

A TRIBUTE TO A RARE GEM: AMSE OLAITAN ADEREMI BALOGUN

From the Pastor-in-Council, Celestial Church of Christ Worldwide

A LIFE OF SERVICE. A HEART OF GENEROUSITY. A LEGACY THAT WILL ENDURE

With profound sorrow, the Pastor-in-Council of the Celestial Church of Christ Worldwide bids farewell to Assistant Most Superior Evangelist Olaitan Aderemi Balogun, a cherished colleague, devoted servant of God and dependable pillar whose passing has left a painful void in our hearts.

AMSE Balogun, Head of the USA National Diocese and a committed member of the Pastor-in-Council, passed away in Lagos on September 2, 2026. Beyond his distinguished position, he was a brother in faith whose loyalty, dedication and generosity enriched the Council and the wider Church.

A MAN WHO GAVE SELFLESSLY

One of our most enduring memories of Balogun is his exceptional generosity. While alive, he gave unstintingly, in cash and in kind, to support the Pastor-in-Council and its responsibilities. His contributions reflected his deep love for the Church and his sincere commitment to the advancement of God's work.

He understood that true service demanded sacrifice, and he demonstrated his convictions through practical action. Such loyalty and generosity are rare, and men who embody these qualities are not easily replaced.

A VACUUM THAT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO FILL

His departure has created a vacuum in the Pastor-in-Council that will be difficult to fill. We shall miss his invaluable support, his commitment and the reassurance of knowing that he could be counted upon whenever the need arose. Though another may eventually occupy his position, the distinctive qualities he brought to our fellowship cannot easily be replicated.

His absence will continue to be felt long after the burial ceremonies, reminding us of the remarkable brother we have lost and the sacrifices he made for the institution he loved.

FAREWELL, OUR DEAR BROTHER

As his remains return to Chicago, United States of America, we remember with gratitude a life devoted to service. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family, loved ones, the USA National Diocese and the entire Celestial Church of Christ family. May the Almighty God comfort all who mourn him and grant them strength to bear this painful loss.

Dear Olaitan Aderemi Balogun, thank you for your loyalty, your generosity and your unwavering support for the Council. Your hands, which gave so freely, are now at rest, but the testimony of your service will continue to speak. We may not be able to fill the vacuum you have left, but we shall cherish your memory and preserve the legacy of commitment you bequeathed to us.

Sleep on, our dear brother and colleague. Your service will not be forgotten, your generosity will remain in our hearts, and your legacy will endure. May the Almighty God grant your gentle soul eternal rest in His heavenly kingdom.

With love, gratitude and abiding sorrow,

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For and on behalf of the Pastor-in-Council

Celestial Church of Christ Worldwide

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