

Weddings In Paradise™

Vow Renewal

(Opening Statement)

Doing a Vow Renewal is very special for us who perform weddings, and who work in this field. It's an affirmation that what we do works. That two people in love, committed to each other can, with hard work, and faith can have a wonderful life together. It's an inspiration to their children, and to the rest of the world. Thank you for sharing this day with all of us assembled here.

The other nice thing, is with a renewal, as opposed to a wedding ceremony, is there are no laws to comply with, no liturgy to be followed, and we can do or say whatever we want.

(Optional)

Share some of your memories of your wedding day. Where did it take place, who was there?

(Gathering)

We are gathered here today to celebrate with _____ and _____ as they reunite in marriage. This is a beautiful and joyous occasion, because it acknowledges their commitment in deep friendship and love. This is not a new union, but one that has been tested, matured, and evolved over time.

With this knowing and understanding of each other, you have decided to re-affirm your commitment to spend your lives together. This partnership has allowed you to grow and become aware of yourselves as unique individuals, united in the oneness of love. And it is here today that we honor this.

(Optional Reading)

The Prophet, 1st Corinthians, Chapter 13, or a reading from their wedding.

(Declaration of Consent)

(Groom), will you continue to have this woman to be your wife, and be faithful to her alone?

(Bride), will you continue to have this man to be your husband, and be faithful to him alone?

(Vows)

I, (groom), take you (bride), to be my wedded wife. To have and to hold, from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, and there I pledge myself, truly, with all my heart.

I (bride), take you (groom), to be my wedded husband. To have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, and there I pledge myself, truly, with all my heart.

(Exchange of Rings)

The ring is a symbol of the love you have for each other. Its unending circle represents the eternal quality of your love, and the gold represents the purity of that love. It serves as a seal of the vows you have made before each other, and finally, is a ceaseless reminder of the time you first gave rings to each other and now also of this time and place.

(Groom places ring on bride's finger and repeats) "I give you this ring as a sign of my love and faithfulness.

(Bride places ring on grooms finger and repeats) "I give you this ring as a sign of my love and faithfulness.

(Declaration of Marriage)

May the blessing of life, the joy of love, the peace of truth, the wisdom and strength of Spirit, be your constant companions now and always. And may your days be good and long upon the earth.

Having heard you repeat your vows, each to the other, and witnessed by God and these people here present, I now affirm that you are indeed in love, and married to each other for as long as you both shall live.

(Kiss)