

2. Arrange the participants in the positions which they will occupy during the Marriage Service, and request them to line themselves up with something in the front of the church which will indicate to them approximately where they are to stand.
3. Rehearse the participants in marching to the front of the church and in taking their positions.
4. Rehearse the participants in marching to the rear of the church.
5. Go over the order of the Marriage Service, and give the participants clues to indicate what they are to do and when they are to do it.

The Pastor should instruct the participants to keep their eyes on him during the Marriage Service so that if they forget anything, he can remind them of it.

6. Instruct the Ushers concerning the seating of the mothers, the lighting of the candles (if used), the unwinding of the ribbons or cords (if used), the unrolling of the runner, the ushering out of the mothers after the Marriage Service, and the dismissing of the wedding guests.
7. Instruct the Bride and Groom to form the reception line, and indicate where it will assemble.
8. Rehearse the entire Marriage Service until each participant is sufficiently familiar with it.

NOTE: The Pastor should try to make the participants in the Marriage Service feel at ease during the rehearsal and have confidence in him.

F. Marriage License

The Pastor should make sure that he has the Marriage License in his possession before he starts the Marriage Service. When the Marriage Service is over, the Pastor should request the Maid of Honor and the Best Man to sign the Marriage License as witnesses. After they have signed it, the Pastor should detach the part of the Marriage License which is to be returned to the Orphan's Court, and he should mail it before the time allotted to return it expires. If the time allotted to return it expires before he mails it, he will be subject to a heavy fine.

G. Order of Service

1. An Usher escorts the Groom's Mother to her seat. The Groom's Mother sits in the second row on the right-hand side facing the front of the church.
2. An Usher escorts the Bride's Mother to her seat. The Bride's Mother sits in the second row on the left-hand side facing the front of the church.