



Wayzaro Menen was born on March 25, 1891 (gregorian calendar) in the Wollo Province of Ethiopia. She married her King, Tafari Makonen, on July 31, 1911 (gregorian calendar). In the Emperor's autobiography he stated the following about his devoted wife: " Her character is such that apart from goodness, there is no evil or malice in her".

Upon the Emperor's insistence, both Emperor and Empress were crowned on November 2, 1930 (gregorian calendar) as the "King of Kings" and the "Queen of Queens", respectively. Together they had six children, three sons: Prince Asfa Wosen, Prince Mekonnen, and Prince Sahle and three daughters: Princess Tenagnework, Princess Zenebework, and Princess Tsehay.

**Empress Menen did many charitable works to help her people.**

**Re-arrange the words below to make sentences. Then write them on the lines provided to learn about some of Honorable Empress Menen contributions. *\*Remember to use capital letters and correct punctuation.***

1. money schools donated churches and to

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2. founded school a princesses for new

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3. to away orphans land gave

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Honorable Empress Menen

Find all the words that describe Honorable Empress Menen

I R  
O P E J  
B U B C C T  
B E X E E S W X J Q Y  
O C T B U S D I X A Z J P T  
S S Y K B A V P I P Z A S L E J  
A V B E N E V O L E N T X R P  
Y R H R I G H T E O U S E  
K Q C T V T B O V W X K N S N X  
A D E V O T E D L P R H F O U R M R M  
W Q Y T F K J V P L Y B V P E K P X  
D S M S I F V Y L I L G V E Q I M  
A Z X M P B I F E X R K O M  
X J Q B E E M Q M G L H O O  
R U V T Z N B F G F P Y A H J R  
Z K X I C V I R T U O U S C E S M W  
Z J L P I T N X V L B R Y F Z T P  
B T X R Z I G F A I T H F U L Q  
Y K E J S Y F W O R G I X  
J O J L S Y D I T L R N  
R X U D U T V H U G T U  
Y K V U I G C I P C  
H M I V M J Y J  
S T W B B N V H M L J F  
E N K D Y N W O D L N G W O G O Q I  
K D V A F K Z W K D E O E L N Z A Z H Q S  
B L Z Q J R P S X H X H N A T H C K A E B  
K Z V T S R I G K L P P E C B  
S W S



