

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

This narration may be used to present or introduce Bethel Officers at open meetings such as installations, promotional meetings, etc. Any formation and/or seating arrangement may be used.

NARRATOR:

**In the beginning,
God created the heaven and the earth.
And the earth was without form and void
And darkness was upon the face of the deep
And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters
And God said,
“Let there be Light”
And there was Light
And God saw the Light
That it was good.**

**So let these Daughters enter here,
To spread their light of faith and cheer.
To teach us peace of mind and soul,
In their love of Him that makes them whole.
To fit themselves better for the fight,
Striving ever upward to God – The Light.**

Bethel Choir:

**Our Bethel Choir sings melodies, dear to our ears,
Of the Light of our forefather down through the years.
Of His teachings since the world began
Of brotherly love for our fellowman.
Bringing harmony into your life and mine,**

In our songs of thanks, to Him, divine.

Inner Guard:

**The Inner Guard challenges all who enter here
Admits only those who are worthy and sincere.
Her Light of Alertness guards our portals from sin,
So that pure hearts and minds may proceed within.**

Outer Guard:

**Our Outer Guard tends the door of our Shrine,
From intruders to our convocations divine.
Her Light of Righteousness for our sacred place,
Insures our gatherings from disgrace.**

Junior Custodian:

**There stands this emblem of peace – our Dove;
Tended with the Junior Custodian’s love,
Our Light of Purity and Truth, so glorious,
Winging its message, ever victorious.**

Senior Custodian:

**Our Urn of Incense for Faith and Hope,
Inspiring us with noble tasks to cope,
Our Senior Custodian guards its honored place,
This Light of Courage which we all embrace.**

Musician:

**The Musician’s deft, nimble fingers make,
The harmony for our souls to awake;
By the Light of our Psalms so clear,
In hymns to Him we love, so dear.**

Librarian:

**Our Librarian whom we all acknowledge,
Spreads her Light of Wisdom and Knowledge.
Instructing in her gracious way,
How to live better day by day.**

Chaplain:

**Enter the Chaplain who leads us to pray,
For His guidance night and day,
Prays for the Light of Love within,
Prays to guard our steps from sin,
Prays that we may worthy be,
To live with Him eternally.**

Recorder:

**Here's our Recorder with her scroll,
Entering our deeds – calling the roll,
Receiving the dues and taking delight,
In her labour of love, seeking His Light.**

Treasurer:

**Tending our wealth with Honest Light,
Our Treasurer guards it with all her might,
Performing her duties with proper pride,
Knowing God watches by her side.**

Messengers:

**Our Messengers relate Job's life,
His adversities, sickness and strife.
When we're tired, discouraged and blue,
They teach how God loves us true.
When trials o'er take and temptations assail,**

How His Light of Truth will never fail.

Marshal:

**Our Bethel is prepared with care,
By the Marshal, who enters there;
Assists the Guide, so none may falter,
On their journey to Light, at our Altar.**

Guide:

**Our Guide leads Pilgrims by the hand,
Through the several Epochs of our band,
Advancing to His Light, by Faith and Love,
To God and His blessings, from above;
From Whom comes joy, peace and cheer,
Protection, forgiveness – promise sincere.**

Junior Princess:

**The Book of Job tells of Three Daughters fair,
And of their beauty beyond compare;
The youngest one here enters now;
Our Junior Princess relates how,
The Light of Patience strengthens the soul,
Assisting us all to reach our goal.**

Senior Princess:

**Our Senior Princess with beauteous face,
Enters our Bethel with delicate grace.
Her Light of Faith during adversities,
Will ultimately bring prosperities,
So that when our life's race is run,
By His grace, we will have won.**

Honored Queen:

**Now enter the fairest of the three,
Our Honored Queen is regal dignity.
To strengthen our Faith and Hope again,
That our lives may not be in vain.
Earnestly praying that each day,
None of us, may go astray.**

**To make our lives a shining Light,
A flame of purity burning bright;
That by loyalty, love and fidelity,
By allegiance to God – our Nation – humanity,
That by charity which is ever right,
We serve the Lord – Our Might – Our Light.**

**Now, we trust you understand,
The teachings of this glorious band;
As they go forward hand in hand,
Working for God and His purpose grand,
So here before you Our Daughters stand,
Truly, The Fairest in All the Land.**