

# The Lamp Newsletter International

**In Honor of Father's Day...**

**"A LOVING FATHER" (Copyright 2006)**

**Written by my Beloved Father,  
Elder Minor Palm, Jr.**





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Founder and Publisher



My Father, The Late  
ELDER MINOR PALM, JR.

## **A LOVING FATHER**

by Elder Minor Palm, Jr.

In Luke 15:11-24, Jesus tells the story of two sons. The younger came to his father with a request for his portion of goods that falleth to him. The father agreed to divide his living with his two sons.

The father did not refuse to give him his portion. Although the older son was not ready to leave home, the father also gave him his portion.

A few days later, the younger son gathered all that was his. He left home. He took his journey to a far country.

I want to spend some time talking about this father because we are heading to Father's Day. This father was a good man. He had his house in order. We learn that he had hired servants. He had a storehouse of goods. He had a full wardrobe and a supply of shoes. He had jewels. He had cattle in the fields and crops growing in the fields. His servants had their quarters where they lived. This father had a deposit box to keep his money.

Although his young son knew this, he let his mind wander to far away places. He felt that he would get much enjoyment being on his own. He wanted to make new friends and not go through the daily routines. He went away to fulfill his dream.



However, after some time, wine was not as sweet as it had been. He didn't have as many pretty girls as he once had. His clothes were wearing thin.

The young son was told that he couldn't stay at the fancy hotels. Nobody greeted him as "sir." He was out of money. Nobody cared. He traded his ring and jewels for something to eat. Now he was on hard times.

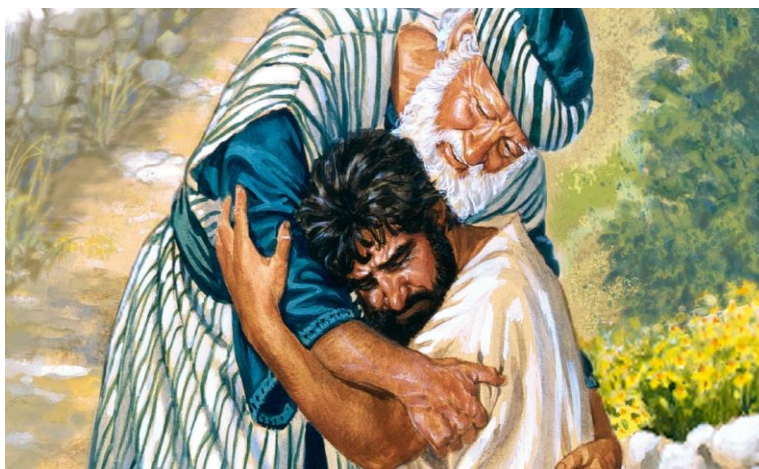


There was a famine in the land. The young son went to work for citizens of that country. His job was feeding swine. This was against his



training for he was a Hebrew.

This young son came to his senses. In his mind, he saw his father's estate and all that his father had. He could see the servants sitting at their table eating. The young man got up and headed for home.



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## ELDER MINOR PALM, JR.

Elder Minor Palm, Jr. was born in Detroit, Michigan on February 5, 1926 to his parents: Elder Minor Palm, Sr. and Missionary Marie Palm. He was their only son. They were also blessed with three daughters: Lorraine, Lillian and Katie. The family loved and served the Lord. They were actively involved in church ministries and community work.

He came to the Lord Jesus Christ in November 1946 at Love Tabernacle Church of God in Christ in Detroit, Michigan. The late Elder Willie Rimson was the pastor. Overseer McGlothen from Oakland, California was in charge of this revival.

While Elder Palm was seeking the Lord at the altar, Bishop Charles Harrison Mason, the founder of the Church of God in Christ, came up and anointed everyone at the altar. Elder Palm had a great experience during this time.

He was filled with the Holy Ghost in December of that same year at a revival held at Hartford Street Church of God in Christ. The pastor was the late Bishop U. E. Miller. This revival was run by Mother Young. God called him to preach the gospel in February 1948.

On May 14, 1949 he married Ms. Willie Lee McCann. They have three children, a son-in-law, daughter-in-law, three grandchildren and three

great-grandchildren. His wife, Missionary Willie Palm, went home to be with the Lord in 2002.

Elder Palm was a member of Greater Miller Memorial Church of God in Christ, known as Hartford Street Church of God in Christ. His pastor was Bishop U. E. Miller. In later years, Bishop Earl J. Wright, Sr. became their pastor. Elder Palm served the church in many leadership areas. He was a General Sunday School Superintendent, the founder of "Church on the Rocks" at the Wayne County Jail in Detroit, mission worker, Junior Church pastor, Assistant Bible Teacher to the Bishop and other positions.

He was a graduate of Cass Tech High School. Elder Palm was employed at Cadillac Motors Car Division as a skilled craftsman. He retired in 1980.

