

SERVICE TO RAINBOW CEREMONY (FOR GRAND OFFICERS AT GRAND ASSEMBLY)

GWA: Today we are gathered to honor and pay tribute to those special people who have given outstanding service to the International Order of The Rainbow for Girls.

My friend, today we have come together to express to you our appreciation for your service to the International Order of The Rainbow for Girls. You each have a special interest in our Order and you have shown that interest through your continued service and dedication. The Supreme Assembly of our Order has chosen this special Service to Rainbow Recognition as a way to honor you and thank you.

Our founder, the Reverend W. Mark Sexson, found inspiration in the beautiful colors of the Rainbow. The meaning of each color and the station it represents is important to every girl who is initiated into our Order. Today, we pause to share their significance with you.

Grand Drill Leader, you will conduct _____ to the East.

DL: Conducts the guests from their seats to the East (Adult side). Then DL proceeds directly behind the station of Love so that she can place the microphone so Bow Stations can speak and be heard. Do this for each Bow Station.

GWA: *(After they are seated in the East)* Sisters of the Color Stations, you will share the meaning of your station with our honored guests.

Bow stations rise all together

GRAND LOVE: My station is Love and its color is red. At this station we are taught the importance of showing love to others. Through Love, we can make this a better world in which to live.

GRAND RELIGION: My station is Religion and its color is orange. This station teaches us the importance of knowing God, being identified with some church and making religion a part of our everyday life.

GRAND NATURE: My station is Nature and its color is yellow. At this station we learn it is important to spend time in God's beautiful out of doors.

GRAND IMMORTALITY: My station is Immortality and its color is green. The lessons at this station teach us that death will come to all persons, but even though our body may die, our soul will live forever.

GRAND FIDELITY: My station is Fidelity and its color is blue. Here we are taught to be loyal to our friends and all things which are positive and good.

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GRAND PATRIOTISM: My station is Patriotism and its color is indigo. At this station we are taught the importance of respecting our flag and laws of our country.

GRAND SERVICE: My station is Service and its color is violet. Service is the foundation of our Order and emphasizes the importance of providing unselfish acts of service to our home and community.

(All bow stations are seated together after Service Lecture. GWA continues after Bow Stations are seated)

GWA: We have been reminded of the lessons taught by our color stations. Whenever you see a Rainbow in the sky, may you be reminded of these lessons, and may you remember the Rainbow Girls in your Assembly and throughout our Order. It is for them that you have given so freely of yourselves.

(Supreme Officer speaks and invests them with their Medallion)

SUPREME OFFICER: Today is a very special time for the members of this Grand Assembly. We are happy to be able to present to you this Service to Rainbow Recognition. It is given to you as a reward for the Service you have so unselfishly given to your Assembly and the International Order of The Rainbow for Girls. As a parent, Grandparent, legal guardian and friend of our Order, we recognize and appreciate your interest in the young ladies of your community, helping them to lead better lives, become better citizens, become leaders themselves and be of Service to others.

My friends, I invest you with the Medallion which represents this Service to Rainbow Recognition. Wear it with pride and may it ever be a symbol of the Service you have given to the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

GWA: Grand Chaplain, you will dismiss us with prayer. *(3 raps)*

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Our Father, we thank you for these friends and for the service they have given to the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Because of their willingness to work for our Order and give us love and support, we are better able to understand and live our teachings. We pray your special blessings on each of them this day. May we always remember our lessons, especially that of service and may we all continue to serve You and the world around us. Amen.