



*Obaapanin* GRACE  
AKUA AFARI BEA  
AGYEKUM



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**CONDUCTOR: ELDER ANTHONY AGGOREY**



# Biography

OF THE LATE

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# GRACE AKUA AFARIBEA AGYEKUM A.K.A OGRAY

“I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED THE RACE, I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH.

FINALLY, THERE IS LAID UP FOR ME THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUNESS, WHICH THE LORD, THE RIGHTEOUS JUDGE, WILL GIVE TO ME ON THAT DAY, AND NOT TO ME ONLY BUT ALSO TO ALL WHO HAVE LOVED HIS APPEARING”

## 2 TIMOTHY 4:7-8



The late Obaapanin Grace Akua Afaribea Agyekum affectionately called sister by her siblings, children and friends was born at Begoro on 12th January, 1949.

She was born into the Heman Asona Royal clan of Begoro. Her parents were the late Godfred Amfo Agyekum and the late Georgina Ama Nyarko all from Begoro.

She was the first-born child of the eleven children of her parents. She started her primary education at Begoro Presbyterian primary school in 1955.

When she completed primary six, she moved to Accra to continue her education in Accra, she was enrolled at Mamprobi Middle Girls School where she sat for the middle school leaving certificate examination and passed.

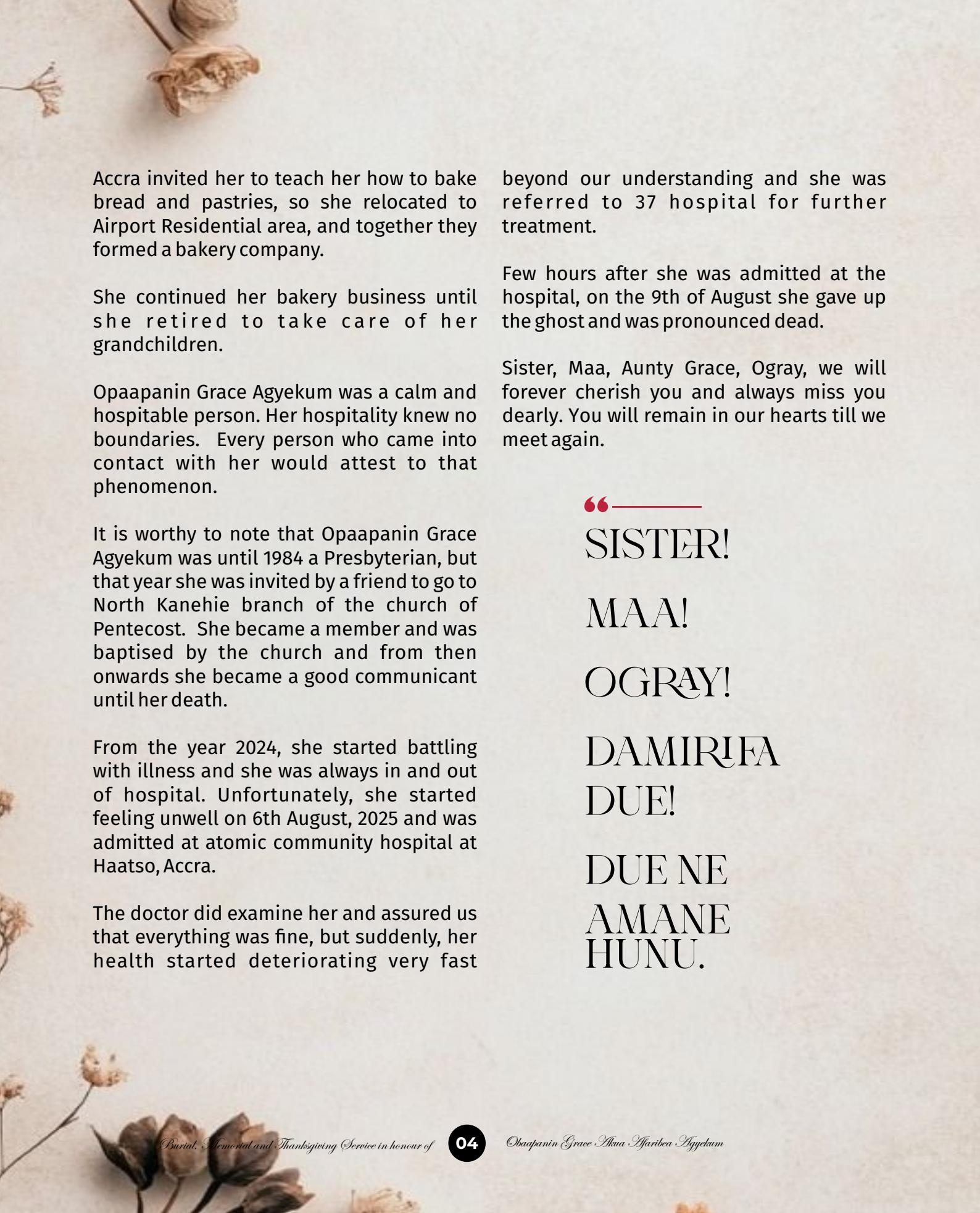
After her middle school, her parents wanted to send her to the United Kingdom to study Nursing but she met the late Mr. Dickson Amo Antwi from Apedwa who proposed to marry her.

