

Transition Service

for the late

*Thank
you*



The family of the late

PASTOR BENJAMIN AFFUL

express their sincere gratitude for your presence today and for the support you have given them in various ways since the passing of our dear Son, Husband, Father and Relative
Thank you and God richly bless you all. Amen

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**Pastor Jacob Benjamin
Kweku Mbeah Afful
1952 - 2023**



Order of SERVICE

OFFICIATING MINISTERS

1. Pastor E. K. Duodu - National Overseer
2. Pastor Edward K. Tumsiah - National Administrator
3. Pastor Joseph Hector Edusei - National Accountant
4. Pastor David Obeng Asomani - Sunyani Regional Overseer
5. Pastor Francis Fosu - National Campus Co-ordinator
6. Pastor Charles Owusu - National Youth Co-ordinator
7. Pastor Paul E. K. Morrison - Dormaa Divisional Overseer
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9. Pastor Dominic Sampong - Group Co-ordinator, Weija
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11. Pastor Yao Alove - District Co-ordinator
12. Pastor Rico Ampah - District Co-ordinator
13. Pastor Daniel Bonsu - District Co-ordinator
14. Pastor Eric Buenor - District Co-ordinator
15. Pastor Kingsley Danquah - District Co-ordinator

MUSIC BY:

Deeper Life Bible Church Choir
Choir Master: Pastor Fred Tamakloe
Group Choir Leader: Brother Isaac Attram
Asst. Choirmaster: Bro. Samuel Kofi Asuo
Organist: Bro. Joseph Asamoah

MC:

Pastor Kennedy Gyamfi

Part One: At the funeral	Part Two – Interment at Cemetery
1. Opening Prayers	1. Joint Singing - Sweet by and by
2. Joint Singing-Only remembered	2. Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:51-57
3. Introduction of Funeral Ceremony	3. Choir Ministration
4. Filing Past the Body-Farther along	4. Short Exhortation
5. Bible Reading (1 Thess. 4:13-17)	5. Lowering Corpse into grave
6. Joint Singing- Guide me, O	6. Last respect – putting of soil into the grave by next-of-kin
7. Biography and Tributes	7. Concluding Prayer and Benediction
8. Announcements	8. Prayer for the bereaved at the family house.
9. Choir Ministration	
10. Exhortation and Prayer	
11. Procession to Cemetery-The last mile	

ONLY REMEMBERED

1. Fading away like the stars of the morning,
Losing their light in the glorious sun-
Thus would we pass from the earth and its toiling,
Only remembered by what we have done.

*Only remembered, only remembered,
Only remembered by what we have done;
Thus would we pass from the earth and its toiling
Only remembered by what we have done.*

2. Shall we be missed, tho' by others succeeded,
Reaping the fields we in spring time have sown?
Yes, but the sowers must pass from their labours,
Ever remembered by what they have done.

3. Only the truth that in life we have spoken,
Only the seed that on earth we have sown;
These shall pass onward when we are forgotten,
Fruits of the harvest and what we have done.

4. Oh, when the saviour shall make up His jewels,
When the bright crowns of rejoicing are won,
Then shall His weary and faithful disciples
All be remembered by what they have done.

FARTHER ALONG

1. Tempted and tried we're oft made to wonder
Why it should be thus all the day long,
While there are others living about us,
Never molested tho' in the wrong.

*Farther along we'll know all about it,
Farther along we'll understand why;
Cheer up, my brother, live in the sunshine,
We'll understand it all by and by.*

2. When death has come and taken our loved ones,
It leaves our home so lonely and drear;
Then do we wonder why others prosper,
Living so wicked year after year.

3. Faithful till death said our loving Master.
A few more days to labour and wait:
Toils of the road will then seem as nothing.
As we sweep thru the beautiful gate

4. When we see Jesus coming in glory,
When He comes from His home in the sky;
Then we shall meet Him in that bright mansion,
We'll understand it all by and by.



