



ELDER DIAMOND YAO

**ACKUMEY**

1947-2022





CHURCH OF PENTECOST,  
S. K. OSEI SANCTUARY COMMUNITY 12 , TEMA  
**BURIAL SERVICE FOR THE LATE ELDER DIAMOND ACKUMEY**

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

### **PART ONE (1)**

1. Opening Prayer - Eld Francis Yeboah
2. Choruses - Congregation
3. Intro / Acknowledgment - Conductor
4. Song - Akwantu bi wo ho a yeβetu
5. File Past
6. Welcome Songs
  - Other Areas/Districts
  - C.12 District
  - Dunamis English Assembly
  - All Elders
7. Scripture Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
  - English - Dns Adelaide Osei Bonsu
  - Twi - Eld Felix Owusu
  - Ewe - Dns Naana Kyeiwaah
8. Prayer of Thanksgiving - Eld John Hushie
9. Hymn / Song - There's a Land that is Fairer than Day
10. Biography - Family Representative
11. Tributes:
  - Children
  - Widow
  - Church
12. Song - Captain of Israel's host and guide
13. Offertory -
14. Sermon / Altar Call - Ps. Alex N. K. Oppong / Eld J. Martey
15. Song by the Bereaved Family -
16. Prayer for the Bereaved Family - Aps. E. O. Ankra Badu
17. Vote of thanks - Family Member
18. Announcements - Conductor

### **PART TWO (2)**

#### **AT THE GRAVESIDE**

#### **PART II**

2. Song - I have another world in view
3. Prayer - Ps. Samuel Quatey Huago
4. Lowering of Coffin
5. Committal - Ps Alex N. K. Oppong
6. Song - Ps Alex N. K. Oppong
6. Vote of thanks - Family Member
7. Prayer / Benediction

#### **CONDUCTORS:**

Eld Ebenezer Addo Ansong / Eld Stephen De Rex-Tanor

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A very BRIEF Unembellished

# BIOGRAPHY

*Diamond Yao*  
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The late Diamond Yao Ackumey was born in Kumasi, Ashanti Region, on 18th December 1947, to the late Moses Ackumey of Anyako and the late Elizabeth Wofewoli of Atiavi. He started school in Akwatia Elementary School and continued to a Normal technical school in Koforidua in the Eastern Region of Ghana.

Diamond relocated to Tema in the early 1970s to live with his father. He worked at Ghana Textile Manufacturing Company (GTMC). When an opportunity came for him to work in the shipping industry, he decided to further his education in marine operations. He obtained several certificates from Nautical College now Ghana Maritime University. His profession in marine activities started with Blackstar line as “deck hand” rising to an Assistant B. As a result of his hard work and talent, he was hired by Ben Shrell, a Dutch captain, travelling Australia, South Korea, Canada, USA, South

Africa, Nigeria, Togo, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

He went on to work on couple of other shipping companies. After this, he decided to explore entrepreneurship by setting up his own business, Diamondson Marine Works Company Limited, with the main office at Comm 4 Tema and a branch in Takoradi. Diamondson Marine Works Company Limited was subcontracted by some of the leading players in the shipping industry including Maersk Line.

He used Diamondson Marine Works Company Limited to give back to his community by employing the area youth particularly within Community 11 and Community 2.

He was a true family person who was interested in affairs of everyone in the extended family. He was noted for attending all family events including weddings, outdooring, and funerals.

Diamond met his wife Comfort Ackumey in Akwatia in 1976 and they got married in 1977 traditionally. Their marriage was blessed on the 12th of May 1996 at the church of Pentecost Tema Community 12. Their marriage was blessed with 4 beautiful children. Two girls and two boys. Pearl, Kofi, Yaw, and Priscilla. By the grace of God, he was blessed with grandchildren.

Diamond was born into a Presbyterian home. He however accepted Christ once again in 1985 when an open crusade was held Infront of his house at Tema Community 11 by The Church of Pentecost.

