

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF THE LATE



**Mrs. Dorothy
NAA KORDEI AFFUL**

a.k.a Mama Afful



Burial, MEMORIAL & THANKSGIVING SERVICE OF THE LATE



MRS. DOROTHY NAA KORDEI AFFUL

1945 - 2023

*'For those who follow godly paths
rest in peace when they die. (Isaiah 57:2)*

BURIAL SERVICE:

Saturday 3rd February, 2024 at The Church of Pentecost, Baiden Memorial Temple,
Near Ghana Commercial Bank, Abura Dunkwa at 9:00am

THANKSGIVING SERVICE:

Sunday, 4th February, 2024 at The Church of Pentecost, Egyir Paintsil Memorial Temple (Central Assembly),
Abura Dunkwa at 9:00am

**THE CHURCH PENTECOST – CAPE COAST AREA
ABURA DUNKWA DISTRICT
BURIAL SERVICE PROGRAMME**

ORDER OF SERVICE

1. OPENING PRAYER: - Dn. Richard Arthur
2. CHORUSES
3. INTRODUCTION - Conductor
4. *FILE PAST (If possible)* - Congregation
5. SONGS:
 - All Other Churches
 - All Other Areas and Districts of CoP
 - Abura Dunkwa District
6. SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 14: 12 - 20
 - English: - Dn. Stephen Atobrah
 - Fante: - Dns. Florence Prah
7. PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING - **Officiating Minister**
8. BIOGRAPHY - Family members
9. TRIBUTE:
 - Widower and Children
 - Church
10. SERMON : - **Officiating Minister**
11. ALTERCALL AND PRAYERS - Elder Samuel Aidoo
12. OFFERING - Elder Appiah Otoo
13. PRAYER FOR BEREAVED FAMILY: - **Officiating Minister**
14. VOTE OF THANKS: - Family Member
15. ANNOUNCEMENT: - Secretary

PART TWO: PROCESSION TO THE CEMETARY:

16. PRAYERS: -
17. COMMittal - **Ps. William Offei Antwi**
18. PRAYER -
19. BENEDICTION -

CONDUCTOR: - **Elder Augustine Eyeson**

Biography

OF THE LATE

MRS. DOROTHY NAA KORDEI AFFUL

(AKA MAMA AFFUL)

1945 - 2023

Mrs Dorothy Naa Kordei Afful, by God's grace, entered this world on 1st April 1945. She was named traditionally Kordei Clottey by her father, the late Joseph Clottey, a Ga, and a Locomotive Railways Train Driver of the Gold Coast Railways when the British were administering this country as a colony. Her father was stationed at Dunkwa-On-Offin, but his hometown was Accra. Her mother, Nyameke Ehwia, an Nzema hailed from Half Assini in the Western Region.

At the age of six, her parents enrolled her in Kaneshie Methodist Primary School to begin her primary education. After spending three years in the school, her brother, the late Anaman who was working at the Standard Bank of West Africa, Tarkwa expressed the wish to be responsible for her formal education.

Her brother enlisted her at the only Girls' Elementary School in Town, Tarkwa Catholic Elementary School, a girls' school with an enviable academic record. Though aged only eight years, she aided her elder brother greatly with basic household chores.

With the six years in the primary school completed, she entered the Middle School after a short competitive test as admission was limited to only thirty pupils.

In the Middle School, she was appointed class prefect for any class she entered for three consecutive years. In the fourth and final year, she was made a Senior Girls Prefect for the school. She also joined the Ghana Young Pioneers Clubs, a movement the first President of the country, Osagyefo Kwame Nkrumah established in schools to give an orientation to the youth that would make them patriotic citizens. Members of Young Pioneers Clubs were given military training and were engaged in cultural activities. Pupils who excelled in these activities were selected and sent to other towns in the country to enlighten them to develop the country. A few outstanding pupils were even sent to foreign lands to spread the ideology and vision of their president.