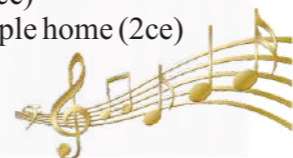
GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH

1. Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah!
Pilgrim thro' this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand:
Bread of heaven! (2ce)
Feed me now and ever more. (2ce)

2. Open now, the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow:
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer! (2ce)
Be Thou still my strength and shield. (2ce)

3. If I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside:
Bear me through the swelling torrent,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises! (2ce)
I will ever give to Thee. (2ce)

4. Saviour, come! We long to see Thee,
Long to dwell with Thee above;
And to know in full communion,
All the sweetness of Thy love.
Come, Lord Jesus! (2ce)
Take Thy waiting people home (2ce)



Tribute By the Church

(Deeper Life Bible Church, Sukura(Lartebikorshie Group))

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them". Rev. 14:13

The late Pastor Benjamin Afful began to fellowship with the Deeper Life Bible Church in Lagos, Nigeria in 1984/85. His decision to follow the Lord was divinely directed after initially resisting invitations to attend.

When Pastor Afful came to Ghana, he diligently sought to reconnect with Deeper Life but struggled to locate the churches. As an avid reader, he spotted information about the Deeper Life congregation in Adabraka in a newspaper while working at the Timber Market. Joining the Ghana church in 1986 deepened his commitment to the Lord and ministry. His devotion soon led his wife to also attend the Adabraka congregation.

Pastor Afful served faithfully in Deeper Life congregations in Adabraka, Orion Cinema, and Anyaa before the church planted Lartebikorshie as an independent congregation. His passion for the gospel grew, and he was appointed Chief Usher in Lartebikorshie. He shepherded a thriving house fellowship that repeatedly multiplied.

As the Lartebikorshie church grew, Pastor Afful worked with Pastor Daniel Bonsu to launch a new Deeper Life congregation in Sukura. He was installed as the founding pastor of Sukura, where he served until his passing.

In addition to ushering, Pastor Afful contributed to Deeper Life as a member of the Sanitation, Marriage, Building, and counseling committees. At Sukura, he invested in members' lives, encouraging education and careers so they could fully participate in society. Pastor Afful modeled faithful Christian living for his congregation in all he did.

Drawing on his professional background as a building contractor, he oversaw construction of the Sukura church facility. He managed the project wisely to maximize quality while containing costs. The pastor invested heavily in the project, personally traveling to check on progress and source materials. Completing the building was extremely important to him.

Pastor Afful pursued God with great devotion and integrity. He was cautious in his habits, humble among peers and children, and friendly to all. His commitment to studying scripture equipped him to preach uncompromised biblical truth. Pastor Afful lived simply and avoided behaviors that would compromise his witness.

The pastor maintained remarkable health and strength into his later years through self-discipline. His unexpected passing, on October 24, 2023, shocked the church community. We find comfort knowing he rests from his labors and his legacy continues through the many lives he touched.

Well done, good and faithful servant! Rest in perfect peace. Till we meet again.

THE LAST MILE OF THE WAY

1.If I walk in the pathway of duty,
If I work till the close of the day;
I shall see the great King in His beauty,
When I've gone the last mile of the way.

When I've gone the last mile of the way....

I will rest at the close of the day....

*And I know there are joys that await me,
When I've gone the last mile of the way.*

2.If for Christ I proclaim the glad story,
If I seek for His sheep gone astray,
I am sure He will show me His glory,
When I've gone the last mile of the way.

3.Here the dearest of ties we must sever,
Tears of sorrow are seen ev'ry day;
But no sickness, no sighing forever,
When I've gone the last mile of the way.

4.And if here I have earnestly striven,
And have tried all His will to obey,
'Twill enhance all the rapture of heaven,
When I've gone the last mile of the way.

Hymns



SWEET BY AND BY

1. There's a land that is fairer than day,
And by faith we can see it afar,
For the Father waits over the way
To prepare us a dwelling place there.

*In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore;
In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore.*

2. We shall sing on that beautiful shore
The melodious songs of the blest;
And our spirits shall sorrow no more
Not a sigh for the blessing of rest.

3. To our bountiful Father above
We will offer our tribute of praise,
For the glorious gift of His love
And the blessings that hallow our days.





Tribute By NEPHEWS & NIECES

"I have no one else like him, who will show genuine concern for your welfare."- Philippians 2:20

In loving memory of our dear uncle, we, the nephew and nieces, would like to pay tribute to him. Uncle Kweku was a remarkable man who touched the lives of everyone he met. He was not only a loving and caring uncle but also a source of inspiration and guidance for all of us.

Our uncle had a generous and compassionate heart. He was always eager to assist and support us in any way he could. He was a tower of strength throughout our lives, whether he was giving counsel, sharing his wisdom, or simply paying close attention. We will be eternally grateful to him for his unconditional love and support. We thank God for having such an amazing uncle in our lives.

