of the talents (Mathew 25:14-30), You gave us credit facilities, stocks and you held us accountable for managing our credits, stocks, and sales profitably. Your reward is sure both here and where you have left us to. We shall meet again.

Mr Alex Adzew! Mr Alex Adzew! Mr Alex Adzew!
Your South East Zone, Your Dealers, Your Stations and all Your staff and customers wish you farewell.

Mr. Adzew “Damerifa Due.” Amen



Tribute on behalf of Western Zone

“A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest, God broke our hearts to prove He only takes the best.”

We are gathered here today in memory of our dear colleague Mr Alex Josiah Adzew.

While we mourn the loss of a colleague, we pay tribute and celebrate a life committed to the service of God, GOIL and Man. A life that leaves behind a legacy of dedication and accomplishment.

The Western Zone community experienced Mr. Adzew as a salesman from 1995 to 1998 when Mr. C.K Darko was the Zonal Manager, with Mr. Ben Ocansey his trusted salesman and counterpart.

His selflessness and unbiased nature won the hearts of both colleagues and dealers. Mr. Adzew was a man who stayed true to his word. He was a pragmatic and visionary man who spotted problems miles away and dissolved them before they even began. His accurate predictions of challenges made him a very valuable gem to our business. Although his stay in the Western Zone was brief one, he left an indelible mark and we will eternally be grateful. His hard work pushed him higher up the ladder ending up as the Chief Operating Officer (COO).

His attitude when faced with a grave illness, was one of great courage. Many others in his circumstance would have given up. In his own quiet and calm manner, he showed us how to work through challenging times and to carry everyone along.

Life can be fleeting. But a life lived to the fullest stays in fond memories.

We extending to our heartfelt condolences to his family and wish them courage and strength to bear this irreparable loss.

Mr. Adzew, rest in Peace.

Tribute on behalf of Northern Zone

“Then I heard a voice from heaven say, blessed are the dead who die in the Lord now on. Yes, says the spirit, they will rest from their labour for their deeds will follow them”

Revelation 14:13.

It is with great sadness that we GOIL northern dealers mourn the death of our highly respected Chief Operations Officer, Alex Josiah Adzew.

Death is painful; You were a man with a good heart who cared so much about our business. You had the patience to listen to everyone's problem, contribute to the development of every single person you met on your path and never ceased to be an inspiration to all.

Thank you for living a great life. GOIL Plc and we, the dealers have lost a precious Jewel.

May you find rest in the bosom of our heavenly father.

May your gentle soul rest in perfect peace.



Tribute on behalf of Middle Belt Zone

For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. ROMANS 14: 8

It is with great sadness that Dealers in the entire Upper Middle Belt Zone mourns the death of our respected and beloved Chief Operating Officer, Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew.

Our hearts are heavy and we are still struggling to comprehend your sudden and painful death!

Sir, we were looking forward to your next visit to

the Zone and especially to the New Zonal Office in Sunyani and not the shocking news of your death.

You will be greatly missed during Our Dealers' Meetings especially for your presentations on developments in the Company and the Oil Industry as a whole.

Death has indeed robbed us of a Great Leader! Thank You Sir, for teaching us so much!!

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS... AMEN





TRIBUTE BY THE ASSOCIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS ON THE STOCK MARKET, GHANA.

The news of the sudden death of our dear friend Alex Josiah Adzew remains a great shock to the entire executives and members of the Association.

We however, as Christians take consolation in the words of scripture taken from 1Thessalonian 4 :13-14, "But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope, For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died "

Mr Alex Adzew was a perfect gentleman very calm, friendly and re assuring. Throughout our

engagements with him at various meetings and Annual general meetings he had proved to be very knowledgeable in his field of operation responding to questions excellently and on point.

Alex, you have played your part very well and we your friends and colleagues bid you farewell. You will be missed at Annual General meetings with Goil gh.plc.

It is our prayer that the good Lord will receive you into His heavenly kingdom where we hope to see you someday.

Rest peacefully in the bosom of the Lord.

TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW BY THE 1978 YEAR 6 GOLD CLASS OF PREMIER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

A light from our household, the Premier International School Six-Gold class of 1978, is gone, a voice we love is stilled. A place is vacant in our hearts that never can be filled.

We will forever remember the good and challenging times, especially as we prepared for our common entrance examination.

Much as we had to study hard to make the mark, after school period was a wonderful occasion to play soccer, go looking for golden fish from

nearby streams near the school and bond extensively to this day. We shared our little food stuff among ourselves, and this positive attribute, our mate and good friend, held on to till his demise.

