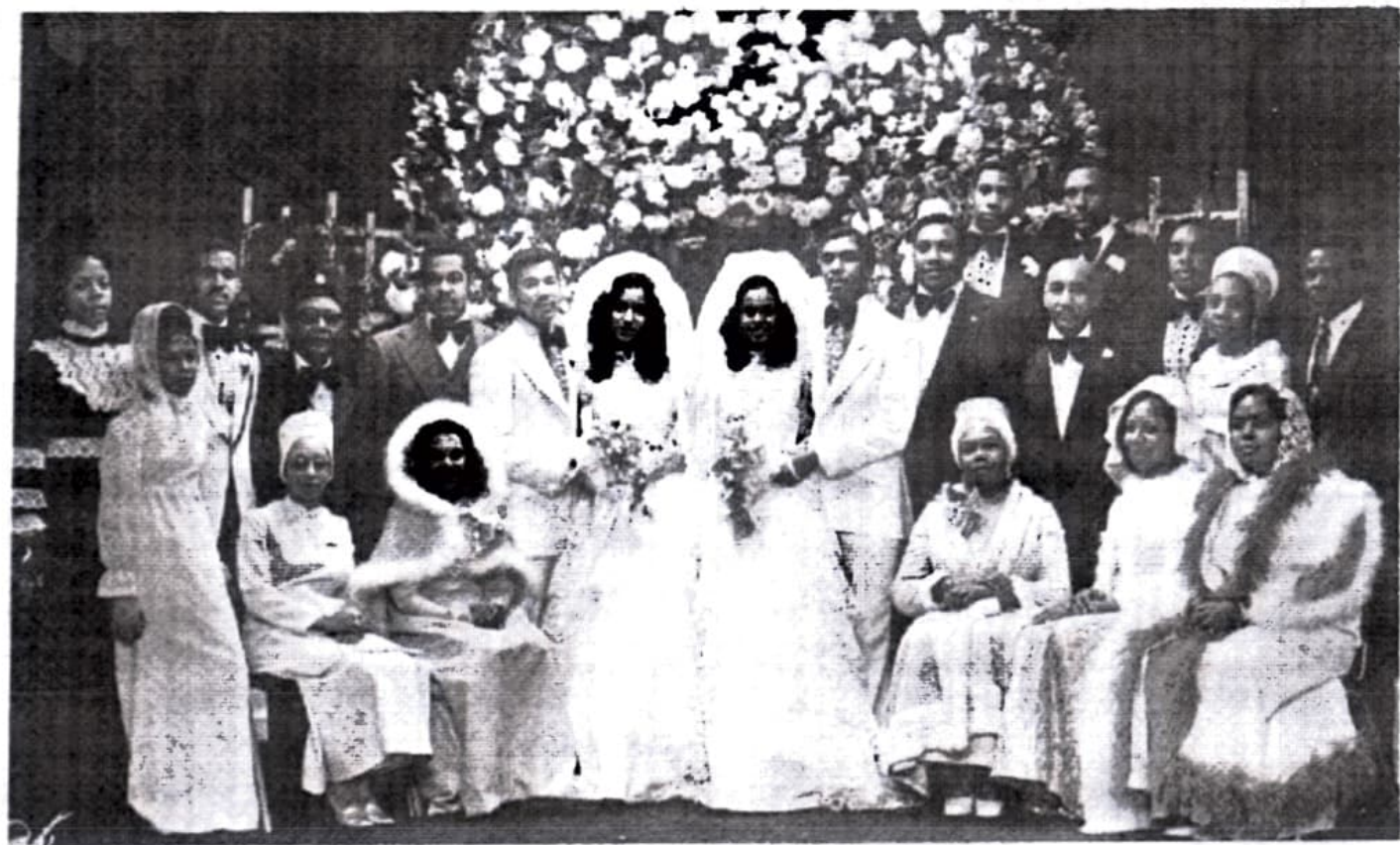




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*Two Great Families Unite!*





Minister Louis Farrakhan, National Representative of the Nation of Islam, escorts daughters Donna (left) and Maria, beginning wedding ceremony.



Min. Wali Muhammad (left), and Ali Muhammad, nephew and grandson of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and grooms of the double wedding ceremony.



Left to right, Maurad Muhammad, best man, Ali Baghdadi, who performed ceremony, Ali Muhammad groom, Maria Farrakhan and Donna Farrakhan, brides, Minister Wali Muhammad, groom, and Silas X, best man.

