



Naila + Serge

25TH - 26TH NOVEMBER 2023

Welcome to our wedding weekend in Cape Town, South Africa.
Words can't express how grateful we are for your presence -
we appreciate the planning, time and effort you
have made to be here with us.

We hope you enjoy the festivities and thank you for
being part of this special occasion.

All our love,
Naila & Serge

*"When you need a reminder of how loved you are,
just look at the faces of your family and friends"*

FRIDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER 2023

THE OPEN MOSQUE

66 Church Street, Wynberg, Cape Town

12h00: Guest arrival

Welcome and presentation of a personal gift of the Qur'an

12h45: Adhan, the Call to Prayer, the start of the service

13h00: Weekly sermon

The close connectivity between Christianity and Islam

13h45: Salat al-Jumu'ah Congregational prayers

Non-Muslims can participate in these if they wish

**14h00: Traditional luncheon and interaction with the
local community**

15h00: Departure

SATURDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER 2023

MOUNT NELSON HOTEL

76 Orange Street, Gardens, Cape Town

11h00: Guest arrival

All guests to make their own way to the venue

12h15: Christian Ceremony to begin

13h00: Islamic Ceremony to begin

13h45: Ceremony to end

13h45: Pre Dinner Drinks

16h00: Departure

All guests to make their own way back to their accommodation

ZEITZ MOCAA

*V&A Waterfront Silo District, South Arm Road,
Waterfront, Cape Town*

18h00: Dinner reception and dancing at Zeitz Mocaa

All guests to make their own way to the venue

01h00: End of wedding celebrations

All guests to make their own way back to their accommodation

CHRISTIAN ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTRANCE

Serge's Mother

PRELUDE

Groom aisle Song: Ameno – ERA

Serge

Yva

Shenaz

Bride Song: Feeling Good by Nina Simone

The Bride

COUPLE IS IN FRONT AT ALTER TOGETHER

Song: Stand By Me by Ben E. King

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GREETING

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PRAYER

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READING

1 Cor. 13:4-8a by Serge's Mother

Love is patient and kind,
Love is not jealous or boastful,
It is not arrogant or rude

Love does not insist on its own way,
It is not irritable or récent full,
It does not rejoin at wrong, but rejoices in the right.

Love bears all things,
Believes all things,
Hopes all things,
Endures all things.

Love never ends.

The word of the Lord!

SERMON

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RITE: LEGAL MARRIAGE

Vows Exchange

*Rings, Blessing & Exchange – Shenaz to hand over the rings
Husband & Wife – Kiss*

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HONOURING OF PARENTS

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FINAL BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you

Congregation: And with your spirit

*Priest: God the Eternal Father keep you in love with each other
so that may stay with you and be always in your home*

Congregation: Amen

*Priest: May your children bless you, your friends console you
and all men live in peace with you*

Congregation: Amen

*Priest: May you always bear witness in the love of God
in this world so that the affliction and the needy find in you
good friends and welcome you into the joys of heaven*

Congregation: Amen

*Priest: And may the almighty bless you all in the name of the
Father, Son and Holy Spirit*

Congregation: Amen

*Priest: May God he Almighty Father give you Joy
and bless you in your children*

Congregation: Amen!

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SIGNING OF MARRIAGE REGISTER

The Prayer by Andrea Bocelli and Celine Dion song

ISLAMIC ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

OPENING REMARKS

READINGS FROM THE HOLY QUR'AN

Sequential Verses from the Holy Qur'an

1. **Surah ala-Imran, Chapter 3 Verse 102**
O You who believe! You shall observe God as He should be observed and let not death overtake you except when you are in a state of submission and surrender to God alone.
2. **Surah al-Nisa', Chapter 4 Verse 1**
O Humanity, be conscious of your Sustainer who created you all from one living entity (nafs) and out of it created its mate of the same kind. And out of these two spread a great multitude of men and women. So, remain mindful of God in whose name you demand your rights from one another. Verily, God is ever a Watcher over you.
3. **Surah al-Ahzab, Chapter 33 Verses 70-71**
O you who believe! Be conscious of your duty to God and speak truth and kind words. God will set right your actions for you and forgive you your faults. And whoever obeys God and His messenger, will indeed achieve a mighty success, a great reward.
4. *O you who believe, be conscious of God and let every soul consider to what it has put forth for the morrow. and be mindful of God for God is well-aware of what you do.*
5. **Surah al-Baqqarah, Chapter 2 Verse 136**
Proclaim: 'We believe in God, and in what was revealed to us, and in what was revealed to Abraham, Ismail, Isaac, Jacob, and the Patriarchs; and in what was given to Moses and Jesus, and all the prophets from their Lord. God makes no distinction among any of them; and to Him alone do we submit'.
6. **Surah al-Baqqarah, Chapter 2 Verse 62**
Surely, all those who believe, and the Jews, and the Christians, and the Sabians, whosoever believes in God and the Last Day and does good deeds, they shall have their reward from their Lord, and there is no fear for them, nor shall they grieve.
7. **Surah ala-Imran, Chapter 3 Verses 114-115**
The People of the Book [Jews and Christians] believe in God and the Last Day. They enjoin right conduct and forbid indecency, and they compete and vie with one another in meritorious deeds. These are the righteous ones. So whatever good they do, they shall not go unrewarded. And surely, God knows who are the righteous.
8. **Surah al-Zilzal, Chapter 99 Verses 7-8**
*Anyone who has done an atom's worth of good will see it [in the afterlife].
And anyone who has done an atom's worth of wrong will also see it [in the afterlife].*
9. **Surah al-Mu'min, Chapter 40 Verse 40**
Whosoever does an evil deed shall be recompensed only with the like of it, but whosoever does a virtuous deed, be it male or female, and is a believer – they shall enter heaven (paradise), therein provided without measure.