A friend gone too soon is a tragedy, friendship transcends death, memories made will never be forgotten, saying goodbye this soon feels so wrong.

FARE THEE WELL, ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW.
Rest In Perfect Peace our dear mate and brother.



TRIBUTE FROM ABLEKUMA HEALTH CENTRE FAN-MILK

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

Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew is an epitome of the righteous person indicated in the scripture above. It is with saddened hearts that the Ablekuma Health Centre mourns the death of one of its highly esteemed stakeholders.

In the year 2020, the Ablekuma Health Centre, Fan-Milk under the Ga Central Municipal Health Directorate was privileged to meet Rev. Alex through Pastor Daniel Annan, and since then till his demise, he has been of tremendous help to the Facility.

He has donated a lot of items/logistics such as

television sets, laboratory equipments, hospital beds, autoclave machines, ceiling fans, consumables, chairs etc. These items have greatly helped the facility to deliver quality health care services within the community and its environs.

He also refurbished the Consulting Room and the Pharmacy Unit of Ablekuma Health Centre and extended same help to the Anyaa Polyclinic. We therefore named the male ward after him (Rev. Alex J. Adzew Ward) and the female ward also named after his wife (Mrs. Sally Adzew Ward).

The entire Ablekuma Health Centre and the Ga Central Municipal Health Directorate will sorely miss a kind-hearted, devoted and equally good personality.

We say Damrifa Due.
Due, Due Due ne amanehu.
Rest well in the Lord's bosom. Rest well Sir.





TRIBUTE IN LOVING MEMORY OF REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW FROM FLAMES OF GLORY CHAPEL, ACCRA

*O God, You have cast us off, You have broken us down; You have been displeased.
Oh, restore us again. You have made the earth to tremble; You have broken it.
Heal its breaches for it is shaking. You have shown your people hard things.
You have made us drink the wine of confusion. (Psalm 60:1-4) NKJV*

God gave us, Rev Alex Josiah Adzew to be our father, shepherd and friend. Beginning with a handful of faithful ones, and a few apprentice hairdressers in an uncompleted porch at Awoshie, stopping over in a classroom at Odorgonno Secondary School, Rev Alex faithfully steered and pastored the church to its present state.

After a long and often hazardous journey, he led the Church to build an ultra-modern auditorium at the Fan Milk Junction, fully equipped with modern facilities, and it was dedicated to the glory of God on August 18th, 2019. Thus from a humble beginning in March 2001, Rev Alex Josiah Adzew fathered the Flames of Glory Church in Accra until his sudden death on 13th March, 2023.

Even in death you will still be our father. Our tears will forever flow on remembering your unparalleled love for the church, your compassion for lost souls and fatherly care for the underprivileged.

One landmark of his stewardship as a shepherd is that he never gave up on anyone, no matter how wayward the person had gone. His philosophy was that the Church is a hospital, and only those who are sick go to hospital. His compassion for the needy moved him to set

up a scholarship scheme in the church to support needy students in Tertiary institutions in Ghana.

Rev. Alex Adzew was a man of excellence. His desire was to give his best to God, thus he ensured that the Church operated in an environment conducive for the presence of God and the comfort of the Congregants.

Rev. Alex Adzew was a man of prayer who loved to worship the Lord. He also preached and taught the word of God with passion. We will forever remember Rev Adzew with his Davidic dance, his love for music and his deep, sincere expression of gratitude to God each time he mounted the Pulpit. Our last Yens)r No (Let's exalt Him) with Uncle Ato in August 2022 will forever live with us.

Together with his unassuming wife, our Mummy Sally, always by his side, doing the background work with perfection, we were sure we had a perfect covering.

We knew Daddy had not been well for sometime but anytime he came to church and mounted the pulpit we saw upon him a strong, special anointing. We therefore took his routine medical check ups as necessary to ensure his well being.



We continued praying and had faith in God that he would recover fully until we heard the sad news on the evening of Monday 13th March 2023, signalling that our Daddy had departed to a better place. We have been broken and torn apart. We are confused. Our tears will forever flow as we continue to ask God WHY?

Space and time will not be enough to recount his compassion, love, humility, selflessness, patience, and giving his all without discrimination. Even when all hope seemed lost Daddy would bring in an assurance of hope whenever he appeared on the scene. The scholarship scheme you initiated has produced many scholars.

You created job opportunities for many of the youth, you paid hospital bills for many, you fed many who were hungry and in all these you did not take any glory for yourself. You showed us by your life and deeds the meaning of true Christianity. We forever owe you debts of gratitude which only God can pay.