Uncle Kweku had a great sense of humour. He will be fondly remembered for his ability to make people laugh. He had a way of making us feel special and loved, always encouraging us to pursue our dreams and never give up. His words of wisdom and encouragement will continue to guide us through life's challenges.

Uncle had a zest for life and a thirst for knowledge. He was always eager to learn something new and to share his knowledge with others. He truly believed that knowledge was the key to success and he inspired us to never stop learning. He was always up for exploring new places and trying interesting things. He taught us to embrace life's adventures and cherish every moment. His adventurous spirit will forever inspire us to live life to the fullest.

Uncle Kweku was a man of deep faith. His love for God and for God's ways was evident in the way he conducted his life. Whenever we visited, we dare not miss his morning devotions with the family. When we are distressed or having any challenges, the word of God, through bible studies was his way of counsel. He taught us the importance of faith and trust in God, no matter our circumstances. He once said, "The bible has answers to all life's challenges and that all we need to do is believe in the promises in God's word."

We admired our uncle for being a family man above all else. It was important to him that we always felt loved and valued during our time with him. He taught us the importance of family bonds as well as the importance of supporting one another. His love for family will always be a guiding force in our lives.

Uncle, Rest In peace.

Till We Meet Again.

God be with you.

Tribute By
GRANDCHILDREN

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
- Isaiah 41:10

With teary eyes and sadness, we heard you have left us and not coming back. Grandpa! Can't our tears bring you back? We were told that you are with God in Heaven and watching over us, but we miss every day, Grandpa especially the morning discussions we have together before school.

Our grandpa was the kindest and fun-loving person we have ever met. Believe it or not, we thank God every single day for blessing us with his presence in our lives. Even though our time with him was way too short, it was like a roller coaster of love and laughter that we'll hold in our hearts forever.

He will always make us giggle with his funny stories and jokes. No matter how grumpy or sad we felt, Grandpa had this special way of turning our frowns upside down.

We miss him more than words can say, but we'll always cherish the memories we shared with the most loving and fun grandpa anyone could ever ask for.

Grandpa's wisdom and advice would stay with us as a guide throughout the pages of our lives. His love for us was unconditional and his kindness knew no boundaries.

He always had a listening ear and offered words of encouragement when we needed them the most.

We promise to carry along the things you cherished; your love for God and family.

Rest in perfect peace Grandpa!

Forever in our Hearts!

Introduction of **FUNERAL CEREMONY**

We are gathered here for the funeral of the late Pastor Jacob Benjamin Afful. We know that when Pastor Benjamin Afful was alive, he identified himself with the Deeper Life Bible Church. As a Church, the Holy Scripture is our guide in all matters of faith and conduct, and having received commandment from the Lord to do all things to the honour of His name, we now perform this ceremony according to the principles of the Holy Scriptures.

Death does create a vacuum that may not be easily filled. Whenever one dies, the incident brings sorrow. Death is an experience that is universal; it can happen to anyone at any time. Death is both an end and a beginning; it is a transition from here to there. There is the need to appropriately and adequately prepare for this incident if we are to face it with confidence.

The Scripture reveals that there are different experiences beyond death. This is entailed in the parable of the Lord Jesus Christ in Luke Chapter 16. Jesus revealed that when one lives for the pleasures of the world with disregard to God, one goes to the great beyond in punishment from God and torment. But when one lives for God, even though one may live in temporal adversity and sorrow, one enters the great beyond full of bliss.

" ... Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: ... " God has set aside a day when all the dead in Christ shall come from their graves with heavenly bodies to glory above. Also the ungodly shall be raised from their graves but to shame and contempt. Every one of us must choose where we want to be after life here.

MESSAGE TO THE WIFE AND CHILDREN

On behalf of the ministers & members of Deeper Christian Life Ministry, I express our condolences on the occasion of the death of your beloved husband and father. I pray that God will comfort your hearts through the spirit of adoption.

MESSAGE TO THE RELATIVES

On behalf of the ministers & members of Deeper Christian Life Ministry, I express our condolences on the occasion of the death of your brother/nephew/cousin/uncle/in-law. I pray that God will comfort your hearts through the Gospel of His Dear Son.

MESSAGE TO THE FRIENDS

On behalf of the ministers & members of Deeper Christian Life Ministry, I express our condolences on the occasion of the death of your friend, Benjamin Jacob Mbeah Afful. I pray that God will comfort your hearts through the Gospel of His Dear Son.

