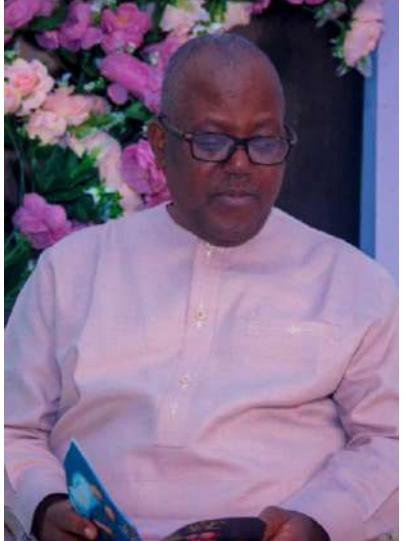
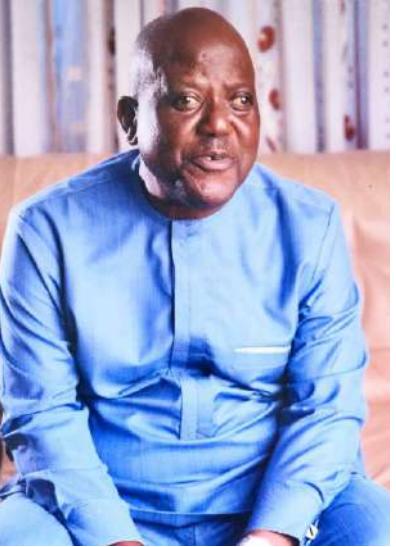
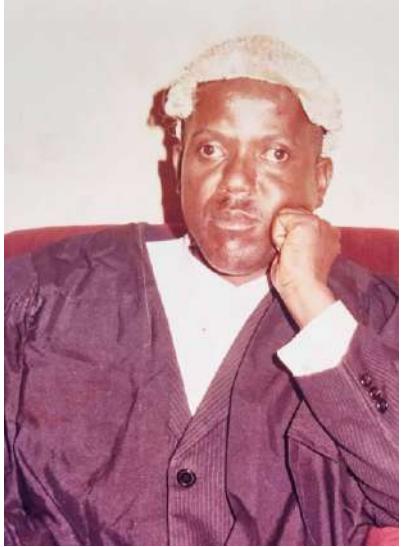
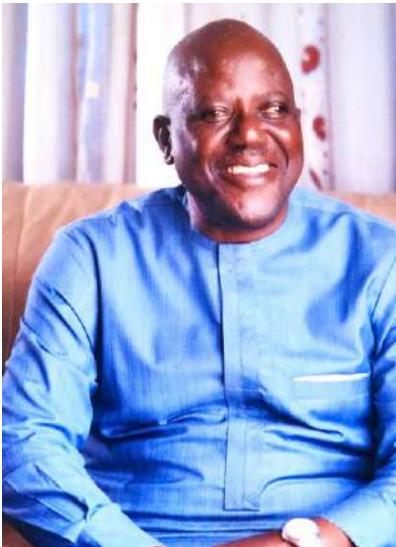


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On Tuesday April 2nd 2024  
At The Family Home  
No: 3 Hyambula Crescent Abacha Road Nasarawa State  
5:00 PM

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PATRIARCH

## ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR CHRISTIAN WAKE/SERVICE OF SONGS PROGRAM

1. Opening Prayer
2. Praise & Worship
3. Hymn 1 - **When We All Get To Heaven**
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5. Hymn 2 - **Jerusalem on High**
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23. Closing Prayer & Benediction

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PATRIARCH

### 1. Opening Prayer

### 2. Praise & Worship

### 3. Hymn 1

#### WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN

1 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus,  
Sing His mercy and His grace;  
In the mansions bright and blessed  
He'll prepare for us a place.

##### Refrain:

*When we all get to heaven,  
What a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus,  
We'll sing and shout the victory!*

3 Let us then be true and faithful,  
Trusting, serving every day;  
Just one glimpse of Him in glory  
Will the toils of life repay.

