

Celebration and Thanksgiving Service for the Life  
of  
**Myrtle Francis**  
(Tass /Aunt Tass)



Sunrise: 25th May, 1931 - Sunset: 15th September, 2019

Mansfield Road Baptist Church,  
Corner of Gregory Boulevard, Nottingham.

**Thursday 10th October 2019 at 11.40 a.m.**

Followed by Interment at Bulwell Cemetery,  
Hemphill Vale, Bulwell, Nottingham.



**Weeping may endure for a night,  
but joy cometh in the morning.**

Psalm 30: 5

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Officiating Minister: Reverend Fitzroy W. Sterling

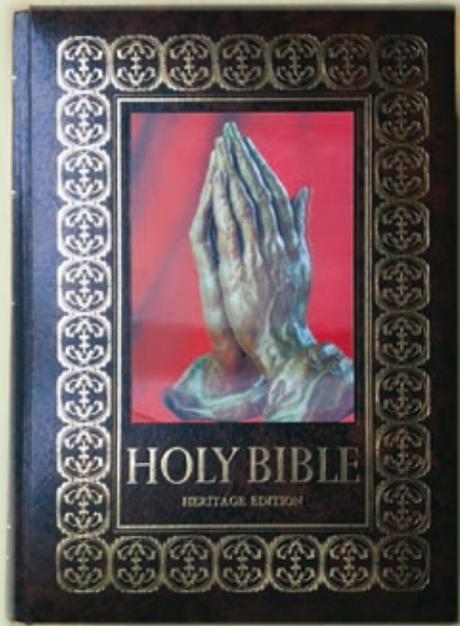
Choir: New Generation Gospel Choir

### **FAMILY PROCESSION**

#### **WELCOME**

Reverend Fitzroy W. Sterling





**The stone which the builders rejected  
Has become the chief corner stone.**

Psalm 118: 22

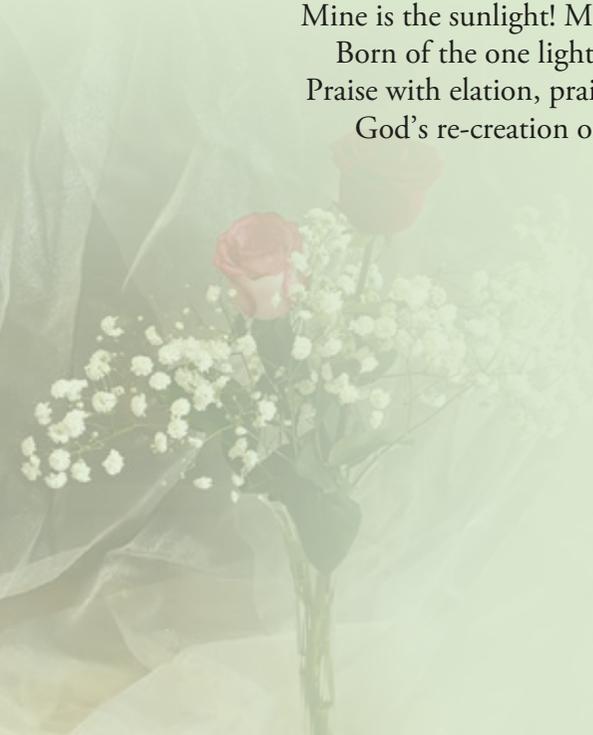


**HYMN**  
**Morning Has Broken**

Morning has broken, like the first morning;  
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

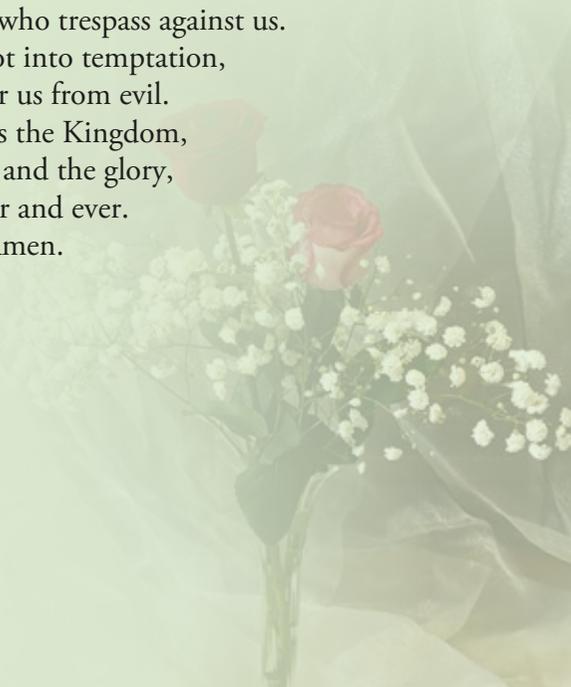
Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!



**OPENING PRAYER**  
*including*  
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**  
Reverend Fitzroy W. Sterling

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name;  
Thy Kingdom come;  
Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the Kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.



