

Thanksgiving Service & Birthday Party



Celebrating **70** Years

of our Mum and Grandmum

RUTH BOSEDE OJULUWAYO



Saturday, 23rd March 2019
3:30pm

Amphill, Bedfordshire, UK



Thanksgiving Order of Service

1. Opening Prayers
2. Praise worship
3. Hymn - To God be the Glory
4. Bible reading 1 Psalm 126 vs 1-6
5. Special song - Blessed Assurance
6. Bible reading 2 Psalm 103 vs 1-21
7. Exhortation
8. Prayer for celebrant and family
9. Closing Hymn - Now thank we all our God
10. Reception follows

To God be the Glory

Verse 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 our redemption to win,
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.

Verse 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.

Verse 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.

Blessed Assurance

Verse 1

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.

Chorus

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.

Verse 2

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

Verse 3

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.

Now thank we all our God

Verse 1

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

Verse 2

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

Verse 3

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The son, and him who reigns,
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Tributes

GIVE HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR IS DUE.



Our own Deaconess Ruth Bosede Ojuluwayo, a.k.a. "Iya Ikore" is a true Mother indeed. She's God fearing, diligent in His service, very loving and accommodating and above all, transparently honest. Her regular and timely attendance at Church fellowship and services are unrivalled; despite the long distance she has to travel always. A great attribute to also point out is Mummy's utmost humility. Not minding her age, she respects all and sundry as if they are age mates.

"Iya Ikore" as the name connotes is a superb leader, organiser and giver in all ramifications. She's never selfish but looks for the happiness of others. Her constant quest for the knowledge and power of God is highly encouraging. Deaconess Ruth constantly presents her children and family before God, through spiritual and fervent prayer intercession as she can't come to me for prayers without asking on behalf of her children.

On the whole, Deaconess Ruth Bosede Ojuluwayo is indeed a Woman of Virtue and Substance in the order of Proverbs 31 vs 10 & vs 26-31. Congratulations Mummy on fulfilling the Biblical age and may you live to celebrate more fruitful years in joy and peace of God as you journey through the years ahead, in the mighty name of Jesus Christ.

*Pastor S. O. Agboola
Senior Pastor,
CAC-CHRIST DOMINION
LONDON UK.*

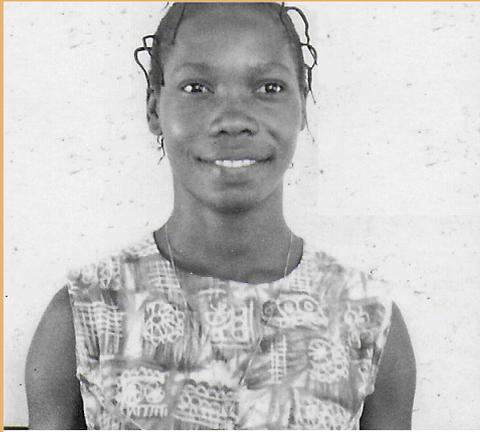
Happy birthday ma.
To a woman that radiates beauty and personifies the love and glory of God to anyone that comes across her path. With good health and long life will God continue to satisfy you to reap the fruit of your labour in the land of the living. Many blessed returns of the day Ma.

Mrs Abimbola Babatope

Our deaconess, mother Bosede Ojuluwayo is a true woman of God, very devoted and lover of human beings. In fact my entire family sees her as part our family as we have known her for more than forty years and our journey with her has been so smooth both in the UK and Nigeria. My prayer for her and her family is that God should give all of them long life and strengthen their spiritual power to serve him till the end of their life in Jesus Christ name. Amen

*Special Apostle Prophet Dr. Adegboyega
Moboluwaduro Illelaboye, JP*





Tribute to Auntie Bee

Auntie Bee was definitely a favorite aunt to many of us during our college days at the University of Ife(now Obafemi Awolowo University). Her motherly instinct was very palpable. All the memories I have of her were positive, fun and happy. Always very friendly and helpful to everyone around her.

