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*“Love is patient and kind;
it is not jealous or conceited or proud;
love is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable;
love does not keep a record of wrongs,
love is not happy with evil but is happy with the truth.
Love never gives up;
and its faith, hope, and patience never fail.”*
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Greenhills Christian Fellowship



Prelude	Piano	Wendell Salumbidez
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Processional	“You”	Mildred Armea
	“On the Wings of Love”	Jeffrey Nool

Ricardo T. Bagarinao
Best Man

Epifanio T. Bagarinao Jr. & Mrs. Epifania T. Vda. de Bagarinao
Groom with the Groom's Mother

Eduardo T. Bagarinao & Mrs. Genedina D. Develos
Groom's Brother with Bride's Mother

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Ring Bearer





Brethren, Baggy and Kathy are before us today, about to make their vows to each other before God, these witnesses and this company, with marriage license number _____ issued at _____ on _____. However, if any man can show just cause why they may not be lawfully joined together, let him now speak or else hereafter forever hold his peace.

Giving Away of the Bride:

Having no lawful and biblical impediments upon this intended purpose of Baggy and Kathy of joining together in marriage as husband and wife, who gives parental consent to Kathy to be married to Baggy.

PARENTS: Her mother and I do.

Mr. And Mrs. Develos, do you wholeheartedly give your daughter Kathy to be married to Baggy in *Holy Matrimony*?

PARENTS: We do.

Baggy, you may now take the bride.

(Couple moves to the altar.)

Address to the Guests:

Brethren, we have come together in the presence of God to witness the joining together of Baggy and Kathy in marriage. The bond of marriage was established by God at creation. It is an institution of God ordained in the time of man's innocence, before he had sinned against his maker and before he had been banished from paradise. It was given in wisdom and in kindness, to repress irregular affection, to support social order and to provide that through well-ordered families, truth and holiness might be transmitted from one age to another. Earlier, therefore, than all laws of merely human origins, it lies as the basis of all human legislation and civil government and the peace and well being of the nation and of the land.

The institution of marriage was adorned and beautified by Christ with his presence at the first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee. It is also commended by Paul in his epistles. It signifies to us the union between Christ and His church. In the same token, the union of man and woman in heart, body and mind, is intended by God for their mutual joy, for the help and comfort given to one another in prosperity and adversity; and when it is God's will, for the procreation of children and their nurture in the knowledge and love for the





Lord.

Therefore, marriage is not to be entered into unadvisedly or lightly but reverently, discreetly, soberly, in the fear of the Lord and in accord with the purpose for which it was intended and instituted by God.

When two born-again believers know it is God's will for them to marry, they come together before God, before a minister and before witnesses to join their hearts and lives for eternity. They make public profession of their mutual love and devotion, pronouncing vows and pledging their lives to each other.

As they pronounce their marriage vow in faith, the power of God goes into operation and a miracle takes place. THEY ARE UNITED BY GOD AND BECOME AS ONE IN HIS SIGHT. Their union is threefold. They are joined together

- 1) SPIRITUALLY by God
- 2) LEGALLY by the contract they entered into
- 3) PHYSICALLY when the marriage is consummated.

Address to the Party:

This rite of marriage, in which you, Baggy and Kathy now come to be joined and united, is the first and oldest rite of the world, celebrated in the beginning at creation. God, the Creator, was Himself, the Minister, sole witness, and guest. What it then was, it now is; marriage has never fallen, but is what paradise lives over, continued still to be of God, to soothe the troubles and comfort the sorrows of our broken state. This it will be to you, if you have it in your heart to beautify and sweeten it by your tender care, your mindfulness in little things, your patience and sacrifices, of self to each other.

Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 5:21-33

Exhortation of the Couple:

Charge to the Couple:

All that I have exhorted, pray that you will religiously perform your vows and obey the words of the Lord. Further I charge you both before God in the light of HIS WORD and the Laws of the Philippines, that if either of you know any reason why you may not be lawfully joined together in matrimony ye do now confess it. For if two persons are joined together otherwise than as God's word doth allow and which the Philippine Law approves, their marriage is not lawful.





Do you sincerely and honestly affirm that there is no lawful or biblical impediment upon this intended marriage of yours?