AT THE CEMETERY

In as much as the late Pastor Benjamin Afful professed to have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour, I by virtue of the authority vested in me as a Minister of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, do conduct this ceremony for him in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

Biography of the late

PASTOR JACOB BENJAMIN KWEKU MBEAH AFFUL

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 into peace; they find rest as they lie in death.
Isaiah 57:1

J. B. Afful was a remarkable individual who lived a meaningful and impactful life. Throughout his journey, he touched the lives of those around him with his kindness, wisdom, and unwavering determination. On the evening of Tuesday, October 24, 2023, what should have been the end of a peaceful day, turned out to be our darkest day yet as our Grandfather, Father, Husband, Relative, Pastor, Colleague and Friend left us painfully stunned to be with his Creator in heaven.

Early Life and Education:

J. B. Afful was born on February 6th, 1952 to Thomas Kingsley Papa Tom Afful and Madam Nana Akua Burke at Sekondi in the Western Region, both of blessed memory.

J. B. Afful started his primary education at Kojokrom Methodist Primary and completed his middle school education at Nana Katabra at Sekondi in the Western Region. He gained admission into the Koforidua Normal Technical School where he had his Secondary and Technical Education.

He proceeded thereafter to Accra Polytechnic to pursue studies in General Engineering and Shipbuilding and obtained a Higher National Diploma (HND) in Electrical Engineering.



Tribute By IN-LAWS

“He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken.”- Isaiah 25:8

Great sadness engulfed our hearts, when we heard of your sudden demise on Tuesday October 24, 2023. It was a day we never want to experience, but we stand here today to pay tribute to a remarkable man, our father-in-law. Indeed, we do not know how to handle this loss.

Our father-in-law was a devoted family man, who cherished his role as a husband, father, and grandfather, always putting his loved ones above all else. His care and support were evident in the way he embraced each and every one of us. Whether it was offering guidance, sharing wisdom, or simply being there to lend a listening ear, he was a pillar of strength and a source of comfort.

His dedication to family was exemplary, our father-in-law was an exceptional role model, which is seen in his sons and we thank God for being married into such a wonderful family. His strong work ethic, believe in God and determination inspired those around him. He pursued his passions with enthusiasm and taught us the importance of perseverance and prayer. He instilled in us the belief that anything is possible with God, hard work and dedication.

Beyond his personal achievements, our father-in-law was a man of integrity and kindness. He possessed a genuine and selfless nature, always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. His acts of compassion and generosity touched the lives of countless individuals, leaving a permanent mark on their hearts.

Daddy had a profound love for life. His zest for life was evident in the way he approached every moment with enthusiasm and a sense of adventure. Whether it was traveling to new places, trying new experiences, or simply enjoying the company of loved ones, he embraced life fully and encouraged us to do the same.

Today, as we bid farewell to our father-in-law, we carry forward the lessons he taught us and the memories he created. We will remember his love, his strength of character, and his zest for life. Although he may no longer be physically present, he will live on within each one of us.

Thank you for being such a wonderful father-in law, grandfather and friend.

You will be sorely missed and forever remain in our hearts

Daa, “Nantew Yie”

Rest in the bossom of our Creator until we meet again.



Growing up, he was known for his determination and strong work ethics. His parents instilled in him the values of honesty, integrity, and the importance of education. He excelled academically, demonstrating a thirst for knowledge that continued throughout his life. Thus, after retirement he continued to pursue knowledge by enrolling with Ghana Communication Technology University (GCTU), where he obtained a Project Management Professional Certificate on August 1, 2023.

Professional Life:

In the early years of his career, Kweku worked as a Biomedical Engineering technician at the Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital. In recognition of his hard work, the government of Ghana awarded him a scholarship to further his studies in Biomedical Engineering at Rochester University in the United States of America. He subsequently received specialized training in dental equipment at the Ritter Technical Training School in the United States. On his return to Ghana, he continued to work with hospital engineers. Following this, he accepted a position at the Lagos State College in Nigeria as a teacher and housemaster.

On returning home, he embarked on a business venture of his own. As an entrepreneur that Kweku always was, he decided to trade as a timber merchant and established several sawmill outlets with about twenty five personnel to grow his business. This he did for more than a decade until his timber business began to experience a rough patch. He then decided after a careful consideration of events to diversify and include civil works, and building construction to his portfolio to keep the business functional and profitable.

