

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



ELDER WILFRED MOMANYI KIBOGO

1939 - 2021



PROGRAMME

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Time	Event
10:00am	- Convoy heads to Kisumu
2:00pm	- Convoy leaves Kisumu for Kiabora Village
4:00pm	- Viewing of the body at Gesura S.D.A. Church - Church Service

Friday, November 19, 2021

Time	Event
8:00-9:00am	- Arrival
9:00-10:00am	- Family seated - Opening Prayer and Welcoming remarks - Choirs
10:00am -12:00pm	- Tributes with interludes of songs - Eulogy
12:00-1:00PM	- Church Programme - Songs - Elders Remarks - Sermon - Congregational Song - Prayers for the family - Erongori
1:00-2:00PM	- Tributes from the Administration and political Leaders
2:00-3:00PM	- Vote of Thanks - Announcements - Closing Prayers
3:00pm	- Procession to final resting Place - Grave side service

EULOGY



Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo (retired teacher) was the last born child to the late Kibogo Ogero and Late Martha Bonareri. He was born in the year 1939. His siblings were late Nyanchoka Karani, late Mabera, late Buruchara Kibogo, late Kemuma, Obonyo, late Nyabonyi, late Ogero, late Bisieri, late Nyaigendia, late Ndubi, Bosibori and late Babere. He hailed from Kiabora Village, Nyakenimo sub-location, Bokeira Location, North Mugirango Constituency, Nyamira County.

EDUCATION, CHURCH AND WORK LIFE

Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo joined Nyamusi Primary school for his pre-primary studies in 1951. Since there was no Class 4 at Nyamusi Primary School, he proceeded to Kea Primary school for his Class 4 studies in the year 1957 where he sat for his C. E. E exams. In the year 1959, he joined Matongo Intermediate school and later Ntana Primary until 1962 when he sat for KAPE exams. He thereafter joined Matongo Secondary school where he sat for KJSE in 1964. In 1968, Elder Wilfred Momanyi started working as an untrained teacher and thereafter joined Siriba Teachers College for his professional teaching course. Some of his notable teachers include, the late Hon. John Osando, Julius Okongo and the late Hon. Atebe Marita.

Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo taught at Nyangoge, Keng'uso, Egetonto, and Kiabora Primary Schools. In addition to being a teacher, he was a farmer. He loved dairy and poultry farming, and grew tea, coffee, maize and beans. He loved planting trees. Elder Momanyi was a member of Gesura SDA church before his demise. In his life he participated actively in church activities including being a church Elder of Nyamusi SDA Church, Elder for Nyamusi Secondary School SDA group and Elder of Gesura SDA church. He devoted his life to God's work both in preaching and mentoring.

Family Life

Elder Momanyi cherished family life. He married Priscilla Nyakerario in 1967 and they were blessed with Eight (8) children namely: Pamela, Jemimmah(Jane), Dorcas, Salome, Joel, Job Nyasimi, Norah and James. One notable aspect of his family life was love for his wife and children. He was a humble, gentle, respectful, caring and loving husband and father at all times. He valued education and was not only a mentor to his nuclear family, but the larger family and society at large.



Family get together

Hobbies/service/ Social Responsibilities

Elder Momanyi Kibogo loved a well kempt compound, clean environment and being smart. He believed that you need to be smart as you enter God's House but as a role model to others and more so as a teacher. He devoted most of his time guiding members of the society on how to work hard and lead an honest life. He was a member of various community groups, where he used to give valuable advice on the operations of such groups.

Illness

Wilfred lived in good health until July 2021 when he started complaining of back pains and loss of appetite. He was taken to Siloham Hospital Kericho, where several tests were done and ascertained to be suffering from colon cancer. He was under intensive care and treatment when he passed away on 3rd November 2021 aged 82 years. He is survived by his wife, 8 children, 15 Grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

There was so much love in you, Omorisia. You loved all. You were a light to your community and a great mentor. We will cherish the moments we shared with you. **May your soul rest in eternal peace until we meet again.**

TRIBUTES

Tributes from the Sons & Daughters of Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo

