**Police Officers Appreciation Day**

**Sept 11, 2016**

Service Schedule

Open With National Anthem/Pledge Allegiance To Flag (5 minutes)

Welcome Scripture Reading Remarks: (3 minutes)

Speech- First Lady or Pastor Assistant – (3 Minutes)

**Sample Speech by First Lady**

*Today we are elated as a church family to honor individuals who have exemplified a spirit of excellence in serving our community with integrity, fairness and impartiality.*

*We are pleased that our community/municipalities, Governor, Mayor or Chief of Police are present with us today to honor these officers in a manner that is appropriate. This day will truly go down in history for police officers all across our nation.*

*We ask of you to remain standing as our Pastor comes and asked God’s blessing ...*

Pastors Prayer Of Blessing: - (2-3 Minutes)

Song - choir/small group/soloist - (3-5 Minutes)

Remarks – Mayor, or elected office official - (3 minutes each)

Remarks – Governor – (5 minutes)

Recognition by Chief of Police: (5 minutes)

First Lady to call honorees one by one Awards distributed by Governor, Mayor and Chief of Police along with the pastor

Song - Choir sings – (3-5 minutes)

Offering: - (3 minutes)

Sermon – (15-20 minutes) example of sermon - One came back to give thanks - Jesus

Altar Call:

Closing Remarks: (2 minutes) First Lady will say “glad you’re here and lead them to fellowship hall or place for aster church activities. (depending on the fellowship arrangement).

**Tips And Suggestions:**

* Try to keep service length at 1 hour
* Do not introduce every song and reading by church members just let them walk up and do it
* Only introduce special guests to speak – do it quickly
* Reserve special seating are for the officers and their family
* Give an altar call for anyone who would like prayer for their future, for safety on the job for any personal needs