Diamond was completely intoxicated on that night but God through his mysterious act, snatched him on the day and he never turned back. Despite busy family and work schedules, he was an active member of the church. He was a key contributor to the great commission evangelistic movement set up under Apostle Koduah, through which he and other faithfuls spearheaded the establishment of several green field churches within the original Tema area. He was one of the founding officers for New Jerusalem assembly, in the then Tema Area. He was called into the office of a deacon and later an elder in The Church of Pentecost. He served in several assembly's, including the Tema Community 12

assembly, New Jerusalem Assembly, Blessed Assembly, Community 9 assembly. The last assembly he worshipped was the Dunamis English Assembly, Comm 12, as one of the founding officers. He was a very active in the Missions work of the church and embarked on several missions and was active at all crusades where he joined the team on evangelism.

He was noted for punctuality at church. Diamond was very punctual at all events and respected time, he loved people and demonstrated love to all.

*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.*

**2 Timothy 4:7**

Hyedui nyueiii  
Damirifa due

Rest IN Perfect Peace





# TRIBUTE BY WIFE COMFORT ACKUMEY

*"No one knows when his hour will come as fish captured in a cruel net, or as birds caught in a snare. So also, are men trapped by evil times that fall unexpectedly upon them"*

*(Ecclesiastes 9:5)*

**A**s a young lady in the 1970's in Akwatia, I met Diamond, as I affectionately called him. We became pals and I observed his remarkable intelligence, knowledge, confidence, and charming personae. Apart from his cute spick and span well-dressed nature, one of the things that attracted me was his charming smiles. After we had struck a comfortable acquaintance, he started writing letters to me which I secretly read in the house, as I lived with very strict parents.

We got married 46 years ago traditionally after which we moved to Tema together as husband and wife. A year after our marriage we were blessed with our first child a daughter who was so dear and special that you named Pearl. By the grace of God we were blessed with 3 more children Kofi, Yaw and Priscilla. On the 12th May 1996 to the glory of God we had our wedding blessed in The Church of Pentecost, then Tema Community 12 assembly.

Throughout our 46 years of marriage, you showed empathy and immense emotional support throughout our marital life. You were a good husband to me and father to our children. You loved cooking all the time for the family. We will miss the delicacies you made for us.

Although he had a strong personality when relating with his children, he did not hesitate to rope me in when he realised anytime he could not handle them. This he would do by asking the kids "should I call mama?"

His relationship with my dad, was beyond cordial. He would visit him and stay and chat for long hours whenever he travelled to the Volta Region. Their relationship was beautiful.

Apart from his interests, he valued my interests and supported me gladly. I referred to him as "my assistant" as he gladly stood in to

look after the shop whenever I had to attend to other appointments. We had our differences but hey we understood each other, our conversations and laughs were so pleasant, and I will miss that a lot.

Now I have no regrets. The memories of those final days of your life on this earth will forever remain evergreen. I still feel those tensed moments of seeing you on that faithful morning. Alas" our thoughts are not His thoughts, and our ways are not His ways.

It was a normal Friday morning, December 30th, 2022, when I woke up and called you but did not receive any response. I immediately called Pearl and Priscilla and also some neighbours of which two were medical doctors. Frantic efforts by the neighbours and doctors proved futile, as the doctors advised we rush you to the Tema General Hospital. You gave up your soul after a gallant fight for survival. Though shocked and devastated I went on my knees and prayed to ask the Lord to return your soul to the body. But that did not happen I felt your body

becoming colder and colder. I was jolted into reality when one of the doctors continually shook his head, I know tears are not enough but, in the scheme of things, it was the only option. Yes, I cried, wailed because this pill of losing my beloved husband, and father of our children, to the treacherous icy hands of death was too big and bitter to swallow. But I seek solace in the Almighty God the Creator of heaven and earth as I continue to remember his encouragement to love God and get closer to Him. Now that you are gone, I know my friend is gone forever. Your death has made me know and appreciate those genuine and caring colleagues, friends, and relatives of ours.

I extend my deepest appreciation to them. Indeed, they know themselves. I am grateful and God bless you.

The children and I are however consoled that you are with the Lord.

