

# **SOLEMNIZATION OF HOLY MATRIMONY**

Between

*Favour Chioma Paul*

&

*Ugwuoke Ifesinachi Alex*

— Saturday, 17th January, 2026 —

# **Church Service@**

**KINGDOM OF MERCY MINISTRIES INC.**

5/7 Toyin Popoola Crescent, God-First CDA, Owode Onirin  
Bus-Stop, Along Ikorodu Road, Lagos State.

**Pastor K.C. Ezech  
(Senior Pastor)**

## **Officiating Ministers**

- 1.Pastor K.C. Ezech
- 2.Pastor Ruth Ezech
- 3.Minister Emmanuel Udoh
- 4.Minister Leonard Okafor
- 5.Pastor Lucky Joseph
- 6.Pastor Mrs Felicia Egede

# Order of Service

1. Opening Prayer
2. Praise & Worship
3. Procession Hymn 1 (**There shall be showers of blessing**)
4. Bible Reading
5. Exhortation & Charge
6. Declaration/Marriage
7. Hymn 2 (**Great is thy faithfulness**)
8. Choir Ministration
9. Sermon
10. Prayer
11. Signing of the Marriage Register (**When we walk with the Lord**)
12. Thanksgiving/Choruses
13. Announcement
14. Benediction & Recessional Hymn 3

# PRAISE AND WORSHIP

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

### 1. There shall be showers of blessing:

This is the promise of love;  
There shall be seasons refreshing,  
Sent from the Savior above.

### Chorus:

*Showers of blessing,  
Showers of blessing we need;  
Mercy-drops round us are falling,  
But for the showers we plead.*

### 2. There shall be showers of blessing,

Precious reviving again;  
Over the hills and the valleys,  
Sound of abundance of rain.

### 3. There shall be showers of blessing;

Send them upon us, O Lord!  
Grant to us now a refreshing;  
Come, and now honor Thy Word.

### 4. There shall be showers of blessing;

O that today they might fall,  
Now as to God we're confessing,  
Now as on Jesus we call!

# Opening Prayer

## Bible reading

### EXHORTATION & CHARGE

**Then the congregation standing, the minister shall say;**

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of God to witness and to celebrate the marriage of **Alex & Favour**, to ask his blessings on them and share in their joy. Our Lord Jesus Christ was Himself a guest at a wedding in Cana of Galilee and blessed this way of life and through His spirit He is with us now.

Marriage is given primarily that husband and wife may comfort and help each other, living faithfully together in need and in plenty, in sorrow and joy. It is also given that with delight and tenderness, they may know each other in love, and through the joy of their bodily union may strengthen the union of their hearts and lives.

Lastly, it is given that they have children and be blessed in caring for them, and bringing them up in accordance with Gods will, to His praise and glory in marriage, husband and wife belong to one another and are linked to each others family as they begin a new life together in the community. This is a way of life that all should honour and it must not be undertaken carelessly, lightly or selfishly, but reverently, responsibly after serious thought. Into this way of life **Alex & Favour** come now to be joined.

## **DECLARATION/MARRIAGE**

**Alex & Favour**, the vows you are about to take are to be made in the name of God and I charge you both, as you will answer before God who is the judge of all and who knows all the secrets of our hearts: that if either of you knows a reason why, you may not lawfully marry, you must declare it now.

**(If there is no impediment declared, the minister continues)**

## THE VOWS

**Minister:** Alex, of yours own free choice, will you take Favour to be your wife?

**The Bridegroom Answer:** I WILL

**Minister:** Will you love her, comfort her, honour her and protect her, in sickness and in health, in poverty and in prosperity and forsaking all others, be faithful to her as long as you both shall live?

**The Bridegroom answer:** I WILL

**Minister:** Favour of your own free choice, will you take Alex to be your husband? <sup>5354</sup>

**The Bride answers:** I WILL

**Minister:** Will you love him, comfort him, honour him and protect him, in sickness and in health, in poverty and in prosperity, and forsaking all others, be faithful to him as long as you both shall live?

**The Bride answers:** I WILL

# THE MARRIAGE

**Minister:** Who give Favour to be married to Alex?

**Bride's Father:** I Do

The minister receiving the women that her father's hand cause the man with his right hand to have the woman by her right hand: then the man and the woman shall give their pledge to each other saying after him.

**Groom's Vow:** I Alex take you Favour to be my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's Holy ordinance, this is my solemn vow.

*Then shall they loose their hands and the woman with her right hand taking the man by the right hand, shall likewise afer the minister;*

**Bride's Vow:** I Favour take you Alex to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to Gods Holy ordinance, this is my solemn vow.

**The Minister:** What token do you share to represent your love and commitment to each other?

**The Minister receive the rings holding them up and says:**

The ring is a symbol of wholeness and perfection. It is made of Gold which is a precious and durable metal. What better representation of your feelings for each other!