Auntie Bee has a child-like predisposition and I don't recall her ever angry or mean. She forgives easily and often leaves you to your own with her famous phrase, "iwo lo mo" interpreted, "na you sabi". She was easily thrilled with our youthful jargons which she likes to repeat. Auntie Bee would welcome our girlfriends in those days and took them like her own sisters.

I was fortunate to be the closest to Auntie Bee out of all my friends because of dental connection where she worked as a dental technician in Orthodontics. I had the coolest collection of tooth brushes, courtesy of the many trips to UK by Auntie Bose. Auntie was very gracious in accommodating both myself and Kayode Fayomi in her assigned boys quarters where we lived until graduation. I still remember her newest Blue Santana luxurious sedan which she would occasionally send us on errands with or picking Tosin and Tolu- her children up with.

Our relationship continued way beyond our college days. Auntie bought our wedding rings in 1985 and we were delighted again with her largesse and generosity at our daughter's wedding here in Atlanta in December 2017.

It has been a pleasure for my wife-Tinu and I to have had the opportunity of this token tribute of our appreciation and love to our beautiful and selfless Auntie Bee on the occasion of this significant milestone. Hearty Congratulations to you Ma. The best is yet on horizon for you. May you age gracefully, joyfully, in great health, and prosperity all around you. May your joy be full over all your children and grandchildren. And may you live forever in the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ, Amen!!

Alaba Fawole
Atlanta, GA, U.S.A.



Tributes (cont'd)



We the siblings, children and family members of Ms Ruth Abosede Ojuluwayo would like to welcome you to this special occasion, her 70th birthday. May the Almighty guide and protect you back on your return.

Just to say a few words about "Bose", She is a wonderful and hardworking mother. This has been demonstrated from childhood. Growing up in a Christian family, as a student in primary through high school years, she featured in church activities and received so many recognitions.

She is a very caring, generous and forgiving person. As a nurse, she has cared for others all her life. One couldn't help but see that she loves her children and grandchildren very dearly.

We wish her a happy birthday, long life and prosperity.

Akin Ojuluwayo, on behalf of the family.

To celebrate a wonderful daughter of the most high God, Ruth as she turns 70 years

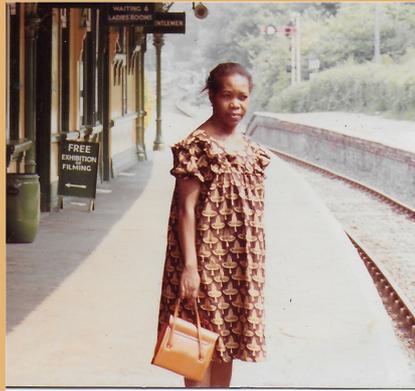
I rejoice with my wonderful, loyal, respectful and responsible aburo, Ruth, as she joins the Septuagenarian club today.

Ruth, who I fondly call 'RUTHE' has been my younger friend for about sixty years from our primary school days. Ruth is loving, she is kind and generous. I find her to be a dependable friend indeed.

I wish my darling Ruthe many happy returns of today, her 70th birthday, I pray for God's continual blessings upon her and may she enjoy God's divine health and abundance in Jesus name. Amen.

*Remain blessed and favoured from your sis
Gloria Ronke Soetan*





Dear mummy,

Thank you so much for being a mother and for always being there. You are more appreciated than you can ever imagine. May you spend the rest of your days in perfect health and may the favour of the Lord never depart from you.

Love you mum,
Majekodunmi Omoyemi.

Happy Birthday Grandma,

We want to firstly thank you so much for always being there for us; whether that means driving us to school everyday or just phoning to check on us. You are always so, generous, kind and helpful and we love that about you. You are also funny, you are always making us laugh. You give good advice and put God first.

We want to thank you grandma for raising our Mum to be the loveliest mum we could ask for. God bless you, we love you and pray you live to see many more years.

Love from Oreoluwa, Tirenoluwa and Atirolaluwa.



Happy Birthday Mum,

I celebrate you and the woman you are - amazing, beautiful, caring, determined, focused, God-loving, generous, high-achiever, honest, hardworking, generous, jovial, prayerful, resilient and above all, a true biblical Proverbs 31 woman.