With his remarkable qualifications and abilities, Kweku embarked on a fulfilling professional journey. He dedicated himself to his career, where he made valuable contributions to his field. Kweku left an indelible mark in his line of work. His colleagues respected him for his expertise, unwavering commitment, and ability to inspire others. Kweku's strong work ethic and determination were instrumental in his accomplishments, earning him praise and accolades throughout his career.

Marriage and Family Life:

Beyond his professional endeavors, Kweku's greatest joy came from the family, God gifted him. He met his beloved spouse, Emma and they embarked on a journey of love and partnership. Together, they created a warm and loving home, filled with love for God, support, laughter and cherished memories.

As a family man, Kweku nurtured, loved, and was always present for his wife and three sons, who have all grown up to be responsible adults in various fields. He fostered an environment of spiritual growth, discipline, learning and encouragement. He instilled in his sons these same values which he treasured from his upbringing. He shared in their triumphs and challenges, offered incessant prayers, studied the word of God together, and provided guidance and wisdom along the way.

As an in-law, uncle and brother, Kweku was a pillar of strength for the extended family and was committed to family engagements wherever they may be.

Christian Life:

Born into a Catholic and an Anglican family, Kweku was exposed to the teachings of Christianity from an early age. He attended Sunday school with his siblings, participated in church activities, and grew up with some understanding of the Christian faith.

However, it was during his early thirties that a personal transformation occurred. He then gave his life to Christ in 1986 and this pivotal moment marked the beginning of his journey towards a more personal and intimate relationship with God at the Deeper Life Bible Church at Adabraka in Accra. He became a staunch member, rose through the church ranks and became a District Pastor at the Sukura Branch of the church in Accra. He devoted the best of his time and resources to the propagation of the gospel.

Kweku was a gifted soul winner and this he did with passion all his life until his demise. He was very prayerful and would not start his day without communing with his maker, daily family devotion was a regular feature in the Afful household and together with mum, ensured the kids were brought in the way of the Lord.

Throughout his life, his unwavering faith and dedication to Christian principles left a positive impact. He touched countless lives and helped individuals find hope, and purpose through their relationship with God.

Character and Impact:

Kweku was known for his compassionate nature, always extending a helping hand to those in need. He lived with a sense of purpose, using his knowledge, skills, and resources to make a positive impact on his Church and Community. Whether through volunteering, mentoring, or supporting social causes, Kweku made a difference in the lives of many.

His wisdom, patience, and genuine care for people endeared him to many. Kweku's ability to listen deeply and provide thoughtful advice not only made him a cherished friend but also a sought-after confidant.

Legacy:

Though Kweku is no longer with us, his legacy lives on through the many lives he touched. He will be remembered for his kindness, wisdom, and unwavering determination to make the world a better place. Those who had the privilege to know him will forever carry his inspiration in their hearts.

J. B. Afful led a life guided by the principles of God which shaped his character. He exhibited empathy, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to his family, church, profession, friends and community. His impact, both personally and professionally, will continue to resonate in the lives of those he influenced.

Our Grandfather, Father, Husband, Relative, Pastor, Colleague and Friend leaves behind a legacy that serves as a reminder of the difference a compassionate individual can make in the world.

Kweku, your work on earth is done: we salute you!

Though we wish to have spent many more years with you, we are comforted in the knowledge that, you are enjoying rest in the bosom of the LORD.

Emma, Ben, Papa Tom, Joe, your grandchildren, siblings, relatives, friends, colleagues and Deeper Life thank the Lord for gifting you to us: you are missed and fondly remembered for your affable, kind, humble and passionate self as well as your deep love for the things of God.

Your legacy will live on. Till the day we meet again on the day of resurrection,

Damirifa Due, Damirifa Due, Damirifa Due ne Amanehunu

Jacob Benjamin Kweku Mbeah Afful,

Rest in perfect peace in the bosom of God Almighty.

Tribute By **SIBLINGS**

“Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.”- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

In loving memory of our dear brother Jacob Benjamin Kweku Mbeah Afful. We gather here today to pay tribute to a life well-lived and a soul deeply cherished. As his siblings, we hold a special place in our hearts for him, and it is with great sorrow that we come together to bid him farewell to our brother who unified us.

Brother Kweku was not only our brother but also our confidant, our unifier and our best friend. From childhood adventures to shared secrets, he was always there for us, offering guidance and support. His presence brought joy and laughter to our lives, and his absence leaves a void that cannot be filled.

