



Dr. Enitan Belutito Odutola
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Dr. ENITAN BOLUTITO ODUTOLA

(NEE OGUNFOWORA)

24TH April 1948 - 13TH November 2020

On Tuesday 24 November, 2020 At 11:00AM

Officiating Minister

Pastor Gary V. Whetstone



Order of Service

1. *Processional Hymn - It Is Well With My Soul*
2. *Hymn 2 - How Great Thou Art*
3. *Opening Prayer*
4. *Scripture Reading*
Psalm 27:1 - Samantha Anjeolaoluwa Soleye
John 11:25-26 - Olusegun Odutola
5. *Hymn 3 - Amazing Grace*
6. *Remarks*
Danielle Oluwatosin Soleye
Olufunke Soleye
7. *Resolution*
8. *Solo - I know My Redeemer Liveth - Elegance Strings and Dion LeMon*
9. *Eulogy - Pastor Gary V. Whetstone*
10. *Vote of Thanks - Akintola Odutola*
11. *Benediction*
12. *Recessional Hymn - Blessed Assurance*

Burial

All Saints Cemetery

6001 Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington, DE



1. Processional Hymn - **It Is Well With My Soul**

2. Hymn 2 - **How Great Thou Art**

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
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And when I think of God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And lead me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow with humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

3. Opening Prayer

4. Scripture Reading

5. Hymn 3 - **Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught, My heart to fear
And grace my Fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers toils and snares
We have already come
'Twas grace hath brought us safe thus far
And grace will lead us home



*When we've been there
Ten thousand years bright shining as the sun
We'll have no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun*

*Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see*

6. Remarks
7. Resolution
8. Solo - **I know My Redeemer Liveth**
9. Eulogy
10. Vote of Thanks
11. Benediction
12. Recessional Hymn - **Blessed Assurance**
*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.*

*Refrain
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.*

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

*Refrain
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.*



Obituary

*The woods decay, the woods decay and fall,
The vapours weep their burthen to the ground,
Man comes and tills the fields and lies beneath,
And after many a summer dies the swan.*

- Alfred Lord Tennyson

Dr. Enitan Bolutito Odutola, 72, of Wilmington, Delaware lived a bountiful life and - after many a summer (in the words of Tennyson) - passed away on November 13th 2020 at the Christiana Care Hospital in Newark, Delaware, USA at 2.05 pm EST.

Parents

Enitan, popularly called "Dr. O" by many of her young friends and mentees was born in Lagos, Nigeria to Papa Daniel Odumowu Ogunfowora and Madam Gbemisola Ogunfowora on April 24, 1948.

Education

She attended elementary school at Children's Home School in Ibadan, Nigeria; Secondary and Higher school at Queen's School, Ede, Nigeria and Ibadan Grammar School, Ibadan, Nigeria respectively before she got admitted in 1965 into the premier University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria for premed and eventually her medical education.

Enitan graduated as a physician in 1972 and married Akintola Odutola, her fellow classmate in medical school on July 7, 1973.

Professional Training

Enitan had her compulsory pre-licensing training as a House Officer at the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Lagos, Nigeria and then started her residency training in Radiology moving through the traditional stages as Senior House Officer, Registrar I and II and Senior Registrar at the University College Hospital, Ibadan, Nigeria, and the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. UK. She spent a year in 1976 as a visiting fellow at the Radiology department, Shalgremska University Hospital, Goteborg, Sweden and became a Diplomat of the Royal College of Radiology, London, UK in 1979. She was admitted as a Fellow of the West African College of Surgeons (Radiology) in 1982.

Employment

Enitan's post-residency work life spanned over 40 years. She was appointed as a Lecturer II (Assistant Professor) in the Department of Radiology of the College of Medicine, University of Lagos and Consultant Radiologist at the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Lagos, Nigeria in 1980. Enitan co-founded Union Medical Services, a general practice and specialty Surgery and Diagnostic Radiology services with her husband in 1984 and served as the Chief Operating Officer. In her later life she worked for nearly 13 years as a professor in two medical schools in the Caribbean, teaching Radiological Anatomy and Clinical Skills to medical students of diverse multi-country origins that included Americans, Canadians, East Asians, Eastern Europeans, Africans and Afro-Caribbeans.