10. Surah al-Hujarat, Chapter 49 Verse 13

O Humanity, We created you from a single male and female and made you into different peoples and tribes so that you may know and recognize one another and not despise each other. Verily, the most honourable amongst you in the sight of God are those who are pious and righteous. Surely, God is all-Knowing and all-Aware.

11. Surah al-Nahl, Chapter 16 Verse 72

And God has made for you spouses from among yourselves and has made for you, from your mates – children and grandchildren – and He has provided you with good things in life. Will they then believe in what is ephemeral and deny the eternal favours of God?

12. Surah ar-Rum, Chapter 30 Verse 21

Among God's signs is that he created for you mates from among yourselves, in order to have tranquility and contentment with each other, and He placed in your hearts love and compassion towards your spouses. In this, there are clear proofs for all thinkers.

13. Surah al-Baqqarah, Chapter 2 Verse 186

And when My servants ask you about Me, Say, I am indeed close and near. I answer the prayers of the supplicant when they worship Me. So they should hearken to Me and believe in Me, that they may follow the right way, the straight path.

14. Surah al-Nisa', Chapter 4 Verse 21

And how could you take it (back) while you have been intimate with each other, and they have taken from you a firm agreement, a strong covenant [a marriage contract]?

15. Surah ar-Rum, Chapter 30 Verse 30

Therefore, you shall devote yourself to the religion of pure monotheism. such is the fitrah (natural instinct, original disposition) placed into people by God. This creation of God will never change. This is the standard religion, but most people do not grasp this.

16. Surah al-Tawbah, Chapter 9 Verse 71

The believers, men and women, are protecting friends one of another; they enjoin the right and forbid the wrong. They establish worship and give charity, and they obey God and His Apostle. As for these, God will have mercy on them. Indeed, God is Mighty, Wise

17. Surah al-Baqarrah, Chapter 2 Verse 187

They (women) are a garment to you as you (men) are a garment to them.

18. Surah ala-Imran, Chapter 3 Verse 134

Those who spends in prosperity and adversity, and those who suppress anger, and those who pardon people. Verily, God loves these who do good.

19. Surah al-Nur, Chapter 24:22

Pardon and overlook. Do you not love that God should forgive you?

20. Surah al-Shu'ra, Chapter 42 Verse 43

And whoever resorts to patience and forgiveness reflects a true strength of character.

21. Surah al-Furqan, Chapter 25 Verse 74

And they say, 'Our Lord, let our spouses and children be a real source of joy for us, and keep us as the model for the truly righteous'.

22. Surah Bani Isra'il, Chapter 17 Verse 96

Proclaim: God suffices as a witness between me and you. He is ever mindful and All-Seeing of His servants.

THE MARRIAGE SERMON (KHUTBAH)
'They are a garment for you and You are a garment for them'

DECLARATION OF VOWS

EXCHANGE OF RINGS

SIGNING OF CONTRACT & CERTIFICATE

SUPPLICATIONS & PRAYERS

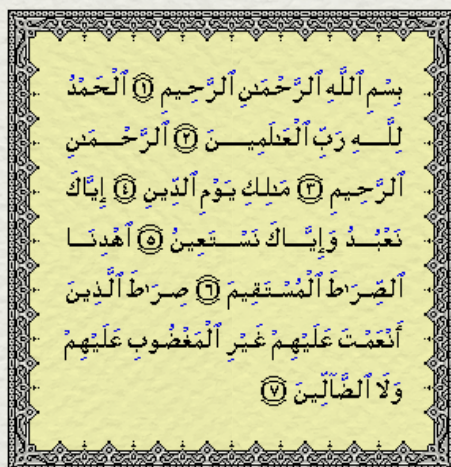
CONCLUDING BENEDICTION

SURAH AL-FATIHAH

(The Opening)

THE KEY CHAPTER OF THE HOLY QUR'AN

(akin to the Lord's Prayer in Christianity)



*The original Arabic text will be recited by all those who can do so proficiently.
Everyone is then kindly invited to collectively read the English translation aloud.*

SURAH AL-FATIHAH

(The Opening)

IN ENGLISH

*In the name of God, the most merciful,
the most gracious all praise belongs to God,
the lord of all the worlds the most beneficent, the most compassionate*

*The sovereign of the day of judgement
You alone do we worship,
and you alone do we ask for help guide us in the straight path
The path of those on whom you have bestowed your blessings,
not the path of those who have incurred your displeasure,
nor of those who have gone astray*

Amin

Ceremony Conducted By Imam Dr Taj Hargey

SUNDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER 2023

QUOIN ROCK ESTATE

Knorhoek Road, Stellenbosch

12h30: Meet at Breakwater Lookout Point Parking

Corner of Jetty Street and Breakwater Boulevard

***Please use the Cape Wheel as a landmark, which is opposite the
Breakwater Lookout Point Parking***

13h00: Shuttles to strictly depart for Quoin Rock

14h00: Lunch and dancing to follow

**22h00: Final shuttle to depart from Quoin Rock
to Granger Bay, Cape Town**

Please note there will be no shuttles available after 22h00

PHOTOS AND GUESTBOOK

*We can't wait to see all the memories from our celebration!
Please scan the QR code below to upload your best photos/videos
and to leave us a guestbook message!*