In 1951, Dorothy was among a few members selected to travel to USSR to participate in a summer camp of pioneers from other countries. The participants spent about three months touring various republics in the USSR, performing cultural displays and engaging in a lot of competitions.

When she and the pioneers returned to the country, the Middle School Leaving Certificate Examination was very close but she worked hard to cover the work left undone. She came out of the examination successfully. After obtaining a Middle School Leaving Examination Certificate, she was appointed a pupil teacher at the Urban Council Primary School.

Two years later, she wrote the Teacher Training Examination and gained admission to Tamale Teachers College. Unfortunately, while at the college, she was confronted with illness, which interfered with her studies. After several journeys back and forth between Tamale and Tarkwa due to her sickness, she was advised by her parents to quit her studies since they feared her insistence on studying at the college might threaten her life.

She finally settled at Tarkwa where she got engaged to Mr. Peter Afful who married her.

The husband, who had furthered his education at the University of Cape Coast, was posted to Foso Training College as an Education and Geography tutor. Dorothy went along with his husband to Foso where she performed a lot of trading activities. She did that to support her husband to take care of her children most of whom had been admitted to boarding secondary schools in various part of the country. She visited the children in their respective schools and saw to their academic, moral and physical wellbeing.

Her trading took her to Kaneshie where she set up a shop at the Kaneshie market. She plied her trade both at Kaneshie and at Fosu. She would at a later period also set up shops at Abura Dunkwa in the Central Region.

In 1984, Dorothy and her children travelled to Nigeria where her husband had gained appointment as a teacher in a secondary school. While in Nigeria, she continued with her trading activities. She returned to Ghana with the children about three years later while her husband stayed on in Nigeria for a few years more.

Dorothy began as a Methodist but, whilst at Kaneshie, she got attracted to The Church of Pentecost. She finally became a member and was baptized into the Church in 1989.

Dorothy joined her husband at Abura Dunkwa where he was posted on his return to Ghana. In 2001 She was ordained a Deaconess at the Egyir Paintsil Memorial Temple Assembly of the church. She participated fully in the activities



of the church. Due to her commitment, she was later also appointed an executive of the Women's Ministry and served faithfully in that capacity at both the local and the district levels. She was retired with honour as a deaconess in 2016

Mama Afful, as she became popularly known, was noted for organizing young women and men of the church into teams that were responsible for decoration and adornment in the church. At all gatherings that required

decorative beautification such as conventions, weddings and church services, she was always ready to serve. With time, many members became decorators, and their services were recognized in and outside the church.



She was also noted in her community for her sound counsel, especially to the youth. She financed the training of some youths in various trades, often on the quiet. Many related and still refer to her with sincerity and respect as their mother – Maa Afful. She was a proud, concerned citizen who loved her nation Ghana.

Dorothy Naa Kordei Afful spent the greater part of her later years at Abura Dunkwa. In the final years of this period, she decided to tone down her trading activities for health reasons.

In 2020, when her health deteriorated significantly, she went to stay with her beloved daughter at Kasoa so that she could be provided the extra care and attention she now needed. Her husband regularly visited and phoned to check on her, and ensured that she attended good medical care – as did her children too. Several other family and friends visited or called to find out how she was faring. In spite of all the love and care, however, she suffered a sudden stroke in mid-October of 2023 and was unable to speak, walk or eat properly after that. She passed away on October 26, 2023.

Hers was a life well-lived; a testimony to the amazing power of God's grace; His strength for our weakness; His glory for our shame, His beauty for our ashes.

To God be the Glory.
Rest in perfect peace, Dorothy Naa Kordei Afful.
Amen.

Tribute by HUSBAND



Black Thursday! That was how my perplexed mind summed up the day our Maker the Almighty God called my wife Dorothy to His side. I was stupefy. I never thought she would depart so suddenly.

I have since then been jolted back to the reality. Life is not all rosy. It has its ups and downs. There are memories and experiences that are pleasant, and others that are not.

