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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II
APPIADUHENE

Richard Amoaye
Ministries

Inspiring Greatness

A Life Worth Celebrating
In Honour of The Prophet's Father

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Ewiase atem dinn
Asanteman re di apinesie
Appiadu kro Egigya
Ebusua Ete nisuo
Atumpan Ekasa
Fontomfrom re keka
Odrugya Emoamoa
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nan, a na frankaa Ensi su Enti yaante Ehu dawuro
bo yi?

Atumpan kasa ya osi yEn sE Odeefuo Owusu
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sE kokoodurofoo Appiadhene ada ne benkum so
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Asem atu yEn na hwan na obE boa yen?
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Odupong kEseEAppiadu man ma wo nante yie
Yefunu wura Ebusua ma wo damirifa due
Due ne amanehununa sakyiri mansa dehyeE
kronkron !!!

Amanda Obrepong-Addo



Richard Amoaye Ministries (RAM) aims at:

Enlightening people at all levels of society using the prophetic gift. In RAM, we believe trapped within every person is the seed of greatness. Our passion is to help people discover and nurture that seed, which in turn will cause them to live a meaningful and impactful life.

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A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF THE LATE ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II

Odeefuo was born on the third day of March, 1932 at Donyina in the Mponua District of Ashanti Region. He was originally known in private life as Ofoosu Acheampong. His father was Paul Kwame Denteh of Donyina and his mother was Cecilia Akua Boah, who was a direct descendant of the Odeefuo Amoaye stool of Appiadu.

Soon after his enstoolment at the tender age of 19 years, Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II departed for the United Kingdom where he enrolled at Notting Hill Tutorial College in London where he obtained his O' Levels. Upon completion, he was fortunate to be the recipient of a government scholarship through which he would pursue a course in hotel management

at Ealing Technical College in London. Odeefuo would use the expertise gained to ply his trade in the hospitality industry working in various hotels such as the Royal Garden Hotel in Kensington and Cumberland Hotel Marble Arch.

In 1970, upon the death of Sir Osei Agyeman Prempeh II, Odeefuo returned to Ghana. His affinity for travel and his connection with the United Kingdom would however continue throughout his life taking him round the world on official duty and back to Europe on several other occasions.

ODEEFUO'S LEADERSHIP STYLE

Those who travel the high road of humility are not bothered by heavy traffic"

Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II was one of the longest serving traditional leaders in Asante having been a Chief for 69 years. He was the very essence of compassion, of duty, of integrity, of diligence. Throughout his reign and indeed his life, he was a symbol of selfless humanity. A man of natural nobility, Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II was a standard-bearer for the rights of the downtrodden with his palace open at all times to those who needed his help. He was an Ashanti Chief who transcended community with a heart for the nation and its people. Since his enstoolment in 1950, he never relented in his efforts to bring development to his people at Appiadu, the Golden Stool and the nation as a whole. He mobilised and energised the community for development and was a catalyst for attitudinal changes amongst its citizens. During the course of his tenure, he was privileged and inspired to serve three kings of the Asante kingdom, namely; Otumfour Sir Agyeman Prempe II, Otumfour Opoku Ware II and Otumfour Osei Tutu II.

According to Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II, chieftaincy was all about leading the people for development, and he often urged colleague chiefs to complement the efforts of governments at the local level so as to improve the lot of their subjects. He believed that gone were the days when chiefs went to war to consolidate their popularity and superiority, and called on fellow chiefs to rather focus on posterity.

Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II, believed that a good name and a great legacy trumped riches. He would regularly use his platform to advise politicians to shun away from corrupt practices and rather to protect the public purse. His clarion call to all Ghanaians was to support the administration of the sitting President that he may deliver on his mandate successfully because the president's triumph was tied to the victory of the nation. A tireless advocate for peace, Odeefuo would appeal to Ghanaians to cast their votes for those who preach peace, love, development and respect human rights. He often noted that the country had come a long way, thus the citizenry should in one accord reject, through the ballot box, those unpatriotic and selfish politicians whose only wish and desire was to win political power to enrich themselves and their families. He extended the same sentiment to the traditional leaders and colleague chiefs where he would admonish them to protect stool lands and avoid the indiscriminate sale of land to fund lavish personal lifestyles.

