

Service to Rainbow Recognition

Officers are in place in the Assembly Room or enter in regular ritualistic form. The Bible is NOT opened. This is an open meeting. Those who are to receive the Recognition are at the door of the preparation room.

WA: 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.

WA: Sister Drill Leader, you will conduct those guests who are to be honored into the assembly room and seat them to the East of Charity's station.

(Drill Leader escorts the guests into the assembly room and seats them – she sits with them).

WA: My friends, 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 Rev. 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.

WA: Sisters of the Color Stations, you will share the meaning of your station with our honored guests.

(Upon being addressed, the girls in the bow rise)

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.

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.

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 outdoors.

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.

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.

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.

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 color stations are seated together.)

WA: 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 the assembly and throughout our Order. It is for them that you have given so freely of yourselves.

MA: Today is a very special time for the members of this 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 our community, helping them to lead better lives, become better citizens, become leaders themselves and be of Service to others.

MA: Sister Drill Leader, you will conduct our guest to the East.

WA/MA: 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.

WA: Sister Drill Leader, you will seat our friends.

WA: Sister Chaplain, you will dismiss us with prayer.

(All bow heads without the Sign of Rainbow)

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.

ALL: Lord, help us to keep our promise.

WA: Officers, we will retire. *(Two raps)*

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