I have had a good life with my wife, children, relatives and friends, and I wonder – can one unpleasant occasion blot out all the happy days given to us by God? When we face a great loss in life, we tend to forget all the good times we have been given by God.

Dorothy was God's gift to me. She was beautiful inside and out; kind, enterprising and very wise – a virtuous woman by every standard. While she lived, she was always ready to come to my aid. I enjoyed her pieces of advice, which were like a beacon to me. I will implore the good Lord to let them remain in my mind as shining guidance for the rest of my life.

Losing Dorothy is a big blow. But the All-knowing God understands best why he allows some things to happen.

In our sorry state, we will reflect on these words of the hymnist:

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear.

Dorothy, may the Good Lord keep you and grant you peace and rest in his arms.

Amen.



Tribute by CHURCH

TRIBUTE BY THE CHURCH OF PENTECOST, EGYIR PAINTSIL MEMORIAL TEMPLE (E.P.M.T)
ABURA DUNKWA TO LATE DEACONESS MAAME DOROTHY AFFUL (ENGLISH)

The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field; the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more (Psalm 103:15-16).

The name we usually called our mother, the Late Retired Deaconess, Dorothy Afful who lies before us this morning was Mama Afful.

When she joined us in the church of Pentecost at Abura Dunkwa, she had already been baptized at the Kaneshie District of the church in Accra by the Apostle retired Peter Ayerakwa in the year 1989.

Due to her dedication as she served the lord with us, she was ordained as a Deaconesses of the Church of Pentecost in the year 2001.

Positions she held in the church were Assistant Local Women Movement leader and member of the Abura District Women Movement Executives.

During church services, the late mama Afful and some youth she had trained saw to it that they have beautified the church room with decorations. She played a prominent role in the activities of the women movement at the local and district level. She took the payment of her tithes and offering seriously. Even when she was sick and could not be actively involved in church activities, she saw to it that her tithes and offerings were sent to church.

Mama Afful, you will forever be remembered by Abura Dunkwa District of the Church of Pentecost

You will always be in the memory of the members of the Egyir Paintsil Memorial Temple Assembly of the Church of Pentecost in Abura Dunkwa. The youth that worked with you in decorations will forever remember you.

May the good lord keep you, Amen.

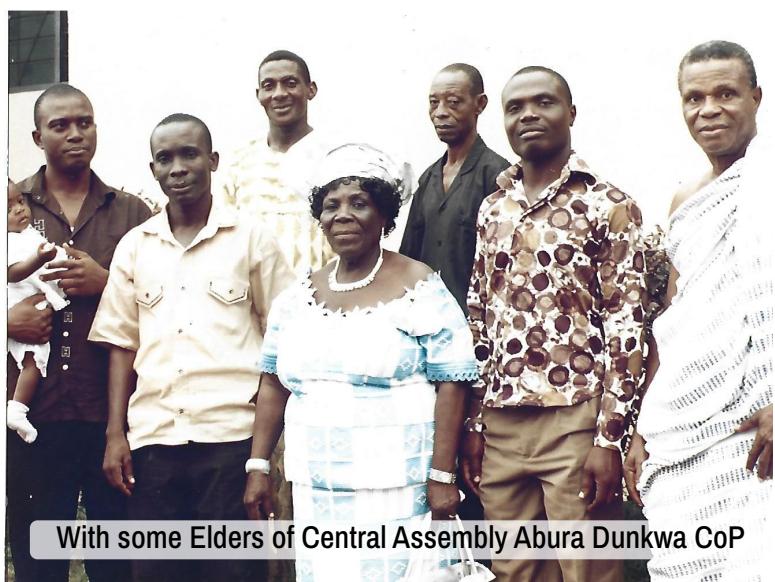
Rest in Peace.



All set for CoP Women's ministry



Awarded for service as an executive of the Women's ministry



FANTE VERSION

Dza asər Pentecost-Egyir Paintsil Memorial Temple (EPMT) Abura Dunkwa Etsitsiim Afa hen Maame Late Dorothy Afful ɔsumfobaa Retired ho.