Some called you Reverend, some called you Daddy, others simply referred to you as 'paddy' but we know that God's friendship with you is beyond our understanding, so He took you away from us. Find comfort and peace in the bosom of your Eternal Friend

Daddy, Fare thee well. Da yie, Yaaw) Odjogbaa.



TRIBUTE IN LOVING MEMORY OF REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW FROM PASTORS OF FLAMES OF GLORY CHAPEL, ACCRA

"What is engraved on a tombstone is not our best epitaph. What influence we leave for those following us has much more value. When God can say about us, Well done and faithful servant, we can accept that as God's holy epitaph for a life well lived."

**(Bob Duncan, Gary Long, Leigh A. Powers, Dianne Swain and Julie Wood in
Guidance for Seasons of Life) "Baptist Way Press Texas" First Edition, 2013, 219**

From the beginning of the Church, through its long and difficult journey to where we are now, our relationship with our Pastor has been based on the Biblical principles of love and friendship; 'esteeming your neighbour higher than yourself'. It has never been a master-servant relationship.

Reverend Alex Josiah Adzew is the epitome of the word Pastor, with a heart so big it enabled him to carry many loads and burdens, and made us marvel as to the stuff he was made of. He was always ready to give his all, whether spiritually, morally or physically. In his quest to raise pastors, two of his pastors were ordained and one lady pastor was licensed on May 2nd 2021, under his guidance. He had so much confidence and trust in us such that he shared the pulpit with us without hesitation.

Rev. Alex Adzew led us to build bridges across Church Denominations by having friendly relationships with other churches through sowing into various Ministries. Through such relationships we have received and enjoyed ministers from: Grace Chapel, Kaneshie First Light, Victory Bible Church, Dominion Sanctuary, Awoshie, Greenland Evangelistic Ministry International, Anyaa Market, and the Redeemed Baptist Church far away at Bawaleshie.

He took us on retreats where we prayed together during which times he shared his vision with us. He hosted us many times for special dinners. He knew his calling as a Pastor, so he would often tell us 'I have a pastor's heart.' Everywhere he went with us he did good.

Rev. Alex Adzew was a good man. The desire and passion for lost souls was high on his mind and agenda to the extent that even while on his sick bed far away in the United States of America he was thinking of how he would purchase a vehicle for Evangelism when he returned home.

Our dear pastor had not been well for some time. We organised a series of prayer sessions collectively and also individually interceding for him. At his request we invited his personal minister friends to join us, and together with him we prayed and believed in God that he would get well.

On February 2nd 2023, Rev Alex Adzew sent us a WhatsApp message, thus, 'I greet you all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Hope God's abundant grace and love abounds with you all. By the special grace of God I am doing well. It pleases the Lord that my stay here will be extended for quite some time until my time is due for me to come to Ghana'.



The LIFE & LEGACY of REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW - TRIBUTES

Rev Alex gave us directives as to what we should be doing and reporting back to him. Perhaps we did not understand this message well until Monday March 13th 2023, when we had the sad news that you have gone to a better place.

We paused to ask God, is this the answer to our fervent prayers? Your time is due and you have returned to Ghana, but when are we having our next Pastors meeting?

There are more questions on our minds for which we may not find answers now. The only answer we have, and for now is in what the prophet Isaiah said, "The righteous perish and no one ponders it in the heart, devout men are taken away and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil" (Is. 57:1). You have been taken away to spare you from evil.

We are consoled by the positive influence you had on us as we associated and worked with you these past twenty-two years. And with your dear wife, our Mummy around to continue to care for us as she always has, we are more than hopeful to see you again at that better place where you have gone ahead to rest.

Reverend, Pastor, Daddy, fare thee well.

Our lives were
made better because
you stepped into them
and made an indelible
mark and impact.

We miss you being
around but your works
and words still live on





TRIBUTE REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW THE FROM EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF FLAMES OF GLORY CHAPEL, ACCRA

*Can two walk together, unless they are agreed? **Amos 3:3***

It takes the grace of God and divine arrangement to bring two or more people with varied backgrounds together in union to pursue God's work. It was this act of God that brought us together in Takoradi and kept us together for over twenty-eight years now. Little did we know, then, that God was going to use this union to birth and grow a church to be called Flames of Glory Chapel International which today has become part of the history of the Church of God on earth.

