

Emblem Ceremony

Senior Custodian and Junior Custodian rise and turn and pick up both the dove and the urn of incense. Take two steps in front of their chairs and turn inward towards each other.

Honored Queen picks up the horn of plenty and follows the two princesses out towards the custodians. Honored Queen stands in front of podium while the princesses take emblems from each of the custodians. They stand two steps in front of the Honored Queen. Custodians step back and sit. (Figure H)

Guide then walks into the middle of the semicircle as per ritual. (Figure I)

GUIDE: The International Order of Job's Daughters is an organization created by Mrs. Ethel T. Wead Mick, for the benefit of an organization for the girls with Masonic relationship. The inheritance that Job left his three daughters allows us to show in our emblem just what royalty is.

Guide leaves by backing out and going to seat. Marshal then goes into the semicircle as per ritual.

MARSHAL: Our emblem comes in many colors, but no matter what color it is, it always means the same to us. It reminds us of the beauty of Job's three daughters – Jemima, meaning "dove", Kazia, meaning "cassia" used in incense, and Keren happuch meaning "plenty", these daughters are represented by our Junior and Senior Princesses and Honored Queen.

Marshal then leaves semicircle by backing out and going to seat. Each Messenger will rise at their seat, recite their part, and be seated.

FIRST MESSENGER: The dove is a thing of beauty that we love. It shows a sign of peace, when it flies way above.

SECOND MESSENGER: As it flies from tree to tree, we are reminded how it feels to be free.

JUNIOR PRINCESS: I represent Job's first daughter whom he called Jemima meaning "dove." She is at the lower right of the emblem. The dove symbolizes purity and truth which we learn from the first epoch. It's wings teach us to spread our love, dispense light, shun falsehood, and believe in only the truth.

THIRD MESSENGER: The urn is not only a symbol, but a thing of uniqueness. It symbolizes prayer, and teaches us righteousness.

FOURTH MESSENGER: Job lived for many years in peace, hoping to receive his reward. He repented in dust and ashes, finally ending upward and onward.

SENIOR PRINCESS: I represent Job's second daughter whom he called Kazia meaning "cassia", used in incense. She is at the lower left of the emblem. The Urn of Incense has symbolized prayer. It reaches us that through hope and prayer, we shall reach our final reward in life-Harmony with God and oneself.

FIFTH MESSENGER: The horn of plenty is filled with wealth showing us what we will receive, through poverty and toil, if we continue with hope never faileth.

HONORED QUEEN: I represent Job's third daughter whom he called Keren happuch meaning "plenty." She is at the top of our emblem, as Honored Queen is the head of the Bethel. The Horn of Plenty symbolizes the triumph of Job over the temptation of the Adversary and his reward for faith. It teaches us that steadfast and upright, we will face life squarely for future success.

Members and friends you have just witnessed our true loyalty to our Order. Please remember each emblem and what it teaches us. So that you, just as Job, can receive your final rewards.

Choir stands. Musician plays, "Behold, We are the Daughters of Job". Girls sing. Choir sits.

Custodians take two steps in front of their chairs, take back the emblems from the Princesses and back up to their seats. Place emblems on pedestals and sit.

Honored Queen and Princesses turn and go back to seats in the East. Honored Queen nods to Junior and Senior Princesses. They nod to each other, and sit.

HONORED QUEEN: This completes our ceremony. Raps Gavel.