Diamond, My Dear Husband





# A DAD WE ARE FOREVER PROUD OF

## TRIBUTE FROM CHILDREN

**W**hen the mirror is broken you no longer see your image. On that dreadful day (30th December) that you departed this world to join the saints it has not been same again for us. Daddy when we close our eyes the image of you is all we see... The summary of our togetherness from cradle to your exit lingers on our mind it's a memory that even death cannot erase... Your departure has made us broken and transformed us into grown-ups., We woke up to realisation that we are big kids now. The transformation that life is vain and everything in it is vanity. This is not common in the African tradition, but you loved us and said it out loud and that was it. I'm glad that we told you that we loved you, glad that you knew. We will always cherish all the wonderful memories. We know you are watching over all of us, mum, Kofi, Yaw, and Priscilla. We all miss you terribly. We miss you terribly. We speak with you all the time and we know you can hear us. We love you, Daddy. We really miss you, never knew you would leave us so suddenly, you were a good man, you advised us and did your best to provide for us.

You tried your best in helping people, we are saddened that death took you

away, but God said in all things we should give him thanks. Your death left a scar in our hearts, but your legacy will stand in our life. We miss you Dad... I don't know where to begin, all we keep thinking of is how we wish we had that "one more" opportunity to see you daddy, to hear your voice and to see you smile or even crack a joke. The legacy you left us is what made us what we are today and keeps us progressing in life... You lived for others, always helping others. We will do our best to carry on in your footsteps. We are so glad you are a grandfather for our children.

We remember all the good times (We now understand your dedication to family and will strive to honour it as we try to move along in our journey.

You always were a man of discipline and order. You did not pamper us when it came to work, either. We each had to spend a portion of our time doing various menial tasks such as washing the dishes and glasses at the end of the day. Now that we are older and have responsibilities, we are thankful for the discipline and the grit it has built in us.

We will be remiss if we do not share

how much we have enjoyed the past few years. We have had many phone calls, and relaxing times and conversations with you at home in Tema, in those leisurely and unhurried conversations, you took time to listen to some of the challenges we were having in our individual lives. Most of the time, you refrained from giving instructions, but rather gave wise counsel that allowed us to go back home, think more deeply and decide what we wanted to do about a specific issue. Your constant, steady, calm presence in our lives that we took for granted will be sorely missed.

We have many good memories of this transition from father to friend. We remember with a smile how. Just knowing you were there to talk to be such quiet comfort. The transition from father to friend went so smoothly and gracefully, and we were enjoying it so much that it took us a minute to realize it had happened. We are so grateful to have had a chance to evolve from just children, into friends.

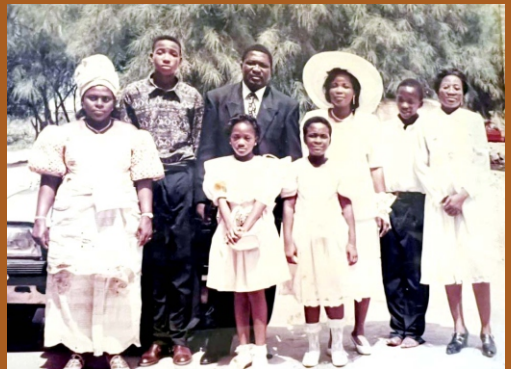
In closing, we won't say farewell, but rather "Please keep watching us from above, and cheer us on as we continue our journey with your example as our inspiration." You were a good, good father and we are proud of you. Your memory will not die in us... Thinking about the time spent together do bring smile to our face and we remember your smile also. Dad you are in our heart, and you are here in spirit even as I'm typing now. We will always love you and miss you dad... Continue to Rest in peace daddy.

## TRIBUTE TO MY ONLY BROTHER AND FRIEND

**D**iamond in the words of 2Timothy 4:7 you have fought a good fight, you have finished your course, you have kept the faith, my brother my only brother. I am missing you and will always miss you. May the good Lord keep you safe in his bosom till we meet again. All I have now, are the sweet memories and hope of Rev. 14:13. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on Yes Says the spirit, they will rest from their labor, for the good deeds will follow them. REST MY ONLY BROTHER.



# GALLERY









TRIBUTE TO  
OUR  
BELOVED  
BROTHER  
FROM  
SIBLINGS

*“For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith”*

*- 2 Timothy 4:6-7*

Nutsuwodzi; that was the many moments of joy he was first called by our aunties when he was born and some of them in affection started with the name Diamond and that stayed and remained your name till you, passed away. The full version of that name is known only by very close family.

The burdens Diamond bore for us and on behalf of us, the thoughtful advice and assistance he gave in our times of trouble and distress in his measured and calm way, these are too numerous, so we are unable to select and recount in tribute to him. We will hold them forever in very affectionate memory of him.