And he never stopped living by that creed. He gave of himself with intelligence and energy and devotion to duty. And his entire community and indeed his country owes him a debt of gratitude for that service. An exemplary man but like all of us, not a perfect man. He made mistakes, and they, like his accomplishments, are part of his life and record.

As a public man, Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II always believed the greatest sin was remaining passive in the face of challenges.



THE LATE ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II

With Some Former Heads of State and Dignitaries of Ghana



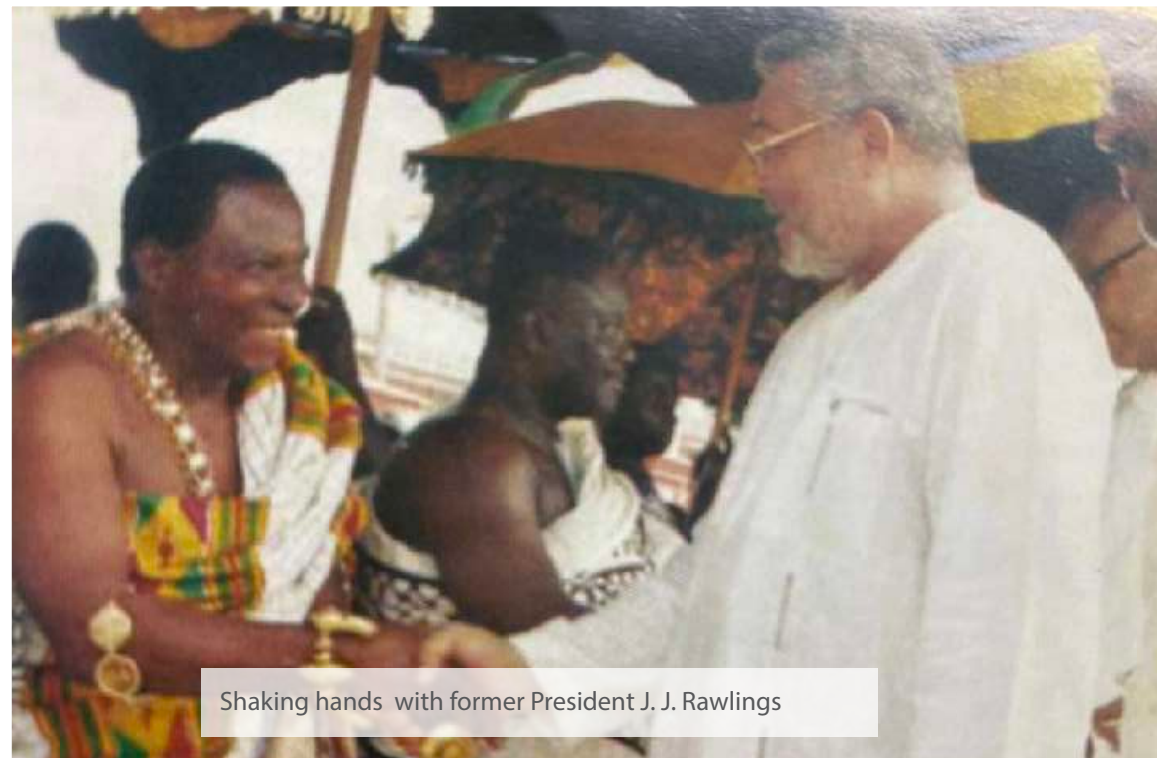
Shaking hands with late President Dr. Kwame Nkrumah



Chatting to former President J. A. Kufour



Shaking hands with the late Sec. Gen. Kofi Anan



Shaking hands with former President J. J. Rawlings



Having a tête-à-tête with former Vice President K. N. Arkaah



Shaking hands with Sir Sam Jonah and former President J. A. Kufour

Tribute from Children

First, we want to thank God Almighty for this day...it's been a long and painful ten months for us since we heard the sad news of the passing of our dear father.

However, through it all, the Good Lord has been our strength and shield in our most difficult moment. We want to seize this opportunity to thank all who are present here today to help us bid our father... ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II goodbye. As the scriptures say "Many are called but few are chosen".