Alex Josiah Adzew, as we knew him then, was unassuming. He showed his deep love and commitment to God and demonstrated sterling leadership qualities. It was not long before one could see that Alex Josiah Adzew had the call of God upon his life. After much discussion and, before he would move back to Accra on transfer, Alex Josiah Adzew made a firm promise and commitment to be part of Flames of Glory Chapel International which was then in the offing. When the church was eventually established in Takoradi in the year 2000, in the following year 2001, Alex Josiah Adzew took upon his shoulders the pioneering and establishment of the Accra branch of the Flames of Glory Chapel. There is no gainsaying that God endowed Rev. Alex Adzew with many gifts and blessings which he equally shared with the Church. Through his sacrifice and selflessness

Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew, Head Pastor of the Church in Accra, took a step of faith, leading the Church to build an international standard ultra-modern church auditorium at Fan Milk Junction in Ablekuma, which was dedicated to the glory of God on August 18th, 2019. All are welcome to visit us at Fan Milk Junction in Ablekuma, a place we have decided to name after him - The REV. ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW MEMORIAL CENTRE.

In the year 2010, Alex Josiah Adzew was ordained as a Reverend Minister with the full mandate to carry out all the duties and responsibilities pertaining to that office. This responsibility he discharged and continued to do with excellence, as he so often did, until his sudden demise.

Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew also became a member of the Executive Council of Flames of Glory Chapel International with the position of General Secretary, a position he held until we received the sad news of his demise far away in the United States of America on Monday 13th March 2023. At the Executive Council meetings his contributions were invaluable with many Biblical examples and sound doctrinal bases.

We least expected this loss at such a crucial time when the church is just about getting on its feet. The Executive Council is at a loss and will ask, what next? It sounds unbelievable yet, it is true.

It would be an act of ingratitude if we do



not mention the invaluable contribution of his dear wife. We call her Mamma Sally. But for her, our story might have been different. Many times when we could not contact Rev. Alex Adzew due to his tight work schedule, Mummy Sally would be there as a perfect link. Mrs Sally Adzew, Flames of Glory Chapel International owes you a wealth of gratitude. We are more than convinced that you will continue from where your dear husband, Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew left off, with our unflinching support. We believe that God has a hand in this so he allowed it.

Our heartfelt condolences to you, your

daughter, and to the entire family that Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew left behind. We are all in pain, but we believe he is smiling above. Certainly the Church will march on and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it, and the family will grow stronger.

Reverend Alex Josiah Adzew, you will be missed for now, but we shall see you again. Your footprints in the sand at Flames of Glory Chapel will remain forever.

Rev. Adzew, our General Secretary, Head Pastor at Flames of Glory Chapel Accra, we bid you farewell.



TRIBUTES FROM MEN'S MINISTRY OF FLAMES OF GLORY CHAPEL, ACCRA

We are gathered here to honour the life and legacy of Rev Alex Josiah Adzew, Head Pastor of Flames of Glory Chapel, Accra. Rev Adzew was a man of great character and leadership, leaving an indelible mark on all who knew him. He stood for the values of integrity, dignity, excellence, forthrightness, discipline, benevolence, and generational thinking, which he lived out in every aspect of his life.

As a man of integrity, Rev Adzew stood firm in his convictions and principles. He was respected for his honesty and transparency, and his words and actions were consistent. Proverbs 10:9 says, "Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out." He carried himself with grace and respect, treating everyone with kindness and courtesy. He was a man of dignity, exemplifying the biblical teaching in 1 Peter 2:17, "Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honour the emperor."

Rev Adzew pursued excellence in everything he did, inspiring others to do the same. He lived by the standard of excellence, knowing that whatever he did, he did it for the Lord. Colossians 3:23-24 says, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."

Rev Adzew believed in discipline, holding himself and others accountable to high standards of conduct. He knew that discipline was necessary for personal and organizational growth, and was not afraid to correct or rebuke when necessary. Proverbs 13:24 says, "Whoever spares the rod hates their children, but the one who loves their children is careful to discipline them."

Rev Adzew was a man of benevolence, always looking for ways to help and serve others. He gave generously of his time, resources, and wisdom to make a positive impact in the lives of those around him. Philippians 2:3-4 says, "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

Finally, Rev Adzew was a generational thinker, investing in the lives of those around him and ensuring that his impact would continue long after he was gone. He understood the importance of leaving a lasting legacy and helped others to grow and develop. Proverbs 13:22 says, "A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children, but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous."

Rev Alex Josiah Adzew was a remarkable man, and his legacy will continue to inspire and challenge us to live with integrity, dignity, excellence, forthrightness, discipline, benevolence, and generational thinking.



His influence will live on, and he will be missed dearly.

Nuumo, Rev Alex Josiah Adzew, Yaawo ojogban. Damirifa due, Rev Alex Josiah Adzew. Thank you for your service and may your name live on in generations to come, Rev Adzew. And May

God bless the generation that is yet to come in your lineage

You lived a life worth emulating and now you will forever be our guardian Angel till we meet again.



