



# **SERVICE**

for

## **THE STATE FUNERAL**

of

**The Hon. David J. H. Thompson, Q.C., M.P.  
(1961 – 2010)**

**PRIME MINISTER OF BARBADOS  
2008 – 2010**

at

**KENSINGTON OVAL**

on

**Wednesday, 3rd November, 2010  
9.30 a.m.**



*The Hon. David John Howard Thompson, Q.C., M.P.  
(1961-2010)*

## Order of Service

1. **Tributes** .. ..  
St. Gabriel's School Choir We Are The World  
Combermere School Choir The Combermere School Song  
Mr. Rickey Brathwaite Ain't No Sunshine  
Mr. Adrian Clarke Safe in the Arms of Jesus
2. **The Sentences** .. .. The Right Rev. Monsignor  
Vincent Blackett  
*(Delegate of the Apostolic  
Administration, Roman Catholic  
Church)*
3. **The Reception of  
the Body** .. .. Rev. Dr. Carlyle DaC. Williams, BSS  
*(Acting President, Barbados  
Evangelical Association)*
4. **Hymn 708** .. .. To God be the Glory
5. **The Collect** .. .. The Rev. Cuthbert A. Edwards  
*(President and General  
Superintendent of the South  
Caribbean District of the Methodist  
Church in the Caribbean and The  
Americas)*
6. **The Eulogy -  
Part I** .. .. Mr. Brian Clarke
7. **Solo** .. .. He'll Find a Way – Miss Paula Hinds
8. **The Eulogy -  
Part II** .. .. Mr. Hartley Henry
9. **Hymn 506** .. .. How Great Thou Art
10. **Audio Visual Tribute** .. Misha, Oya, Osa-Marie (Daughters)  
Mrs. Margaret Knight (Mother)  
Dario (Nephew)

- 11. Tribute on behalf of CARICOM** .. .. The Hon. O. Bruce Golding  
*Prime Minister of Jamaica*
- 12. First Lesson** .. .. Ecclesiasticus 44: Verses 1-10  
Reader: –  
The Hon. Freundel J. Stuart, Q.C., M.P.  
*(Prime Minister of Barbados)*
- 13. Psalm 23** .. .. The Lord's my Shepherd
- 14. Second Lesson** .. .. St. John 11: Verses 17-27  
Reader: – Miss Evette King
- 15. Hymn 31** .. .. Amazing Grace
- 16. The Address** .. .. The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon.  
John W. D. Holder  
*(Archbishop of the West Indies and  
Bishop of Barbados)*
- 17. The Apostles' Creed** ... .. *CPWI Book of Common Prayer*
- 18. Prayers** .. .. Senator Rev. Dr. David L. Durant
- 19. The Commendation..** .. The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon.  
John W. D. Holder
- 20. Hymn 33** .. .. And Can It Be
- 21. The National Anthem**
- 22. Music** .. .. The Royal Barbados Police Force Band
- 23. Departure for Burial**

**HONORARY PALL BEARERS**

The Cabinet of Barbados

**CHIEF MOURNERS**

President of the Senate	Speaker of the House of Assembly
Leader of the Opposition	Dean of the Diplomatic Corps
Former Prime Minister	

**PALL BEARERS**

**Family into the Oval**

**Friends Out of the Oval**

Mr. Charles Thompson, Snr.	Mr. Kelvin Howell
Mr. Charles Thompson, Jr.	Mr. Brian Clarke
Mr. Stephen Graham	Mr. Arnold McIntyre
Mr. Paul Thompson	Mr. Pedro Stanford
Mr. Chad Thompson	Mr. Rodwell London
Mr. Michael Moodly	Mr. Pearson Bovell
Mr. Peter Hynam	Mr. Cornel Hinckson
Mr. Dario King	Mr. Hartley Henry
Mr. Ayo Taitt	

**To The Grave**

Mr. Randy Graham  
Mr. Martin Graham  
Mr. Roger Barker  
Mr. Adrian Giraudy  
Mr. Joshua Hynam  
Mr. George Pilgrim  
Mr. Cleeton Coppin  
Mr. Matthew Graham

**OFFICIATING MINISTERS**

The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon. John W. D. Holder  
Rev. Canon Dr. Geoffrey Mayers  
Rev. Dr. Cicely Athill-Horsford

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Rev. Dr. Carlyle DaC. Williams, BSS  
Senator Rev. Dr. David L. Durant

## Two-Minute Silence

### The Sentences: *The Right Rev. Monsignor Vincent Blackett*

Jesus said, I am the resurrection, and I am the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and who ever lives and believes in me shall never die. *John 11:25-26*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His compassion never fails: every morning they are renewed. *Lamentations 3:22-23*

Jesus said, Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. *John 14:1*

I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8:38-39*

If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. *Romans 14:8-9*

We brought nothing into the world, and we take nothing out. The Lord gives, and the Lord takes away: Blessed be the name of the Lord. *Job 1:21*

The eternal God is our refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. *Deuteronomy 33:27*

### The Reception of the Body: *Rev. Dr. Carlyle DaC. Williams, BSS*

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother David John Howard Thompson. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console

## When Peace Like A River

When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea-billows roll;  
whatever my lot You have taught me to say,  
'It is well, it is well with my soul.'

