## BURIAL SERVICE FOR THE LATE



## MAD. REGINA KORKOI BRUCE TETTEH

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### ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL KOFORIDUA

## ORDER OF BURIAL MASS

#### RECEPTION OF THE BODY AND READING OF TRIBUTES: 8:30AM

#### **BURIAL MASS-9:00am**

Entrance Hymn Introit

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:
Responsorial Psalm:
Gospel Acclamation:
Gospel:
Homily
Prayer of the Faithful

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Collection - Medley of Songs Communion Rite Our Father Communion Hymns Prayer after Communion Second Collection Biography Announcements

### RITE OF COMMITTAL AT THE GRAVE SIDE

Hymn
Blessing of tomb
Interment
Laying of Wreaths
Closing Hymn
Vote of thanks
Final Blessing

### FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Prayer of Commendation

## YOUR LIFE WAS A BLESSING, YOUR MEMORY A TREASURE

## Biography

MAD. REGINA KORKOI BRUCE TETTEH



And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away (Revelation 21:4, NKJV)

adam Regina Korkoi Bruce Tetteh was born on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 1960 at Agormanya - Odumase to Madam Christiana Ami and Corporal Bruce Tetteh Boye. She commenced her educational career at the Roman Catholic Primary School at Agormanya and later at Akonsombo International School. In the early 1970s, she joined her mother, who had then secured employment as a casual worker on the cocoa project in Suhum. Young Regina enrolled at the Roman Catholic School in Suhum and obtained her Middle School leaving Certificate in 1977.

She later secured employment as an orderly at the Suhum Government Hospital, where she continued to work until she got married to Mr. Francis Owusu Ansah and had to move to Koforidua to be with the family. Consistent with her extreme sense of industry, Madam Regina quickly enrolled as a seamstress apprentice while still assisting her husband on a family business. After the demise of her

husband in 1994, she remained resilient and took sole responsibility for the upkeep of the family and education of her children. She engaged in a myriad of economic activities to ensure that the family stayed afloat to the admiration of many.

In 1998, she got employed by the Ghana Education Service as a Cook. Being a strong and determined character, Madam Regina continued to develop herself and aspired for greater heights. She enrolled at the Government Secretariat School, Accra and obtained her Typist Grade I Certificate and Computer Literacy in that same year (ie. 1998).

In 2002, she secured a Diploma in Telecommunications and Frontline Management and continued to operate as Secretary to the then Principal of SDA Training College. She further obtained a Diploma in Business Administration from the Koforidua Technical University in 2004. She was later transferred in 2018 to Oyoko Methodist SHS where she operated as a Deputy Administrator until her retirement in 2021.

Maa Regina was a stern disciplinarian. She would stop at nothing in ensuring the right thing was done. Mama, you've been the source of our progress, cheerfulness, courage and a strong pillar upon which we all rest. You always considered things of your children and grandchildren your utmost priority and we will forever be grateful to you for all the sacrifices.

May your gentle soul continue to rest till we meet again. Amen.

# YOU WERE TO US A MOTHER, MENTOR AND TEACHER AND YOU WILL FOREVER BE IN OUR HEARTS. TRIBUTE BY CHILDREN



'Ephesians 6:1-4

Children Obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right,
Honor your father and mother, this is the first commandment with promise, that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the Land; Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instructions of the Lord.

adies and Gentlemen, we gather here today truly remarkable woman, Regina Korkoi Bruce, our mother. In this eulogy, we hope to encapsulate the essence of a life lived with love, grace, and a nurturing spirit that was the very foundation of our family. Today, we stand before you not only to eulogize her but also to celebrate a rare gift which was her existence among us.

Born to humble beginnings, she embodied the essence of resilience and hard work. Her hands, though delicate in appearance, were strong - they held, healed, and worked tirelessly, not just for her own ends but also in the service of her children. They were hands that cradled her children, clasped in prayer, and offered to those in need without hesitation.

As children, we were captivated by the lilt in her voice as she recounted stories of her youth, each tale embossed with wisdom and the light of experience. She taught us that every obstacle was a stepping stone, every failure a lesson, and every success a blessing to be shared. Through her nurturing, we came to perceive the world not as a battlefield but as a canvas, urging us to fill it with colors of kindness and empathy.

She was a maestro of the home, orchestrating the daily symphony that played out within our walls with patience and foresight. Her teachings were simple yet profound: "love one another, look after each other, offer support to each other." It was this philosophy that she lived by and taught us to do same, leaving us an inheritance richer than any material wealth.