COUPLE: Yes we do.

Declaration of Intention (facing the minister, standing)

Baggy and **Kathy** as you contemplate the making of your vows to each other, realize that henceforth your destinies shall be woven of one design and your perils and joys shall not be known apart. The words I love you, first spoken shyly, is the full commitment of yourselves to each other and to an adult responsibility in society.

Exchange of Vows:

In as much as you have purposed in your hearts to be wedded as one, I would like to ask both of you the following:

BAGGY, do you take this woman to be your lawfully wedded wife, and do you promise before God and before these witnesses that you will love, honor, and cherish her, forsaking all others for her alone until God, by death, shall separate you?

Answer: I DO.

KATHY: do you take this man to be your lawfully wedded husband, and do you promise before God and before these witnesses that you will love, honor, and cherish him, forsaking all others for him alone until God, by death, shall separate you?

Answer: I DO.

Since it is your desire to take each other as husband and wife, please indicate this by facing each other, joining hands and saying before God and these witnesses, your marriage vows.

GROOM: I, **Baggy**, take you, **Kathy**, to be my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part according to God's Holy Word and thereto, I pledge my faith.

BRIDE: I, **Kathy**, take you, **Baggy**, to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part according





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Giving and Receiving of Rings:

Wedding ceremonies such as this become more meaningful with the use of the symbols of love.

Baggy, what token do you give as a symbol of your sincerity and fidelity?

Answer: A ring.

The wedding ring is a symbol of marriage in at least two ways; the purity of diamond symbolizes the purity of your love for each other, and the unending circle symbolizes the unending vows which you are taking, which may be broken honorably in the sight of God only by death. As a token of your vows, you will give and receive the rings.

Kathy, do you receive this ring as a token of **Baggy's** affection and sincerity and fidelity and will you wear it as a symbol of your own affection, sincerity and fidelity?

Answer: I DO.

Baggy, repeat after me as you place the ring on **Kathy's** finger.

Kathy, this ring I give you in token and in pledge of our constant faith and abiding love. With this ring I marry you and share with you all my earthly possessions.

Kathy, in the same way, repeat after me as you place the ring on **Baggy's** finger.

Baggy, this ring I give you in token of our constant faith and abiding love. With this ring I marry you and share with you all my earthly possessions.

Baggy and **Kathy**, as the two of you come into this marriage uniting you as husband and wife, and as you this day affirm your faith and love for one another, I would ask that you always remember to cherish each other as special and unique individuals, that you respect the thoughts, ideas and suggestions of one another. Be able to forgive, do not hold grudges, and live each day that you may share it together - as from this day forward you shall be each other's home, comfort and refuge, your marriage strengthened by your love and respect for each other.





Bible Ceremony:

Kathy, what token do you give as a symbol of your desire that he be the spiritual leader and loving husband that God wants him to be?

Answer: A Bible.

The Bible is God's written Word. It is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Because God speaks to us through His Word, every couple should be committed to study and obey God's Word.

Baggy, do you receive this Bible as a sacred trust indicating that you would take the responsibility to lead your wife and family closer to God?

Answer: I do.

Having said your vows and having given each other the rings as a token of such vows, I now ask both of you to place your hands on the Bible and make a solemn affirmation:

Relying on God's help do you, **BAGGY**, promise to abide by the precepts of the Word of God in all aspects of your life together with you as the spiritual head of your household? And do you, **KATHY**, also vow to abide by the instructions of this book to guide your life together?

Answer: We do.

Coin Ceremony:

Baggy, what token do you give **Kathy**, as a reminder that you recognize the responsibility to provide for material needs of your family, as you depend upon God?

Answer: Coins.

The coins are symbols of the financial resources God provides for the family. The coin sometimes is used to represent prosperity. But in another sense the coin also represents provision. It further signifies the mutual responsibility of the husband and the wife to provide for the financial needs of the family. And since all things comes from God, they should rely upon God for this provision. The Bible says "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." The husband and wife therefore should make seeking God and His righteousness a priority in their relationship.

Kathy, do you receive the coins, acknowledging your dependence upon your





husband as the provider in the family?