TRIBUTES FROM VARIOUS MINISTRIES OF FLAMES OF GLORY CHAPEL, ACCRA

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

*"And I heard a voice from heaven saying,
write this: Blessed are the dead who
die in the Lord from now on. Blessed indeed,
says the spirit, that they may rest from
their labours, for their deeds follow them"*

Revelation 14:13

THAT day, a black Monday we call it was a day we wish never came. On that day, a man we love and respect most passed on. How could death come early to such an honourable man? Death stole away our motivator, counselor, mentor and a lovely father.

Daddy, your transition to the new abode left a void in the Women Ministry that no one can ever fill. Your life was laced with kindness, dignity and love for all who encountered you. We do not have a choice but sadly say goodbye to a father who brought us so much joy.

We console ourselves with Psalm 147:3, **"He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds."**

Your legacy still stands tall in the Women's Fellowship. We know you're resting in the bosom of your father.

Daddy Da Yie

Damirifa Due

Nyame enfa wokra nsie yie

CAMPUS MINISTRY

*"A Father is neither an anchor to hold us
back nor a sail to take us there, but a
guiding light whose love shows us the way.*

" Author Unkown

THE quote above best suits our father Rev Alex Josiah Adzew who after a brief illness passed on. A bold and fearless man who stood for the defenseless, needy, fatherless and oppressed.

He always preferred to sacrifice his comfort for the welfare of others and his passion for education reflected on the qualitative education that he provided for some youth in the church who for obvious reasons could not afford that.

We would have loved you stayed longer with us to see us grow into great men and women but the God's decision is supreme.

Your demise has left a wound which would take forever to heal but we hold on to the scripture that "He heals the broken-hearted and binds their wounds".

You lived a life worth emulating and now you will forever be our guardian Angel till we meet again.

“My paddy” is what I called you because you were not just a father but a personal friend as well. I’ve learnt a lot from you these years and it is very quite unfortunate you have to leave so soon but I know there’s a special place up there for people like you.

Your passion for the word of God made me find warmth and peace in reading his word. I love and appreciate you so much, till we meet again. Rest Well my Paddy - **Bernice Appiah**

I never thought this season will come so soon. I never prepared for it. It was my wish that you will be here for me and with me much longer. You were so many things to me; my friend, my confidant, my advisor, my pastor, my life’s guide, and above all my father. Your love, your patience, your humility, your understanding, your wisdom, and your amazing sense of humor will live on in my heart forever. To me, you are still alive and here with me. I will continue to nurture the good seeds you have sown in me till it bears many fruits. I love you dearly Daddy. Continue to rest in perfect peace till we meet in Heaven.

And to Mummy, God bless you for allowing me and many others to come close to experience Daddy when he was here with us. Aba, God bless you too. You’ve been a great sister to us all. - **Martha Dede Tetteh**





YOUTH OF GLORY

OUR father and Pastor, Rev. Alex Josiah Adzew. was more than a Pastor to us. He was a model of inspiration to the Youth Ministry of Flames of Glory (Youth of Glory) and his profound personality impacted our lives. For us, he lit a torch for diligence and excellence for everything we do and most importantly, a passion for soul-winning. This shaped our moral values as Youths.

Indeed a mighty umbrella has been taken off over our head. We would be less than honest if we said that our hearts have not ached over this situation. Hopes have been left hanging. Promises unfulfilled. Our hearts are filled with heaviness of his absence. But we have this assurance that whatever seed he has sown in us will bear much fruit. We are in no doubt he is resting in the bosom of God, smiling and constantly interceding for the us to fulfil our God given Purpose - a quest he was passionate of.

Rest in Perfect peace Daddy, your legacy lives on in us. God keep you in his bosom till we meet again!

SOUND, MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION DEPT

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

You were an embodiment of selflessness, humility and excellence. We continue to be

challenged by your legacy. You lived a life worthy of emulation. Despite your affluence and popularity, you humbled yourself to help the people around you.

You spent a great deal of your life imparting, impacting, and investing in lives. You knew you had a gift and did not hoard it, you sowed it in our lives and others. We are all witnesses to how much fruit this noble investment in our department has yielded.

We tasted and experienced your genuine love for individuals, the church, the team, and every effort you put into ensuring we advance in our department. Your passion for Christ and the undiluted Word you taught us will continue to inspire us. This edifice has become home to us all, and we can only express our gratitude.

You have left an indelible mark for generations yet unborn to see and applaud, a lasting impression to be admired by all. Your legacy will always remind us of the unwavering role you played in transforming the lives of everyone around you.