*Refrain:*

*It is well with my soul;  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, if trials should come,  
let this blessed assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
and has shed His own blood for my soul.

*Refrain*

My sin – O the bliss of this glorious thought –  
my sin – not in part – but the whole  
is nailed to His cross; and I bear it no more;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

*Refrain*

For me, be it Christ, be it Christ hence to live!  
If Jordan above me shall roll,  
no pang shall be mine, for in death as in life  
You will whisper Your peace to my soul.

*Refrain*

But Lord, it's for You – for Your coming we wait,  
the sky, not the grave, is our goal:  
O trump of the angel! O voice of the Lord!  
Blessèd hope! blessèd rest of my soul.

*Refrain*

## When the trumpet of the Lord

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound,  
and time shall be no more,  
and the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair;  
when the saved of earth shall gather  
over on the other shore,  
and the roll is called up yonder,  
I'll be there.

*Refrain:*

*When the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder,  
when the roll is called up yonder  
I'll be there.*

On that bright and cloudless morning  
when the dead in Christ shall rise,  
and the glory of His resurrection share;  
when His chosen ones shall gather  
to their home beyond the skies,  
and the roll is called up yonder,  
I'll be there.

*Refrain*

Let us labour for the Master  
from the dawn till setting sun,  
let us talk of all His wondrous love and care;  
then when all of life is over,  
and our work on earth is done,  
and the roll is called up yonder,  
I'll be there.

*Refrain*

us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life,  
so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth,  
until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL: Amen**

## Hymn 708: To God Be The Glory

To God be the glory! great things He has done;  
so loved He the world that He gave us His Son;  
who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life gate that all may go in.

*Refrain:*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the earth hear His voice;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
let the people rejoice:  
O come to the Father,  
through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory;  
great things He hath done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Refrain*

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

*Refrain*

**The Collect:** *The Rev. Cuthbert A. Edwards*

Almighty God, we remember before you today your servant David John Howard Thompson, and we pray that, having opened to him the gates of larger life, you will receive him more and more into your joyful service, that, with all who have served you in the past, he may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**ALL: Amen.**

**Eulogy – Part I:** *Mr. Brian Clarke*

**Solo:** *He'll Find a Way – Miss Paula Hinds*

**Eulogy – Part II:** *Mr. Hartley Henry*

## **Order of Service**

### **AT THE GRAVESIDE**

- 1. Removal of the Flag**
- 2. Presentation of the Flag**
- 3. The Committal** .. .. Rev. Canon Dr. Geoffrey Mayers  
*Rector, St. John Parish Church*
- 4. Prayers** .. .. Rev. Dr. Cicely Athill-Horsford  
*Reverend-in-charge*  
*Mount Tabor Moravian Church*
- 5. Volley of Gunfire** .. .. Barbados Defence Force
- 6. The Last Post and Reveille**
- 7. The Grave will be covered**
- 8. Laying of wreaths in the following order:**  
  
**Mrs. Thompson**  
**Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's daughters**  
**The Prime Minister on behalf of the People and Government of Barbados**  
**Mr. Thompson's parents**  
**CARICOM Chairman on behalf of Heads of Government of The Caribbean Community**  
**Dean of Diplomatic Corps on behalf of Resident and Non-Resident Ambassadors and High Commissioners**
- 9. Dismissal** .. .. The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon.  
John W. D. Holder

## ORDER OF LEAVING THE OVAL

*The congregation is requested to allow the following persons and their spouses to leave in the following order:*

*The Family  
The Prime Minister  
The Chief Justice  
Visiting Heads of Government  
Members of the Cabinet  
Other Leaders of Visiting Delegations  
The President of the Senate  
The Speaker of the House of Assembly  
The Leader of the Opposition  
The Privy Council  
Ambassadors and High Commissioners  
The Chairman of the Barbados Christian Council  
(with the clergy)  
The Justices of Appeal  
The Judges of the High Court  
Other Members of Parliament  
Other Guests*

## Hymn 506: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
the power throughout the universe displayed;

*Refrain:*

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,  
how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,  
how great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

*Refrain*

And when I think that God His Son not sparing,  
sent Him to die – I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin:

*Refrain*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home – what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

*Refrain*

**Audio Visual Tribute:** *Misha, Oya, Osa-Marie (daughters),  
Mrs. Margaret Knight (Mother) and  
Dario (Nephew)*

**Tribute on behalf of The Caribbean Community (CARICOM):**  
*The Hon. O. Bruce Golding,  
Prime Minister of Jamaica*

**First Lesson: Ecclesiasticus 44: Verses 1-10**

*A reading from the word of God written in Ecclesiasticus  
Chapter 44 verses 1-10.*

Let us now sing the praises of famous men, our ancestors in their generations.

