## CHAPTER LIBRARY PRESENTING BIBLES TO MEMBERS AFTER CONFERRING DEGREES Written by Undine Del Rose - P. G. Charle:

Worthy Matron Speaks: Sister Conductress you may present our new members back of Esther's chair.

Organist - Plays for march while Conductress is taking members to position back of Esther's chair (Onward Christian Soldiers).

When they are in position: Marshal speaks from her chair: Our Holy Bible precious Book is full of truth and grace, Is found upon the Altar now in its accustomed place; And as we read its pages o'er we find for human need, A prayer which our Lord gave to us, a prayer for every creed.

Worthy Matron calls up Chapter and says: 'We shall all bow our heads while the Chaplain from her station leads us in the Lord's Prayer." -- After prayer seat Chapter.

Worthy Matron approaches Esther's chair (Taking Bibles with her): 'Bibles which I hold in my hands means much to all members of the Order of Eastern Star. It is the most wonderful Book in the world. It declares that all men constitute a vast brotherhood, all being equal in God's sight. It also teaches many, many lessons and that the good life is a compound of many virtues, such as truth, hope, kindness, mercy, charity, justice, honesty, neighborliness, love and good will. I am most happy to have the pleasure and honor of giving Bibles to each of you." (stay at station)

Associate Matron approaches Esther's station and speaks: During her speech as she names the star points such as Adah - Ruth - Esther - Martha and Electa - Each rise and stand holding a candle and they too remain standing until after Worthy Patron speaks, then Worthy Matron goes to station and seats all taking part in ceremony.

Associate Matron speaks thus: '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." -- Associate Matron remains at Esther's station.

Worthy Patron speaks from his station: "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 earthly life. May you always enjoy being the proud owner of this Bible our Worthy Matron has given you. ?

Worthy Matron goes back to East and seats all taking part in ceremony.