VIRTUOUS

MEEK

HUMBLE

ROYAL

HOLY

FAITHFUL

DEVOTED

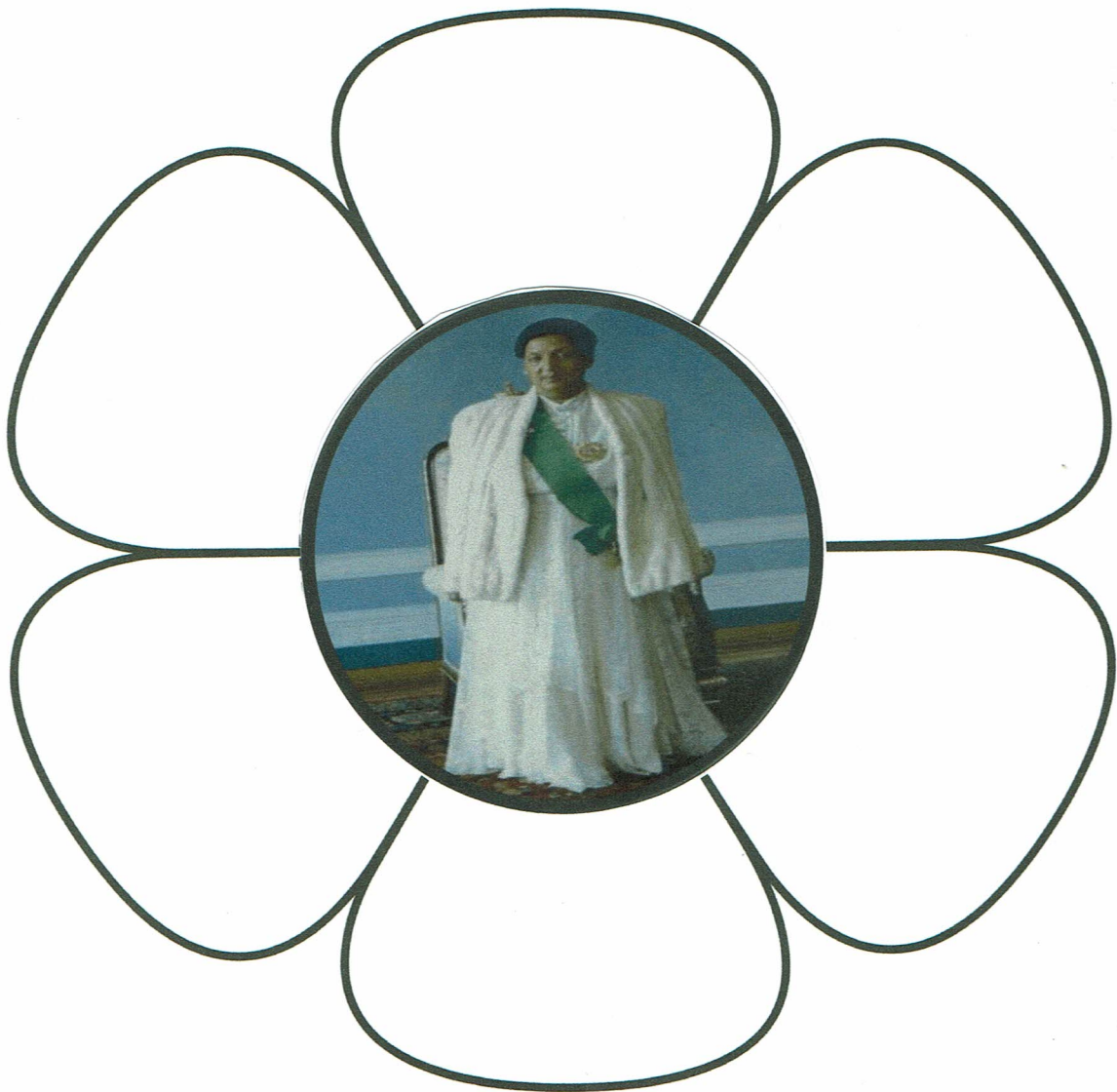
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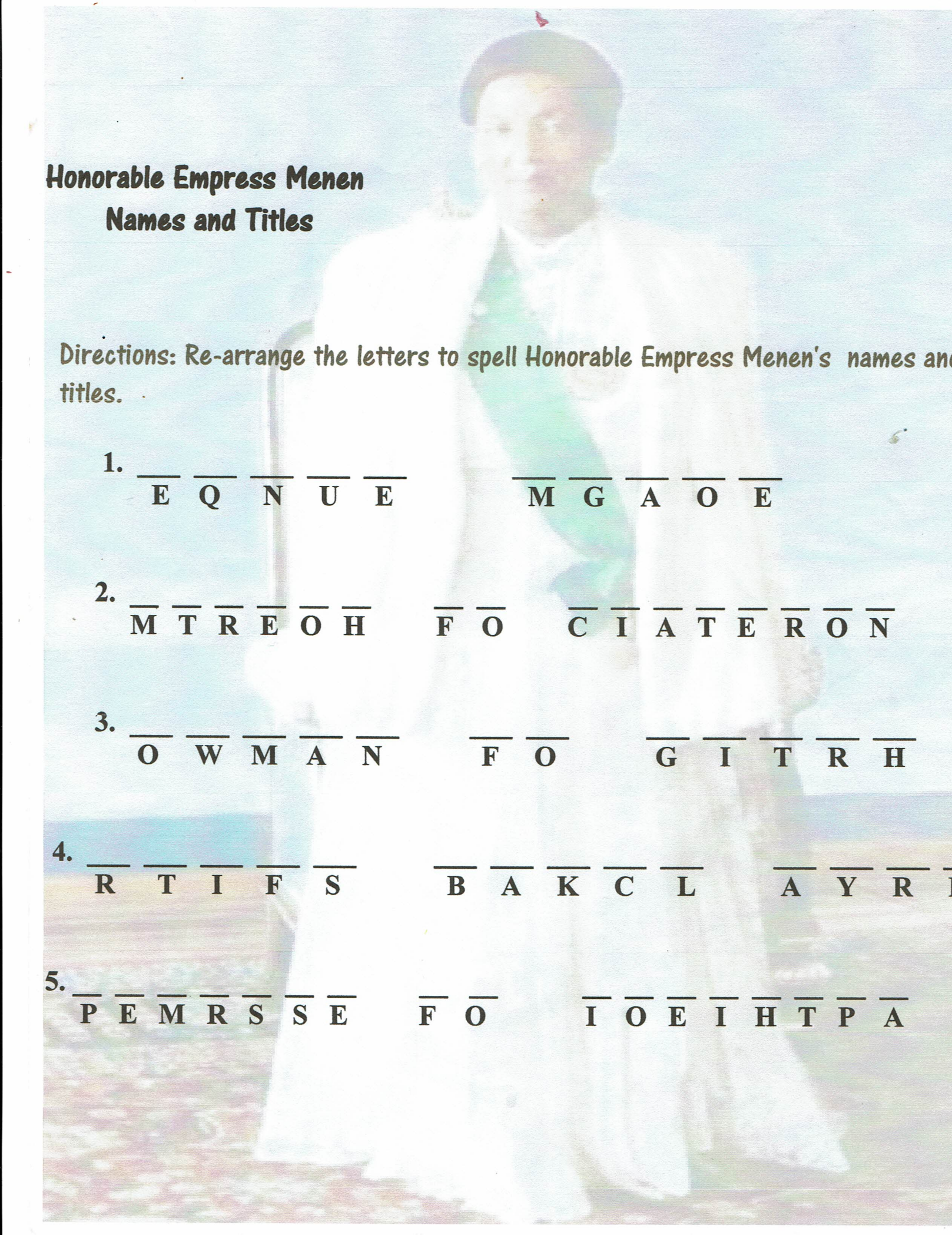
RIGHTEOUS

