

EXEMPLIFICATION FOR A MASONIC BODY

Musician plays appropriate march music. Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian enter room and proceed on side marching lines to Altar line, where they turn left and right (as appropriate) along with the Junior and Senior Custodians/ When they meet at the Altar they turn and approach the East Dais. Junior and Senior Custodians advance directly to their stations. Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian ascend dais. Bethel Guardian nods to admit officer and choir members. After choir members have assumed their stations (in usual manner) the Officers enter the room and proceed to do their floor work in the opening march singing an appropriate hymn. Honored Queen ascends dais in usual manner and nods for officers to assume their stations. HQ sounds one rap of the gavel to seat officers.

HQ: *The Officers and members of Bethel # _____ of _____, of the International Order of Job's Daughters extend to you a fraternal greeting. We are happy to share with you the ideals and principles of our beautiful Order. Job's Daughters is an organization for girls between the ages of 10 and 20 who are properly related to a Master Mason. We cherish our Masonic heritage as members are required to obtain the recommendation of the related Master Mason to be eligible for membership. The teachings of our Order are based on the Book of Job with special reference to the 42nd Chapter 15th verse:*

"And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job; and their Father gave them inheritance among their brethren."

In the story of Job we learn of Job's innocence piety, modesty, straight forwardness, honesty and pity for the orphans and widow. These are all fundamental principles of Masonry.

The Officers will now explain the meaning of their stations. (HQ is seated)

Outer Guard: *I am the Outer Guard and my station is outside the closed door of the Bethel. My duty is to prevent interruptions during our meetings and allow only qualified visitors and members to enter.*

Inner Guard: *I am the Inner Guard and my station is at the entrance of the Bethel. My duty is to relay messages between the Honored Queen and the Outer Guard and to admit those qualified to enter our meeting.*

Junior Custodian: *I am the Junior Custodian and my station is at the left and west of the Junior Princess. My duty is to assist the Marshal in caring for our paraphernalia and to assist in the ceremony of initiation.*

Senior Custodian: *I am the Senior Custodian and my station is at the right and west of the Senior Princess. My duty is to assist the Marshal in caring for the paraphernalia and to assist in the ceremony of initiation.*

First Messenger: *I am the First Messenger and my station is in the messenger's semi-circle. My duty is to tell, during the initiation ceremony the story of Job's prosperity and his piety and faith in God.*

Second Messenger: *I am the Second Messenger and my station is in the messenger's semi-circle. My duty is to tell, during the ceremony of initiation the story of Job's steadfast faith in God during his time of trial by the adversary.*

Third Messenger: *I am the Third Messenger and my station is in the messenger's semi-circle. My duty is to tell, during the ceremony of initiation the story of Job's grief and suffering at the hands of the adversary.*

Fourth Messenger: *I am the Fourth Messenger and my station is in the messenger's semi-circle. My duty is to tell, during the ceremony of initiation the story of Job's righteousness and reward for his steadfast faith during his time of trial.*

Fifth Messenger: *I am the Fifth Messenger and my station is in the messenger's semi-circle. My duty is to tell, during the ceremony of initiation that we must follow the example of Job in our daily living throughout our lives.*

Librarian: *I am the Librarian and my station is at the right and west of the Senior Princess. My duty is to encourage an interest in the arts and sciences.*

Musician: *I am the Musician and my station is at the instrument. My duty is to provide the music for our ceremonies.*

Recorder: *I am the Recorder and my station is at the left and west of the Junior Princess. My duty is to record the actions and monies of the Bethel.*

Treasurer: *I am the Treasurer and my station is south of the Altar. My duty is to account for the funds belonging to the Bethel.*

Chaplain: *I am the Chaplain and my station is north of the Altar. My duty is to lead the devotions of the Bethel and obligate the pilgrims during the ceremony of initiation.*

Marshal: *I am the Marshal and my station is in the west and at the left of the Guide. My duty is to present the American Flag, to care for the paraphernalia and to assist the Guide.*

Guide: *I am the Guide and my station is in the west. My duty is to escort visitors and to conduct pilgrims through the ceremony of initiation.*

Junior Princess: *I am the Junior Princess and my station is at the left of the Honored Queen. My duty is to direct the first and second messengers during initiation. My office is symbolic of Job's first daughter whom he called Jemima, which means dove.*

Senior Princess: *I am the Senior Princess and my station is at the right of the Honored Queen. My duty is to direct the third and fourth messengers during initiation. My office is symbolic of Job's second daughter whom he called Kezia, meaning cassia used in incense.*

Honored Queen: *As Honored Queen, my station is in the East. My duty is to preside during our meetings and direct the fifth messenger during the ceremony of initiation. My office is symbolic of Job's third daughter whom he called Keren-happuch, which means plenty. We will now retire for the closing cross ceremony. (HQ sounds two raps of the gavel for officers to rise)*

Officers retire in the usual manner to form closing cross.