Mr. Dickson Antwi married Obaapanin Grace Agyekum in 1967 and they were blessed with six (6) children, three girls and three boys of whom one(1) is deceased.

From 1970 to 1972, she learnt sewing and became a seamstress.

From 1978, she began trading in foodstuffs and also started a bakery business at North Kanehsie Accra.

In 1985, her cousin by name sister Maggie who resides at airport residential area in



Accra invited her to teach her how to bake bread and pastries, so she relocated to Airport Residential area, and together they formed a bakery company.

She continued her bakery business until she retired to take care of her grandchildren.

Opaapanin Grace Agyekum was a calm and hospitable person. Her hospitality knew no boundaries. Every person who came into contact with her would attest to that phenomenon.

It is worthy to note that Opaapanin Grace Agyekum was until 1984 a Presbyterian, but that year she was invited by a friend to go to North Kanehie branch of the church of Pentecost. She became a member and was baptised by the church and from then onwards she became a good communicant until her death.

From the year 2024, she started battling with illness and she was always in and out of hospital. Unfortunately, she started feeling unwell on 6th August, 2025 and was admitted at atomic community hospital at Haatso, Accra.

The doctor did examine her and assured us that everything was fine, but suddenly, her health started deteriorating very fast

beyond our understanding and she was referred to 37 hospital for further treatment.

Few hours after she was admitted at the hospital, on the 9th of August she gave up the ghost and was pronounced dead.

Sister, Maa, Aunty Grace, Ogray, we will forever cherish you and always miss you dearly. You will remain in our hearts till we meet again.

“  
SISTER!

MAA!  
OGRAY!

DAMIRIFA  
DUE!

DUE NE  
AMANE  
HUNU.



# — *Tribute by* — **CHILDREN**



IF WE LIVE, WE LIVE FOR THE LORD AND IF WE DIE, WE DIE FOR THE LORD, SO WHETHER WE LIVE OR DIE, WE BELONG TO THE LORD - **REVELATION 14:13**

We pay tribute to the life of a woman, who wasn't just our mother but also our father, our confident, mentor, counselor, prayer warrior, bible teacher and a friend. Mum, O gray, Gracy as we affectionately call her was a pillar and a precious gift from God to us, our family and the many people that came into contact with her.

Her love for God, patience, pure-heartedness, willingness to give and good counsel were priceless attributes that no-one could take away from her.

Losing our dear father 30 years ago didn't deter her from taking up the responsibility of fatherhood to train us to become who we are today, which you all can attest that she really did a good job. Mum instilled in us the fear of God and will never take no for an answer every Sunday, when we tried to give an excuse not to go to church.

Her favorite quote was "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" which we grew to understand. You taught us to be confident, discipline, hardworking and to be content with what we have. Your constant love you exhibited as the first fruit of the Agyekum family is what has brought us together for which we are grateful mummy.

Life wasn't easy, when you were bringing us up, but you never relented on your effort by venturing into trading of foodstuff, baking and other jobs to make sure we were properly catered for and happy as children. Growing up we acknowledged the fact that it's only a strong and loving mother who will sacrifice for her children in the way you did.

The joy you exhibited when we gave birth was much to be desired, from visiting us in the hospital and dedicating all your time in bringing up our children in the best way possible. Leaving your Grand-Children with you was so much joy to them because they knew they were going to have a swell time with Grandma.

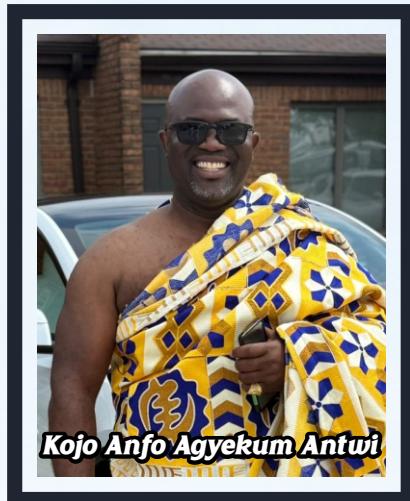
We say thank you mum. You never missed your Sunday

church services, Wednesday women's ministry and other church programs at night even in your ill-health. Our mother's faith in God was so strong, believing him in every situation.

