

THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

This narration, without a formation, may be given at a regular Bethel meeting under "Good of the Bethel" or following the close of the Bethel meeting.

If desired, this narration may be given as a program for other Masonic family events, such as for Prospective members and their parents and guardians.

A triangle formation or other appropriate formation may be included if presentation is given after the close of the Bethel meeting or at other Masonic family events. The formation may be of your own design, depending on the number of participants. Any of the Closing Formations from the Ritual may be used. Lights may be dimmed as desired.

Prior to the meeting, arrange for someone to act as Narrator. This should be someone with a good speaking voice preferably a Job's Daughter or an adult who has been involved with Job's Daughters.

If Required:

HONORED QUEEN: Recorder (rises), you will read the Special Dispensation.

Recorder reads Special Dispensation, then is seated.

HQ sounds **ONE RAP of gavel** [*].

HONORED QUEEN: A presentation about the International Order of Job's Daughters.

HONORED QUEEN: The Narrator will please rise. Guide (rises) and Marshal (rises), you will escort the Narrator to the East.

March music.

Guide and Marshal escort Narrator to the East and remain standing in front of Pedestals until Narrator has been introduced.

HONORED QUEEN: It is with pleasure that I introduce _____ (give titles) who will serve as Narrator for the International Order of Job's Daughters presentation.

HQ hands gavel to Narrator.

Guide and Marshal return to stations without instruction and are seated.

March music.

Formation – Optional

Officers may form a Triangle. After Officers are in the Triangle formation, Narrator begins.

NARRATOR: The International Order of Job's Daughters is an organization for girls between the ages of ten and twenty who are related to a Master Mason.

The purpose of this Order is to band together these girls for character building through moral and spiritual development, by teaching a reverence for God, loyalty to our flag and the country for which it stands, and a respect for parents and adults. Job's Daughters is a democratic organization.

Founded in 1920 by Mrs. Ethel T. Wead Mick in the city of Omaha, Nebraska, the International Order of Job's Daughters now embraces thirty-six states, representing the United States, five Provinces in Canada, Australia, Brazil and the Philippines.

Its ritual is based on the Biblical story of Job, with special emphasis on the fifteenth verse of the forty-second chapter of the Book of Job which tells us that “In all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.” Job’s Daughters are the relatives of Master Masons and from them receive their heritage.

The Triangle reminds us of the three-fold influence upon our lives: our God, our Country, and our Home. May the teachings of our Order strengthen our love and adoration for the Heavenly Father; strengthen our love and loyalty to our country; and strengthen our love and respect for the family and home which is the foundation of the security in which we live.

Our colors, purple and white, are constant reminders of the royalty of motherhood and purity of a womanly life.

NARRATOR: Bethel Flag Bearer (rises), you will display the Bethel Flag.

The Bethel Flag Bearer leaves station, marches west on North Marching Line and retires to Preparation Room. *March music.*

Bethel Flag Bearer carries Bethel Flag as per Ritual p 43. She enters Bethel room, marches east on North Marching Line to East Line, turns right, marches to a point in front of Pedestal, turns left and ascends dais and places Bethel Flag at left of Junior Princess. *March music.*

NARRATOR: The Bethel Flag Bearer will now give a “Tribute to the Job’s Daughters Flag.”

Bethel Flag Bearer remains in the East and stands between the station of the Junior Princess and the Bethel Flag, faces west, and gives the "Tribute to Job's Daughters' Flag."

BETHEL FLAG BEARER:

**Job's Daughters' Flag,
and oh! how much it holds
For all the Order's members
secure within its folds.**

**It stands for joy and order,
beautiful and sincere,
Domineering over self and
let evil not appear.**

**Upward and onward and for
reverence a token;
Let hope never fail, and truth
always spoken.**

**Its stripes stand for knowledge,
waving toward the best,
It floats steadfast and upright,
Life's future for success.**

**Teaching respect for elders,
Love for all the world,
Kindness to fellow men and faith –
tho it be furl'd.**

**And so we bear you tribute, -
Job's Daughters' Flag – today,**

**For your land – and our land – and
all the world – some day.**

Bethel Flag Bearer returns to station as per Ritual p 42. *March music.*

NARRATOR: All members of Job's Daughters will repeat the Mothers', Fathers' and Guardians' Prayer.

ALL Daughters assume attitude of Prayer, and repeat the "Mothers', Fathers' and Guardians'" Prayer.

Optional

ALL Daughters may sing two verses of the "Mothers', Fathers' and Guardians' Prayer Song."

NARRATOR: As we sing together, "Onward Christian Soldiers," the audience is invited to rise and join us in singing the first verse.

Narrator sounds **THREE RAPS of gavel [***].**

Officers (and Bethel Choir) lead the singing of the first verse.

If the officers are in the Triangle formation, they may return to their stations during the singing.

Narrator sounds **ONE RAP of gavel [*].**

Narrator returns gavel to HQ.

HQ thanks Narrator. Applause.

HONORED QUEEN: Guide (rises) and Marshal (rises), you will escort the Narrator to the sidelines after which you will return to your stations.

March Music.

Guide and Marshal are seated.

HONORED QUEEN: This completes the Job's Daughters presentation.

HQ sounds **ONE RAP** of gavel [*].