



# FUNERAL SERVICE

CHURCH SERVICE (P.C BAMENDA, UP STATION)

## OFFICIATING MINISTERS

1 - Rev. Mbifi

## CHOIRS AND MOVEMENTS

Congregational Choir

## PROCESSION

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**Min:** In the name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** Amen.

**Min:** The Lord be with you.

**Cong:** And also with you.

**Min:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**Cong:** Who made Heaven and Earth.

## THE OPENING SENTENCE

**Min:** Jesus Christ says “Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me, in my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.” (Jn 14:1-3 RSV)

## Opening Hymn:

## The Psalm

**Min:** Let us pray with the words of Psalm...

**Min:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

## The invitation

My brothers and sisters, we are assembled here in God’s name and presence to meet with Him in our midst in God’s Holy Word and partake in the burial of our beloved departed daughter, sister, mother, aunt and friend, Achu Clara Anyo Shiri. Let us confess our sins trusting God’s promised mercy.

Heavenly Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us true faith and a secure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us, all the days of our lives that we may live as those who believe in the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection to eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Cong:** Amen.



**Min:** Hear the Word of Grace.

We however are citizens of heaven and we eagerly wait for our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, to come from Heaven. He will change our weak mortal bodies and make them like his own glorious body. Restore us again, Lord God Almighty.

**Cong:** Let your face shine, that we may be saved.

**Responsive Reading (Ps 27)**

**Min:** The Lord is my light and salvation whom shall I fear.

**Cong:** The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?

**Min:** When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh

**Cong:** When my enemies and my foes attack me, they will stumble and fall.

**Min:** Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear.

**Cong:** Though war breakout against me, even then I will be confident.

**Min:** One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek

**Cong:** That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

**Min:** For in the day of troubled, He will keep me safe in his dwelling

**Cong:** He will hide me in the shelter of His tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.

**Min:** My heart says of you “seek his face”

**Cong:** Your face Lord I will seek.

**Min:** Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger, you have been my helper.

**Cong:** Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my saviour. Though my mother and Father forsake me, the Lord will receive me.

**Min:** Teach me your way O Lord; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

**Con:** Do not turn me over to the desire of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me breathing out violence.

**Min:** I am still confident of this; I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

**Cong:** Wait for the Lord, be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

**Min:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end.  
Amen.

**Song : Congregational Choir**

**Eulogies**

- Biography
- Mother
- Daughter
- Sister
- Friend

**Song :**



## **Proclamation of the Word**

**First Lesson:** Ecclesiastes 12:1-5

**Second Lesson:** Mathew 24:36-44

**Text:**

**Sermon:**

**Song :**

**Offering:**

**Holy Communion:**

**Song :**

**Announcements**

### **The Commendation**

Let us now commend our daughter, sister, mother, aunt and friend, Achu Clara Anyo Shiri, into the hands of God, our Maker and Redeemer.

Our Heavenly Father, by your mighty power you gave us life and in your great love, you have given us new life in Jesus Christ. We commend Achu Clara Anyo Shiri to your merciful keeping and pray that, in your infinite love and mercy, you will bring her and the whole church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus to a joyful resurrection and a fulfillment of His eternal Kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ your son our Lord, who died and rose again to save us and is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit in glory forever and ever.

**Cong:** Amen.

### **Departure**

**Min:** Lord, now let your servant depart in peace.

**Cong:** According to your word.

**Min:** For my eyes have seen your salvation.

**Cong:** Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.

**Min:** The light to enlighten the nations.

**Cong:** And the glory of your people Israel.

**Min:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

**Min:** Let us now in the hope of a joyful resurrection, bring our departed daughter, sister, mother, aunt and friend, Achu Clara Anyo Shiri to the resting place for there is no home here on earth, but we are looking for the life to come.