In the name of Allah,  
and with the will  
of Allah,  
I pronounce you as  
husband & wife.

Professor Ali Baghdadi, New York City,  
January 28, 1975.



Ali Baghdadi conducts exchange of wedding vows between Ali Muhammad, grandson of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and Maria.

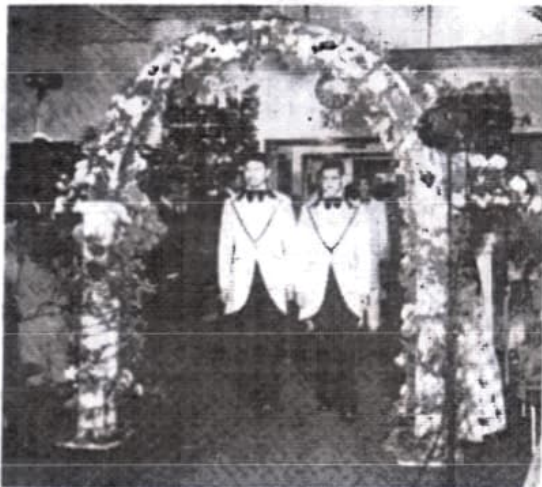


Sister Donna Farrakhan, and Min. Wali Muhammad, exchange vows, conducted by Ali Baghdadi.



*Marriage constitutes half of our religion.  
The Muslim completes Islam through marriage.*

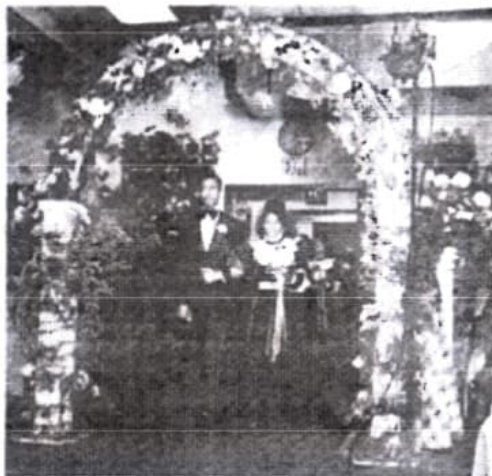
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Brother Silas X and Maurad Muhammad, grandson of the Honorable Eliqah Muhammad, best men.



Maids of honor, Sisters Mary 43X and Hallema Muhammad, granddaughter of the Honorable Eliqah Muhammad.



Brother Abner Farrakhan, ring bearer, and Sister Kaleda Farrakhan, flowergirl.

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Bro. Ameer, ringbearer, and Sis. Lateefa, flowergirl.



Brother O'Brien X, and Sister Nejal X, a bridesmaid.



Brother Carl 4X, and Sister Lavern X a bridesmaid.



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By Mary Eloise X

NEW YORK — Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 7, already a beautiful and stately home of Islam, was transformed into a flower garden and a haven where the union of man and woman was bound by a Holy contract under Islamic law, with the marriage of two of Minister Louis Farrakhan's daughters to a grandson and a nephew respectively of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Messenger of Allah.

PROFESSOR ALI Baghdadi masterfully performed the ceremony in Arabic and English to give the wedding ceremony a new meaning to those of us present as witnesses.

Ali Muhammad, the Messenger's grandson, and Maria Farrakhan, and Wali Muhammad, the Messenger's nephew and Donna Farrakhan repeated the sacred vows to each other, prayed for success and exchanged rings.

The brides were radiant in elaborate, elegant white lace gowns, and the grooms were strident and upright in their ivory colored tuxedos.

MINISTER FARRAKHAN, flanked by his two daughters as they walked up the aisle, looked more like a brother to the brides rather than their father.

Dressed in a burgundy suit with a burgundy crushed velvet fez to match, he emitted an air of nobility. And his wife, Sister Betty Farrakhan, was breathtakingly lovely in a blue silk gown with an attached hood lined in fur.

THE FAMILY of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad was in great attendance and was joyful over such a beautiful union of Muslim families.

At the reception, a formal dinner for nearly 1,000 persons, the Messenger's family was introduced to the delight of the audience.

The hospitality and atmosphere was one worthy to be mentioned to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad whose presence, though not in physical attendance, was felt in the spirit of love which permeated the entire scene.

THE WEDDING with reception was video taped in its entirety so that the Messenger of Allah, in the privacy of His chamber, can enjoy viewing all the festivities again and again.