As we grew, she was our unwavering anchor in this turbulent sea of life, her advice both a compass and a light. In our moments of doubt and indecision, it was her wisdom that guided us. "Remember who you are and where you come from," she would say, her

conviction reinforcing the foundation she had laid within our souls.

Motherhood, to her, was a vocation, sacred and honorable. She embraced the role with all its trials and triumphs, painting her love across the canvas of our upbringing. No sacrifice was too great if it meant our well-being and happiness. She celebrated our victories as if they were her own and shouldered our burdens with a grace that made them seem lighter.

She was the one who sat up with us through the night during illness, she rejoiced in our friendships and achievements, she comforted us through heartaches. Her love was our refuge, steadfast and true. No written word nor spoken plea could teach the lessons of her silent devotion.

Though we feel the sharp sting of loss, it is tempered by the countless memories we carry within us. Our mother's laughter, echoing through the chambers of our hearts; her wise counsel, steering us still; her unwavering support and unconditional love, forever a guiding star in our lives. These are the treasures she leaves behind, not to weigh us down, but to lift us up and carry us forward as we navigate the road ahead without her.

In celebrating her life, we acknowledge the emptiness her passing has wrought. Yet, we also reaffirm our commitment to honor her memory by living out the values she instilled in us: to lead lives rich in love and service, nurturing those around us as she nurtured us; passing unto our descendants the same love she bestowed upon up.

To our mother, a beacon of light, a cornerstone of our existence, and the beloved matriarch of our family: You have etched your essence into our very beings and your spirit will continue to guide and inspire us. You have not left us, for you are ingrained in everything good and beautiful in our lives, and you live on in each kind act, each moment of courage, and each expression of love we share. We love you, we honor you, and we thank you.

"You were the heart of our family, Mom, and that heart will never stop beating within us." "While we may be grieving your loss your spirit lives on in your children and grandchildren."







CHILDREN CALLERY

## HER LOVE AND KINDNESS KNEW NO LIMITS, A BOUNDLESS OCEAN OF COMPASSION, FLOWING CEASELESSLY, LIKE A RIVER WINDING THROUGH TIME.

#### TRIBUTE BY GRANDCHILDREN



Proverbs 17:6

Grandchildren are the crown of the elderly and the glory of children is their parents.

ear family, friends, and well-wishers - it is with a heavy heart that we stand before you today to bid farewell to our beloved grandmother, KYEKYEMPA, as we affectionately call her. She was a remarkable woman who lived a life full of love, kindness and compassion, and who touched the hearts of everyone who was lucky enough to know her.

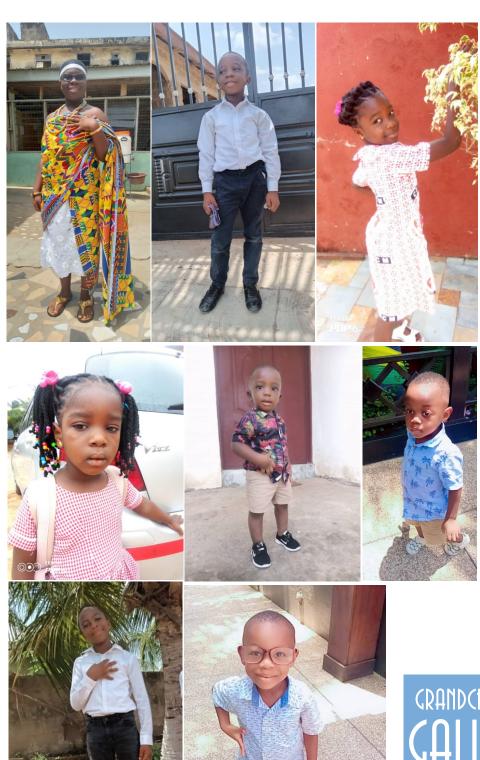
KYEKYEMPA was a constant presence in our lives and her passing leaves a void that will never be filled. She was my rock, a guiding light and a great inspiration. She always had a smile on her face and a kind word to offer to us, even in the darkest of times.

She taught us, through her deeds, the importance of family and faith, and we will be forever grateful for the lessons she imparted.

She related to each one of us in a special way; she would refer to Bruce as "my brother", Emmanuella as "Auntie Nurse" and Franklina as "Me kakyere".

Today as we reflect on *KYEKYEMPA's* life, we are struck by the impact she had on those around her. She was a true embodiment of love and kindness and she will be deeply missed. But her legacy lives on in the memories we hold dear and the lessons she taught us.

KYEKYEMPA, I know you are watching over us from above and I take comfort in knowing that you are at peace. You were a blessing to us all and we will always carry your memory in our hearts. Goodbye, KYEKYEMPA. Until we meet again.