4 Onward to the prize before us!  
Soon His beauty we'll behold;  
Soon the pearly gates will open;  
We shall tread the streets of gold.

2 While we walk the pilgrim pathway,  
Clouds will overspread the sky;  
But when trav'ling days are over,  
Not a shadow, not a sigh.

### 4. Scripture Reading 1 (1 Thess. 4:13-18)

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

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### 5. Hymn 2 | JERUSALEM ON HIGH

- 1 Jerusalem on high, my song that city is,  
My home whene'er I die, the centre of my bliss;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?
- 2 There dwells my Lord, my King, judged here unfit to live;  
There angels to Him sing and lowly homage give;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?
- 3 The patriarchs of old there from their travels cease;  
The prophets there behold their longed for Prince of peace;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?
- 4 The Lamb's Apostles there I might with joy behold,  
The harpers I might hear harping on harps of gold;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?
- 5 The bleeding martyrs, they within those courts are found,  
Clothed in pure array, their scars with glory crowned;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?
- 6 Ah me! Ah me! That I in Kedar's tent here stay;  
No place like that on high; Lord thither guide my way;  
O happy place! When shall I be,  
My God, with Thee, to see Thy face?

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### 6. Scripture Reading 2 (Rev. 7:9-17)

9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, what are these which are arrayed in white robes? And whence came they?

14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, these are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.

16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

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### 7. Hymn 3

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER  
Shall we gather at the river,  
Where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide forever  
Flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.  
On the margin of the river,  
Washing up its silver spray,  
We will walk and worship ever,  
All the happy golden day.  
Ere we reach the shining river,  
Lay we ev'ry burden down;  
Grace our spirits will deliver,  
And provide a robe and crown.

At the shining of the river,  
Mirror of the Savior's face,  
Saints whom death will never sever  
Raise their songs of saving grace

Soon we'll reach the silver river  
Soon our pilgrimage will cease;  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver  
With the melody of peace.

### 8. Choir Special 1

#### 9. Scripture Reading 3 (John 14:1-7)

1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.  
2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.  
3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.  
4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye

know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

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### 10. Hymn 4 | OH, WEARY PILGRIM, LIFT YOUR HEAD

Oh, Weary Pilgrim, Lift Your Head:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
For God in His Own Word Hath Said  
That Joy Cometh in the Morning!

Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
Weeping May Endure For a Night,  
But Joy Cometh in the Morning!

Ye Trembling Saints, Dismiss Your Fears:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
Oh, Weeping Mourner, Dry Your Tears:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!

Let Every Burdened Soul Look Up:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
And Every Trembling Sinner Hope:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!

Our God Shall Wipe All Tears Away:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning!  
Sorrow And Sighing Flee Away:  
For Joy Cometh in the Morning

### 11. Exhortation

### 12. Choir Special 2

### 13. Scripture Reading 4 (1 Cor. 15:1-26)

1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;  
2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.  
3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;  
4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:  
5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:  
6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.  
7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.  
8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

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9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

11 Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:

14 And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.

15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.

16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:

17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.

18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

21 For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

24 Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

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### 14. Hymn 5

#### FADING AWAY LIKE THE STARS OF THE MORNING

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.

##### ***Refrain:***

*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.*

Shall we be missed, though by others succeeded,  
Reaping the fields we in springtime have sown?  
Yes, for the sowers must pass from their labors,  
Ever remembered by what they have done.

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.

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.

### 15. Presentation by family

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### 16. Scripture Reading 5 (Rev. 22:1-15)

1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

4 And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

6 And he said unto me, these sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

8 And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

9 Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.

10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

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### 17. Hymn 6 | WHEN JESUS COMES TO REWARD HIS SERVANTS

When Jesus comes to reward His servants,  
Whether it be noon or night,  
Faithful to Him will He find us watching,  
With our lamps all trimmed and bright?