Family

Enitan is survived by her husband, Akintola, to whom she was married for a little over 47 years. She is also survived by a daughter, Olufunke Temitope; two sons, Akintola and Olusegun; a son-in-law, David Aderemi, a daughter-in-law, Stephanie and a fiancée-in-law, Jesse. Also surviving Enitan are four grandchildren, Danielle Oluwatosin, Samantha Anjeolaoluwa, Akintola Hunter and Akintayo Sebastian.

Other siblings and relatives surviving her include three sisters, several nieces, nephews, cousins and a large groups of friends, former classmates, and former professional workmates with whom she maintained contact across three continents.

Gratitude

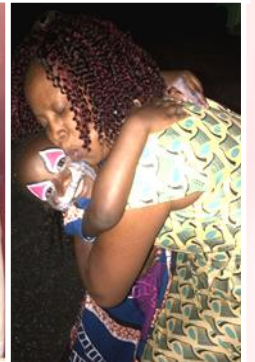
Enitan's family wishes to extend sincere thanks to many healthcare professionals at the Christiana Care Hospital, Newark, Delaware, USA who took care of her during her brief illness and to her many Church family members at Victory Christian Fellowship, New Castle, Delaware, Glorious Light Christian Ministries, Paulsboro, New Jersey, Redeemed Christian Church of God, New Castle, Delaware, USA and Nigeria respectively and the Eden Browne Church of God, Nevis, West Indies. Not forgotten in thanks are her Christian families, friends, and professional colleagues in Dominica and St Kitts and Nevis whose path crossed hers during her lifetime.

Philanthropy

Like her mother did before her, championing philanthropy for Motherless babies in her native land of Ibadan, Nigeria, Enitan left a legacy of long standing self-sacrifice, courage and love for charitable giving in the service of others, especially poor and underprivileged children in the Caribbean as well as in Nigeria. Also given her rich experience breaking through several glass ceilings during her student years and throughout her career, she dedicated a substantial part of her professional life to providing counseling and academic success advisement to medical students that passed through her generally and the females especially.













Tributes

My sister, you are one in a million. Your demise was a rude shock and I don't know what the future will be without you. I was looking forward to December to be together again as usual. Aburo mi, Orun re o. I love you so much, you are just irreplaceable.

- Prof. Oluremi Olufunke Keshinro (Sister)

Eni-itaan, Hmmm. words cannot say how much I love and will miss you.

Omo Olaa Omo Ikeè, Omo Ige, Adun-Ni.

Eni-itan you have been my pride, strength all through these years. I will forever miss you until we meet again and part no more.

Sunre o Aburo mi. - Yetunde Ogunfoworan. (Sister)

My friend...that is how you always referred to me. But you were much more than that to me. You were always there for me through everything I went through, happy or sad you were always there. You really were the most giving person; you gave so much to so many people. Your time, your money, your heart...you were always generous with it all. You did your best to always be there for me physically and when you couldn't fly down you made sure I felt your presence.

Enitan my dear friend, I'm still finding it hard to come to terms with you not being here, it's all still a bit confusing but I know that God knows best and he will find a way to strength us all that you have left behind. I love you and will miss you so much.

Rest in Peace my dear friend. - Bolanle F. Nedd

May light perpetual shine on my dearest Enitan. My beautiful aburo now joining the saints triumphant! I remember our elementary school walks home to UCH. Also shuttling between our houses in Ibadan. Our mums were 'sisters'. "Jesus loves you more than I do" was all I could say to you. Your ceaseless prayers for us all He always heard. A happy marriage, a loving family, a notable career were just some of the great things you accomplished. So many treasured memories, including your precious husband's classy birthday celebration! Your legacy lives on with the children and grandchildren. May you have everlasting peace. My children and I miss you so much!!! - Yemisi Alabi

Our tribute to a wonderful aunty, blessed with a beautiful family. Aunty Enitan was married to my uncle, Professor Akintola Odutola. You meant alot to each and every one of us and upheld very strong sense of family values. You were a caring and doting sister to my mum to which you shared a special bond. You took fondly to Simisola my wife and children, following up often on their progress despite being very busy in her own life. Godly values were things upmost on your heart and mind. Encouragement in the things of God, prayer and God's faithfulness you often echoed. You loved the family institution and lived an exemplary life. You made time for everyone as if you had extra time! On behalf of our mother Mrs Oluyemisi Labinjo and the Aranmolate family, Your legacy and memory will always be a blessed one. Thank you for all you did for my late sister Moyosore: the strength, the support and love so selflessly given. And this we know-you are at rest and at peace. You've left a huge vacuum in our lives and you remain forever in our hearts. We pray God's comfort for Uncle Akin, Funke, Akin jnr, Segun, their spouses and grandchildren. Till we all meet again, sleep well Aunty Enitan: your life was indeed a story, well told and lived! - The Labinjo and Aranmolate family.