You might have gone but your memory is with me. I will not forget your lovely character, you were my mentor in many things. I will never forget your wonderful advice to me. I hope we will meet again during the second coming of our savior. **Pamela.**

We'll always remember you Dad because there'll never be another one to replace you in our hearts, and the love we will always have for you. Rest in peace Dad. **Jemimah Momanyi(Jane)**

I will miss you dad, I cried when you passed away, I still cry today. Although I loved you dearly, I couldn't make you stay, your golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest, GOD broke my heart to prove to me he only takes the best. Rest in peace dad. **Dorcas**

You might be gone from my sight, but you are never gone from my heart. I have the best memories growing up because of you dad. You made sure that I had the most normal and a unique childhood. I am the person that I am now because of your love. I love you dad rest in peace. **Salome**

Dad, I cherish the God fearing life you led and the discipline you instilled in us. I learned a lot from you. You made many sacrifices to give us the best investment a child can get... education! It is sad to see you go. We miss you, but I am sure you are watching over us. **Joel Moturi**

Dad, I miss words to say or express myself! You always showed signs and indications that you will get better, only to give me a surprise! You always guided me through life and encouraged me to go places through hard work, honest living and loving one another. Dad even when I avoided discussing politics with you, you could approach me and tell me in a very simple way, son, 'Aye n'omogambi naende Omorai' and I know your people love you, but remember to serve them with honesty and give the poor what is due to them, be fair to all and do not take what does not belong to you and always go to and take children to Church. These words have sunk deep down into my heart heavily. Dad I will always keep such virtues as you watch over me. Memories we will hold so dearly! Your morning telephone calls, your smile when we met, warmed my heart. Dad it's not how did you die, but how did you live! Through our lives, you will live; you will have touched many hearts. **Job Nyasimi Momanyi**

Those special memories of you will always bring a smile. If only I could have you back for just a little while then we could sit and talk again just like we used to do. You always meant so very much to me and always will. The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain but you're forever in my heart until we meet again. **Norah**

"Dad, I am often told I am just like you. I am honored beyond measure if that is true. You were the best example of what a father should be. I am overwhelmed that someone would say that of me. RIP till we meet again." **James.**



Dad with His Children during one of the family come together

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Dad with some of his relatives after the burial of His sister Nyanchoka Karani

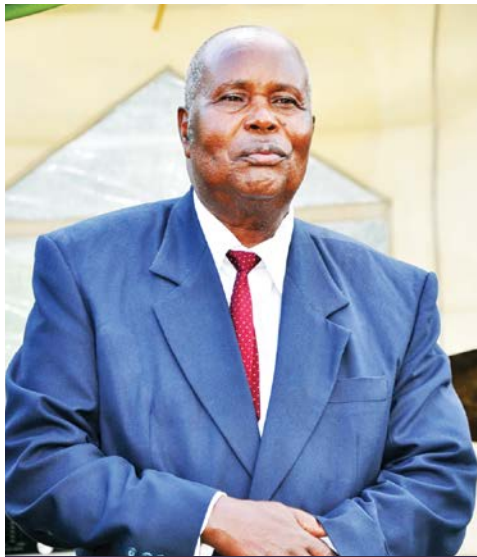


Dad, Mum and Nephew Nyangau



Dad with his daughter Pamela, son in law Morendi and his wife Priscilla.

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Dad during the wedding of his son, Job Nyasimi



Dad with his granddaughter Amara Moraa (aka mother-in-law)



Dad and mum at their home on one of the evenings



Dad at work at his home



Dad with his great grandchild



Dad and Mum's visit to Nairobi with grandchildren, Jabin and Sammy

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Tributes from the Sons-in-law & Daughters-in-law of Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo

I couldn't believe when I heard that I had lost my father-in-law. I was emotionally depressed. Other than being my father-in-law you were my great role model and my best friend. You gave me ideas and advice that really helped me. Forever in this heart of mine an everlasting bond for now until the end of time are memories so fond, rest in peace my Lovely Father-in-law.