2. The Lord apportioned to them great glory, his majesty from the beginning.
3. There were those who ruled in their kingdoms, and made a name for themselves by their valor; those who gave counsel because they were intelligent; those who spoke in prophetic oracles;
4. Those who led the people by their counsels and by their knowledge of the people's lore; they were wise in their words of instruction;
5. Those who composed musical tunes, or put verses in writing;
6. Rich men endowed with resources, living peacefully in their homes-
7. All these were honored in their generations, and were the pride of their times.
8. Some of them have left behind a name, so that others declare their praise.

**The National Anthem**

In plenty and in time of need  
When this fair land was young;  
Our brave forefathers sowed the seed  
From which our pride is sprung:  
A pride that makes no wanton boast  
Of what it has withstood;  
That binds our hearts from coast to coast:  
The pride of nationhood.

*Chorus:*

*We loyal sons and daughters, all,  
Do hereby make it known:  
These fields and hills beyond recall  
Are now our very own.  
We write our name on history's page  
With expectations great;  
Strict guardians of our heritage,  
Firm craftsmen of our fate.*

The Lord has been the people's guide  
For past three hundred years.  
With him still on the people's side  
We have no doubts or fears.  
Upward and onward we shall go,  
Inspired, exulting, free,  
And greater will our nation grow  
In strength and unity.

*Chorus*

***The Governor-General greets the family  
The Governor-General departs***

**Music – The Royal Barbados Police Force Band**

**Departure for Burial**

### Hymn 33: And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain  
an interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! how can it be  
that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies:  
who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
to sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,  
let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above –  
so free, so infinite His grace –  
emptied Himself of all but love,  
and bled for Adam's helpless race  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
for, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray -  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
my chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach the eternal throne,  
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

9. But of others there is no memory; they have perished as though they had never existed; they have become as though they had never been born, they and their children after them.

10. But these also were godly men, whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten.

**Prime Minister:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks, be to God.

### Psalm 23: The Lord's my Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; He leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill;  
for Thou art with me; and Thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd  
in presence of my foes;  
my head Thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me;  
and in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling-place shall be.

**Second Lesson: St. John 11: Verses 17-27**

*A reading from the word of God written in St. John Chapter 11 verses 17-27.*

17. When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.
18. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away,
19. and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother.
20. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.
21. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.
22. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him."
23. Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."
24. Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."
25. Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
26. and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
27. She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**ALL:**

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant David with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

*The Archbishop, facing the body, says:*

**ARCHBISHOP:**

Let us commend our brother David John Howard Thompson to the mercy of God our Maker and Redeemer. Deliver your servant, David John Howard Thompson. O Sovereign Lord Christ, from all evil, and set him free from every bond, that he may rest with all your saints in the eternal habitations; where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God for ever and ever.

**ALL:            Amen.**

**ARCHBISHOP:**

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend your servant David John Howard Thompson. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, in the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

**ALL:            Amen.**

**ALL:**  
**Our Father, who art in heaven,**  
**hallowed be thy name.**  
**Thy kingdom come,**  
**thy will be done,**  
**on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**And forgive us our trespasses,**  
**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**  
**And lead us not into temptation,**  
**but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom, the power and**  
**the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

MINISTER:

Grant us, Lord, the wisdom and the grace to use aright the time that is left to us here on earth. Lead us to repent of our sins, the evil we have done and the good we have failed to do; and strengthen us to follow the steps of your Son, in the way that leads to the fullness of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

**The Commendation:** *The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon. John W. D. Holder*

ARCHBISHOP:

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant David with your saints.

**ALL:**

**Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

ARCHBISHOP:

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so

**Miss King:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks, be to God.

### **Hymn 31: Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace – how sweet the sound –  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we've first begun.

**The Address:** *The Most Rev. & Dr. The Hon. John W. D. Holder*

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.

On the third day He rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayers:** *Senator Rev. Dr. David L. Durant*

LEADER:  
We pray for those who mourn especially *Mara, Misha, Oya, Osa-Marie, Margaret, Charles and Brenda*. We commemorate the departed Prime Minister David John Howard Thompson.

LEADER:  
Let us pray with confidence to God our Father, who raised our Lord Jesus from the dead for the salvation of all: Grant, Lord, that your servant may know the fullness of life which you have promised to those who love you. Lord, in your mercy:

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

LEADER:  
Be close to those who mourn: Increase their faith in your undying love. Lord, in your mercy:

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

LEADER:  
May we be strengthened in our faith, live the rest of our lives in fellowship with your Son, and be ready when you call us to the fullness of life. Lord, in your mercy:

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

LEADER:  
Show your mercy to the dying, strengthen them with hope, and fill them with the peace and joy of your presence. Lord, in your mercy:

**ALL: Hear our prayer.**

LEADER:  
We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord:

**ALL: Amen.**

MINISTER: Lord, have mercy.

**ALL: Christ have mercy.**

MINISTER: Lord, have mercy.