At the conclusion of the reception, before the cake was cut, Minister Farrakhan spoke about the importance of the wedding. He said that the Messenger of Allah had once told his daughters that he had some "sons for them to marry."

HE ADDED that he teaches his children to love Allah and the Honorable Elijah Muhammad as the most generous of living friends and thus all Praise and honor go to Allah and His Messenger for being the foundation of such a splendid stately event.

The well behaved manners of the Muslim, the beauty of the sisters clad in magnificent gowns and fezzes show both the civilized and uncivilized worlds some of what the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is doing to uplift the Black man into the light of dignity and respect.

All Praises are due to Allah for the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.





'Best among you is he who is good to his wife.'

Sayings of Prophet Muhammad Ibn Abdullah.



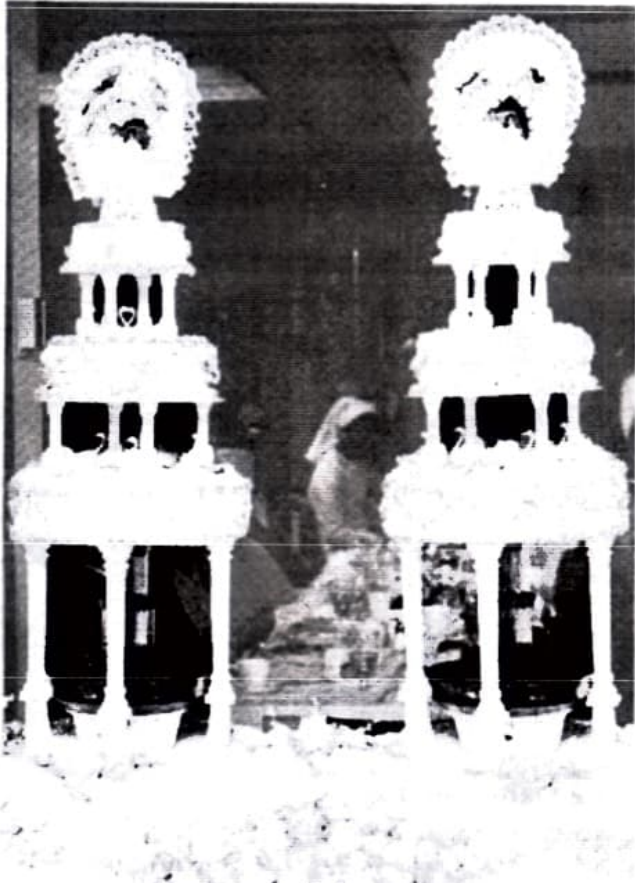
Brother Kamawi X, and Sister Janice 10X, bridesmaid.



Brother James C46X Jr., and Sister Peggy 4X, bridesmaid.







Commanding figure of twin wedding cakes at reception recalls earlier double wedding ceremonies.



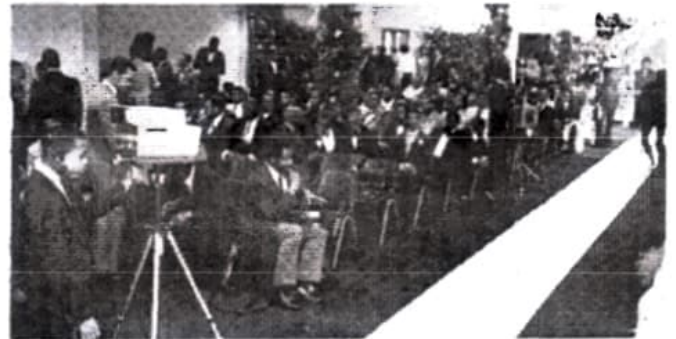
Minister Louis Farrakhan, father of the brides, addresses wedding reception.



Sister Betsy Farrakhan, mother of the brides, with John Ali.



Trio of popular guitarists performs for reception.





'O mankind! Reverence your guardian-Lord,  
who created you from a single person...'

Holy Qur'an Chapter 4, Verse 1



Minister Louis Farrakhan, father of the brides, is flanked by newlyweds at reception.  
Left, Maria, and Alif Muhammad, and right Wali and Donna Muhammad.



Minister Farrakhan and his mother, Sister Mae.



Brothers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and their wives pause for M.S. cameraman.  
(l.-r.) Sis. Bernestine Muhammad, her husband Min. John Muhammad, Sis. Enma Muhammad, sister of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Min. Jam Muhammad and his wife Sis. Wilster Muhammad.