Although we are pained and heartbroken to lose a spiritual father, good teacher, and mentor, we are confident that you are comfortably resting peacefully in the bosom of the Almighty. Your memories are enough to encourage us in these challenging times.

Thank you for all the Impact. May your gentle soul Rest in Peace, Daddy.

Rest Well, Father.

Agya Pa Da Yie

Nyame)nfa wo kra nsie yie. Amen.



I called you Daddy. Your life was one filled with kind deeds. You extended a helping hand to people like me. You were sincere and true in heart. Your passion for teaching others the word of God was amazing. You were truly a blessing and God's gift to everyone who encountered you. Rest well Daddy. - **Ruth**

It is difficult to find appropriate words in moments like these. All God gives is His, He takes what is His. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal. Our heart still aches in sadness, but all we can say is 'it is well'.

Rev. Alex was a great man of God who positively impacted the lives of many! As a father, he provided support, guidance and spiritual nourishment, and love to many in need. He was a beacon of hope and a great source of inspiration. As a giver, he was selfless and compassionate, always putting the needs of others before His own. He offered his time, resources and talents to make a difference in the lives of those around him. His generosity and kindness was felt by many and will never be forgotten. A life well lived in integrity, humility and faith.

Daddy I miss you calling me 'Banku'. That was the nickname you coined for me. You are no longer physically present with us but your spirit lives on in the many lives you touched. Your memory will always be cherished. Rest in heaven!!! -**Faustie**

Dear daddy, first of all I want to say **THANK YOU** for being a father to me. You loved and accepted me without hesitation. I was always so happy to be around you, to learn from and be my inspiration. You were a man of grace and love. You taught me a lot on how to be a good Christian, a good husband, a good professional and a good person. I enjoyed talking to you so much. We talked about God, religion, leadership, politics, finances, sports, and everything else that would come up.

We really wanted Messi to win the world cup and I'm glad we saw it happen together. You always provided for me far more than I could ask for and I had a quiet assurance that even if I asked for more you would still provide.

When Aba told me you had the widest smile whenever my name came up, it made me have the widest smile too. I am really going to miss you. I was looking forward to having you at my graduation, to hear you say congratulations. I started paying more attention to the news so our conversations will never end, but you are gone and the news is still here. However, I know you're in a better place, among the cloud of witnesses, smiling and urging us all on.

It was a privilege to love and be loved by you and though I wish our time together on earth was longer, our Heavenly Father knows best. To Him be all the glory and all the praise. From dust we all are and unto dust we shall all return. I pray that we meet again in Heaven with Jesus, the lover of our souls.

Thank you once again daddy, I love you so much. - **Nani**



TRIBUTE BY BLEOO 83 – ACCRA ACADEMY TO THE MEMORY OF BLEOOBI ALEX JOSIAH ADZEW (BROTHER, FRIEND AND SCHOOL MATE)

“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted...” Ecclesiastes 3:1 – 2

OUR FRATENITY

In September 1978 a group of boys from various backgrounds were admitted into Accra Academy to begin their secondary school education. Our friendship and brotherhood began. Fresh minds, innocent first year students, eager and willing to learn. Right from form-one, Alex Josiah Adzew became a name known for academic brilliance in Science and Mathematics and sportsmanship. He was amongst the hardworking and brilliant students who made an effort to master every subject. For many years Alex was referred to as “the boy who burst the football.”

He was a great footballer, featured in class teams as well as the school team. Alex balanced his love for sports with his desire to make academic strides graciously to the admiration of all. He was friendly yet reserved, calm but firm, playful and admirably studious.

During our Forms 1 to 3 years, whenever we had “free periods” we engaged in class quizzes, Alex featured and he won most of the rounds dedicated to current affairs, as well exhibiting

exceptional mastery to questions from the Students Companion Book.

When we had to opt for the subjects in Form 4, Alex obviously chose Science. From there, he blossomed and passed to the Sixth Form. He then proceeded to Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) passing out with a 1st Class honours in Mechanical Engineering.

After his national service, he was employed as a Sales Engineer at Tractor and Equipment, a division of Unilever Ghana Limited. In 1992 Alex joined Ghana Oil Company (now GOIL PLC) and served in various capacities, rising to the become the Chief Operating Officer. His expertise and distinctive performance made him an icon in the downstream sector of the petroleum industry in Ghana.

He was featured in our Bleoo Journal, acknowledging his achievements academically and corporately.

The last Bleoo 83 meeting he attended at Prampram in 2019 was a time of rapport and fun. We were all excited to see him strong and hearty amongst us.