Ɔdasanyi dze, ne nda tse de nkyekyer, ɔye pɔmmprom de haban mu nhiren. Na mframma bɔ fa do a, annyi hɔ, Na ne sibew irunnhu no bio. (David Ndwom 103:15 – 16)

Hen maame, late Dorothy Afful, ɔsumfobaa retired a ɔda hen enyim dəm aber yi, dzin a yetaa dze fré no wɔ asər yi mu nye Mama Afful. Aber a ɔbədəm Asər Pentecost wɔ Abura Dunkwa no na woabɔ no esu dada wɔ Asər Pentecost Kaneshie District Accra mu. Osomafo Retired Ayerakwa na dəm ber no ɔbɔno esu wɔ afe apem, ahakron, eduwotwɛ akron no mu (1989). Ber a ɔnye hen resom no, ne som sɔɔanyi ntsi,

wɔhyɛe no ɔsumfobaa wɔ afe mpem ebien nye kor no mu 2001. Dzibew a odzii bi nye Local Mbaakuw Okandzifo ne abedziekyir. Na ɔka Abura District Mbeakuw Executive no ho.

Asər da biara, Late Mama Afful na ne mbofra (Decorators) wɔhwɛ siesie asərdan no mu ma asərdan no mu ye fewfew. Nhyiamudzi biara a wɔyɛe wɔ Abura Dunkwa wɔ ne ber do no, wɔkɔ kesiesie hɔ ma hɔ ye few. ɔboaa mbaakuw no pii wɔ hɔn dwumadzi nyina mu. ɔammfa ne Ebupen du na ne afɔr bɔ enndzi agor. ɔyar da dan mu mpo, na ɔdze ne Ebupendu nye afɔr soma ma wɔdze brɛ asər no.

Mama Afful, Abura Dunkwa District bekae wo daa.

EPMT Asur mba bekae wo daa. Wo mboframba a nye hɔn siesie asərdan mu no(Decorators) bekae wo daa.

Nyame mfa wo kra nsie yie. Amen.

Da yie.

Tribute by CHILDREN

We stand here to give tribute to a remarkable woman, our cherished and beloved mother, whose life embodied the virtues of godliness, charity, discipline, and selflessness. She was an unwavering beacon of strength, tirelessly working to provide for her family. Her love and care for her children were boundless, reflecting a nurturing spirit that knew no bounds. We can still remember the countless times you called to check on us at our various stations.

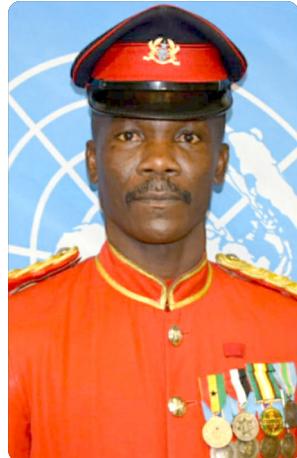
A true disciplinarian, she guided us with wisdom and firmness, instilling values that shaped our character. Her counsel was a source of wisdom, a guiding light in moments of uncertainty. A God-fearing soul, her faith radiated through her actions, leaving an indelible mark on those fortunate enough to know her. Her cheerful smile and amazing sense of humour put people at ease.

Her benevolence extended far beyond the confines of our family, reaching out to touch the lives of others through acts of charity and kindness. In her, we witnessed the embodiment of selflessness, a mother whose every sacrifice was made with a genuine smile, asking for nothing in return.

Today, as we celebrate her memory, we remember not only a woman who was a source of unwavering love and support but also a beacon of compassion and generosity that illuminated the world around her. Her legacy lives on in the hearts of all those she touched, a testament to a life well-lived and a love that knows no boundaries.

Maa, your children are here today to bid you farewell.

May the good Lord keep you safe in his bosom. Amen.