Refrain:

Oh, can we say we are ready, brother?  
Ready for the soul's bright home?  
Say, will He find you and me still watching,  
Waiting, watching when the Lord shall come?

If at the dawn of the early morning,  
He shall call us one by one,  
When to the Lord we restore our talents,  
Will He answer thee, "Well done?"  
Have we been true to the trust He left us?  
Do we seek to do our best?  
If in our hearts there is naught condemns us,  
We shall have a glorious rest.

Blessed are those whom the Lord finds  
watching,  
In His glory they shall share;  
If He shall come at the dawn or midnight,  
Will He find us watching there?

### 18. Prayers

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PATRIARCH

### 19. Hymn 7 | I'VE FOUND A FRIEND IN JESUS

I've found a friend in Jesus, He's everything to me,  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul;  
The Apple-tree of trees, in Him alone I see  
All I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.  
In sorrow He's my comfort, in trouble He's my stay,  
He tells me every care on Him to roll:  
He's the Apple-tree of trees, the Bright and Morning Star,  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He all my grief has taken, and all my sorrows borne;  
In temptation He's my strong and mighty tower;  
I've all for Him forsaken, and all my idols torn  
From my heart, and now He keeps me by His power.  
Though all the world forsake me, and Satan tempt me sore,  
Through Jesus I shall safely reach the goal:  
He's the Apple-tree of trees, the Bright and Morning Star,  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He'll never, never leave me, nor yet forsake me here,  
While I live by faith and do His blessed will;  
A wall of fire about me, I've nothing now to fear,  
With His manna He my hungry soul shall fill.

Then sweeping up to glory to see His blessed face,  
Where rivers of delight shall ever roll:  
He's the Apple-tree of trees, the Bright and Morning Star,  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

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### 20. Hymn 8 | GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN

God be with you till we meet again!  
By His counsel's guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again!

Till we meet! Till we meet!  
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
Till we meet! Till we meet!  
God be with you till we meet again!

God be with you till we meet again!  
'Neath His wings securely hide you,  
Daily manna still provide you;  
God be with you till we meet again!

God be with you till we meet again!  
When life's perils thick confound you,  
Put His loving arms around you;  
God be with you till we meet again!

God be with you till we meet again!  
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,  
Smite death's threatening wave before you;  
God be with you till we meet again!

### 21. Announcements

### 22. Closing Hymn | BLESSED ASSURANCE

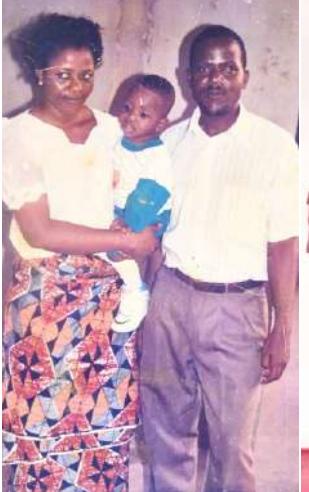
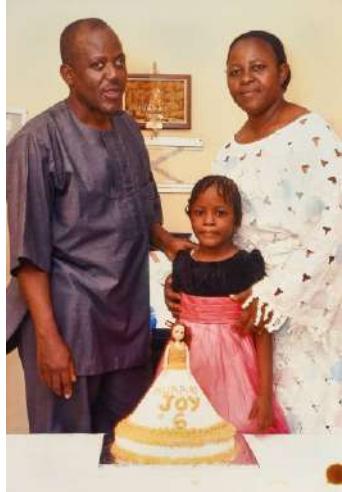
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels, descending, bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

### 23. Closing Prayer & Benediction





## APPRECIATION

We express our deepest gratitude for your support on this occasion. Your kind words and shared memories helped us celebrate our father's life and honour his memory in a meaningful way.

Your presence is a testament to the love and respect he inspired in others. It is a beautiful reminder of the positive impact he had on so many lives. It brings us a great deal of comfort to know that he was surrounded by people who cared for him as much as we did.