WEDDING PRE-VOWS

We've gathered together as family and friends

We've offered prayers to ask our God to be with us, for we know that where two or more are gathered in His name, there He will be also.

Here you stand.... About to make covenants with each other, before God and all those gathered as witnesses. Know this GROOM and BRIDE, we are ALL here - God and friends and family, because we love you.

What is left for us to do?

First I would like to speak a bit about the covenants you are about to make, specifically about the very last part where you promise to LOVE, HONOR and CHERISH each other for as long as you both shall live. These three words are all you have to remember from this day forward.

If you **LOVE** each other, you will act always in a way that seeks for your partner's happiness. Ask yourself, "What can I do to make Marisa happy?" Knowing that she will do the same for you.

You will remember to always act in a way that brings **HONOR** to your spouse, your family and to our God. In this your thoughts and actions will be blessed.

CHERISH means to hold dear, hold close, treat with tenderness and love. CHERISH each other, your time together, your bond. This love is something that needs to be nourished and protected.

Remember, you are in this together - it is not a 50/50 relationship. Sometimes you will need to give more because the other is taking more. But you give, the tide will shift, and get back to it's normal rhythm. Then you will know that in this give and take your relationship will grow.