### **Benediction**

At the grave

**Min:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**Cong:** Who made Heaven and earth.

**Min:** The Lord brings out life and takes it. He brings down the place of the dead and rises up.



# The Committal

**Min:** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your blessed Son, Jesus Christ was laid to rest in the grave and thereby sanctified the grave to be a bed of hope to your people. Bless, we pray, this grave to be a resting place for our daughter, sister, mother, aunt and friend, Achu Clara Anyo Shiri, who we believe is at rest in Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord.

**Cong:** Amen

**Min:** As it has pleased the Almighty God to call from this life and to take to himself our mother, Achu Clara Anyo Shiri, we therefore commit her to the ground from which she was made, in sure and certain hope of resurrection to eternal life and looking to infinite mercy of God in Jesus Christ, our Judge, who died, was buried and rose again for our earthly bodies according to his mighty power. Thus says the Lord who created you out of the ground; “You are dust and to dust you shall return”. Amen!

**Min:** Eternal rest grant unto her oh Lord.

**Cong:** And let perpetual light shine upon her.

**Min:** May her soul and that of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

**Cong:** Amen

**Min:** Peace be with you from God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** Amen

**Min:** This is true, if we die with Christ, we shall also live with him. We hope in Jesus Christ who says, “I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall live and never die”.

**Min:** Lord have mercy upon us

**Cong:** Lord have mercy upon us

**Min:** Christ have mercy upon us

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**Min:** Let us pray.

Our Lord and father Jesus Christ, we praise you, for you have destroyed the power of death and have brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. We trust in you and worship you as you have won victory over death and given us hope which sees beyond the grave. Unite us with yourself so that not even death shall be able to separate us from your love. Help us live in you and die in you. Lead us through the darkness of death to the light of the life to come, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

**Cong:** Amen

**Min:** Following our Lord’s teaching, let us say with faith and trust:

**All:** Our Father, who art in Heaven...

**Singing of choruses by groups.**



## Benediction

**Min:** The Lord be with you

**Cong:** And also with you

**Min:** Let us bless the Lord

**Cong:** Thanks be to God.

**Min:** Now to him who is able to keep you from falling and bring you faultless and joyful before his glorious presence, to the God and Saviour through Jesus Christ, our Lord, be glory, majesty, might and authority from all ages past, now and forever and ever.

Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you; may the Almighty God bless you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** Amen

## SONGS

### **SONG No. 1 - (CH 700 ) : I Need Thee Every Hour**

1 I need thee every hour,  
most gracious Lord;  
no tender voice like thine  
can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee,  
every hour I need thee.  
O bless me now, my Savior;  
I come to thee.

2 I need thee every hour;  
stay thou near by;  
temptations lose their power  
when thou art nigh. [Refrain]

3 I need thee every hour,  
in joy or pain;  
come quickly and abide,  
or life is vain. [Refrain]

4 I need thee every hour;  
teach me thy will;  
and thy rich promises  
in me fulfill. [Refrain]

5 I need thee every hour,  
Most Holy One;  
O make me thine indeed,  
thou Blessed Son! [Refrain]



**SONG No. 2 - (CH 529) : Courage, Brother! Do Not Stumble**

1 Courage, brother! do not stumble,  
though your path be dark as night;  
there's a star to guide the humble:  
trust in God, and do the right.  
Let the road be rough and dreary,  
and its end far out of sight;  
foot it bravely; strong or weary,  
trust in God, trust in God, trust in God,  
and do the right.

2 Perish policy and cunning,  
perish all that fears the light!  
Whether losing, whether winning,  
trust in God, and do the right.  
Some will hate you, some will love you,  
some will flatter, some will slight;  
heed them not, and look above you:  
trust in God, trust in God, trust in God,  
and do the right.

3 Simple rule and safest guiding,  
inward peace, and inward might,  
star upon our path abiding,  
trust in God, and do the right.  
Courage, sister! do not stumble,  
though your path be dark as night;  
there's a star to guide the humble:  
trust in God, trust in God, trust in God,  
and do the right.