Thomas Sitienei Mutai

My permanent dad, I am remembering great memories we shared. You were my hero. You were the most courageous and resourceful man. I never questioned if he loved or cares for us as this was obvious. You were incredible and provided needed guidance for the family. DAD, my mind still talks to you. My heart still looks for you. My soul knows you are at peace. Till we meet on that bright morning. **From your daughter-in-law Grace**

Tributes from Grand Children of Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo

1. To our Beloved Grandpa, The transition from life to death is the most challenging part of life. It brings one sadness and sorrow that cannot be explained. As tears flow from our eyes with hearts heavy with the weight of losing you, we will also celebrate your life because you have taught us the true meaning of living. You taught us what it means to be a family. You showed us how to lead an honest and respectable life. You are no more today but your teachings are alive. May God grant you heaven. **From Gilbert (Mishael) Morendi**

2. For the little time I got to spend with you, I felt blessed to have you. You were full of wisdom. Till we meet again on that beautiful morning. **From Naom Kerubo**

3. Every time I look at your pictures and remember our time together, my eyes get filled with tears 🥹 my heart mourns over this separation, every piece of my body aches for u grandpa, I just cry and the same time comfort my heart that one day God willing we shall meet on His second coming. We love u 💕 continue resting in peace 🕊️ my Hero ❤️ **Ezra Morendi**

4. We love you babu but God love you more .we will miss you .RIP **Brian Morendi**

5. Grandpa, God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be, so He put His Arms around you And Whispered "Come to me" with tearful eyes I watched you at the hospital and saw you pass away. Although I loved you dearly I couldn't make you stay. Rest in peace. **From Doris Brian**

6. This was something I didn't want to believe but it is now the reality, that our beloved Sokoro is no more. He was to me a friend and was like a second father. He was a friend who told me the truth even if it hurt. We've lost a great man in Wilfred Momanyi. May the Lord see all his loved ones through during these sorrowful moments. **From Godwill Maroko**

7. It was hard to believe that grandpa left, I'll miss him so much. He was the best grandfather, friend, counselor and role model His presence was calming because I always knew that am beside a great man, the way he lived has taught me alot., He always advised me that having good character and patience was very valuable in life. I never knew why because I was still a kid but I later came to know why and I will always be grateful for that piece of advice. He always told me that family is very important no matter the disagreement we should always stick with each other.

I thank God I had Sokoro in my life. I'll forever have him in a special place in my heart and always remember the memories I shared with him.

From **Pauline Maroko**

8. You meant so much grandpa to all of us you were special and that's no lie you brightened up the darkest day and the cloudiest sky. Not a second passes when you're on my mind s your love I will never forget the hurt will ease in time. many tears I have cried they have all poured out like rain I know that you are happy now and longer in any pain.

Stacy kerubo.



Dad and some of the grand children

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9. It is indeed sad not only has he left a huge gap that can't be filled but also cherished memories that can't be easily forgotten. He surely was a good friend, advisor and most importantly a strong grandpa. I remember his short trips round the compound in order to enable us identify the neighbouring communities in the area and also the relatives close by. Of all this I will always remember the advice he gave us. He was and still is the greatest man I met. May his soul rest in peace 🕊️. We will miss you Sokoro. **From Linda Sitienei**

10. It was a very sad moment for me to hear that I had lost my grandpa, he was not only our granddad but also our best friend. Whenever I needed advise you were always there. You gave me motivational talks that really encouraged me and gave me the urge to pursue my career. You made us united as an extended family thanks a lot granddad. I still remember that we promised to dance with you; don't worry, I will dance to fulfill my promise. We will miss you a lot and you will always be in our hearts. ❤️ Rest in peace grandpa. 🙏 Your legacy will always be remembered. **(From Kemboi Sitienei).**

11. I couldn't bear to hear the loss of my grandpa. My heart really ached. I loved grandpa very much he used to tell me stories that expanded my mind he also gave me advises about today's life. Other than that he taught me Christian values and used to give me gifts of Christian books to read. Grandpa united us all he introduced me to my uncle's, his neighbours and his friends whom I couldn't have identified. I love you so much Agui. ❤️ I will always remember you. May your soul rest in peace. **Sandra Sitienei**