When we took you to the hospital on the 6th of August, we thought it would be our normal visit and you were going to come home with us, but us we all know our life is in the hands of the Almighty God. You gave up the ghost on the 9th of August which will remain the darkest day of our lives, we were never tired of taking care of you mum, why did you leave this early.

Mum, your love shaped us and your memory will continue to live in our hearts forever, we miss you more than words can say but we are grateful for the beautiful moments and memories we shared together. We have lost a gem, a precious one, but we take consolation in the fact that you are resting peacefully in the bosom of the Almighty God.

Rest well maa, da yie ogray, continue to rest in peace, till we meet again Gracy, nyame nfa wo kra nsie yie, amen.





# — *Tribute by* — **Siblings**

“THEN I HEARD THE VOICE FROM HEAVEN SAYING; 'BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHO DIE IN THE LORD FROM NOW ON YES SAYS THE SPIRIT THEY WILL REST FROM THEIR LABOR, FOR THEIR DEEDS WILL FOLLOW THEM”.

## **REVELATION 14:13**

As we sit down to write this tribute, our hearts are heavy with grief and our minds filled with memories of our beloved Sister Madam Grace Akua Agyekum A.K.A SISTER.

Our sister was the first born of eleven (11) children born to Mr. Godfred Emmanuel Amfo Agyekum and Madam Georgina Ama Nyarkoa, all of blessed memory. Indeed, it is hard to believe that our sister is dead because she had always been a sister and a mother to us. Having a sister like her was a dream come true because we know it took our parent six (6)

years to have our sister after their marriage, and after her came eight (8) strong boys and two (2) sisters.

SISTER was a compassionate person who always put others before herself and never hesitated to give a helping hand to anyone who was in need. We remember as boys when we came home with friends, she would feed everyone who accompanied us to the house.

She had a kind and gentle spirit and her love and care were obvious. SISTER has been in and out of the hospital since the beginning of this year, but she always came out of the hospital feeling better.

On August 6th, she felt ill again and was admitted at the Atomic Community Hospital. The doctors did all examinations on her and assured us that everything will be fine, but unfortunately, her health started deteriorating. On the morning of August 9th, the doctors informed us that they had to transfer her to the 37 Military Hospital for further

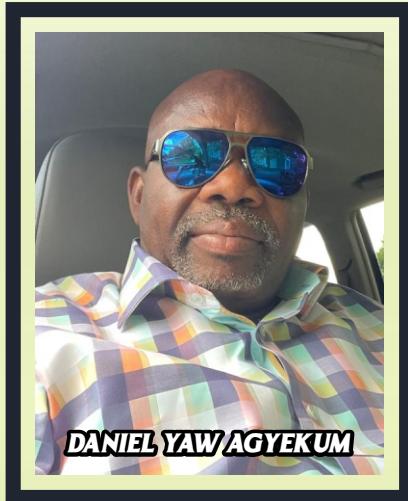
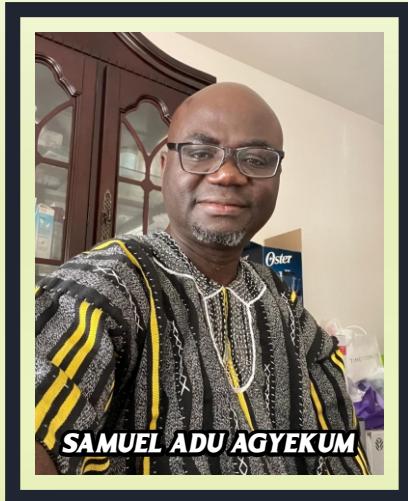
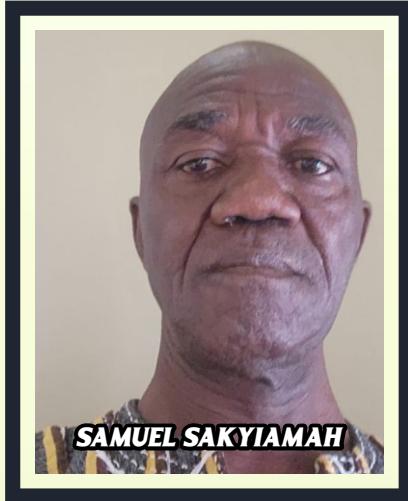
examination. At 37 Military Hospital, the doctors tried as they could keep her alive, but death laid its icy hand on her on that faithful night.

