BIBLE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY

Assigned: somebody to carry the Bible/ head of the family/ priest/.

Leader: To show that God is at the center of their lives, let us now enthrone the Bible, the Word of God, at the altar. By placing the Sacred Scriptures at the Altar of God in this Church, we acknowledge the importance of God's word in our lives.

Enthroning the Bible in our Missional Community, we place the word of God as one central aspect of community life besides the Eucharist. The Bible is the word of God when Read for the community, and it should be placed where it will be seen regularly by members. You can also do this at home.

(Use the following ritual prayer when you gather as a family to enthrone the Bible.)

Things to prepare:

Bible
A shelf or table where the Bible will be placed (the shelf may be adorned with a cloth and candles)

When possible, the ritual may start outside the main door to the house or the main entrance to the room. One member of the family holds the Bible, raised slightly. The head of the church (priest) or head of family (father or mother) does a procession to the Altar, and begins the celebration with the Opening Song:

JESUS, WE ENTHRONED YOU

Jesus, we enthrone you
We proclaim you are king
Standing here, in the midst of all
We raise you with our praise
And as we worship, fill the throne
And as we worship, fill the throne
And as we worship, fill the throne
Come lord Jesus and take your place
Jesus, we enthrone you
We proclaim you are king

Standing here, in the midst of above
We raise you with our praise
//And as we worship, fill the throne
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Come lord Jesus and take your place//

LITANY

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Word of the Father.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You became one with us to tell of the Father's love.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You are the light that shines in the darkness.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You save us from fear and break the bonds of sin and death.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You come to guide our steps and lead us to God.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You are the Word of eternal Life.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Leader: You fill us with the Holy Spirit.
R. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

As everyone sings: SEEK YE FIRST FOR GOSPEL READING:
//Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!//

Then, Scripture (from the altar will be raised) is read from the Bible:
(Choose one of these)
Option 1 - Matthew 4:17-23 *Jesus calls and heals through the power of his Word.*
Option 2 - Mark 4:1-20 *The Word is like the seed.*
Option 3 - Luke 4:14-21 *Jesus proclaims the Word in Nazareth.*
Option 4 - John 1:10-14 *Jesus, the Word of God and the light of the world.*

After the reading, the leader places the Bible in the place prepared for it. All bow deeply before the enthroned Bible.

BIBLE STUDY SESSION PROPER

By Bro. Joe Coquilla (45 Minutes)

Slides and Word Document to be Provided

AFTER THE BIBLE SESSION

THE COMMUNITY WILL OFFER OUR PETITION PRAYERS

KISS OF PEACE

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you Always

People: And Also with You.

COMMUNITY SONG: OUR FATHER (WITH CHOREOGRAPHY)

Closing prayer:

PRAYER LEADER:

We have heard your words, Jesus.
They give us joy and bring light and truth into our lives.
Your presence gives us peace in our troubled and divided world.
Let your Word create in our hearts a deep desire for you.
Be with us in our hearts and homes, in our community and country.
Please give us your Holy Spirit to help us to understand your Word.
We now enthrone this Holy Bible in our midst.
Make your Word the center of our lives.
May your Word inspire all that we think and say and do.

May your Word unite us in unity with each other and with you.
Today and forever.

R. Amen.

Communities' Commitment and Promise:
TOGETHER:

We promise to respect the Word of God in our midst.
We shall read and reflect on it as a family of God.
May we draw from it inspiration for our decisions,
strength for our work,
and comfort in suffering.
Jesus, help us to be faithful to our promise,
you who live forever and ever.

Amen.

BLESSING AND CLOSING SONG:

I WORSHIP YOU, ALMIGHTY GOD

I worship You, Almighty God

There is none Like You

I worship You, O Prince of Peace

That is what I want to do

I give You praise

For You are my righteousness

I worship You, Almighty God

There is none like You.

There is none like You.

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Prepared for SANTO NINO MISSIONAL COMMUNITY,

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