Yes, indeed ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II was chosen by God for a cause...and the deed of his life and legacy is undeniably the proof of a life well lived . As the scriptures say "it's appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement...Heb 9:27 ".

Odeefuo lived every single day of his life on earth knowing very well that one day he will stand before God to give account of the great responsibility placed on him by The Almighty God as a father, husband and a leader of his people. Propelled into the leadership at an early age, by sequential unpredictable events, yet his impact over this community is profoundly and rightly to be considered providential.

Inspite of our father's great responsibility as the leader of his community, he never abandoned his greatest responsibility as a father to us. Dad made sure that all his children were well catered for. He always was up to the fatherly responsibility. We will always remember and treasure the special moments we had with you individually and as a family and will live to cherish those moments dearly. His leadership, wisdom and prudence sparked the initiative to bring major development to his community. All that we see today in Appiadu and its environs was his burning desire to see his community modernised.

Odeefuo, was a man who was greatly loved both by his children and people. He was also respected as a man and a Chief far beyond the realm over which he reigned. The simple dignity of his life, his many virtues, his sense of duty, a father not only to us but to many within the broader community for which he bore responsibility...his admirable charm and cheerful nature, his example as a father and husband in his own family circle, were aspects of his character which won the admiration of many.

Our father taught us how to live a selfless life. We witnessed our dad always putting others first, making sure that everyone is okay, be it for the broader community or his children. His integrity and dedication was outstanding.

Without doubt, our father was a light to us as children and to the people in this community and His departure has left a deep hole that will be very difficult to fill. we hope, with the help of God Almighty there shall be a successor who will continue his legacy he curved for this town.

Dad, we all bid you farewell...thank you for all you did for us. we will always remember you in our hearts. We love you dad! We dearly miss you .May Your Soul Rest In Perfect Peace With God Until We Meet Again.



THE LATE ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II

With The Clergy



With late Monsignor Akwesi Adjei



With Most Rev. Peter K. Sarpong, ArchBishop Emeritus of Kumasi



With Most Rev. Gabriel Justice Anokye, Metropolitan ArchBishop of Kumasi



Odeefuo and his late brother Owusu Panin Edusei

Tribute from God's Power Ministries Sydney Australia



With reverence and humility, we want to say thank you for being an incredible Father to our Prophet and father of nations, Prophet Richard Amoaye. In the maze of time and shifting memories, we have come to realize that we would not have had GPM without you Grand Pa. We hold you in the highest esteem from all the Campuses of GPM and other sister ministries worldwide.

We are acutely aware of your sacrifices and support to the Ministry through the upbringing of Prophet Richard as your son, and in his calling, particularly in the period of his Itinerant Ministry. Without your sacrifices together with Grand Ma and the family we would not have GPM, and for that we are forever grateful. God has blessed us through Prophet Richard and we know without you, the vision would not be in existence.

Australasia is blessed to have Prophet Richard in this season, because of your sacrifice and love. As a Ministry, words are not enough to say Thank You, and yet that is all we can say to you today Grand Pa. Our thank you is our sacrifice of gratitude as Psalms 50: 23 instructs us "The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies God, therefore we take this moment to glorify God by showing our gratitude to you Grand Father, for the gift of our Prophet.

So thank you for giving us your son as our Spiritual Father, thank you for believing in him and supporting him in his calling. Thank you for nurturing him in his youth and for the love and care you gave him as he grew up. Today we are beneficiaries of the same love that you deposited in him, and our lives are transformed because of this Ministry. Prophet Richard is being used mightily by God because you made it possible by being the best Dad for him. We salute you today as you are laid to rest and we remember that the reward of one duty is power to fulfill another. MYSRIP.



Tribute from

Richard Amoaye Ministries

Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II was the very essence of compassion, of duty and of love. He was a symbol of selfless humanity and a voice for the downtrodden. Although with a natural nobility, he came across in his dealings with diverse people with a simple and modest personality that impacted people in his generation and generations to come.

His generosity transcended classes and nationalities. Such were the traits he imparted on his son Richard Owusu Amoaye which we are tremendously benefiting from as his spiritual sons and daughters. Odeefuo, we would not have been so privileged to be imparted by the wisdom, teachings and anointing of your son without your input in his life. He constantly recounts to us with fond memories your wise counsel and generosity which facilitated his early itinerant ministry which made it possible for him not to be a burden to the churches he ministered to.