**SONG No. 3 - (CH 689 / CHB 489) : I HEAR THY WELCOME VOICE**

1. I HEAR Thy welcome voice  
That calls me, Lord, to Thee,  
For cleansing in Thy precious blood  
That flowed on Calvary.  
*I am coming, Lord,  
Coming now to Thee;  
Wash me, cleanse me in the blood  
That flowed on Calvary.*
2. 'Tis Jesus calls me on  
To perfect faith and love,  
To perfect hope and peace and trust,  
For each and heaven above.



3. "Tis Jesus who confirms  
The blessed work within,  
By adding grace to welcomed grace,  
Where reigned the power of sin.
  
4. All hail, atoning blood !  
All hail, redeeming grace !  
All hail, the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Our Strength and Righteousness !

#### **SONG No. 4 (SS & S ) : HOW GREAT THOU ART**

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the \*worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the \*rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior 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!"



## BIOGRAPHY

Clara was born on March 16 1969 in Buea. She attended Government English Primary School Bepanda, Saker Baptist College, PSS Mankon and CCAST Bambili. She lived most of her life in Bamenda until when she got married to Mr. Asongwed Samuel and moved to Limbe. They were blessed with three children; Sherry, Samantha, and Fon Asongwed. She was a housewife and a business owner in African fabrics trading between Cameroon, Nigeria and Cotonou. She was also an active CWF member in Moliwe Presbyterian Church.

Clara later moved to Bamenda where she continued her business and serving the Lord at Presbyterian Church Ntamulung. Her most important job was being a mother and a devoted child of God. She was unwavering in her stand for the truth and righteousness. A mother who sacrificed physically and financially throughout the years for the advancement and betterment of her children, she displayed a constant devotion and loyalty to them that guided her in many life decisions. Overall Clara was a healthy person except for periodic asthma attacks requiring hospitalization.

Clara was very sociable and loved by many, known to be very reliable, serviceable, humble, respectful, caring, friendly and dependable. She had a sense of commitment and a big heart to the point of adopting a baby girl Simpauline Anumdem who became her 4<sup>th</sup> child. Her sense of commitment also got her involved in many community associations one of which is Dignity Ladies where she was this faithful day and became sick from one of the Asthma attacks. She was rushed to the hospital where she later died

Her death will really cause a great vacuum in the Achu, Asongwed, Bodylawson and Divine families. Her smile, jokes and unfiltered honesty will surely be missed, but her spirit, sacrifice and legacy will live on through her children. We love you but God loves you more.

Clara leaves behind 4 children, 5 sisters, 3 brothers, mother, father, grandmother, nieces', nephews' cousins, aunties, uncles, and friends.

*TO GOD WE GIVE ALL THE GLORY*





**TRIBUTES**

Clara my beloved

My hand is heavy to write these words about you for you should have been the one doing this for me. God gave you to me and I took you with both hands, cared for you as the gift of God to me. The Lord has called you back and I cannot question. Our plans have been shortened and I know it is for my good for it will not be long. God fearing as you were, friendly, kind, honest, agile as a monkey, hardworking and patient. You taught your children to know god and respect people. You were an example for other parents to emulate and you have left a name. Clara go well, the vacuum will never be filled. We shall meet again in the land where the roses never fade, Love, Love and Bye

*Grand ma Jessie*

Clara, you have given us the worst Christmas on earth. You didn't even give us the chance to help you. I know you didn't die and ordinary death. It is tear gas and the fact the General Hospital didn't have oxygen. The only thing I can ask for is that you watch over your children and us from above. I wish you farewell Clara. I love you very much but God loves you most.

*Daddy / Father Achu Churchill M.*

Aunty Claire – Clara Mosemba. My best friend, I am still in shock and lack words to express my feelings but who am I to question God Almighty's deeds – for He sees, He knows, He hears our cries. This world is vanity upon vanity. God gave you life and He has called you back to your Heavenly Home. Rest in perfect peace my best friend and daughter till we meet again at Jesus' feet.