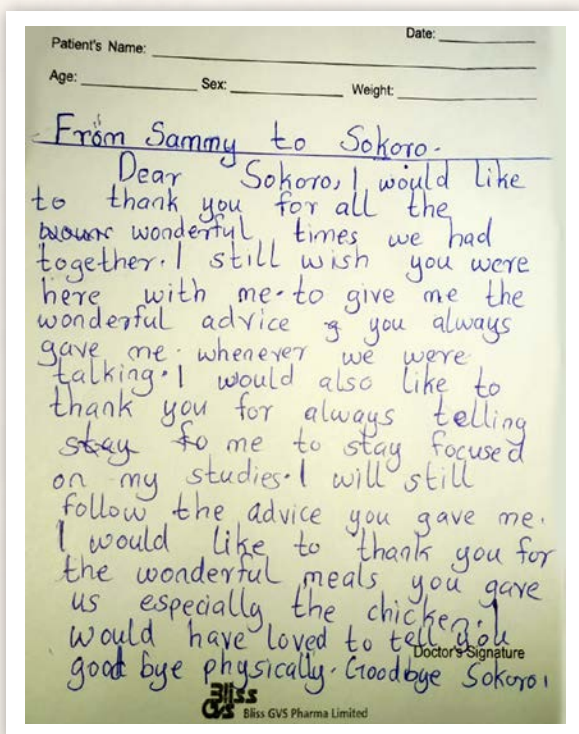
12. From Amanda to Sokoro

Dear Sokoro, how are you doing? I miss having your company and your stories and riddles. I remember when I asked you why your figure was darker than the rest and you told me it was because one day you were getting a chicken and it pecked you. I'll really miss your company and when you used to make chicken for us and your encouragement. I hope you are in a better place now. I'll also work hard and pass my exams like you wanted me to. **With love from Amanda**

13. From Amara to Sokoro,

Dear Sokoro, I wish I spent more time with you. Thank you for everything you have done for me. I will always think of you. I will miss you very very much. I will always remember you love me so much, but I know you will always protect me. **From Amara Moraa**

14. Dear Sokoro, How I wish you were still alive. You Always made me happy. You always took care of me. I will forever love you. Your dear grandson, **Jabin. 3/112021**



Dad with his daughter-in-law Grace and Grand children

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Dad after celebrating the graduation of his daughter Norah from Moi University



Family get together



Dad during Joel's farewell party in 1993

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Dad with mum, his brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law and mother-in-law



HYMNS

356 - AGWO KARE YES'OMWANCHANI "Long Ago Jesus"

1. Agwo kare Yes`Omwanchani,
Akoroki`ense oboneneBwaye,
Akarina etiger`emori, Agw`abana
bagatera, Hosana.

Chorus

*Hosan`Asare, Hosan`Aleluya;
Otocheir`as`Erieta ri`Omonene,
`S`Are Hosana`bare igoro mono;
Kriston`Omwan`oDaudi, Hosana.*

2. Oyi`Omorwotiobachire, NereOm-
woror`okworokereria,
Akarina etiger`emori, `Bantobakara-
bi`enchera, Hosana.

3. Tiger`ekagendaigor`ase chianga,
N`amat`amakendobamwarerete,
Omochi`omogi`ogategokana, Ng`oyio-
mogotogiamono, Hosana.

4. `Bagak`emioyo yabo teri miya,
Tibancheti baegweogosikwa,
Bateba teri buy`Omonene, Baigwe
bunabagotera, Hosana.

5. Ogotogiakogaikeranigwa, Nab`abana
bagoteraHosana,
Ogotogia kogaikeranigwa, Nab`abanaba-
gotera, Hosana.

273 - NKORENGERERIA NDE "I am Thinking Today"

1. NkorengereriandeEns`eriaengiya,
Ndaikek`eribarikogwa; As`obuy-
abwaYesontenene aria, Ninyor`
eng`enang`enigose?

Chorus

*Ninyoreeng`enang`enias`egutwaMogorob`
eribarikogwa (rikogwa)
Gonkobokan`abachenu_as`omochi`oria,
Ninyor`eng`enang`enigose? (Ninyore?)*

2. `AsechinguruchiayeYesonindandie,
Nindendemobu`omobisa; Erioch-
ing`enang`eninachib`echiane, Okobak-
wakwayekoigweke.