Ogray! We know God will keep you at a better place, a place where there is no pain, sorrow or humiliation. We are heartbroken but we take consolation in John 11:25-26 “I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me even though they die will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die”.

Ogray! Your memories will live in our hearts, and the love, kindness and generosity you shared with the world will continue to inspire others. Rest In Peace SISTER and may your soul find eternal rest in the loving arms of our heavenly Father.

“—————  
**SISTER  
DAMIRIFA  
DUE! DUE NE  
AMANEHUNU!**





# — *Tribute by* — **Niblings**



Indeed, there is a time for everything according to the bible, but the 9th of August will forever remain the darkest day of our lives.

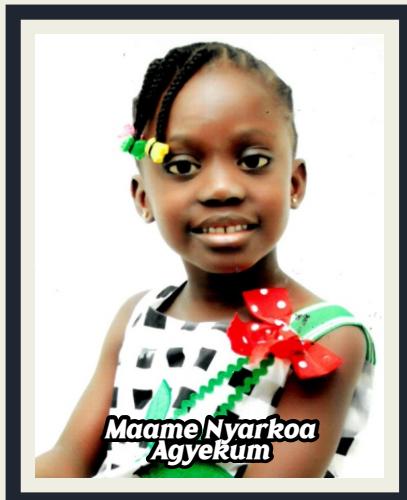
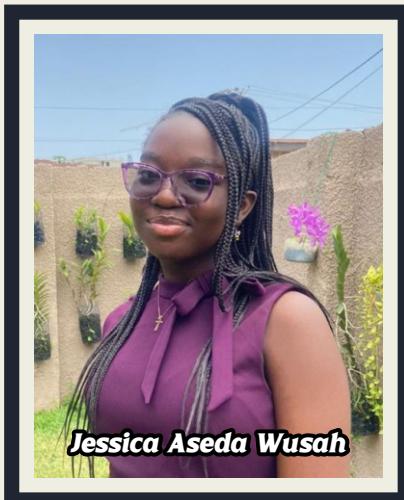
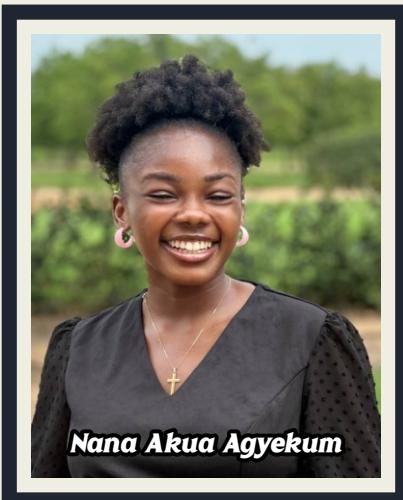
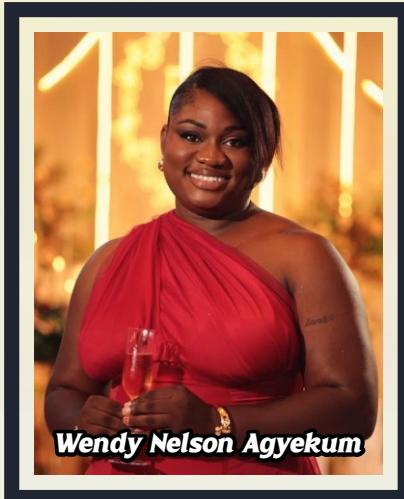
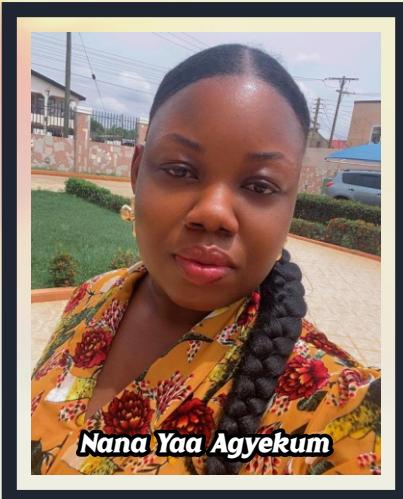
It is with our deepest sorrow and sadness that we write this tribute to our dear Auntie Ogray.

A day we never wished it came, Ogray was such a wonderful woman, who was strict, religious and very hardworking. She was just like a mother to us all, A source of inspiration and motivation to us and many more.

She lived a life that was full of joy and happiness and we are thankful to God for blessing us with you.

Even though death has left a void in our hearts, we are consoled that you are resting Peacefully with your maker.