## HONORABLE EMPRESS WAYZARO MENEN

An adjective is a word that describes, or tell about a person, place, or thing. Think of six words used to describe Empress Menen. Write one of those words on each petal below, until you have filled in all the petals. Then color the flower to display the beauty of Honorable Empress Wayzaro Menen. You may cut out your flower and display it in a special place.







## Honorable Empress Menen Names and Titles

Directions: Re-arrange the letters to spell Honorable Empress Menen's names and titles.

1. E Q N U E                      M G A O E

2. M T R E O H                      F O                      C I A T E R O N

3. O W M A N                      F O                      G I T R H

4. R T I F S                      B A K C L                      A Y R I

5. P E M R S S E                      F O                      I O E I H T P A



*On April 18, 1949 Empress Menen celebrated the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Empress Menen School, which she founded. On this occasion she delivered a speech to the large crowd gathered there.*

“H.I.M. Kings of Kings knew that there is nothing better for the advancement of a country’s progress and development than education. In this regard, H.I.M. built many schools for boys. But if girls are left behind without receiving a regular education, they may have a great disadvantage. That is why I opened this school for the merit of girls 25 years ago, because I knew girls should learn as boys do.

This school was temporarily closed during the invasion of Ethiopia by the enemy, but by the grace of the Almighty the school resumed its functions after the victory. Many girls have had the opportunity to receive a higher education after graduation from this school, and many of them are now working in government offices and private organizations. If my country’s girls have the opportunity to receive a standard education, I know they can offer much, which is expected from them as well as their brothers.

Twenty-five years ago when this school opened there was no more than 50 students. Today, there are over 1300. This number keeps increasing because girls are aware of the advantages of receiving an education. I am very pleased to see this progress.

I give thanks to the Almighty, for whom this 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Empress Menen School is celebrated, and I give thanks to the director and lady teachers, between whom the problems and progress of this school are shared.”

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### Empress Menen Vocabulary Search

**Directions:** While you read the speech given by Empress Menen, find words to fit each category. Write the word(s) in the correct box.

verb	adjective	compound word	number word	proper noun
plural noun	a place	a name	a feeling	past tense verb
word with an apostrophe	synonym for obtain	synonym for schooling	antonym for permanently	3-syllable word