

2004 Chaplain's ceremony written by Zelda Bruun

It is with pleasure that we honor our chaplains. We will reiterate the chaplain's tasks in the exercise of their duties for the performance of their office and for their devotional service to the principles of our Order. Whether the chaplains are kneeling or standing when offering a prayer, we can count on them to seek God's blessings for steadfastness of fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love.

Every morning when they waken,
Every night before they rest.
They do the kind of exercise,
That suits their lifestyle best.
They can do their kind of work out,
Almost anywhere they please.
Standing, sitting, lying down,
Or even on their knees.
It doesn't take a lot of time,
But pays off every day.
For their favorite kind of exercise,
Is just to stop and pray.

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The Chaplains exercise fidelity in the service of their station. As Adah was true blue to her father's vows, our chaplains are true blue in all their prayers for you.

They are constant in their practice of the golden hue. As Ruth was a gleaner in the Fields of Boaz, our chaplains gather together the petitions to God of the concerns of our chapter and for you.

Through prayer, Esther brought light and joy to a captive race. Our Chaplains exercise loyalty to friends, to Eastern Star and to God.

Green is the emblem of Martha's trustful faith of immortality. Our Chaplains bring faith and trust as they pray for guidance, whatever the cause, to seek the blessing of Jesus, when searching for guidance to the principles of Eastern Star.

Our Chaplains bring the red ray of brotherly love to members of our Order. Our members bring love for our Order, love for each other and love for our God.

Prayer: we give thanks for our chaplains and the service that they give to each chapter they represent. We ask thy blessing on each of them and on all members here assembled. Grant us fidelity to our obligations, constancy in the service of our order, loyalty in the service of humanity and each other, faithfulness to You our God. Lead each of us in the lessons of brotherhood that we love one another. We give grateful thanks for our Chaplains and our beautiful Order. In Thy name we pray. Amen

Song: My Prayer