Now is our chance to say thank you, however belated, for brightening our lives. We will forever be grateful for your life and legacy. Although our hearts have been heavy over your passing the past few months, we are confident that the strength of the impression you have left in our memories through your years of giving will afford the entire Richard Amoaye Ministries team, partners, and affiliates the strength to continue inspiring greatness.

An Indelible Mark

A Life Worth Celebrating



Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II was development-oriented right from the time he ascended the throne of Appeadu. This mindset saw him blaze a trail that will leave hallmarks both in the community and in the personal lives of people that will live long after he is gone. It would certainly be a herculean task to enumerate every contribution Odeefuo made throughout his illustrious life in this tribute. However, for commemoration, I will highlight a few :-

EDUCATION

- Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II was very passionate about the youth and the future generations and he viewed education as a propellant, especially for the disadvantaged. Consequently, he offered numerous scholarships to brilliant students to pursue various programmes of study at tertiary institutions and colleges of higher education.

- Odeefuo spearheaded the construction of some school blocks to boost the education of student in that traditional area.
- Odeefour Amoaye II also constructed a state-of-the-art center for training of the youth in ICT that would equip them with the necessary tools that would make them competitive in the global arena. During his lifetime, he saw his interventions in the educational sector pay off as the beneficiaries of his generosity contributed to the development of Ghana in many diverse ways. I am certain that his investment in this sector is a gift that will keep giving for generations to come.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- The acute water challenges faced by the residents of Appiadu was resolved through the construction of a mechanized bore-hole that pumps water into a res-

ervoir from where the township citizens fetch water for domestic and other uses.

- Odeefuo organised the elders and people of Appiadu and collaborated with some government agencies to overcome guinea worm infection that was prevalent in the town.

BANKING AND FINANCE

- As a measure to complement the efforts of the government in encouraging people to use the banking system, Odeefuo was at the forefront of establishing a microfinance scheme for the community christened, Appiadu Microfinance. This came as a relief to the town folks who hitherto had to commute long distances to access any banking service. Odeefuo felt that this would help inculcate the habit of savings among his people, which idea, he conceived from the fact that the nearest banking institutions were located at Ejisu and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi.
- It would definitely be his desire that more branches will open in due course to serve the financial needs of the people.

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Odeefuo Amoaye II led the construction of a modern community centre which consists of an auditorium, library, offices, dining hall, kitchen and toilet facilities. This multi purpose centre is used for social, corporate and other gatherings with the proceeds derived from the centre being ploughed back into community development of the area.
- The chief and community elders also constructed a durbar ground to serve as funeral grounds for the local populace.
- Odeefuo Amoaye II fought to protect the environment for the sake of posterity and consequently encouraged others to join the fight against illegal mining (galamsey).
- Odeefuo Amoaye personally reconstructed and tarred the seven-kilometre feeder road from Boadi Junction to Appiadu during the official opening of the reconstruction of Appiaduhene's Palace in the 90s.
- Odeefuo spearheaded and made a significant financial contribution for

Appiaduman's electrification project in the 80s which saw Appi adu township connected to the National Grid.

- agencies to overcome guinea worm infection that was prevalent in the town.

ONE MUST LEAVE WHEN THE APPLAUSE IS LOUDEST

Though Odeefuo was approaching his ninth decade, he had an incredibly sharp, vigorous and rigorous mind. He lived a long and happy life, and only succumbed to ill health right at the very end. The enduring lesson from Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II is that he never gave up being part of the action and passion of his times. He never shied away from any mountain or any challenge and indeed his spirit was very much alive to the very end. That is a great tribute to him, to his beloved wives, to his children, and his grandchildren whose love he so depended on and whose love he returned in full measure. Today is a day for his family, his friends, his community and his nation to remember the great chief's life in totality.