## TRIBUTE BY IN-LAWS —



(Romans 14:8)

For if we live, we live to the Lord and if we die we die to the lord. Therefore, whether we live or die we are the Lords hank you, Aunty Regina, for all that you have done for us. You took great care of your daughters, sons, and grandchildren. You loved us all from the very start with your warm, kind, and loving heart.

Thank you, *Mama*, for being strong, while trying to teach us right from wrong. Anytime we had a problem, you were there to help us solve them. You would lift us up when we were feeling blue.

Thank you, *Kyekyempa*, for we could always count on you. You were such an awesome mother-in-law to us. The love you showed was like no other.

Thank you, **Sweet Mother** for your dear, sweet love.

Now you'll watch over us from heaven above, till we meet again.







## TRIBUTE BY

## THE ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL-KOFORIDUA In Memory of the late Regina Korkoi Bruce



John 11:25

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me will live even if he dies.

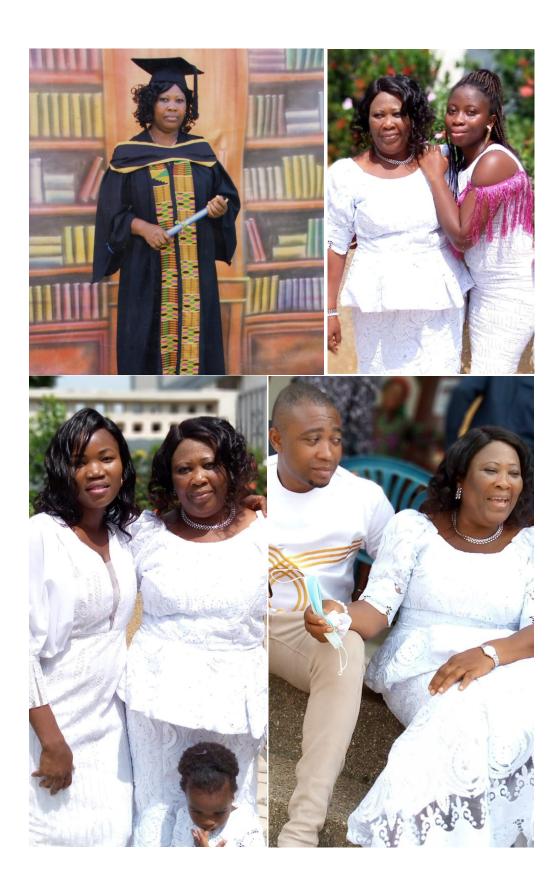
t the end of our lives, we will not be judged by how many diplomas or degrees we acquired, how many mansions we built and how many children we had, but rather we will be judged by I was hungry and you gave me food, I was naked and you clothed me, I was homeless and you sheltered me. Our relationship with Jesus our Saviour and our neighbour is what matters most.

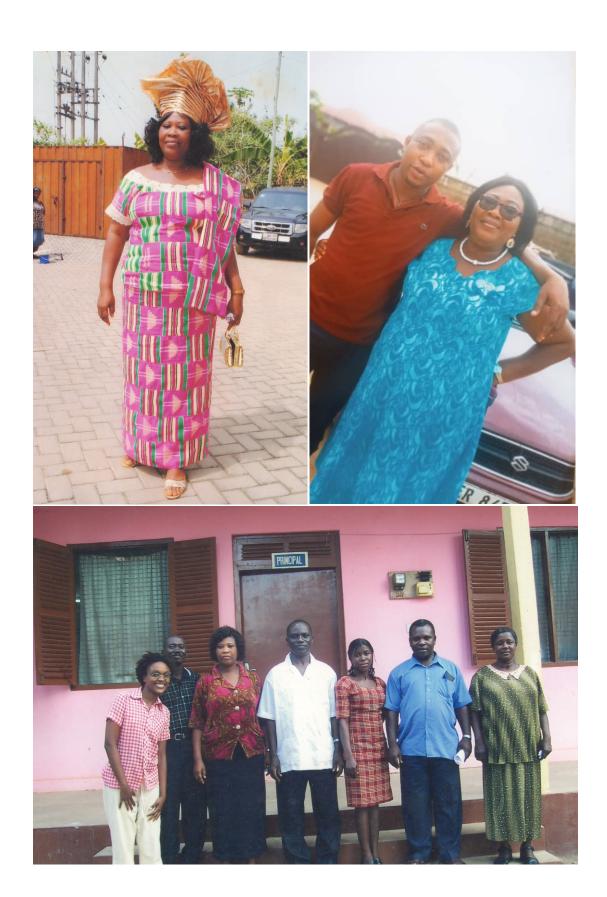
The late Regina Korkoi Bruce was baptised on the 24th December, 1972 and she received her first communion the next day which was Christmas day 25th December, 1972. The two Sacraments were done at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church at Agomanya by Rev. Fr. John Resch SVD. She remained a committed and practising Catholic and she later moved to settle in Koforidua where she worshipped at the St. George Catholic Cathedral. She paid her dues and levies regularly.