Our brother firmly believed that once he completed his assigned duties to man and God on this earth, death was welcome, especially if the flesh becomes weak and weary, and pleads for repose. We grieve and mourn his loss, but also rejoice in the Lord that he granted him the painless and peaceful passing as he wished for.

May the Lord give him the Perfect Peace He gives to all His Saints.

We pray for everlasting Peace for him.

TRIBUTE FROM **ERNESTINA MENSAH**

Diamond when I visited u in June little did I know that's the last time I would ever see you. I'm shocked beyond measure & my heart is broken into tiny pieces but I know the good Lord knows best. Thanks so much for your kindness , all the time & laughter we shared. I'll never forget you. Till we meet again rest in the bosom of our good Lord. Farewell Diamond, farewell.



TRIBUTE BY  
**INLAWS**

*“Tribute to my father in-law  
and fond memories of a  
backbench political analyst”*

**A**s we gathered on mid-December to celebrate your birthday, we never thought that was a farewell meeting. It was really shocking when i got the awful call later that your maker had called you to eternity.

I fondly remember the first time I spoke to you. It was over the phone when i wanted to speak to your beautiful daughter, Pearl, who became my dear wife. The stern way you engaged me on our first encounter, confirmed what my uncles hinted me about, that you were a very protective and passionate person and i dared not play around with your daughter. My uncles knew you well during your days in Tema community 2, BBC. You welcomed me to your home with open arms and made me comfortable thus i easily switched to calling you Daddy as well. You advised us to always ensure that you see your grandchildren at least once a year, regardless of which part of the world we lived, a promise Pearl and i did our best to keep. You and i later built a good and cordial relationship. I also experienced you as someone who is very passionate about progress of

broader society and I recall our usual intense in-person or over phone debates on range of issues from church developments, social and political issues. During our last meeting, we had a lengthy discussion on the recent developments in the economy and once again, you demonstrated deep understanding of the key issues.

Daddy, we were really looking forward to spending some more time with you before leaving town, but sadly, this was not to be as God wanted you on the other side. I will miss our chats and your advises but I know that you are in a much better place. God keep you, Daddy, till we meet again...**GEORGE NKANSAH-ASANTE**

December 30,2022 was a sad day for my family, for we lost a very caring and loving father, father-in-law, and grandfather to sudden death for which we were not prepared. We always saw you as a strong and healthy man. We are in shock and in pain when we heard you are no more. Your death was the last thing we ever imagined. As our children will say "Grandpa", it was just almost a month ago we were all hanging out with you during your birthday, you played with your grandchildren and had a fatherly chat with us. Your warm smile and your energy kept us going. We were all happy as a family.

I am honoured to have had the



privilege to know you "Daddy." Aseye and Paapa Yao knew and always called you grandpa whenever they met you.

Over the years I have known you, I saw how caring and loving you were to your family. You had a lot of respect for us and the same was for your grandchildren.

Your grandchildren learned a lot from you. When I remember you, Daddy, I will remember all you did for my family and me. Thanks for taking care of your grandchildren. Thank you for always advising me about Aseye and Paapa Yao. Thank you for playing with your grandchildren

We will miss you, but we will never forget you...**EDEMKWAMI**

I will Miss how you mention my name whenever you check on us.....  
..... .30 December 2022, was a sad day for us, we lost a very caring and loving husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, and great grandfather, to a sudden death. We are really hurt but God is out comfort. Thanks for blessing us with time on video calls to see Mawutor and Mawusi.Even thou they couldn't see you personally, they knew they had a wonderful caring grandfather.....words can't explain your absence, but we know for sure you are with God.thanks for everything...  
Rest Well. my only Father inlaw  
...**AFIA**

## TRIBUTE FROM **GRANDCHILDREN**

Grandpa, has always been a kind caring person to me and others around him he always knows how to make me smile and even though I barely see him at times when I do, he makes me feel happy and welcome and I will continue to love him no matter what-YAA

Our Grandpa's actions consistently showed us that we were treasured and loved by him. Our childhood was marked with regular visits from our grandpa, and he never came empty handed, such was his generosity.

There was always a sense of pride when he introduced us to others. He always

took the opportunity to celebrate us, most recently we were with you on your birthday and that was nice. Our lives will not be the same without you Grandpa, so many milestones that we will not get to share with you.

