

Bishop - "Please be seated."

**Opening Prayer - XXXXX**

Thank you XXXXXX.

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, I am honored that GROOM and BRIDE have asked me to perform their wedding today.

GROOM AND BRIDE have asked that we witness a SAND CEREMONY.

- Move to the Gazebo

**Sand Ceremony:**

For many years the Hawaiian's have used sand to memorialize their wedding experience. Many of their marriages are performed on the beach. The couple could reach down and scoop up sand at their feet and pour this sand together into a glass container that they can take to their new home.

The uniting of two different sands symbolizes the combining of GROOM and BRIDE's separate lives. Once united it becomes inseparable. The individual is emptied into the sea of love and no longer can be separated, but will be forever and always entwined as one.

**Pour the sand**

This will be the first of hopefully many keepsakes, these keepsakes can be used to help them remember the wonderful times they've had together and strengthen them in the hard times to come.