Enit my dear you are one in a million. My sister and my friend. There is no word that can express your love and kindness to me and my family. I miss you my loving beautiful sister. SUNRE O ENIT DEAR - Mrs. Moni Phillips



Auntie Eni's demise is just too shocking. A very bitter pill to swallow for those who have come across her. A beautiful soul is gone. A gentle, pushful unassuming soul who was ever ready to assist at short notice. We are pained but have that assurance that she is singing with the saints triumphant. Adieu auntie Eni. - Dr. (Mrs.) Jide Andre

We mourn her loss. She was a lovely lady and a beautiful creature of The Almighty. A learned colleague and a professional par excellence! We will miss her but we take solace in the love of Christ that her soul rests in perfect peace where there is no torment but singing with her maker. May light perpetually shine on her soul. May the Lord Almighty console those of you she has now left behind - Prof. Adeyinka Falusi Queens School '63

My mommy, my friend, my confidant. How can you just leave like that. No warning, no goodbyes, no more pep talk. I can't still come off the shock. Well I love you so much but God love you best. I will miss you, your grandchildren will miss you all the people that know you will miss you. Keep resting in the bosom of our Lord till we meet to part no more. Good night Mommy. Love always. - Mrs. Jumoke Adebawale

Enitan - who was my childhood friend at Queen's School, Ede. I pray that her soul rests in peace and that you will be strengthened by God to do all that is necessary. She was very precious not only to me but to all her classmates and will be sorely missed - but we do not grieve like unbelievers. We shall meet again on the glorious resurrection morning! Yours in Christ. - Morenike Olayinka SANNI nee Ojo (Prof)

Sister mi, I am still in shock of your passing on to glory without saying bye-bye. Oh, how I wish I had the opportunity of having some last moments with you. You were so dear to my heart, especially the divine way God connected us together. You were a mother figure to many of us in Delaware. You always have a hand to lend. What can I say? You were always bubbly, kind, caring, prayerful and most importantly you were loving. I have cried and cried but my cry has not brought you back as you answer the call when your maker rang the bell for you to come home to him to receive the crown of glory that awaited you. You had to go since you had that relationship with Him. Ha, iku da oro, iku mu eni rere lo. You left a bright touch here and we will keep it burning. We can never forget you and your good deeds. I can see you doing your praise, and dancing in the bosom of your heavenly family. - Mrs. Yemisi Adepoju

My beautiful Aunt. No photo can ever do her justice because her beauty was not just outward gorgeousness but far more so inwardly.. A huge mentor to me professionally as a real life role model I could follow. Who showed me one can go down to rise back up later to support unforeseeable family needs in troubling and challenging times. We talked a lot prior to your joining her in the States and I came to realise what an incredible person she is. Loving and courageous on a level that was just simply breathtaking. I have carried her in my heart, encouraged by that love from afar and will continue to keep that memory of her alive in me with great affection. Please be comforted darling Uncle, she was your match in every way possible and you will be reunited on the wonderful day of resurrection that is promised to come. I have no doubt you too will rise to embrace her once more. Love you so much. God bless you, Uncle, God bless you. - Dr. Ebere Aribike Clark.

