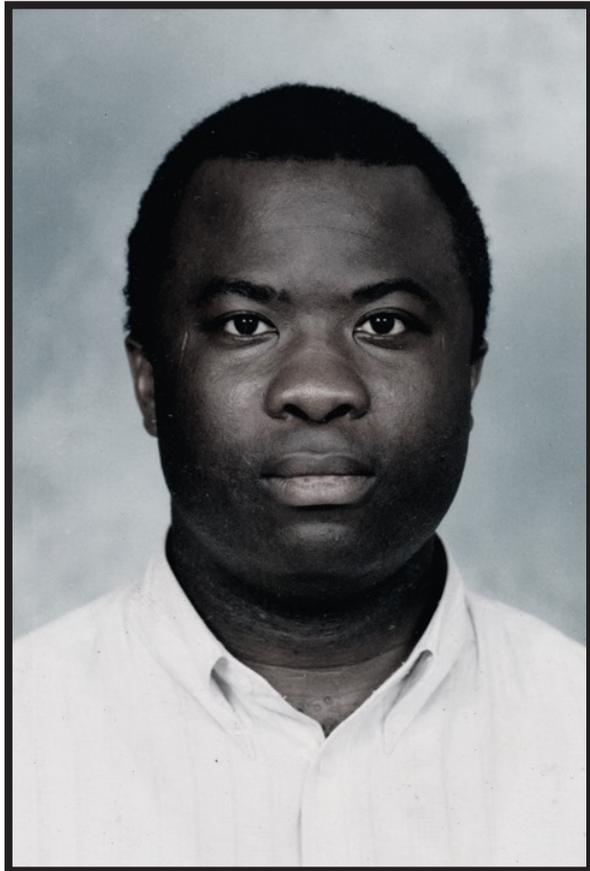


# MEMORIAL SERVICE



DR. NNAMDI AHUNANYA

1962-2017

Stella Maris College Chapel

Gzira, Malta

Sunday 12th February 2017

## Song of the Garden

The Lord into His garden comes;  
The spices yield a rich perfume;  
The lilies grow and thrive,  
the lilies grow and thrive.  
Refreshing showers of grace divine,  
From the Father flow to every vine,  
And make the dead revive,  
and make the dead revive.

Oh that this dry and barren ground  
In springs of water may abound;  
A fruitful soil become,  
a fruitful soil become.  
The desert blossoms as the rose,  
When the Saviour conquers all his foes,  
And makes His people one,  
and makes His people one.

Come brethren you that love the Lord,  
And taste the sweetness of His word;  
In Father's ways go on,  
in Father's ways go on,  
Our trouble and our trials here,  
Will only make us richer there,  
When we arrive at home,  
when we arrive at home.

## Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now I'm found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'twas Grace that taught,  
my heart to fear.  
And grace, my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear,  
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come.  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead us home.

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be,  
as long as life endures.

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That saved a wretch like me.  
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Was blind, but now... I see

# Program for the Memorial Ceremony

Opening Remarks by Bryan Corlett

*Song of the Garden*

Sharing and prayer by Bro. David Mizzi

Musical Offering

Testimonies

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Sharing and prayer by Laiq Ahmed Atif

Testimonies

Reflection

*Amazing Grace*

Closing Remarks & Prayer

MC: Bryan Corlett



Dr. Nnamdi Iwuoha Ahunanya was born on the 1st of April 1962 in Amaukwu, a small village in Imo State, Nigeria. His Parents were Bernard and Veronica Ahunanya. He was a twin and the eldest of six. Due to unfortunate circumstances his twin passed away as an infant. He spent most of his childhood years living with his grandmother, through which he learned many valuable life lessons and began his love for education. As a child he was also very religious and spent most of his childhood years as an altar boy for the local Catholic church. Soon after he finished secondary school in 1978, his mother passed away.

Though it was a difficult year, he befriended a local girl who would later become his future wife. Comfort and Nnamdi met while sitting for their final exams at the end of secondary school. After being together for two years Dr. Nnamdi embarked on his first educational journey to India in 1980. He graduated with a bachelors of science in Pharmacy from Karnatak University in Dharward in 1983. When he returned home to Nigeria, Dr. Nnamdi Ahunanya married the love of his life, Comfort Amaechi, in a traditional Nigerian ceremony. He then moved to Malta in 1984 to study medicine at University of Malta.

In 1985, he joined the Family Federation for World Peace, which is a movement that focuses on bringing world peace through uniting world religions and promoting values that strive for strong families. Dr. Nnamdi found this to be an inspirational philosophy and spent the rest of his life striving to embody.

In 1986, Comfort joined her husband in Malta and had a catholic marriage ceremony in Stella Maris Chapel on the 22nd of December. They welcomed their first son, Chigozie, a month later.

Dr. Nnamdi then transferred to Al Fatah University in Tripoli, Libya to finish his medical degree. While at Al Fatah University, he frequently visited Malta to be with his family. At the end of his time in Tripoli he graduated as a cardiothoracic surgeon in 1996. Having completed his educational journey, Dr. Nnamdi returned to Malta to settle with his family.

While abroad, their second son Chinonye was born. Following her brother three years later, their only daughter, Chioma greeted the world, thus completing their family. Through the growth of his family Dr. Nnamdi continued to study. In 1999 he received a post-graduate diploma in Geriatrics and Gerontology from the University of Malta.

Throughout his years in Malta, he was active in various projects, including being the secretary general of Universal Peace Federation Malta which is an international and interreligious network of individuals and organizations, dedicated to achieving world peace. He was also a leading figure in the Nigerian Community in Malta, as well as part of the Green Isle Project. The Green Isle Project is an organisation with the aim to increase the presence of green spaces in state schools and around the country.

Throughout most of his life, Dr. Nnamdi was a man of good health but in the autumn of 2016, he became ill and was hospitalized for 2 weeks due to complications after an abscess was found on his body. After being discharged from the hospital and deemed fit to travel, he left on a trip to Nigeria. While in Nigeria, he became ill again and suffered a stroke. This led to the rapid decline of his health.

Dr. Nnamdi passed away on a Sunday, in his home in Nigeria surrounded by family members on January 15, 2017 .