*Nadu Evelyn (Mom)*

My Mummy, my comforter, my warrior, my all and all, why did you have to leave us this way after working so hard? You didn't sit to enjoy the fruits of your own labor. You left me without even telling me or showing signs. You called on Saturday night saying you were missing us; little did I know you were saying bye-bye. Mummy, you have left a vacuum in my heart. You always told me I was "your shoulder". We laughed, talked, and shared bags and everything. You have left me to be the mother and defender of Anjei and Fon and many more to take care of. You were known to take care of orphans, widows and widowers. You taught me and brought me up to be the woman that I am today. I love you Mummy but GOD loves you more. I will make you proud. RIP Mummy, my all, my heart bleeds.



*Asongwed Akwen Sherry (First Daughter)*

"Claire Achu" as I fondly called you, it is to me like a dream. My heart is bleeding so hard. I can't even cry out loud. I remember you used to tell me that "You need to stand firm like a pillar". I had a plan for you; to build a house for you, buy you a car, and expand your business which was your passion to higher heights. Mummy you are the best mother any child could ever wish for. I hate to acknowledge that you are no more; I hate it even more that I couldn't accomplish even one of my dreams for you. But the God we serve has a reason. I believe you are in a better place. Mummy where are you? I ask myself. I refuse to believe you are no more. Mummy you suffered and didn't even enjoy anything. You sent us a letter on the 13<sup>th</sup> asking us to pray, we did pray and even fasted. I know you are in Heaven. You are the kindest woman ever, the most generous I know. You had a heart of gold. Your ringtone on my phone was Mama Oyoyo. My sweet potato, my mummy dearest I will miss you forever. With all my heart I say ADIEU AUNTY CLAIRE, Mummy Sweetest. I love you but GOD loves you most. YOUR PILLAR

*Asongwed Samantha Anjei (Second Daughter)*

Mummy, you left without saying goodbye. It was shocking when we heard the news of your departure. Wish you a happy life in our Fathers House since HE is the giver and taker of life. You are going forward to prepare a home in Heaven for us to join you. I love Mummy and goodbye until we meet again.

*Asongwed Fon Asongwed (Son)*



Claire, your death is still shocking to me and unbelievable. You were a nice and comforting partner no matter what happened. Why did you have to go so soon without enjoying the fruits of our labour? You have left me to careter alone for the children, so I must ensure your dreams come true. I am still in shock and speechless. May your soul rest in peace.

*Husband Asongwed Samuel*

Mummy, my new mother I was an orphan you took and adopted me and said I am your last child till death took you. Mummy I saw you on a stretcher and couldn't believe. Mama, who have you left me to? You told me I need to grow fat, that morning you cooked and we ate from the same pot only to receive the shocking news that you were no more. I am still in shock and believe that Sister Akwen is here to complete the work you started. RIP Mummy.

*Simpauline Anumdem (Adopted Daughter)*

RIP our dear sister. We thank God for the opportunity to have known you. My heart bleeds terribly, words cannot describe the pain. May the Lord welcome you into His Kingdom till we meet again. Now is your time to rest. We are all passing by on this earth to the place our Savior has prepared for us. It is Gods will and we cannot question. Ma Clara RIP. We love you and we'll miss you terribly.

*Christy, Ruth, Jessy and Cynthia (Sisters)*

My Sister, my mother, my stronghold, my all, wey Ma Clara, I don't even know how to put my words to express my heart feelings. I am in denial, I am in shock, I am overwhelmed, oh God! Ma Clara, nothing has ever shocked me the way your death has. You were so full of life, your kind heartedness made you unique. Wey Ma Clara! Your death has taken me unawares. As a Christian, I believe that God knows why He has called you to His Bossom this early. I love you Ma Clara, I love you so much my dear sister. Go prepare room for us in Heaven. I miss you, I will miss you dearly. May God, receive you. ADIEU

*Fri Achu (Sister)*

Beloved Sister, mother and friend. I am short of words! I just want to let you know that you will always be remembered and remain in our hearts forever. I miss you dear sister.

