HONORING THE BIBLE

To be given after the Bible is closed—

W. Matron speaks—"We shall now prepare to honor the Bible"

The conductress leaves the room with closed Bible to preparation room and she is followed by Adah - Ruth - Esther - Martha - Electa and Assoc. Conductress.

White candles in holders should be in the preparation room for Associate Conductress and the Star points. Assoc. Cond. and Star points bring in lighted candles and form an aisle for the Conductress to pass through when she enters carrying the open Bible to place on Altar. Conductress places Bible on altar and steps one step back to west of altar. She and the Star points stand in position while the Marshal speaks the following after the W. M. calls up chapter:

Marshall: Our Holy Bible precious Book is full of truth and grace,
(from her station) Is found upon the Altar now in its accustomed place;
And as we read its pages o'er we find our human needs
A prayer which our Lord gave to us, a prayer for every creed.

W. M. The chaplain from her station will lead us in the Lord's Prayer. (Gavel)

Chaplain (Leads in the Lord's Prayer)

Then Worthy Matron seats chapter and those taking part go to their stations taking lighted candles with them.

W. M. The Bible we honor this evening deals with man's inner life, his deepest self, his ideals. It declares that all men constitute a vast brotherhood, all being equal in the sight of God. It also teaches that the good life is a compound of many virtues, such as truth, kindness, hope, mercy, charity, justice, honesty, unselfishness, tolerance, neighborliness, love and goodwill.

Assoc. Matron In our chapter the lessons taught at the stations: Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa are all based upon beautiful Bible stories. If we are true Eastern Star members and live our obligation and abide by the teachings of our Star lessons, we shall always be happy loving members.

W. Patron In our journey through life, there ever walks beside you an Eternal Friend whose all powerful Hand is always ready to guide and support you through the difficulties and trials that may come to you. No matter where your journeying in our initiation ceremony took you, remember you always returned to pass close to our Holy Altar on which rests our Holy Bible. Thus we must keep close to God and His Bible teachings so we may come safely to the end of our earthly life.

Soloist sings "Wonderful Words of Life"