## AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF RHODARLYN NAA SHIKA ANYAH Director, Ghana Chapter, AIMFA



Rev Rhodarlyn Naa Shika Anyah is a Ghanaian Christian woman of Ga descent, born on 24th June 1961 to the late Edward David Saint Acquaye who was a banker, and the late Mabel Saint Acquaye, a teacher. She attended the Achimota School Primary boarding at a tender age and completed her secondary education at the Accra Girls Secondary School in 1978. Known for her talent in art, it was not surprising that she afterwards enrolled in the Takoradi Polytechnic to pursue fashion since she had constructed her first hand made garment at the age of 12 when the school could not provide a small size uniform for her.

Rev Naa Shika, met Dr Felix Kwaku Anyah who was then a Medical Officer at the Effia Nkwanta Hospital in Takoradi, Ghana. They married in September 1981 and are blessed with four children by the grace of God.

Rev Naa Shika Anyah had her three year theological training from T-net International in partnership with Teleo University based in Minnesota USA, from where she holds a Master of Divinity (MDiv) and continues to teach students of the same University in Ghana. She was ordained into ministry by AIMFA on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and currently holds the position of Director of Ghana Chapter (DOGC) for AIMFA, which was approved after a probationary period of one year.

In the past she was known for her fashion exploits, as she participated in several American Trade Shows, Prêt Porte Runways and fashion exhibitions in Paris, and Igedo in Germany, together with other International Fashion Designers in 1995. Naa Shika was a well-known exporter of female clothes to world-class fashion retail outlets, including Pier One Imports and Marshalls of USA Departmental Shops.

Her other International pursuits include capacity-building programs organised by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) which granted her opportunities for further training in Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Zimbabwe, in mass clothing production. She attended these programs yearly from 1996 to 1999. Her brand name was then "Naa Shika of Fantasy Designs".

Rev Naa Shika has an Executive MBA from the Paris Graduate School of Management (PGSM) in Human Resource Management since 2008. She also holds two post-graduate diplomas in Business Administration with one from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) and the other from International Professional Managers Association (1PMA) England. UK. In addition she has a post graduate certificate in Business Administration from GIMPA.

She served as Executive Director of The Holy Trinity Medical Centre from 2008 to 2014, and alongside had a Christian bookshop that sold Clergy apparel and church supplies in East Legon American House shopping complex. In 2015 she completed training at the College of Counselling and Psychology with an executive certificate in counselling from the Trinity Theological Seminary. As a philanthropist and founder of Rivers of Jordan Foundation, she facilitated the training of young adults in Management and Leadership from 2014 to 2018.

The Lady Reverend answered to the call of God after several confirmations from men and women

in ministry in Ghana and abroad.

Today while serving under AIMFA, she attends to her Women's Ministry known as "Wells of Hope". Naa Shika says, "The Lord ensured that I got His attention to answer the call through challenging circumstances that I may be equipped for ministry and I am grateful to Him."