Francis Nso Afful



Anthony Afful



Peter Kofi Afful



Wilhemina Efua Afful



John Atta Nyarko



Kojo Otchere



Gabriel Amissah

Tribute by

MAAME EFUA (DAUGHTER)

My sweet mom, sister and confidant. I have missed you, mom. Your missing tender love and good heart have left a gap in my life that may never be filled. But as you always say, "God will never leave you no matter what." But mom why now when things are getting better in my life, a prophesy you said some years back. My backbone, prayer warrior and advisor, how can I get a person just like you, Hmmm, life! Talking about education, you always wanted us to climb the education larder to the very top and you kept pushing us forward with your moral support and fervent prayer.

Even as old as we were, you tried to visit and bring food items to us. What a wonderful mother!

Bringing you to Kasoa to stay with me was the best decision I took in spite of all the challenges I faced. Being with you till your demise is an experience I will never forget because in spite of your ailments, you were so strong and kept trusting God. What a woman! What a mother!

When I'm down I can see you in my mind telling me to be strong.
Mom, thank you for everything. God be with you till we meet again.



Tribute by GRANDCHILDREN

Mothers come in different forms, with varying strength and weaknesses; but none has shown the variety and approaches to motherhood, quite like Grandma. She was the strongest, most honest, self-reliant and hardworking Grandma we have known. Grandma lived an exemplary Life.

Grandma did not only have integrity, she lived it. She was a good listener who showed soundness of character in all her dealings. Grandma did not manifest pride in victory. She is one person we have known who was not blind to her own weakness as a human being, but rebuked wrongdoing, without fear or favour. She never made excuses for sin, corrected with grace and bore no animosity to anybody.

Grandma's life brought an overflowing blessing that touched every area of our lives. A life never to cling to resentment, she was that one person whose love would reassure you even when you are despised by all others.

A spirit like Grandma's never dies; it passes on unto generations.

We know that our dear Grandma has only transited to eternal glory. Your grandchildren – Dorothy, Maximiliana, Peter and Ramos – wave you a loving goodbye on your joyful journey home to your maker, Grandma. You live forever in our hearts.



Dorothy Ewurama Afful



Maximiliana Araba Afful



Ramos Kofi Tetteh



Mama Afful



Peter Paa Kwesi Afful

Tribute by

RAMOS KOFI TETTEH (GRANDSON)

If I have to choose a grandma, I will choose and choose you again. Grandma, despite all the discipline and nurturing to be a good boy, I always ran to you when mom tries to scold me and you would always comfort me.

Our Saturdays walk was one of the best times we had together because we talked about everything. There were times you would stop on the way and tell me in my ears that you want to rest a little while. Since I will be carrying that folding chair during the walk, I quickly put it down so that you can have some rest before we continue.

Jumping into your bed after school became a routine because I couldn't wait to see my grandma after a tedious day at school and would tell you everything that happened at school. Grandma, where are you? I miss all the gifts that you've been showering on me. Hmm! The thing is that mummy will buy me "everything" as you have been doing. Mom, I know you do so much for me, but Grandma's own is fantastic.

When you were happy, we danced together and I would be saying, "Grandma, show them!" especially when I want you to take the first position and you know I always gave the first position to you.

Grandma, I will miss you.
Rest in perfect peace.

Tribute by SIBLINGS

Mrs. Dorothy NAA KORDEI AFFUL was a principal family member of Adu Otu Kponor Weku and Nii Klotia Weku of Ajen Kotoku. She was affectionately called Naa Kordei Onukpa within the family circles.

She had everything that a woman deserves in life; nonetheless, she was strikingly humble. Being around her gave one a sense of happiness, calmness and great sincere love. Naa Kordei Onukpa was radiant!

She received everyone in the family with warm open arms, and good-natured appreciation, especially when there was a family program, and truly, she did this with great humility. She was able to accommodate all issues that surfaced in the family and handled them efficiently and with deep maturity to the satisfaction of each member.

It never in our wildest mind occurred to us that the cold hand of death may display on her corridor and snatch her on the rough edge. Dorothy NAA KORDEI AFFUL was an inspiration to many in the family regarding her patience and endurance. Those who contacted her with their problems achieved very good responses. In fact, in the family, she stood tall and was greatly loved.