With God's help, you nurtured four children into adults. And right from an early age, I have watched you sacrifice a great deal to give us the best in life. You have taught me that it's never too late to achieve anything in life; as you pursued a university degree and graduated at the age of 49! I have no excuse, mum!

From you, I have learned key parenting and life skills, as you diligently drummed into us advice and instructions that have become well embedded. You would shout, '*No friends!! ...No credit cards!!*' By that, you taught me to be careful who I choose as friends and to live within my means.

Your generosity is second to none. You always have an open-door policy, with a mantra of '*where there is love there is room to stay here*' and with that we had quite a few lodgers pass through our home over the years. You also taught me never to visit anyone empty-handed; as you would always go with some plantain or yam when you visit people (gather here for a selfie if you've been on the receiving end 😊)

I would like to say a very big "thank you" for who you are and for absolutely everything you have done for me and my husband and children. I pray that as you turn 70, you will enter into God's divine rest and enjoy the fruits of your labour. May the Lord, grant your heart's desires and bless you with many more years in happiness, good health and prosperity. Amen!

Love you mum.
Oluwatosin and Adedamola Salako



Dear Mummy,

We will always have a lot of reasons to thank God for your life and for your presence in our midst. As if it wasn't enough that you gave us our dearest sister, OluwaTosin Salako, a sister of inestimable value, your presence in any gathering, fills us with joy, laughter and more reasons to glorify His name.. Thank you for being a mum to us all!

CITY Family

Tributes (cont'd)

Today is my mother's birthday. Happy Birthday Mum!!

As blessings go, there is none greater than the blessing of a loving mother. As far as I'm concerned, I won the mum jackpot. Even though we are now separated by distance, she still remains a constant source of support and advice.

Kind and unassuming, Mum goes about her life with a minimum of fuss. She gave up a promising career in dentistry to ensure that her 3 children have a brighter future by moving to the United Kingdom. During this time is probably the time when Mum developed her caring personality and her love for people. She'll take the clothes off her back for you or even give away her last meal and go to bed hungry in order to make sure you are fed.

The love and appreciation of my mother has continued to grow over the years, family always comes first, and she graciously sacrifices her time whenever we need her. Whether it was driving carpool, making sure we had the basics we needed, ensuring we had a relationship with God, she was always involved, present and loving. When I had a problem, we would talk about it and come up with a solution. When I had a hard day, she would wipe away my tears and hold me close. I always felt loved.

She has instilled the importance of connecting as a family and eating dinner together every night – something I will incorporate into my own family. She continues to demonstrate that any act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. Lastly and most importantly, she taught me that the love of family is the greatest love of all.

I can't go without acknowledging the challenges she has faced in her life, the most significant being a single mum of three and had to be both a mother and our father. How hard it must've been? I can't imagine. Mum has made a life for herself, worked hard, raised us, bought property, invested well in us and herself. I am proud of you mum.

Every day I am thankful for the childhood I had and for my mother. She was always there for us... always. She taught us how to take care of ourselves, and how to be decent people. It's her example I look to as I look to father my own children.

Here's to you Mum. Happy Birthday!
Tolu Gbadamosi



Mum Ruth Bosede Ojuluwayo

Where do I start, I guess with truth.

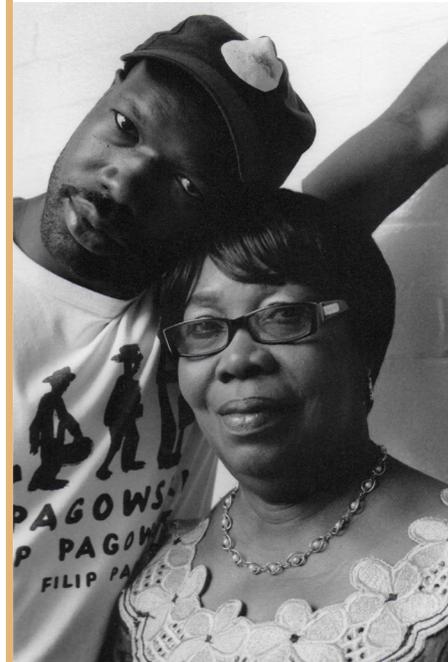
My mum gave birth to me in 1989 in Brixton and from what she remembers I nearly killed both of us I guess that was the rhetoric I chose to live my life by everything seems like it's based on life and death with us there's never a grey area.