My Momo, There are mother and there are MOTHERS! Momo no nonsense! Lol! I cried to Momo when I was told you had passed and just didn't want to come to terms with it but then remembered you always asked me this one question, "What does the Bible say about it?" Then I had peace that you were with the Lord. You left Delaware for Jersey at an instance as if it were a 10min drive. You performed my children's naming ceremonies. You were always there for me and my family. Ese gan. Modupe Ma. I miss and love you so so much but I know that the Lord loves you more. One thing that keeps ringing in my head is to keep the values you instilled in me. I promise I will. Heaven has gained an angel that I have lost here on earth. Till we meet again. I love you Ma. - Omo



Dear Uncle, I am writing to extend my sincere condolences to you on the passing of our dear Aunty Enitan. I am quite shocked given that I am still reeling from the death of my dear Father who left us exactly a month ago yesterday. May God give you, Funke, Akin and Segun the strength to bear this very great Loss. My consolation is that I know she has gone to a better place. God bless you. - Ema Clark. Nov. 14, 2020

Dear Akin, I was stunned by the sad news of Enitan's transition to the great beyond as was conveyed to us through the Class of '72 platform last night. My wife was equally shocked when I broke the news to her this morning. We know how distressed you and your family must be at this time, and we therefore send you our condolences. We pray that all of you, will be comforted by the Almighty at this difficult time. We have fond memories of our warm and refreshing relationship with you and Enitan over many years in Ibadan, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and in your occasional visits to London. We will always remember Enitan's warmth, her pleasant personality, and the hospitality we enjoyed from both of you. These we will always cherish. We thank God for all the good times of the past and pray for even more as God, in His mercy, may still grant us. - 'Basola & 'Funmi Ogunkeye Nov. 15, 2020

Enitan ke! What a rude shock! Eternal rest grant her O Lord. May the Lord console her family and us too her friends in Jesus Name. "O death where is thy sting. O grave, where is thy victory". Even in death our Enitan is more than a conqueror.

Enitan, how come? Our baby? It is such a rude shock! Who are we to question God? May her sweet soul rest in perfect peace and may the good Lord comfort her family and friends amen. -University of Ibadan Colleagues

Hello, I don't even know how to express what I am feeling right now. And I can't even imagine how you are feeling. As you probably already know, Dr. O was a very important person to me since the first day of school. She was the only person I felt that I could speak to openly and freely and she helped me to get through some hard moments that I am still getting through thanks to her. I am in shock and in denial, as I talked to her at the beginning of the semester (Med 5) and she told me to call her and text her only after I get my results from my shelf and she wanted to see that I am eligible to write COMP. We received the results yesterday and I texted her, I was very excited for her to see that all the help, guidance and advice that she gave me paid off and I couldn't wait for her to be proud and to hear her voice and have a conversation and a prayer like we always have. I am devastated, I don't know what to say exactly. I am so sorry Dr. Odutola, I cannot even cope with what you must be going through. Please let me know if I can be of any help, I am extremely sorry Dr. Odutola. - Clotilde Nov. 14. 2020

Hello, I just heard the news and I wanted to reach out to send you my deepest condolences for your loss. Dr. Enitan was a great part of my experience at MUA and I am very thankful for all that she has done for all of us. - Regards, Rehem Nov. 14. 2020

Hello, I'm so sorry for your loss, Dr. O was a really nice and helpful professor, and I really liked her. My condolences to her family. May her soul rest in peace. - Huda Nov. 14. 2020

Hello, I am so sorry to hear about Dr. O. She was such an amazing and kind woman. She helped so many students. She always kept after me anytime I took my foot off the pedal at the end of semesters. My deepest condolences - Tyler Nov. 14. 2020



Hello, I'm deeply sorry for your loss and present to you my sincere condolences. Dr. O was an amazing professor and a great support for numerous students! I can't imagine making this far without her support and love! She believed in us even when we didn't believe in ourselves, she encouraged us even when we were failing classes! Dr. Enitan Odutola was an amazing lady! May her soul rest in peace. And may God put ease in this situation for her whole family. I am praying for you and your family. - Hamuda Nov. 15, 2020

Hello Dr. Odutola, I can't believe I am writing this email. Dr. O was an amazing person, a wonderful child of God and our mom away from home. She supported me since the day I got on the campus and has been by my side ever since. This news broke me so I can't fathom how you feel loosing your rib. Please know that you and your family are in our prayers. The members of DOC (Doctors of Christ) and all of the black students on campus are praying especially hard. I pray for your strength and comfort, in this very hard time. With so much love - Gabrielle Nov. 15, 2020