As we reflect on the memories we shared with Kweku, we are reminded of his kindness, his generosity, and his steadfast love for his family. He had a way of making everyone feel valued and loved, and his compassion knew no bounds. Whether it was a helping hand in times of need or a listening ear during moments of despair, he was always there, offering his unconditional support and prayers for us. Brother Kweku had a zest for life that was contagious.

He lived each day to the fullest, seizing every opportunity and never taking a single moment for granted. His adventurous spirit led him to explore new prospects, try new experiences, and embrace challenges with unwavering determination. He taught us the importance of embracing life's uncertainties and finding beauty in every situation.

One of the things that made Kweku truly special was his ability to bring people together. He had a remarkable gift for making everyone feel welcome and accepted, regardless of their background or circumstances. It is a testament to his character that so many people have come together today to celebrate his life and honour his memory.

In our hearts, our brother will forever remain a guiding light, a source of inspiration, and a cherished brother. Though he may no longer be physically with us, his spirit lives on in the memories we hold dear. We will continue to carry his love, and his wisdom with us, ensuring that his legacy lives on through us.

As we say our final goodbyes, let us remember our brother as a beacon of love, strength, and resilience. May we honour his memory by living our lives with the same passion and zest that he exemplified!

Rest in peace, dear brother.

May the Good Lord, keep you in his abiding presence till we meet again.

Da yie y3n nua, na y3n dofo!

His words of wisdom continue to resonate within us, guiding our decisions and shaping our character.

Our dad's legacy will live on through the lives he touched and the memories he left behind. Today, we honour our father and express our deepest appreciation for all that he has done for us. His presence in our lives is a gift that we cherish, and his influence will forever be imprinted on our hearts.

This legacy reminds me of this poem:

Our Father's Garden

*Our Father kept a garden. A garden of the heart;
He planted all the good things, That gave our lives their start.*

*He turned us to the sunshine, And encouraged us to dream:
Fostering and nurturing The seeds of self-esteem.*

*And when the winds and rain came, He protected us enough;
But not too much because he knew We would stand up strong and tough.*

*His constant good example, Always taught us right from wrong;
Markers for our pathway that will last a lifetime long.*

*We are our Fathers garden, We are his legacy.
Thank you Dad we love you – (Author: Unknown)*

You will always be remembered as a beloved father, husband, Pastor, friend, and mentor. You will be missed and never forgotten.

Daddy, you have fought the good fight, you have finished the race, you have kept the faith. Now there is in store for you the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to you.- 2 Timothy 4:7-8.

Ewuradze nfa wo kra nsie yie, Daa!
Rest in Perfect Peace, Daddy



Tribute By WIFE



***“He will wipe every tear from their eyes.
There will be no more death, or mourning or
crying or pain, for the old order of things has
passed away.”- Revelation 21:4***

I am here today with deep sadness to pay tribute to my dear husband, who has left us far too soon to be with his Creator. J. B. as I affectionately called him was not only my spouse but also my best friend. He was a man who brought so much joy and happiness into my life and his loss has left an irreplaceable void in my heart.

I met this honourable man and within a few months, we became best of friends; spent our time laughing, talking and dreaming of our future together. He introduced me to his parents (of blessed memory) who gave us their blessings and in that moment, a blissful union began.

As I reflect on our journey, I am overwhelmed by the beautiful memories we created. His charismatic personality and generosity captured my soul. He was a pillar of strength, my confidant, and my soul mate. He brought immense joy and love into my life, and I am forever grateful for the love we shared. Through life's ups and downs, his support never failed.

During his teaching career at Lagos State College in Nigeria, he was invited to the Deeper Life Bible Church by some members of the church, who were on an outreach programme. He took an interest in their teachings and doctrines, and as a result, on his return home; he decided to join the church at Adabraka in Accra where he became born again in 1986. His transformation and new way of life got me curious and made me follow the same path of faith and I thank God that I was the first soul he won for Christ.

J. B. became a devout Christian, rose through the church ranks and became a District Pastor at the Sukura Branch in Accra, where he assisted me and offered guidance to lead and grow the Women's Ministry of the Church.

Throughout the years, we gained great insight into the fundamentals of God's word and this gave us a great deal of leverage when it came to managing our home.