—————“  
**REST WELL  
OGRAY, DA YIE  
AUNTIE,  
FOREVER IN  
OUR HEARTS.**



— *Tribute by* —

# Grandchildren

FOR I AM CONVINCED THAT NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE, NEITHER ANGELS NOR DEMONS, NEITHER THE PRESENT NOR THE FUTURE, NOR ANY POWERS, NEITHER HEIGHT NOR DEPTH, NOR ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION, WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD THAT IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.

**ROMANS 8:38-39**

Today we honor the life of a woman whose love and presence left an unforgettable mark on our hearts, our Grandmother Grace Agyekum whom we lovingly call Ogray. Ogray was the embodiment of Grace, just as her name beautifully reflected. She carried herself with quiet strength and dignity, yet her heart overflowed with tenderness and care.

We have not only lost our grandmother, but our prayer warrior, our intercessor, our advisor and our unifier, A devoted woman of God full of Grace, Glory and Wisdom. Your self-sacrifice and strength, commuting long distance at night for church services, whether rain or shine spoke volumes. You risked your health, but placed God and family above all.

Ogray, you disciplined and corrected us in love when we were wrong. All your Grandchildren are who we are today because of your prayers. When we visited you at the hospital we prayed and trusted God for the Grace and touch of healing, however our Sovereign Lord who knows and understands what he does, which cannot be questioned allowed what is best to happen.

Indeed, we are saddened by the outcome of losing you Ogray, and still in denial, however, we know our loss is

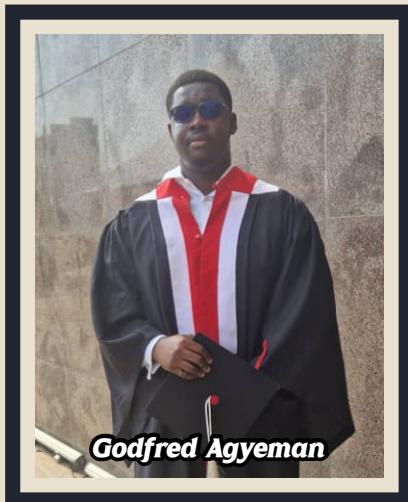
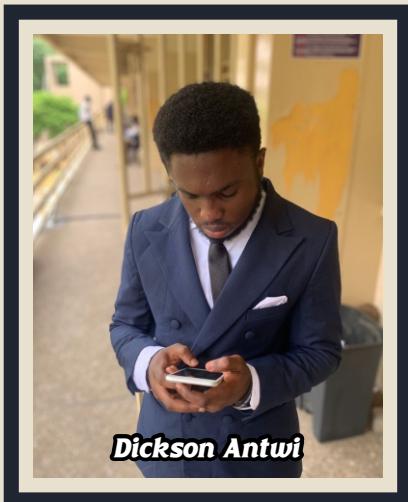
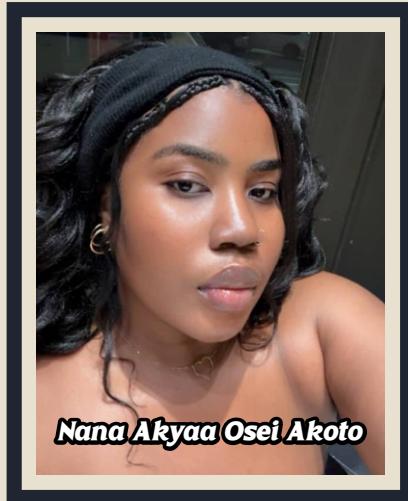
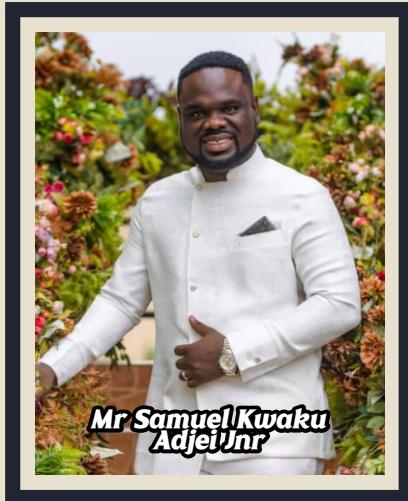
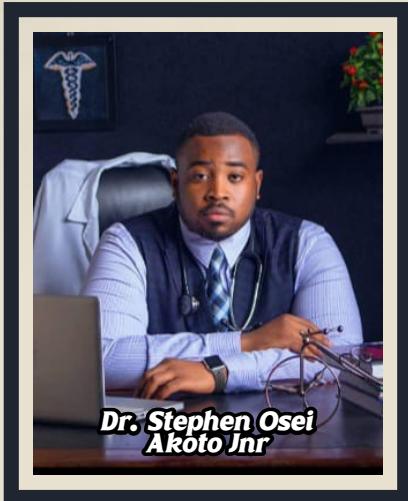
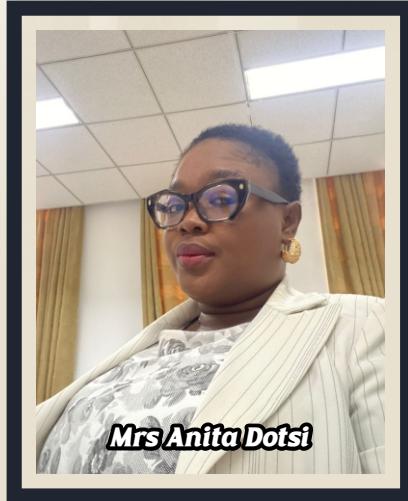
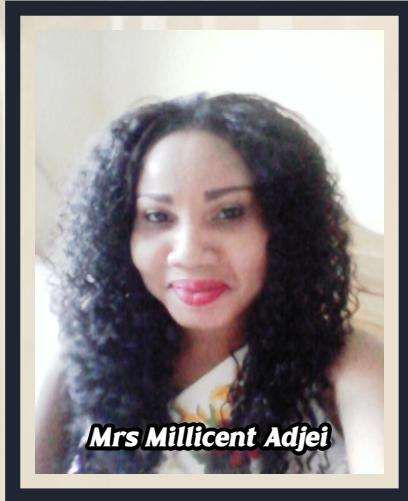
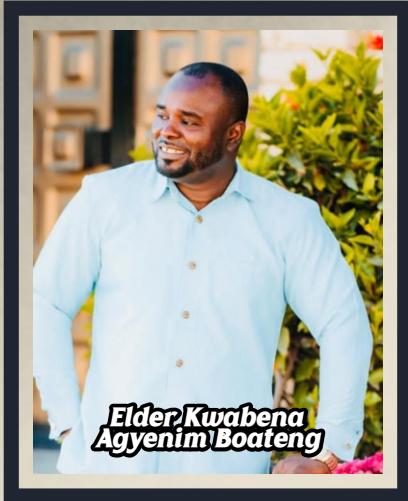
heavens gain and the beautiful moments with you mean everything to us. Obaapanyin Grace Akua Afaribea Agyekum, "Ogray" we shall miss you dearly. You remain in our hearts forever.