My mother is a strong woman extremely intelligent but loyal which at some point we've all as children taken advantage of.

As this poetic journey we call life evolves I'm grateful that my mother has stuck by me through the failures and successes and most importantly allowing me to be myself, mum you are nothing short of Great.

I'll leave the note by saying thank you mum for teaching me how to live enormous and not dormant. .

Tomí Ahmed



Biography

Our dear Mummy, Ruth Bosede Ojuluwayo, was born in Lagos, Nigeria on 20th March, 1949. She is the second child of late Mr Albert Ayodele and late Mrs Lydia Omosiwajuwa Ojuluwayo.

In 1954, mum started her education at St Mary's Convent Primary School in Lagos Island, and from there transferred to Our Lady of Fatima in Surulere, Lagos she where she finished her primary school education. She then attended the prestigious Methodist Girls' High School in Yaba, Lagos. Thereafter, in 1969, she proceeded to the Federal government labouratory, Lagos Pathology department where she began training as a medical laboratory technician.

In 1971, she proceeded to Britain where she studied for her A-Levels at Norwood Technical College in London. At the end of this course in 1974, she gained admission to study Dental Technology at Manchester Polytechnic. It was while she was at the polytechnic that she was blessed with her first child, a girl named Oluwatosin. As soon as she finished her course, she moved back to Nigeria in 1979 with her young daughter and subsequently got a job as a dental technician at the Dental School of the University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University) where she lectured students on the technical aspect of dentistry. She was there for fifteen years, during this period she was blessed with two sons. Afterwards the University sponsored her to go back to Manchester to undertake a specialist technical course in Orthodontic and Maxillo-Facial Surgery Appliances.

Mummy was popularly known as 'Sister B' by her colleagues and students at University of Ife. Incidentally, one of her former students is today her dentist in London! It has been a great source of pride and satisfaction to her to see many of her students excelling in their chosen profession.

In 1993, she had the opportunity to move to Gurayyat in Saudi Arabia for one year to work as a dental technician. Upon her return, she relocated permanently to Britain with her children. She started working for Reed Nursing Agency as a Health Care assistant in Lewisham Hospital but after a short while, she realised that her skills and her potential were being under-utilised, she enrolled at Greenwich University to study Nursing and graduated at the ripe old age of 49. After qualifying as a registered nurse, our ever determined and hard-working Mummy made it her goal to climb the nursing ladder as quickly as possible. Thus, she proceeded to Birkbeck College of London University where she obtained a postgraduate diploma in Systemic Management and Consultation.

Thereafter, she got a job as a Challenging Needs Nurse at Springfield Hospital, London, transferring after a year to the Deaf Unit at the same hospital. Mummy went on to build a distinguished career as a well-trained and highly competent Nurse, working at a private hospital in Croydon, and then as a community nurse in Hammersmith and Fulham Community learning Disability team and also at Royal Hospital for Neuro-Disabilities in Putney, among others. Today she works at Ellern Mede Specialist Hospital for Eating Disorders, where she is well-known and very popular with both her colleagues and patients, who all refer to her fondly as Mama Ruth.

Mummy was brought up to know and serve the Lord, having attended The Salvation Army Church in Nigeria right from childhood. She attests that the Lord has been faithful to her in all walks of life, and she never ceases to sing praises to Him for all that He has done in her life to date. As a strong Christian and Bible believer, Mummy has also ensured that her four loving children and three grandchildren have continued in the faith.

On this occasion of her 70th birthday, we can give God all the glory and praise for Mummy's life, and we wish her many, many more years in good health and prosperity. May she continue to enjoy God's abundant grace and divine favour all the days of her life. Amen.





Appreciation

We the family of Ruth Bosede Ojuluwayo, thank you for your love and support in making the occasion a memorable one.

Thanks for honouring our invitation to celebrate our mum, we pray that you also will be honoured and celebrated in Jesus Name.



*"May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;
May the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."*

Numbers 6:24-26