

INTERNATIONAL METAPHYSICAL MINISTRY

# Rites of the Metaphysical Ministry



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# Rites of the Metaphysical Ministry - Introduction

This document is your Manual of Metaphysical Church Rites as provided by the International Metaphysical Ministry. Contained in its pages are ceremonies for baptisms, marriages and funerals.

All of these rites are worded according to metaphysical belief. However, you are under no obligation to use the exact wording presented here. You are free to modify these ceremonies if you feel that other phrasing would be more suitable for your own metaphysical ministry.

## Marriages

Check with your local city or county office regarding the legal responsibilities for performing marriages. Learn the correct way to fill out a marriage certificate for local municipal records. Enter the word "Metaphysical" in the space provided for the denomination. It is recommended that you obtain a book or two on marriage ceremony etiquette and protocol. Inexpensive books and resources are available.

## Funerals

There should be no legal requirements in the case of funeral ceremonies; however, check with your local city or county office to be certain. Visit the funeral home prior to performing a ceremony to familiarize yourself with the surroundings, sound system, music availability, etc., so that you may be relaxed, prepared and confident.

## Baptisms

In Metaphysics, we believe in baptism **"from within;"** in other words, the conscious mind is baptized by the God-Mind during meditation, through an awakening to Higher Consciousness. However, from time to time, you may be requested to perform a baptism. Therefore, we have included the baptismal ceremony in this manual. This may be a more common occurrence if your metaphysical operation is in a conventional church setting.

There are a number of alternative ceremonies mentioned in the section entitled Other Ceremonial Rites with brief descriptions that you may find of use in your Metaphysical career.

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*It is my hope that you find the words contained herein to be of inspiration and beauty.*

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