Answer: I do.

Veil and Cord Ceremony:

"How Beautiful"

Karla Joy Develos

The veil symbolizes a canopy that protects both man and wife. Putting them on the heads of both signifies that they are both under the protection of the Almighty God. The husband and the wife therefore are admonished to be submitted to God's authority in the home and mutual submission to each other.

The cord is a symbol of unending unity. The Bible tells us that man and wife shall leave their parents and be joined together. If there is leaving, there is cleaving. Man and wife cleave together and the unending cord of unity and love binds them together.

Signing of the Marriage Contract:

"The Gift"

Karla Joy Develos and Jeffrey Nool

"From This Moment"

Karla Joy Develos

Prayer of Blessing (with Sponsors)

O God of love, Thou hast established marriage for the welfare and happiness of mankind. Thine was the plan and only with Thee can we work it out with joy. Thou has said, "It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a help mate for him." Now our joys are doubled since the happiness of one is the happiness of the other. Our burdens are now halved, since we share, we divided the load.

Bless this husband. Bless him as the provider of nourishment and raiment and sustain him in all the exactions and pressures for his battle for bread. May his strength be her protection, his character be her boast and her pride, and may he so live that she will find in him the haven for which the heart of woman truly longs.

Bless this loving wife. Give her tenderness that will make her great, a deep sense of understanding and a great faith in Thee. Give her that inner beauty of soul that never fades, that eternal youth that is found in holding fast the things that never age.





Teach them that marriage is not living merely for each other, it is two uniting and joining hands to serve Thee. Give them a great spiritual purpose in life. May they seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and the other things shall be added unto them.

May they not expect that perfection of each other that belongs alone to Thee. May they minimize each other's weaknesses, be swift to praise and magnify each other's points of comeliness and strength, and see each other through a lover's kind and patient eyes.

Now make such assignments to them on the scroll of Thy will as will bless them and develop their characters as they walk together. Give them enough tears to keep them tender, enough hurts to keep them humane, enough failures to keep their hands clenched tightly in Thine, and enough success to make them sure they walk with God. May they never take each other's love for granted, but always experience that breathless wonder that exclaims, "Out of all this world, you have chosen me."

When life is done and the sun is setting, may they be found, as now, hand in hand, still thanking God for each other. May they serve Thee happily, faithfully, together, until at last, one shall lay the other into the arms of God.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, the great lover of our souls.

Removal of Cord and Veil:

Lighting of the Unity Candle:

Piano

(Parents exhort the couple and turn over the candle to the bride and groom, respectively. Couple respond respectively.)

Baggy and **Kathy**, the two separate candles symbolize your separate lives, separate families and separate sets of friends. I ask that each of you take one of the lit candles and that together you light the center candle.

The individual candles represent your lives before today. Lighting the center candle represents that your two lives are now joined to one light, and represents the joining together of your two families and sets of friends to one.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world, he who believes in me shall have the light of life and shall never walk in darkness."

Earlier we saw the lighting of the individual candles by symbolizing the light of Jesus in their individual lives. Now the Unity Candle has been lighted symbol-





izing that they have been united in marriage. It is no longer “me” nor “mine” but “ours” and “we” living for God.

Presentation to the Sponsors:

(Couple faces sponsors.)

Dear sponsors, Mr. And Mrs. Bagarinao hold you in high esteem. They see in you and your family relationship a model of what they wish to emulate in the new home that they are establishing. May you continue to merit that esteem as you continue to watch over them with your concern and love.

Presentation to the Congregation:

(The rest of the wedding party shall turn and face the congregation while the congregation stands.)

Dear friends, your presence here is an acknowledgment of your personal interest and concern for their happy home. May you continue to follow their new life together with the same interest and concern.

Declaration of Marriage:

By the authority committed to me as Minister of the Gospel and by the Republic of the Philippines, I declare that Baggy and Kathy are now husband and wife, according to the ordinance of God, and the Law of the State; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Whom therefore, God has joined together, let no man put asunder.

Benediction:

God, the eternal Father, keep you in love with each other, so that the peace of Christ may stay with you.

Covenant Kiss

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“I Will be Here”

John Christopher Sacdalan II

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