We cannot know for certain how long we have on this earth. What we can do is to live out our lives as best we can with purpose, and with love, and with joy. We can use each day to show those who are closest to us how much we care about them, and treat others with the same kindness and respect that we wish for ourselves. We can learn from our mistakes and grow from our failures. And we can strive at all costs to make a better world, so that someday, if we are blessed with the chance to look back on our time here, we know that we spent it well; that we made a difference; that our fleeting presence had a lasting impact on the lives of others. This is how Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II lived. This is his legacy. The greatest of expectations were placed upon Odeefuo's shoulders because of who he was, but he surpassed them all because of who he became. We do not weep for him today because of the prestige attached to his name or his office. We weep because we loved this kind and tender hero who persevered; not for the sake of ambition or vanity; not for wealth or power; but only for the people and the country that he loved.

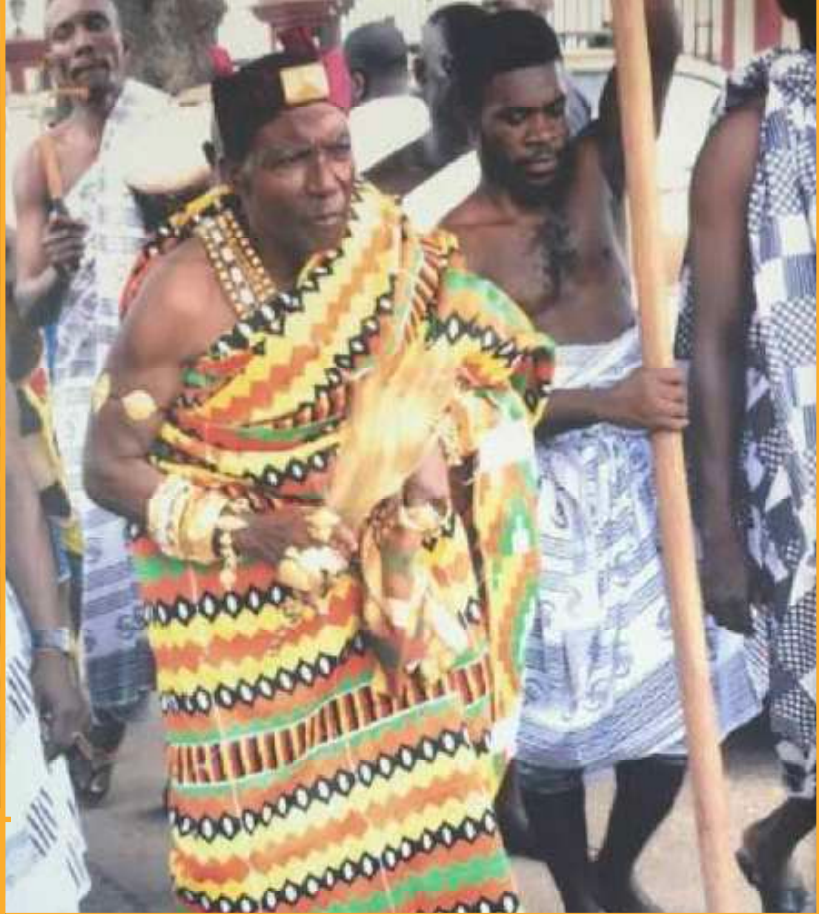
WE CARRY ON

To his very last days, Odeefuo's life was instructive. As he aged, he taught us how to grow old with dignity, humor, and kindness – and, when the Good Lord finally called, how to meet Him with courage and with joy in the promise of what lies ahead.

The passage of time never really heals the tragic memory of such a great loss, but we carry on, because we have to, because our loved ones would want us to, and because that is what Odeefuo would have encouraged us to do.

Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II has gone home, leaving those of us who grieve his passing with the memories he gave, the good that he did and the dream he kept alive. He will be sorely missed. His decency, sincerity, and kind soul will stay with us forever. So, through our tears, let us see the blessings of knowing and loving him – a great and noble man, and the best father a son or daughter could have.

May God bless Odeefuo Owusu Amoaye II and may he rest in eternal peace.



**THE LATE
ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II**
In Pictures



*Fare thee
Well Nana*



ODEEFUO OWUSU AMOAYE II

APPIADUHENE



Laying in state : Saturday 26th October 2019 at Appiadu

Laying in state : Sunday 27th October, 2019 at Appiadu

Laying in State : Monday 28th October, 2019 at Appiadu

Interment : Monday 28th October, 2019 at Appiadu Royal Mausoleum