*Tebid Solomon Achu (Brother)*

Aunty Clara, you have left us. You were our mother, aunty, friend and guardian we are astonished that you have left us in the twinkle of an eye. We will really miss you and we pray that God Almighty should receive you in His Loving Kingdom. Good bye.

*Kenrick and Keegan (Nephews)*

Aunty Clara, it is still unreal that you are gone. It was just a few weeks ago, we were talking to you on the phone and you told us you were coming to see us soon, sadly that couldn't happen. We will meet again one day. Goodbye Aunty

*Vayhie and Siyami Njang (Nieces)*

Clara my first child, simple but pretty are you really gone, just like that? I remember how you worked so hard for all your achievements; through school, marriage, your business, your devotion especially to God and your children. You never took the time to stop and enjoy your hard work. You fought through everything you had even through death. Oh! Clara how you died suddenly. This rest I could not offer you, I believe you have found it in God in heaven. Rest in Peace.

*Prisca (Aunty)*

Forever in our hearts

Ma Clara, we are still shocked from your sudden death. Unfortunately there are no answers. As difficult and painful as it is, we have to accept that you are gone. It is true there is so much sadness, but we will hold on too the good memories we all shared with you. We will miss your stories and your the lovely smile you always had on. You were such an amazing sister. Rest in peace Aunty Claire. Aunty Claire, eulogies are good to be said directly. How can I say to you, bulldozer, soft spoken, always smiling, calm, humble, and respectful and many other virtues you possess when you just left abruptly? It pains a lot when I thought you will be the one to prepare my destination. Well God knows why. We cannot question Him. May your soul rest in perfect peace. ADIEU.

*Karen, Ethel, Nina, Leslie, Diana and Lloyd (Cousins)*



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***Julie Mbaku***

A grievous loss. The Lord alone knows why He took you away from us so early. Stay well and blessed until we reunite again.

***Tah Asongwed and family***

Aunty Clara, mummy...my friend's mother who became my bestie I don't really know how to put it but I'm confused. Who will send for me at 5am every day to discuss all her worries? We talked and laughed like mates. Who will tell people I'm Akwen's friend and sister again??? I wish RIP means Return if Possible..... I will forever miss you mummy, my friend.

***Abella Ngea***

Aunty Clara, what a way to leave us. Why have you taken your beautiful smile and your joyful spirit away from us? It hurts so badly but you are in a better place. Until we meet again. Adieu.

***Wendy Ambo***

Aunty Claire, I wish I was dreaming. It is unbelievable you are no more, but I thank God for all the qualities I learnt from you. Meekness not weakness, simplicity, love, compassion, kindness and prayerfulness. Who will travel with me to Cotonou? What will I tell Romeo and all the people in Cotonou? We spent very little time together but memorable ones now I feel so empty without you. We spoke on the phone that black Sunday at 1:30 and at 4.0 Clock you are no more. I can't stop crying, RIP Clara, ADIEU ADIEU my sister from another mother.

***Madame Kamani A.K.A Mami Ghana***

My Sister, friend, spiritual adviser, my all. It was like a dream the hour I heard you were no more. I wanted to ask what happened but I remember you always said we should never question Gods decisions. Let that same God keep you at His right hand.

***Bei Bridget Abongwa***

Ma Clara, I was the only girl in my family but always had an elder sister in you. Whenever the boys gave me trouble, I found refuge in your house. Your strength and enterprising nature was a source of inspiration. Papa and Angel were sure of your Christmas gifts and "Back to School" support. Your death creates a vacuum in our lives; but we will always remember your words of advice to carry us on. Adieu Ma Clara.

***Jane – Bingly***

Clara this is definitely a very hard task to perform. You and I have come long way as young girls in school and grew up into ladies with deeper understanding of life and its emptiness. You were very open, very generous and ready to help women become independent. You did this to countless and I am one who benefited from that good nature of yours. Thank you for all you did during your brief sojourn. I cannot question God on the things you have left undone or about how brief your life has been. I thank Him that His good plan our lives met and probably impacted others. You are not gone because the kids are there. I will pray for them and do my bit to nurture them into wonderful people. It is well. Adieu.



