It is with great sadness that we share the passing in London this month of our beloved cousin, Her Royal Highness Princess Zuriash Gebre-Egsiabher.

Princess Zuriash was a granddaughter of Empress Menen. She was married for thirty-eight years to Prince Asrate Kassa. The Princess was a joyful and vivacious personality who had a full life, enjoying both God’s grace and the tests of life. The Princess was a dutiful wife and mother who also served alongside her husband in the various administrative roles he had under the Imperial Government, including as Viceroy of Eritrea.

Princess Zuriash, pictured here with Prince Asrate Kassa, was to suffer imprisonment without charge like most of her relatives for thirteen years under the brutal military dictatorship of the Derg. Her husband, Prince Asrate Kassa, was also executed without any charge by the military junta, along with sixty high ranking officials of the Imperial Government.

The Princess was devout and resilient. Her difficult journey in life, especially during the darkest times, did not shadow her faith or love. She was blessed to see many grandchildren.

We pray that God comforts her children and grandchildren, and may the Almighty receive her soul so that she may Rest In Peace.