**SCRIPTURE READING**

Jeremiah 29: 11-13

read by Samantha Dennis-Cassanova, grandniece

**TRIBUTE**

Blossom McNeil, niece

**TRIBUTE**

Poem

Marie Barrow, niece



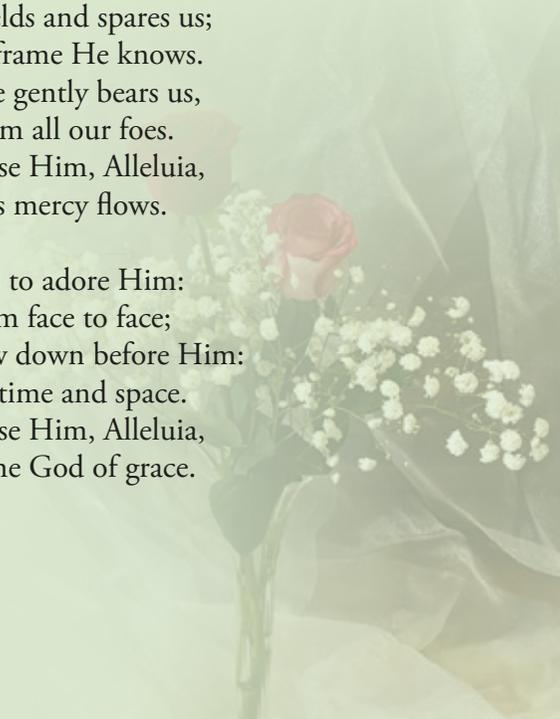
**HYMN**  
**Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
To His feet thy tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like thee His praise should sing?  
Praise Him, praise Him, Alleluia,  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress;  
Praise Him, still the same forever,  
Slow to chide and swift to bless;  
Praise Him, praise Him, Alleluia,  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Tenderly He shields and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame He knows.  
In His hands He gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise Him, praise Him, Alleluia,  
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him:  
Ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before Him:  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise Him, praise Him, Alleluia,  
Praise with us the God of grace.



**SILENT REFLECTIONS**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18  
Christian Barrow, grandnephew

**TRIBUTE/POEM**

from the grandchildren

**EULOGY**

Dennis Francis, son



**HYMN**

**Bind Us Together, Lord**

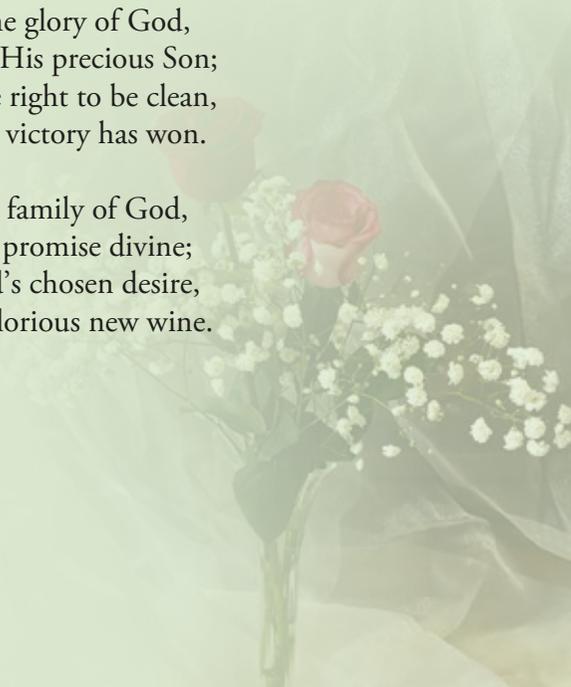
sung by the New Generation Gospel Choir

*Bind us together, Lord, bind us together  
With cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,  
Bind us together with love.*

There is only one God,  
There is only one King;  
There is only one Body,  
That is why we sing:

Made for the glory of God,  
Purchased by His precious Son;  
Born with the right to be clean,  
For Jesus the victory has won.

You are the family of God,  
You are the promise divine;  
You are God's chosen desire,  
You are the glorious new wine.



**ADDRESS**

Reverend Fitzroy W. Sterling

**PRAYER FOR THE FAMILY**

Reverend Fitzroy W. Sterling





**RECESSIONAL MUSIC**

I'll Fly Away

by the New Generation Gospel Choir

**PALLBEARERS**

Terry Francis, son

Michael Francis, son

Shaun Francis, grandson

Clive Shirland, cousin

Dennis Francis, son

Lester Green, cousin





Myrtle Francis

Devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, friend.

Children - Laurel, Dennis, Terry, Michael, Pamela;  
grandchildren, great-grandchildren,  
extended family and many other friends and relatives.



**MOTHER'S DAY**  
Sunday 22nd March, 1998

**Mother,**

When troubles abound and confusion reigns in our minds,  
We turn to you and you wipe away our trauma  
With soft, loving and comforting words.

When unhappiness strikes and weakness becomes our friend,  
We turn to you and you guide us out of misery  
With soft, loving and comforting words.

When toil is complete and success our reward,  
We turn to you and you shower us  
With praise.

We recognise the struggles, the worries, the pain that  
You have endured over the years and  
We are proud at how stoically you have faced them.

Your strength, wisdom and integrity are traits that we all greatly admire.

We truly appreciate all that you do for us and the love that  
You bestow upon us, for it has enriched our lives.

When we are alone you come to mind and  
Each one of us has kind thoughts for you.

We know that words can never fully convey one's feelings but  
These words encapsulate our sentiments:  
We are truly blessed to have a mother like you and  
We love you very much.

*Laurel, Dennis, Terry, Pam and Michael*



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family would like to thank relatives and friends for their unyielding support throughout this very sad time.

We wish to extend our thanks to the family funeral service,  
A.W. Lymn.

The family invite you to join them for refreshments at  
Colwick Hall,  
Racecourse Road,  
Nottingham  
NG2 4BH  
from 4.30 pm onwards.

**A.W. LYMN**

*The Family Funeral Service*

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