Our home was built on Christ and there was no room for the boys to lose their way. While losing out on some of life's pleasures was painful, looking back, we can attest to the enormous gains that were made. God has proven dependable.

My J. B. was very affable, humble and had a good sense of humour which drew many to him and made soul-winning very easy for him. We had so much to share and discuss from religion, business and family issues, through counselling; and issues that were defined by social and political realities.

Your spiritual role and leadership in the home will forever be missed. You succeeded in setting a high standard for us in the observance of morning devotions in our Christian life.

Our marriage of forty-one years (41 years) has been blessed with three sons. As parents, we faced many challenges together. J. B. showered his children with love, guidance, and unwavering support and gave them the courage to overcome. His love was a constant source of warmth, comfort, and encouragement. He was their rock, protector, and role model. It certainly was not a bed of roses but by the grace of God, we sailed through rocky and high tides to make it last.

J. B. by God's goodness, we have made it this far! On Tuesday, October 24, 2023, after visiting a church member, we sat together as a family to plan for the future but little did we know that the future would not include you as the cold hands of death

took you away from us that evening. If anyone had told me that you will not be with us from that faithful day, I would have kept you safe to spend many more years with you but the eternity you always preached about, had happened so suddenly for us.

J. B, who will partner with me in fervent prayers? Who will call to check why I am running late? Who will do my impromptu groceries for me? Who will put a smile on my face, like you do? Who will light our home with your funny stories? It is a real blow but the good Lord; who knows best will not forsake us.

Oh Lord, my heart is heavy:
as I lay my dear husband to
rest.

But I know that he is in your
arms and that he has received
eternal rest.

He was a faithful servant, a
loving husband, a devoted
father and a friend.

I thank the Lord, for the
memories we shared and the
times we stood together in
prayer.

I know he is with You in
heaven above walking on
streets of gold and singing
songs of praises.

Fare thee well, Daa
In my heart, your love will
never end.

*Rest well
Kweku*

Rest in perfect peace,
My Best Friend!



Tribute By **CHILDREN**

*“Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress,
and for their children, it will be a refuge.”- Proverbs 14:26*

It is with a heavy heart that we stand before you today to deliver this eulogy to our beloved father. We struggled for days trying to put this eulogy together because we could not wrap our minds around daddy's sudden demise.

The events on Tuesday October 24, 2023, as we witnessed dad's very last moments on earth, will never leave our memory. It indeed feels like a dream!

O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting? The sting of death is sin; and the power of sin is the law: but thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. – 1 Corinthians 15: 55,57

How are we to sum up an entire lifetime with you in just a few pages?

You indeed were remarkable in every sense of the word; your affable and humble disposition is attested by all who encountered you during your life here on earth and we cannot thank God enough for blessing us with a dad like you.

Our father was a man of faith, great character, strength and dignity who lived a life that was full of meaning and purpose. He was a provider, a protector, and a mentor to our family. He was a man, who espoused his values every day, and his kindness, generosity and unwavering commitment touched countless lives.

He taught us the value of hard work, honesty, compassion and the ways of God. He instilled in us the importance of taking care of others and being there for those in need.

Beyond being a provider and protector, Daddy was our friend and confidant but a disciplinarian. He listened to our worries, celebrated our triumphs, and offered solace during moments of despair.

He had a great sense of humour and could always make us laugh, even in the toughest times. His presence was a calming force, reassuring us that we are never alone in this journey called life.

Daddy never shied away from a challenge, and he never gave up. He faced every obstacle with prayers, courage and determination, inspiring us all to be better than we ever thought we could be.

His life was not without its trials and hardships, but he faced them all with God's grace and resilience. He taught us that there is always a way forward, even in the darkest of times; if we completely believed in God. His faith and belief in God was absolute.

He played a significant role in shaping our spiritual and moral development through morning devotions and bible teachings that we dare not miss. He taught us the ways of God and this was exemplary for us.

Daddy's dedication to his family was matchless. Throughout our education, he was very instrumental in our choice of programmes.

Our dad saw education and hard work as important tools for success, and that success was not about luck but persistence and determination. This made us wonder why he never settled to be an educationist.

He worked tirelessly, often behind the scenes, to ensure that our needs were met and our dreams were nurtured. His sacrifices, big and small, laid the foundation for our happiness and well-being.

As we reflect on the impact our father had on our lives and many others we are filled with gratitude and admiration. His love was a constant source of strength, providing us with the courage to face life's challenges head-on.