OUR SHOCK

Bleoo 83 WhatsApp platform is a space for interaction, having excessive fun, educating each other as well as informing ourselves on



developments worldwide. As usual we will visit the platform in the mornings to check on the latest postings etc. So, we were all taken aback on the morning of 14th March 2023 when we saw a post about the demise of Alex. With a lot questioning the source of this unfortunate news.

Statements and phrases like ... “Oh! How?” ... “Are you sure?” ... “Please fact check, this can't be true.” ... were on the lips of all who received the news of Alex's demise. Yes! We were shocked because we were still trying to get over the passing of another Bleoobi of the Bleoo 83 fraternity. The few that were aware of his health condition were equally surprised because several have had chats with him and were so assured that he was doing well... but, God knows best! For how else can we be consoled than to accept the fact that God knows best! And that He decides what happens in the next minute, and He owes no one any explanation. May the will of The Father be done and may He grant you eternal rest till we meet again!!

COLATERAL PRIDE

“Alex, your achievements, your strides, your gains and corporate recognition was our pride. We followed your climb up the ladder, we cheered on for every level you attained. Today, we are here to celebrate your life and the measure of its worth. We are here to celebrate you for every single life you touched, locally, nationally and internationally while you were on this earth.”

We wish to pay our last respects that is why we all are here, to thank you for your friendship



and all the memories we created together that we hold dear. It's been a privilege to have known you. We became family, not just friends, and we will carry you in spirit until we meet again.

FAREWELL DEDICATED BLEOOBI

Alex Josiah Adzew was a dedicated BLEOOBI and made sure that even when out of touch his commitments and financial contributions to the group was made regularly and timely. Bleoobi Alex Josiah Adzew, today is the day you will be laid to rest, but as it is said, “God only takes the best.” So, as we are here to join your family to mourn your absence from a world you dedicated service, life and love to, our beloved friend, we will keep on telling ourselves that we will meet again.

May your gentle soul rest in perfect peace,
BLEOOBI Alex Josiah Adzew!
Alex Yaa Wɔ, Yaa Wɔ Odjogbaan







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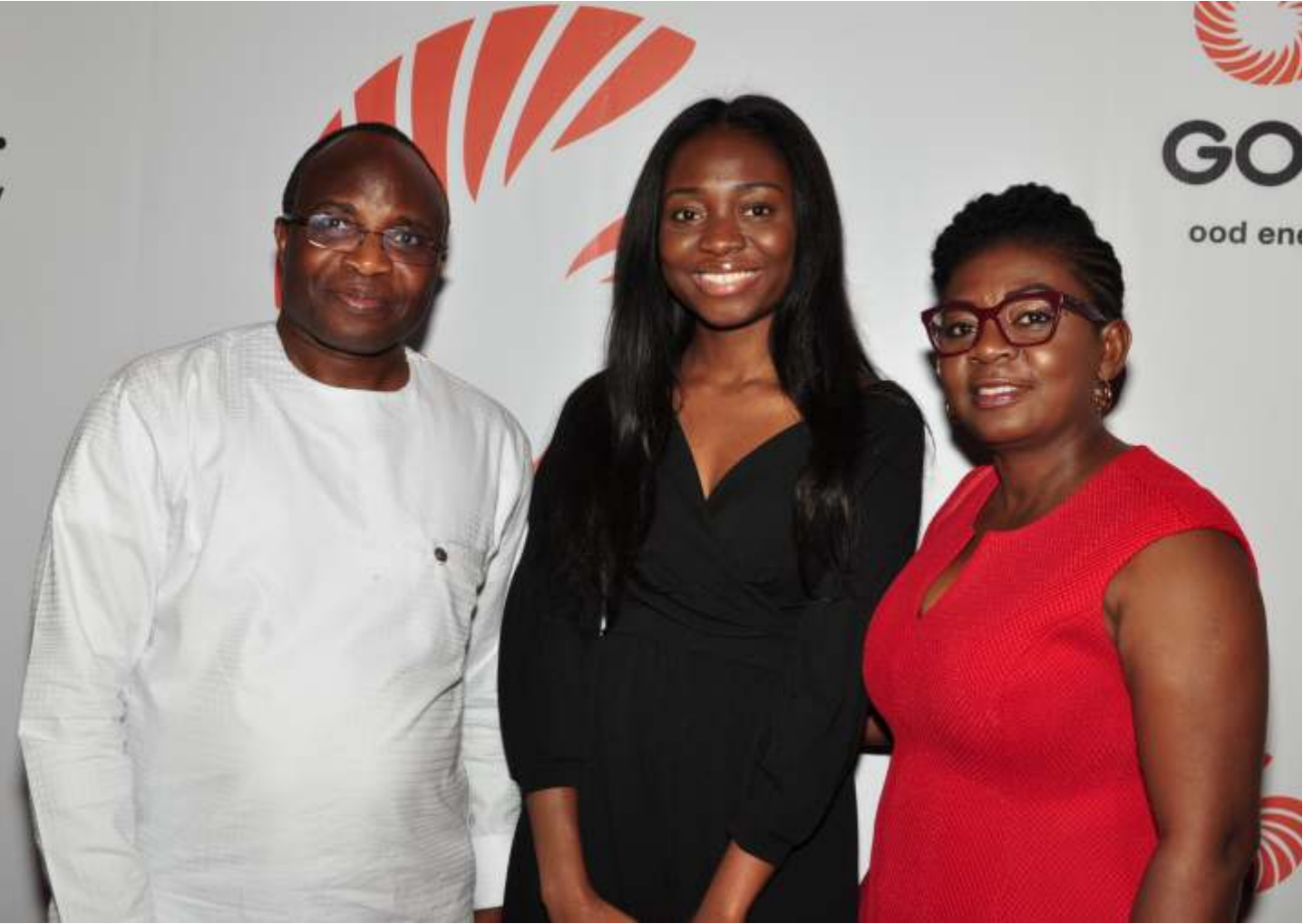
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HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS SOUNDS