NAA KORDEI's departure has rendered a vacuum, but God knows best.

You are gone, but your memory shall continue to live in our hearts. We shall remain grateful to your maker, for your life, your counsel, your sacrifice and care; and for everything that you have done for the family.

We take positive consolation in Revelation 21:4 as He, God, will wipe out all tears from our eyes.

NAA KORDEI

Till we meet again in heaven,

Fare thee well,

Yaa wo odzogbaan.



***The Lord will beautify the
HUMBLE with SALVATION
(Psalm 149:4)***

Tribute by IN-LAWS

In loving memory of our dear mother-in-law



Mr. Yaw Tetteh



Mrs. Rita Amfo Afful

A thousand words won't bring you back, neither will the tears. Regardless, we continue to shed uncontrollable tears and emit the pain your demise has caused us.

How we wish you never left this soon, Maa. Our mother-in-law was a remarkable woman whose kindness, strength and wisdom touched the lives of everyone around her. Her love and support have been a guiding light in our lives, and we will always cherish the moments we shared.

Indeed, Maa Dorothy, you shaped our spouses well, and we are appreciative of everything you did for them. A mother-in-law with a warm and welcoming heart. We have lost a great woman. How painful it is to lose such a genius, a gem, an in-law with unparalleled qualities.

A woman with a kind heart. Maa Dorothy, as we affectionately called her, has run her race, and all that is left is for her to receive her crown and reward from her maker. Damirifa due. Rest peacefully in the arms of the creator. You will always be remembered with love and gratitude.

May God, keep you till we meet again.



Tribute by DECORATORS

Our days on earth are like grass, like wild flowers, we bloom and die. The wind blows and we are gone as though we had never been here, but the love of God remains forever with those who fear him. His salvation extends to the children's children Amen. Psalm 103: 15 -17

From the Decorators of the church of Pentecost, our mother, who we affectionately called Maa Afful, taught us cleaning, dusting, making the church premises beautiful and also praying and committing the day's service to the lord every Sunday dawn. Maa Afful with Adom Ara Kwa will make sure EPMT local Assembly is neat.

Mama Afful was a gifted decorator and mentor. She also encouraged the young folk of the church, and sometimes teased them to join the decoration group instead of being mere armchair decorators.

Our mother will forever be remembered for her generosity, love, care and smiles. As a disciplinarian mother, she always corrected us, especially during decoration of the church or wedding programs. She never sided with anyone who was at fault. She consoled and advised us on our spiritual growth and personal life issues if she had any insight on the issues you are dealing with.

Maa Afful always insisted on paying tithes on any amount the decoration team generates. Aah! What a mother! Always wishes well for us her children and anyone who comes close to her.

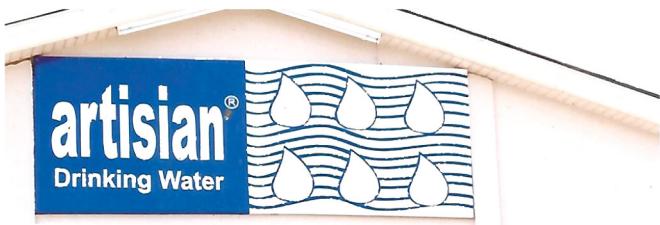
Maa, your beloved children, Christopher, Mansah (1), "Hanney", Deaconess Lordina, Abagail, Mary and Mansah (2). We say, may your gentil soul rest in the bosom of the Lord, till we meet again.



MY BANQUET OF MEMORIES







“*I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, even so said the spirit they rest from their labour.* **”**
(Romans 14:8)



Appreciation



The entire family of the late

MRS. DOROTHY NAA KORDEI AFFUL

1945 - 2023

Wish to express their profound gratitude for the immense solidarity
and support shown to us during this time of bereavement.

May the Good Lord Bless you abundantly!