We thank God for the life you lived, and the memories created. We will forever cherish them.

Rest in perfect Peace Grandpa  
Until we meet again

**Your Grandchildren: Prince, Kekeli, Yaa, Edem, Nuna, Deladem, Mawutor, Jasmine, Aseye and Baby Yaw.**

TRIBUTE FROM

# NEPHEWS AND NIECES

- DESCENDANTS OF MAGOVI

Uncle D, Uncle D, Uncle D, our own Uncle Diamond, Wofa baako pe, the only brother of our mothers.' You departed this earth so suddenly and we are still in shock.

In all events and seasons, you were our "go-to" person, all we needed to do was call and say .... this and that was the issue - and immediately a plan of action would be put into place. You would gather the forces, insist we all offered support, and made our presence felt for each other. We knew how to give excuses and dodge

events - but Uncle Diamond was a constant, he genuinely cared and he would be there for us. You had recently been trying to get us together for a project in Atiavi - we were to discuss the issues on the 18th of December, 2022 which was your 75th birthday on which your church community was to honour you. Unfortunately, the event was postponed and we never got to discuss your concerns and wishes in detail.

But Uncle Diamond, you have handed over the baton, we have no

choice, but to come together and with God's help fulfil your wishes as a tribute to you.

You were our strong supporter, you never judged us no matter what issues we brought to you but your advice was always on point.

Uncle Diamond, as you join the ancestors, Rest in Peace, till we meet, someday.

*Rita, Kwaku, Shirley, Martin, Kobla, Bob, Marian, Kojo Mensah, Freddie, George, Kormi Dzisa, and Ami*



TRIBUTE BY  
**THE CHURCH  
OF PENTECOST**  
COMMUNITY 12 DISTRICT

*“Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in Him. According to the Lord's Word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.”*

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NIV)**

**E**lder Diamond Ackumey accepted Christ in 1983 during a gospel rally held by this Assembly in front of his house. He was baptized and later ordained as a Deacon of the church within 2 years of his conversion. Due to his love for God and missionary work, he engaged in extensive evangelism projects with The Great Commission Team and the then Witness Movement (now Evangelism Ministry). By the divine Grace of God, the leadership of the Church appointed him as Presiding Deacon for New Jerusalem Assembly which was a newly inaugurated assembly around Community 25, Tema.

He was later ordained as an Elder of the Church and transferred to Community 10 Assembly (now Blessed Assembly). As instrumental as he was, his expertise was needed for the growth of other assemblies within the districts in the Tema Area. It became necessary for him to serve as a supporting elder for Community 9, 12 and Dunamis English assemblies. As a role model within the church, he was made a marriage counselor where he served for many years.

From the day of his death, our hearts have been heavy with sorrow and we carry unimaginable pain that we will no longer hear his strong and powerful voice anytime he addresses the congregation or see him seated quietly at the back of the auditorium during evening services or even hear his hearty laughter during one-on-one conversions with him. He was as a father, a senior brother and a friend to all of us. We will never forget how he tries to be youthful in his greetings to the young ones in the church and also finding out how everyone was faring.

Clearly, he was a selfless man who dedicated his life to serve God, his family and the Church. Due to his age and ill health, attending church

programmes became intermittent but he kept fighting until the sun finally set on his earthly life on that faithful morning. He has made his mark in our lives and etched his name on our hearts. We thank God for allowing us to share in the life of this soldier of the Cross. We will miss him. We will miss his imposing presence and voice but we take consolation in the fact that death is not the end and it can never be! We believe that he is now seated and resting in the bosom of our Lord.

May His soul rest in peace, till we meet again.

## TRIBUTE TO MR DIAMOND ACKUMEY Snr

I received news of the sudden death of my father in-law, Mr Diamond Ackumey, Snr with the utmost shock.

His first son, Moses Ackumey, and I got married in 2013. Although I never met Mr Diamond Ackumey in person, however, we had numerous phone and video call encounters. Those were memories I will forever cherish.

My father in-law always sounded to me as someone who was patient, kind and loving. His grandchildren meant a lot to him. I could always sense the joy and excitement in his voice whenever he spoke with them during video calls.

Although death is inevitable and no one has power to escape it when the time comes, we weren't expecting the passing of Mr Diamond Ackumey so soon, considering that he wasn't debilitated by any serious illness.