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.
- 3 Dear Name! the Rock on which I build,
My Shield and Hiding Place,
My never-failing Treas'ry filled
With boundless stores of grace!
- 4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Husband, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King;
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.
- 5 Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.
- 6 Till then I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath,
And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death.

PLEASANT ARE THY COURTS ABOVE MHB 679

- 1 Pleasant are thy courts above
In the land of light and love;
Pleasant are thy courts below
In this land of sin and woe:
O my spirit longs and faints
For the converse of thy saints,
For the brightness of thy face,
For thy fullness, God of grace.
- 2 Happy birds that sing and fly
Round thy altars, O Most High;
Happier souls that find a rest
In a heavenly Father's breast:
Like the wandering dove, that found
No repose on earth around,
They can to their ark repair,
And enjoy it ever there.
- 3 Happy souls, their praises flow
Even in this vale of woe;
Waters in the desert rise,
Manna feeds them from the skies;
On they go from strength to strength,
Till they reach thy throne at length,
At thy feet adoring fall,
Who hast led them safe through all.
- 4 Lord, be mine this prize to win,
Guide me through a world of sin,
Keep me by thy saving grace,
Give me at thy side a place;
Sun and Shield alike thou art,
Guide and guard my erring heart;
Grace and glory flow from thee;
Shower, O shower then, Lord, on me.



ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME
MHB 498

- 1** Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Save me from its guilt and power.
- 2** Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All could never sin erase,
Thou must save, and save by grace.
- 3** Nothing in my hands I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress,
Helpless, look to Thee for grace:
Foul, I to the fountain fly,
Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4** While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

COME, WE THAT LOVE THE LORD
MHB 410

- 1** Come, we that love the Lord,
And let our joys be known.
Join in a song with sweet accord,
Join in a song with sweet accord,
And thus surround the throne,
And thus surround the throne.

Refrain:
*We're marching to Zion,
beautiful, beautiful Zion.
We're marching upward to Zion,
the beautiful city of God.*

- 2** The hill of Zion yields
A thousand sacred sweets,
Before we reach the heav'nly fields,
Before we reach the heav'nly fields,
Br walk the golden streets,
Or walk the golden streets. [Refrain]
- 3** Then let our songs abound,
And ev'ry tear be dry.
We're marching thro' Immanuel's ground,
We're marching thro' Immanuel's ground,
To fairer worlds on high,
To fairer worlds on high. [Refrain]



**JESUS KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS
MHB 199**

- 1 Jesus, keep me near the cross,
There a precious fountain;
Free to all, a healing stream,
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

Refrain:

*In the cross, in the cross
Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.*

- 2 Near the cross, a trembling soul,
Love and mercy found me;
There the Bright and Morning Star
Shed His beams around me. [Refrain]

Near the cross! O lamb of God,
Bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day
With its shadow o'er me. [Refrain]

- 3 Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,
Hoping, trusting ever;
Till I reach the golden strand,
Just beyond the river. [Refrain]

**ABIDE WITH ME: FAST FALLS THE EVENTIDE
MHB 948**

- 1 Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
- 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not, abide with me.
- 3 I need thy presence every passing hour.
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
- 4 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.
- 5 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.





FLAMES OF GLORY
CHAPEL



APPRECIATION

The family of Alex Josiah Adzew,
wife and daughter are sincerely grateful for your
kind expression of sympathy in their time of sorrow.

ALL BLESSINGS.