Hi, I just wanted to express my sincerest condolences to you and your family in the untimely passing of your wife. Dr. O was a remarkable professor, and I'm glad to have experienced her teaching in person. I still think about her mentioning specific radiologic findings when I'm reading a scan. Beyond being a great instructor she was a very kind human being. She's the reason I want to pursue radiology now. I wish you and your family all the best in this unfortunate time. - Sincerely, Karandip Nov. 15, 2020

Dear Akin, The sad news of Enitan's passing reached us yesterday. I was so very fond of Enitan and enjoyed the time we spent together as friends and colleagues. Our hearts go out to you. Daniel and I are thinking of you, and we are with you in our hearts. - With Love, Danielle & Daniel. Nov. 15, 2020

Dear Sir, I heard very sad, unbelievable and shocking news about our Mam. I am really sorry for your loss. May god give you and family strength in this difficult time. My sincere prayers for the beautiful departed soul of dearest Mam. Take care. - Shivani Nov 15, 2020

Dear Sir, We at SCP commiserate with you Sir on the demise of your beloved wife. We are deeply saddened by the news. It is our prayer that the Holy Spirit will comfort and console you and the entire family even at these very difficult times. May her gentle soul rest in perfect peace, Amen. Kind regards. - Mrs. Alonge Nov. 17, 2020

Good afternoon Sir, I hope this email finds you well. I am saddened and my heart completely broken upon hearing the news of your wife's departure. Getting to know your wife was a gift and her memories I will cherish for the rest of my life. She was a beautiful woman inside out, she impacted so many lives positively, and my story will not be complete without her. I pray that God in his infinite mercy will uphold you and the rest of the family she left behind and grant you all peace during this very difficult time. I will like to be informed of any funeral arrangement if possible as I will like to show my respect to her. Thank you and stay safe. Warm Regards. - Glen Nov. 17, 2020



Hello Akin- It is with great sadness that I have heard about the passing of your beloved wife. I have always admired your relationship with Enitan, and although I knew that she was ill, the news was unexpected and saddening. My deepest condolences are extended to you and your family at this time. If there is anything that would support you during this time, please let me know. I knew her as a fine person and an excellent teacher, and imagine that your sense of loss must run very deep. Sorry that I have not written to you sooner. - Your friend, Bob

Dear Dr A. Odutola, Thinking of you, wishing you hope in the midst of sorrow, comfort in the midst of pain. You and your family are in my heart and mind. My condolences on the passing of your wife. Very sorry Dr A. Odutola! Sincerely yours.
- Dr Sunil, Nevis. Nov. 14, 2020

Hello, I remember the first day we met. January 11, 2013. This was the day of my white coat ceremony, after I had given up my steady job, packed up house and home as well as reluctant kids to an island I had never previously heard of, to pursue my erstwhile dream of becoming a physician. Mummy mi, ore mi, oloró mi, alasiri mi. E o duro ki n saajo fun yin. Ki n se omo fun yin. I always thought you would one day see me open my own practice. Be at my kids weddings and milestones. I have felt grief a few times in my life. This one is too much for me. It's a testament to your person and to our relationship that I feel your loss just as sorely as I felt the loss of my father 12 years ago. This soul numbing, piercing pain like arrows through my heart. How do I deal with never hearing your 'Hi Omo' this side of eternity again? Ah iku doro o!! Eni ire lo. O di gberé! O d'arinnako. I love you Mummy, A o pade lese Jesu o, Nibi ti a ko ni ya ara wa. A ori ara wa. A o ran mo ara wa. Jesu ni o se alaga wa.
- Omo, IL. USA. Nov. 18, 2020

The first time she saw me on the main building staircase, she walked to me and introduced herself and asked how many of us were in Med 1 and she wanted to address us. She made everyone feel at home so much that some non black students who happened to be in the hall at that time wanted to know if they could join us and she welcomed them with open arms. She made time for everybody, and she showed up for every event and participated. I don't know how she did it, but she was truly a mother to all who accepted her for who she was. She comforted, she encouraged, she taught, she admonished, she screamed if she needed to, as she reminded you of your faith. Most importantly, she was passionate about God and pointed you to him if you didn't know him. She knew her purpose and she loved and lived it. May her soul Rest In Peace. - Chika



Note of Thanks

The Odutola family appreciates your support, words of encouragement and prayers as you stood by us in the celebration of our Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Aunt, Sister and Friend Enitan Bolutito Odutola.

May the Lord bless you abundantly.





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