We are confident that you are peacefully resting in the bosom of your Creator awaiting the glorious sound of the trumpet. Your love remains a melody in our hearts, one that time can never be silenced. Together we shall sing of God's praise and dance around the throne of glory. We will forever cherish you.

Mo ne adwuma pa, Mo akoa pa nokwarefo. Da yie ena Pa, Dayie

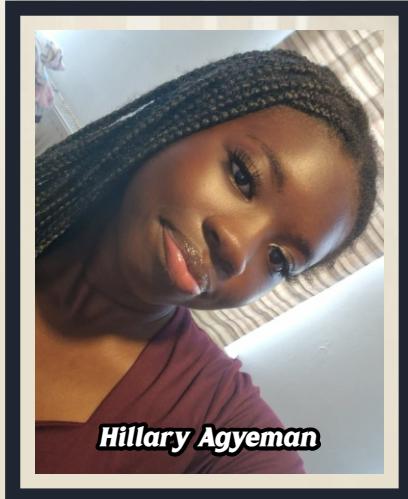
“ —  
**GRANDMA, DA  
YIE OGRAY.**

**TIL WE MEET  
AGAIN, AMEN.**





**Nathan Antwi**



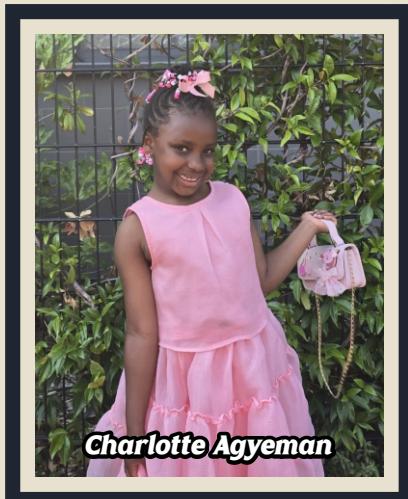
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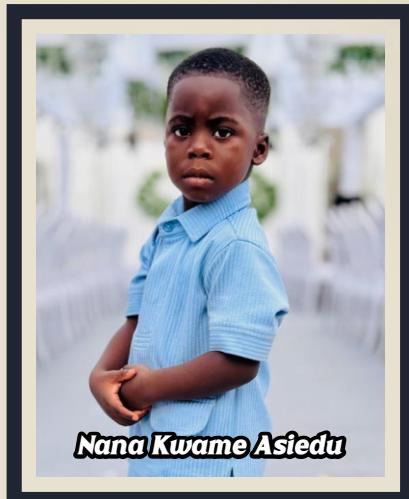
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**Charlotte Agyeman**