3. Nakindagok`ekeronchendamorore,
Nitung`amekomasasima; `Moy`one
nogok`omochieb`edhahabu, `Ninyor`
eng`enang`enigose?

528 - A Shelter in the Time of Storm

1. The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide,
A shelter in the time of storm;
Secure whatever ill betide,
A shelter in the time of storm.

CHORUS:

*Mighty Rock in a weary land,
Cooling shade on the burning sand,
Faithful guide for the pilgrim band--
A shelter in the time of storm.*

2. A shade by day, defense by night,
A shelter in the time of storm;
No fears alarm, no foes afright,
A shelter in the time of storm.

3. The raging floods may round us beat,
A shelter in the time of storm
We find in God a safe retreat,
A shelter in the time of storm.

4. O Rock divine, O Refuge dear,
A Shelter in the time of storm;
Be Thou our helper ever near,
A Shelter in the time of storm.

235 - MBOARE KI ERIO NG'IKE NKA? "How Far From Home"

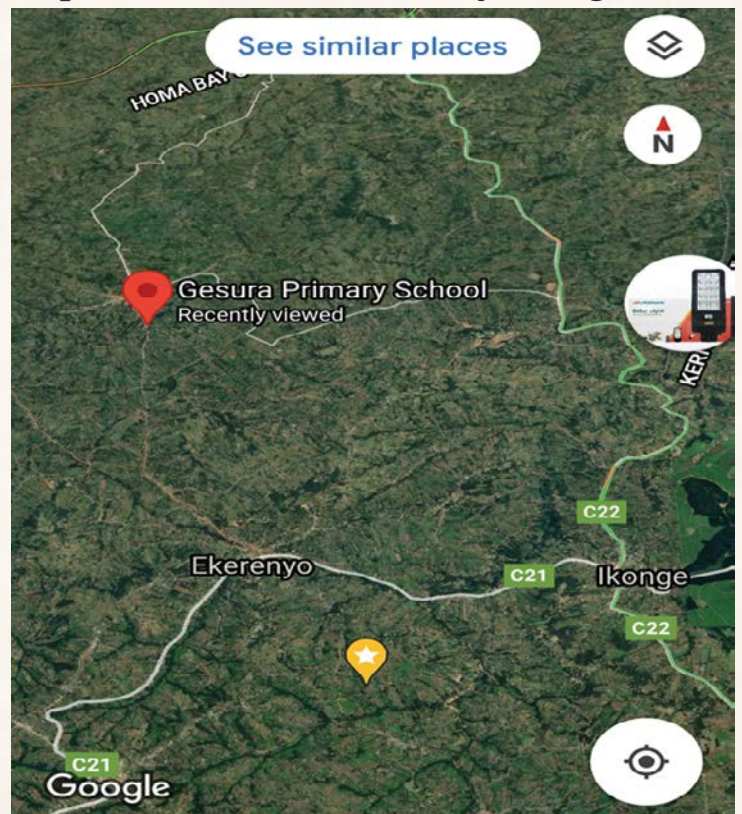
1. Mboareki_eriong`ikenka? Ner`
omorendi_akairania; `Botuko bono bwaerire,
Ang`ebokiamoke, Tagoichanaayerera, `Gose-
meriagokorae; Goik`onyoreobonda, Bw`
barabu_lgoro."

2. Nkamoboriaomorwani, Naboigon`er
`akademia; "Bwata mono okorwana,
Gwaisirekoera, Tagoichanaremereria,
Kor`emeremoere, Twatebigweekeegwa,
`Kerotorabue".

3. Erionkaborianaende, Enseyonsiekairania;
"Orogendorwaerire, Nkateri_are mono,
Tagoichanatwakureirwe, N`ebimanyereri`
ebinge; Ebitongwambiganyete, `Riogiri`
Omonene".

4. Tari_are goikankabori, Ekerengereri`ekiya;
Kegotogweniachinkoro, `Gotiny`amariga-
Tagoichanantoumerane, `Se totatayayerinde,
Tobe n`omogokobori, As`omochie o Tata.

Map To Elder Wilfred Momanyi Kibogo's Home





May the Almighty rest his soul in eternal peace