***Constance Tasi***

Mummy, I don't know what to say cause I'm still very shocked at your death. You were always there to guide me to the right path but now you are no more. You will be forever in my heart.

***Kwende Beryl***

Aunty Claire thanks for existing because you existed for me. You taught me how to love and to have concern for all human beings. More so your attachment to God's word enabled me to be closer to God. I am sure you are with God in His Kingdom because you did an amazing job here on earth and I believe by faith that one day we will meet again as you used to tell us that "After life is life again for those who know God"

***Letchou Brice***



Ma Clara, aunty Claire ooh, my dear big sister and friend. My heart hurts. Aunty Claire, you were always there for me giving me sound advice all the time your passing on is a very good lesson for me and to others as well. How ready are we? For death can befall us at anytime and at any moment. My vibrant aunty Claire, ooh my good God, I will greatly miss my “Naomi” you were to me as Naomi was to Ruth in the Bible. God your words Thessalonians 5:18 says “In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you”. Love you always Ma Cla

*Barrister Nsen Abeng*

Mummy, I will never forget how you helped and guided me throughout these years generously, sharing your time and experience. You always told Akwen and I to take our studies serious especially when we lived together in our second year. We promise not to fail you. You were a mother to me. I will miss you so much.

*Akwen’s friend, Ngwa Kelly*

Dear mummy, its sad wishing you farewell. After somany years of not seeing you, then heard of your sudden death makes it more difficult to believe you are gone. Who am I to question God? Only Him knows best. Till we meet again. May your gentle soul rest in peace.

*Your step daughter Ornella Asongwed Epse Ngale*

Mother, you were a precious gift to us from God Almighty with so much beauty, grace, love, kindness, hospitality and patience. You touched my heart from the very first day I met you. Losing you is an incredibly painful experience. I remember how you called me the first time “Small Mbonde”. Mother, you continuous advice to us was to always study hard and pray because that is what will brighten our future and dreams. You told us to never give up on our dreams but to persevere no matter how hard the storms may be. Mother, you heard God’s whisper calling you home and finally you gave your hands to God and slipped away quietly without telling us good bye. I will miss you mommy.

*Small Mbonde*

“Akwa/Twin wuna di run me noh? I go see how wuna go do time for this pikin their married”. This were the words you always told me whenever I passed by the store. Now you are no more. We love you and miss you Ma Clara. Farewell.

*Anyim / Ngu Asongwed*

*Sister and brother-in-law.*

Dear Sister, when nature calls, man answers. God gives and takes whenever He wishes. It is with this that I say good bye. There is no moment that I spent with you here on earth that I regret. But I will for sure miss the time I had to spend with you most especially this coming Xmas. Save journey sister and make a special place for the rest of the family.

*Cho Harrison, Cousin*

Claire, my pillar here in Cameroon, what happened? So you were insisting and asking Akwen to call me when it was your last days? Claire, you have left me in a state of confusion but God knows why. I will make sure I try my best in taking care of the children to make you happy. I love and miss you so much.

*Ruth Asongwed, Sister-in-law.*

My dear Clara, it has been a wonderful life while it lasted. You have been a tough woman, dear friend and a mother sans pareil. Have a good rest dear sister.

*Ni Asah Ndangoh*

When people grow up, they hardly know where they are going and who they will meet along their path of life. Clara, I met you in 1995. I had never known you before. I simply came to your house to collect a parcel your husband brought for me from Europe. Being the kind woman you were and will always be, we became good friends. You were my friend, my mother, my sister I never had. You looked over my son Judang for 5 years as if he was your son. We miss you. May the Almighty grant you eternal life so you can continue to be our protégé.

*Claris Khan (Judang’s mom) London.*