

Schedule 3 – Guidelines For Marriage Ceremony

Bridal Entry

Welcome by The Pastor

Worship

Message by Pastor with biblical references

Commencement of Ceremony:

- Who gives this woman to be married? (Father stands up and says "I do" or Mother & Father stand up and say "We Do")

Declaration of Consent:

To Groom:

Will you have this woman to be your wife; to live together in the holy covenant of marriage? Will you love her, comfort her, pray with her, honour & keep her, in sickness and in health, and, forsaking all others, be faithful to her as long as you both shall live?

Groom: "I will" or "I do"

To Bride:

Will you have this man to be your husband; to live together in the holy covenant of marriage? Will you love him, comfort him, pray with him, honour & keep him, in sickness and in health, and, forsaking all others, be faithful to him as long as you both shall live?

Bride: "I will" or "I do"

Ring Exchange

Groom places ring on wife's finger and is asked to repeat the following:

*From this day on
I Groom
Choose you Wife
to be my wife
To live with you and laugh with you
to stand by your side
to be joy to your heart
I promise you my deepest love
My fullest devotion through the pressure of the present
and the uncertainties of the future
I promise to be faithful to you
I promise to love you
to commit to you
and to support you*

Wife places ring on Groom's finger and is asked to repeat the following:

*From this day on
I Wife*

*Choose you Groom
to be my husband
To live with you and laugh with you
to stand by your side
to be joy to your heart
I promise you my deepest love
My fullest devotion through the pressure of the present
and the uncertainties of the future
I promise to be faithful to you
I promise to love you
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Pastor:

Now that Groom & Bride have given themselves to each other by solemn vows, before us and before God as witness, and have shown their affection and trust by giving and receiving of rings, I pronounce that they are husband and wife, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore what God has joined, let no man separate. Amen.

Groom you may kiss your bride.

signing of register

prayer for couple

Introduction of the Bride & Groom to the congregation

Schedule 4 – Other guidelines and rituals

Sunday service

We run Church Services every Sunday of the year. The Sunday Services usually run for 90 minutes (1.5 hour) and includes the following:

Liturgy for 20 minutes with songs & hymns written by our church.

Time of fellowship (5 min)

Prayer requests / thanksgiving items / Prayer (5 min)

Offering: Collect of tithe and offerings (gifts to Church) (5 min)

Sermon – A gospel message from the Bible (30-40 min)

Prayer (corporate and private) (5 min)

Communion

Communion is being held the first Sunday each month. In observing communion we are remembering The Lord Jesus Christ and all that He has done for us in his life, death and resurrection.

And when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 1 Corinthians 11:24 (NIV)

Introduction by pastor

Bread and wine (juice or the likes - non-alcoholic) are being handed out to the congregation

Text from bible.

Prayer by the pastor

The pastor and the congregation partakes of the Body (the bread) and Blood (wine) together

Prayer by the pastor

Baptism

We believe that in order to live the holy and fruitful lives that God intends for us, we need to be baptised in water (by full immersion) and be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Baptisms are held during the Sunday service in front of the congregation at least once every quarter. Worship is on during the Baptism.

The pastor and assistant enters the pool

The Person (who is to be baptised) enters the pool

The pastor asks: Do you believe in Jesus Christ and is he your lord?

The Person answers: I do

The pastor asks: Do you want to be baptised?

The Person answers: I do

The Person is sunken into to water by full immersion.

Prayers and thanksgiving

Worship

Funeral service

Funeral services will always have the interests of the family of the deceased in focus, and make it the best service for the family. Therefore, the funeral service may vary from time to time; however, the normal agenda includes the following:

Welcome greetings by pastor

Worship (songs & hymns)

Prayer for the congregation and the family of the deceased.

Memorial moment (If a family member expresses interest to say something about their loved one, they have the opportunity to do that)

Item: Our worship team will have prepared a special song for the congregation to enjoy as they remember their loved one.

Communion; if in the interest of the family for the deceased

Memorial sermon; A gospel message from the Bible, which the pastor will preach in a way that honour the deceased and in loving memory of the deceased.

Prayer by the pastor

Closing greetings