My husband and I had plans to visit home during a school vacation period so that my in-laws together could finally meet with their grandchildren. We had hoped that Mr Ackumey would be with us longer so we could experience a joyful family reunion where all his grandchildren would be in the same setting for him to enjoy their presence as he had always wished.

It saddens me greatly that

this dream couldn't get to be fulfilled before he passed away.

But thanks to modern technology, at least video calling enabled Mr Ackumey to enjoy some form of closeness with me and my kids while he was alive. We will keep the memories we have of him forever in our hearts. He will be greatly missed.

Diamond may your soul rest in perfect peace. Diamond, damirifa due

*-Naa-Adjeley Solomon Ackumey.*

# HYMNS

## HYMNS 44

1. My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

### *Chorus*

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand:  
All other ground is sinking sand (2)

2. When darkness seems to veil his face;  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.

3. His oath, his covenant, and blood,  
Support one in the 'whelming flood:  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.

## HYMNS 21

What can wash away my stain?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

### *Chorus*

O! Precious is the flow;  
That makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

2. For my cleansing this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
For my pardon, this my plea.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

3. Nothing can for sin atone.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus,  
Nought of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

## HYMNS 49

1. Now thank we all our God.  
With hearts, and hands, and voices:  
Who wondrous things hath done  
In whom His world rejoices:  
Who, from our mothers' arms  
Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love  
And still is ours to-day

2. O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever-joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us,  
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next

3. All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven  
The one, eternal God  
Whom earth and heaven adore:  
For thus it was, is now  
And shall be evermore.



# HYMNS

## MHB 615

1. GUIDE me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven! Feed me now and  
evermore. (2X)

2. Open Thou the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream shall flow;  
Let the fiery cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through:  
Strong deliverer!  
Be Thou still my help and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan;  
Bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of deaths, and hell's  
destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of Praises  
I will ever give to Thee.



## MHB 612

1. LEAD, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom  
Lead Thou me on!  
The night is dark, and I am far from home.  
Lead Thou me on!  
Keep Thou, my feet; I do not ask to see  
The distant scene: one step enough for me.

2. I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou  
Shouldst lead me on.  
I loved to choose and see my path, but now Lead  
Thou me on!  
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,  
Pride ruled my will: Remember not past years.

3. So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still  
Will lead me on  
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till the  
night is gone.  
And with the morn those angel faces smile, which  
I have loved long since, and lost awhile. John

## MHB 634

1. WILL your anchor hold in the storms of life,  
When the clouds unfold their wings of strife?  
When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,  
Will your anchor drift, or firm remain?  
We have an anchor that keeps the soul  
Steadfast and sure while the billows roll;  
Fastened to the Rock which cannot move,  
Grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!

2. Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear?  
When the breakers roar and the reef is near;  
While the surges rave, and the wild winds blow,  
Shall the angry waves then your barque overflow?

3. Will your anchor hold in the floods of death,  
When the waters cold chill your latest breath?  
On the rising tide you can never fail,  
While your anchor holds within the veil.

4. Will your eyes behold through the morning light  
The city of gold and the harbour bright?  
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,  
When life's storms are past for evermore?

# HYMNS

## MHB 914

1. GOD be with you till we meet again,  
By His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you:  
God be with you till we meet again

2. God be with you till we meet again,  
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,  
Daily manna still provide you:  
God be with you till we meet again.

3. God be with you till we meet again,  
when life's perils thick confound you,  
Put His arms unfailing round you:  
God be with you till we meet again.

4. God be with you till we meet again,  
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,  
Smite death's threatening wave before you:  
God be with you till we meet again!

## MHB 400

1. TAKE my life, and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of Thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

3. Take my voice, and let me sing  
Always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips and let them be  
Filled with messages from Thee.

4. Take my silver and my gold.  
Not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will and make it  
Thine; It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is  
Thine own It shall be  
Thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord,  
I pour At Thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.





# Appreciation

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*The Entire family of*

*THE LATE*

**ELDER DIAMOND YAO ACKUMEY**

*Sincerely appreciate your prayers,  
presence, sympathy, expression  
of love in diverse ways during our time of grief.*

*May the good Lord bless you abundantly!*