**The Minister's Prayer:** Heavenly Father, by your blessing, let this rings be to Alex & Favour Symbols of mending love and faithfulness to remind them of the vow and covenant which they have made this day, In the name of JESUS CHRIST.

*The bridegroom places the ring at the top of the fourth finger of the Brides left hand and holding it there declares:*

**Groom (Placing Ring):** Favour, I give you this ring as a sign of our marriage. With my body I honour you, all that I am: I give to you; and all that I have I share with you, within the love of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### **They loose hands**

*The bride places the ring at the top of the fourth finger of the Bridegroom's left hand and holding it there she declares:*

**Bride (Placing Ring):** Alex, I give you this ring as a sign of our marriage. With my body I honour you, all that I am: I give to you; and all that I have I share with you, within the love of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***The Bride & the Groom kneel, while the congregation remains standing.***

**Minister's Blessing:** Almighty Father, the Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life, send your blessings upon Samuel & Peace whom we bless in your name today, that they may live together faithfully, fulfilling the vow and covenant they have made this day of which the giving and receiving of rings are a token, that they may remain in perfect love and peace together and live according to your law in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**Then the Minister shall speak unto the people saying:** Now that Alex & Favour, have given their consent and made their vows to each other before God and this congregation, with the joining of hands and the giving and receiving of rings, in the name of God, I declare that they are now Husband and Wife, in the name of God the Father, God the Son God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**THOSE WHOM GOD HATH JOINED TOGETHER, LET NO MAN PUT ASUNDER. AMEN**

## HYMN 2 (GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS)

1.Great is Thy faithfulness,  
O God my Father.  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions,  
they fail not.  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

### Chorus:

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*  
*Great is Thy faithfulness!*  
*Morning by morning new mercies I see.*  
*All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.*  
*Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2.Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

3.Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

- CHOIR MINISTRATION
- SERMON
- PRAYER

# SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE REGISTER

## HYMN: When we walk with the Lord

1. When we walk with the Lord  
In the light of His Word,  
What a glory He sheds on our way;  
While we do His good will,  
He abides with us still,  
And with all who will trust and obey.

### Chorus:

*Trust and obey,  
For there's no other way  
To be happy in Jesus,  
But to trust and obey.*

2. Not a shadow can rise,  
Not a cloud in the skies,  
But His smile quickly drives it away;  
Not a doubt or a fear,  
Not a sigh or a tear,  
Can abide while we trust and obey.

3. But we never can prove  
The delights of His love,  
Until all on the altar we lay;  
For the favor He shows,  
And the joy He bestows,  
Are for them who will trust and obey.

4. Then in fellowship sweet  
We will sit at His Feet  
or we'll walk by His side in the way.  
What He says we will do.  
Where He sends we will go.  
Never fear only trust and obey.

- THANKSGIVING / CHORUSES
- ANNOUNCEMENT
- BENEDICTION & RECESSIONAL HYMN 3

### (To God be the Glory)

1.To God be the glory, great things He hath done,  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

#### Chorus:

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the earth hear His voice;  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the people rejoice; Oh, come to the Father,  
through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory;  
great things He hath done.*

2.Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

3.Great things He hath taught us,  
Great things He hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see.

# ORDER OF PHOTOGRAPHY

## Couple with

1. Officiating Ministers
2. Pastor
3. Brides Parents
4. Grooms Parents
5. Both Parents
6. Bride Family
7. Grooms Family
8. Brides Siblings
9. Grooms Siblings
10. Couple Alone
11. Bride Alone
12. Groom Alone
13. Groom with Best Man
14. Groom with Ring Bearer
15. Bride with Chief Brides Maid
16. Bride with Little Bride
17. Bridal Train
18. Kingdom of Mercy Youths
19. Brides Friends
20. Grooms Friends
21. Kingdom Choir
22. Grooms Friends
23. Kingdom of Mercy Women
24. Ushers

# WEDDING OFFICIALS

**Best Man:** Ugochukwu Izuorah

## Groom's men:

- Sammy
- Prosper
- Onyekachi
- Praise Marshall
- Okechukwu (OKEY IS OKAY)

**Chief Bride's Maid:** Nkechi Chuks

## Bridal Train:

- Okafor Favour
- Ifesinachi Faith
- Nnadozie Blessing
- Austin Blessing
- Mary





# *Order of* **RECEPTION**



- Introduction of Chairman, Guest of Honour
- Arrival of Grooms Parents
- Arrival of Brides Parents
- The Grand Entry
- In Jesus Name
- Chairman Opening Speech
- Father and Daughter Dance
- Cutting of Cake
- Our First Assignment
- Couple Dance
- Toast to the Bride and Groom
- Presentation of Gifts
- Finally Mr. Chairman
- Grooms Response
- Closing Prayer
- Dance with us.