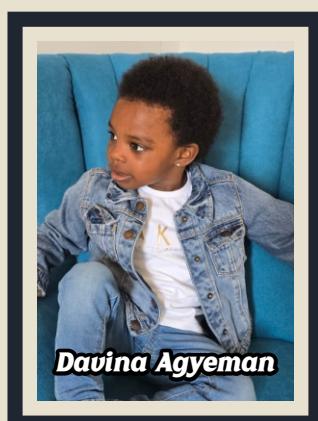
**Nana Kwame Asiedu**



**Florence Antwi**



**Papa Kojo Afari Asiedu**



**Davina Agyeman**



**Nana Ama Fosuah Asiedu**



## *Tribute by —* **Great Grand Children**

**A**proverb 31 woman clothed with wisdom, strength, and honor.

That is our great grandmother, "Ogray." You made lots of silent sacrifices freely despite your own struggles.

You will always be remembered and your legacy lives on through us.

Today, we do not only mourn our great grandmother, who boldly raised godly offspring and outsiders irrespective of their background, everyone was treated equally with respect but we honor you and call you blessed.

We experienced your love and warm embrace each time we visited you.

You prayed deeply for us and we could visibly see the joy in your eyes having as around. We love you dearly, we wished to spend more quality time with you, but God knows best.

We are thankful to God for the opportunity to experience all the stories our parents told us about you.

Our great grandmother, our angel, we know you are in heaven watching over us.

You are still here — in our hearts and we love you eternally.

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SLEEP  
WELL  
OGRA,  
REST  
SOUNDLY  
IN THE  
BOSOM  
OF YOUR  
MAKER  
AND LORD.



## — *Tribute by* — **In-Laws**

Aunty Grace Agyekum was cherished and adored with called Grace for a very good memories as once good reason as God's the Engine of a very unmerited Favor in dynamic and loving family. kindness and forgiveness.

In-fact she was an elegance of the heart in movement and appearance with spiritual richness and symbolize what is possible in a woman.

As a mother in-law she was of raw emotions, but a woman of principle and embodies the concept of what a true Religion is.

She was really a woman with a big heart who will be

missed tremendously and will be celebrated as a mother of Grace forever in our Hearts and memories. We are Forever honored to know her as our mother in-law.

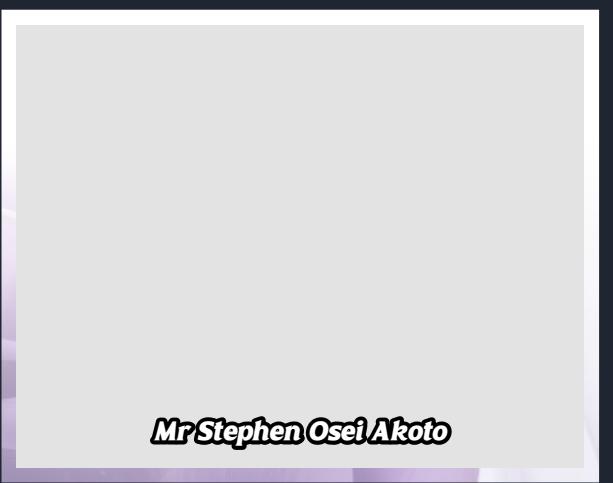
Rest in Peace and may God Richly Bless her soul as she lives on in Good Spirit.

Fare thee well in-law, May perpetual light Shine on you till we meet again, Amen.

“—————  
FARE THEE  
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LAW, MAY  
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AGAIN,



**Elder Samuel Adjei**



**Mr Stephen Osei Akoto**



**Mr Kofi Fredua Osei Akoto**



**Mrs Sally Antwi**



**Mrs Rosina Agyeman**



**Mr Daniel Asiedu**



— *Tribute by* —

## **The Church of Pentecost North Kaneshie Central Assembly**

“FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT, WITH THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE TRUMPET OF GOD, AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST”.

**1 THES. 4:16**

With hearts filled with both sorrow and gratitude, The North Kaneshie Central Assembly of The Church of Pentecost comes together to honor the life and legacy of Mama Grace Agyekum, Our beloved mother, sister and faithful servant of God.

Born 1949, Mama Grace joined the North Kaneshie Central Assembly over forty (40) years ago. She later received water baptism by immersion and continued steadfastly in the faith until her peaceful transition to glory in 2025.

Mama Grace lived a life marked by humility, compassion and unwavering dedication to the things of God.

