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Subject: **Rev. Roy Upton - Homegoing**

Dear CITAM members,

It is with sadness that I write to inform you that our former Senior Pastor of the then Nairobi Pentecostal Church (NPC), Valley Road, Rev. Roy Upton went to be with the Lord whom he loved. He pastored NPC between 1983 to 1987 when the church experienced tremendous growth and relocated into the new sanctuary.

Rev. Upton was a gifted evangelist and led many people to the Lord, including reports of healings and outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Regardless of whatever sermon he preached, he always made an altar call for salvation. His faith led the church to raise the amounts required to put up the new sanctuary.

When the new sanctuary was dedicated on 28th September 1986, it turned to be more like a state function with the then President of Kenya, the late Daniel Arap Moi, his Vice-President, Mwai Kibaki and several cabinet ministers attending. It was the largest church in Kenya then, with a seating capacity of 4,000. He and his wife Massy, served faithfully until he handed over the leadership of NPC to Rev. Dennis White in 1987.

There will be a memorial service to celebrate his life on Friday, September 10 at 11:00am Ontario time (6:00pm Kenya time) at Global Kingdom Ministries - 1250 Markham Road, Scarborough, ON M1H 2Y9.

A link to the celebration of life service livestream will be provided on the [Ogden Funeral Home Website](https://ogden.funeraltechweb.com/tribute/details/18835/Rev-Roy-Upton/service-information.html#tribute-start). (<https://ogden.funeraltechweb.com/tribute/details/18835/Rev-Roy-Upton/service-information.html#tribute-start>)

Though we are saddened by his departure, we give thanks to God for his life of faithful service for the gospel and his impactful ministry. Let us uphold his sons David and Ken and their families and his brother Rev. Gordon Upton, in our prayers.

“And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above, and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.” Daniel 12:3

Rev. Calisto Odede,

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