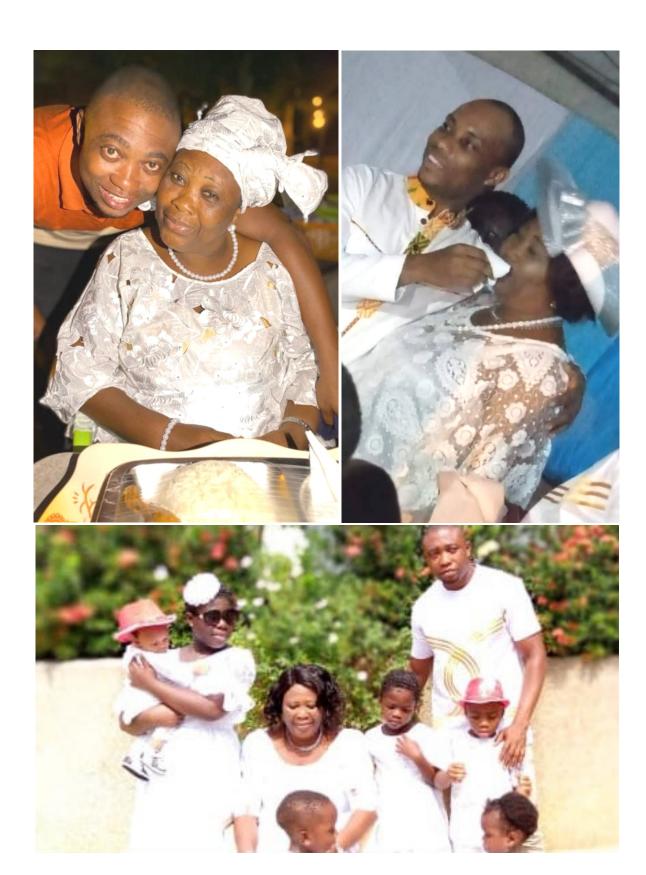
To cement her Catholic faith, she went through the Catechism classes for over two years and received confirmation at the St. George Cathedral officiated by the Bishop of the Koforidua Diocese - Most Rev. Joseph Afrifah-Agyekum on 5th June, 2022.

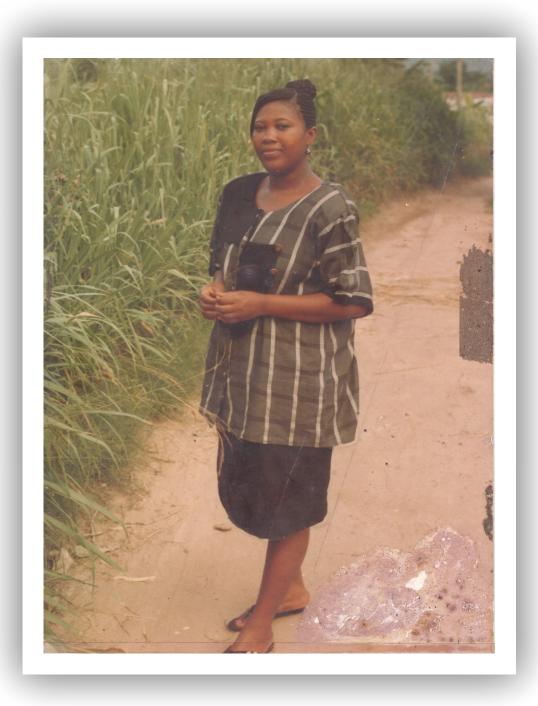
The late Regina Korkoi Bruce reported about pain in her leg and went to hospital for treatment. Little was it expected that her time was ripe. She was called peacefully to her maker as the Lord God has appointed. Her mortal being is dead but by her belief she lives.

Fare thee well Regina
Fare thee well Korkoi
Fare thee well Bruce
Rest in perfect peace. Amen.

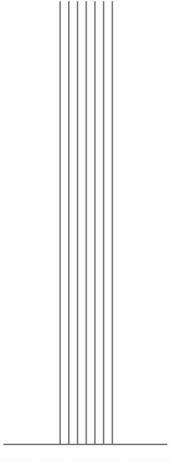












### **THANK YOU**

With immense appreciation and gratitude, the families and children of

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God Bless You Abundantly