She was truly a mother to all, always welcoming, always encouraging and always ready to lend a helping hand in moments of difficulty.

Her warmth touches many hearts, and her presence brought comfort to all who knew her.

A committed communicant, Mama Grace was consistent and faithful in attending Sunday services, weekly gatherings, prayer meeting, and Women's Ministry programs.

She was often among the first to arrive, participating wholeheartedly at both local and district levels.

Her commitment to giving and supporting nearly every initiative in the church was exemplary and inspiring for any church leader.

She understood her call, God's grace upon her life, and she voluntarily and whole heartedly demonstrated this virtue.

Her strong work ethic, tireless service and joyful spirit were evident in her involvement in church activities such as rallies,

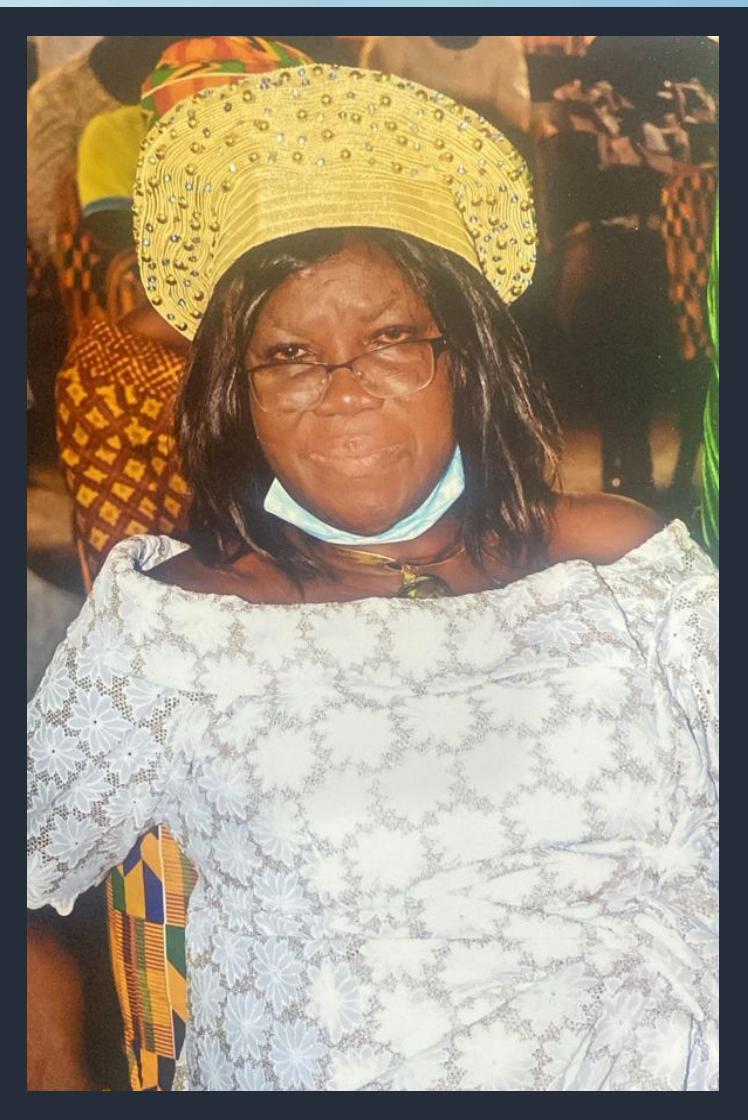
conventions and joint services. She was a pillar of support and a source of strength to those who were discouraged or in need of guidance.

The news of her passing was a shock to the church, but we find solace in knowing she has entered a place of eternal rest in the presence of her Heavenly Father.

Her exemplary Christian life, deep faith and warm heart will continue to inspire us.

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REST  
WELL,  
MAMA...

TIL WE  
MEET AT  
JESUS'  
FEET.



















# CITATION

*To our dear mom*

## MADAM GRACE AGYEKUM

On this occasion of your 73rd birthday, your siblings, children and your grandchildren wish to express our profound gratitude and appreciation to you for your immense contribution and support for the growth of our unique family.

If we recall our past of a humble beginning full of challenges, your huge contribution to our current status can never be forgotten.

Today as we celebrate this occasion, may the Almighty God continue to extend his protection, grace, mercy and good will towards you in the years ahead.

*Ayekoo*

## NOTE





The family and children of the late

***OBAAPANIN GRACE AKUA  
AFARIBEA AGYEKUM***

Wish to extend our profound gratitude to all who in diverse ways supported us during our bereavement, burial and funeral rites of our dearest departed mother and family member. We are indeed humbled by the outpour of love and generosity.

***May the Almighty God Richly Bless You!***