

Watoto

WEDDING GUIDELINES



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- (a) Pick up or download your booking forms at least **six (6)** months in advance from the administrator at your Watoto Celebration Point.
 - (b) Complete and submit it to your church Administrator. Your wedding date, venue and time are now pre-booked with 50% wedding Church fees.
 - (c) Pay the **WEDDING FEES** (Ugshs: 600,000) at least 2 (two months) to the wedding date in ABSA bank.

Bank Name: Watoto Church Ministries

Bank A/C: 0341192455

Branch: Kampala Road

and obtain a receipt/ proof of payment. This now **CONFIRMS** your booking.

2. **To prepare you for marriage** Couples will have.

- (i) **Group Pre-marital Counseling Classes:** The classes which constitute **ten (10)** sessions on a published schedule, create a vibrant peer-learning experience with other

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- (a) The Watoto Church Pastoral Team reserves the right to waive any of the conditions stipulated in these Wedding Guidelines (Except 7d).
 - (b) Watoto Church may from time to time and without prior notice revisit and update these Wedding Guidelines.

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preparation in the same season.

- (ii) Couples **must** at least complete **(4) (Mandatory)** counseling sessions conducted by the Pastor or church assigned mentors as need be. can be online if either party upcountry or abroad).

3. To comply with the Law:

- (a) Wedding Banns must be published before any Wedding is conducted
- (b) Marriage Banns will be published on the campus notice boards and church website in accordance with the Law of Uganda, one (1) month to the confirmed wedding date.

Points 3a and b above also apply to Watoto congregants intending to wed at another church or a specially gazetted venue.

4. To plan your wedding ceremony:

- (a) We have available for your convenience with the church administrator, an Order of Service template for weddings conducted at Watoto. This is ready for you to fill in.

dates.

- (b) The Worship & Creative Arts Office is on hand to assist the couple select the appropriate music and any special features like scripture readings by friends/family, poetry etc at least **two (2) weeks** to the confirmed wedding date.
- (c) Couples need to submit all required digital media (Screen display photos, music) at least 2 weeks to the Wedding.
- (d) Wedding Rehearsals **must** be held with the entire bridal entourage within the last week to the confirmed wedding date.

6. To wed you outside Watoto's gazetted premises:

Watoto is happy to conduct your wedding at a venue away from church provided.

- i. You have secured the appropriate license from the Attorney General's office for the venue.
- ii. You have completed the above requirements.
- iii. All gazette weddings are not for Watoto Church members.

top of church fee by the cost depending on the location.

- iv. You have paid the stipulated amount necessary to confirm the wedding date in time.

7. Special Cases...

- (a) Couples who have been living together unwed may apply to be wedded in accordance with these guidelines.
- (b) Couples who already have a legal registered marriage may apply to have a Christian wedding ceremony in accordance with these guidelines to the extent that their pastor may consider appropriate.
- (c) Couples from other churches may be wedded at Watoto in accordance with these guidelines to the extent that the assigned Watoto pastor may consider appropriate.
- (d) Watoto Church does not, under any circumstances, re-wed persons who have divorced.