All of his life, Elder Palm was involved in music. He was an outstanding and gifted trumpeter. God blessed him to play in numerous gospel bands from 1940-1980. He was a graduate of the Toronto Conservatory of Music and has received numerous musical awards.

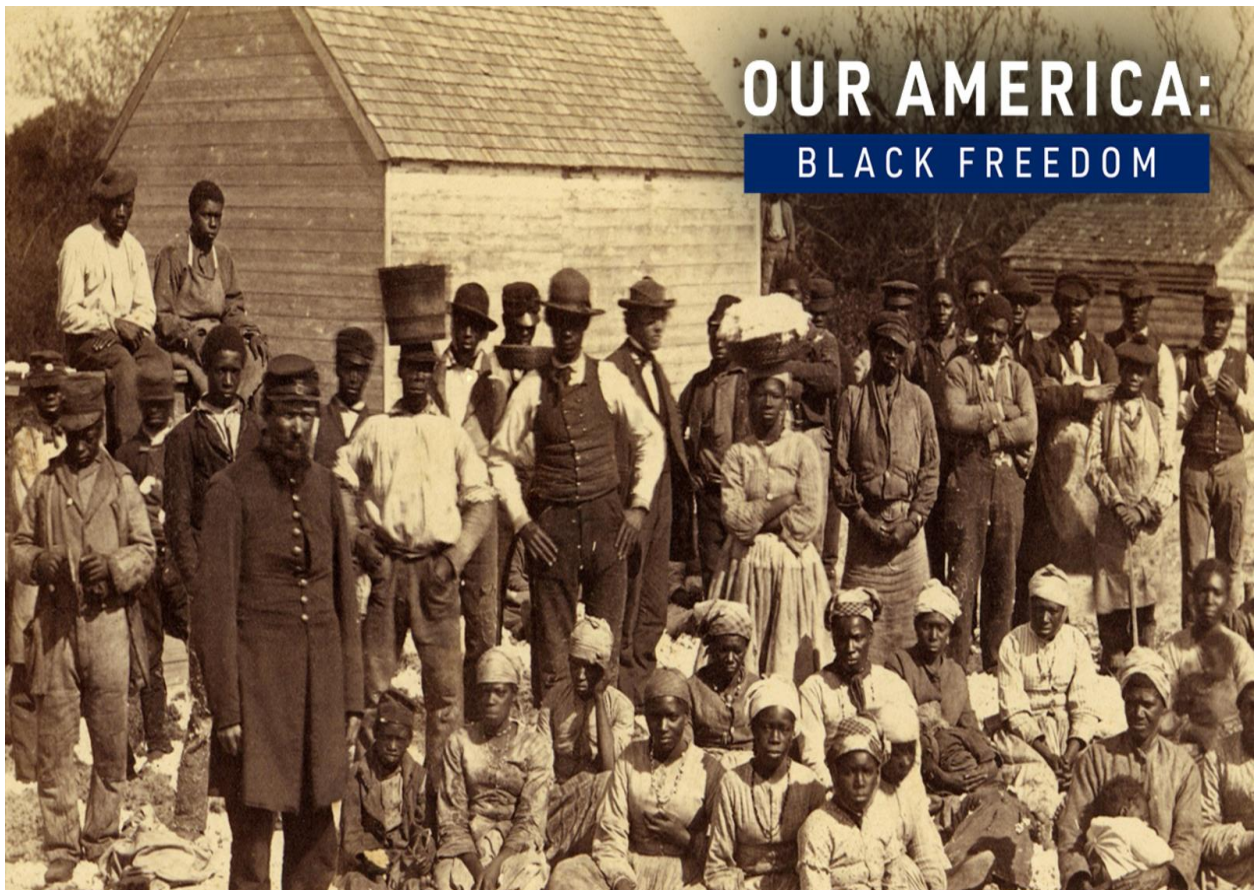
He also graduated from the Auto-mechanics School in 1947. He attended and graduated from the Detroit Barber School, Detroit Bible College and Moody Bible Institute under Superintendent Havius Green.

He was an award-winning writer and talented songwriter. He was an esteemed Legendary Author in The Called and Ready Writers in Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Mary Edwards is the founder. Mrs. Wanda J. Burnside serves as the president of this ministry. One of his endeavors was to publish his book of gospel hymns and complete other writing projects. His greatest desire was to continue to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ to every man, women, boy and girl.

In his later years, he founded a special outreach ministry, FEED MY SHEEP MINISTRIES, to touch and change lives through the radio and printed word.

***My Father, Elder Minor Palm, Jr., was...A Very Loving Father!***





2023 marks the 157th anniversary of Juneteenth, the holiday that recognizes the first day of freedom for enslaved Africans in Texas and commemorates the end of slavery in the United States as a whole.

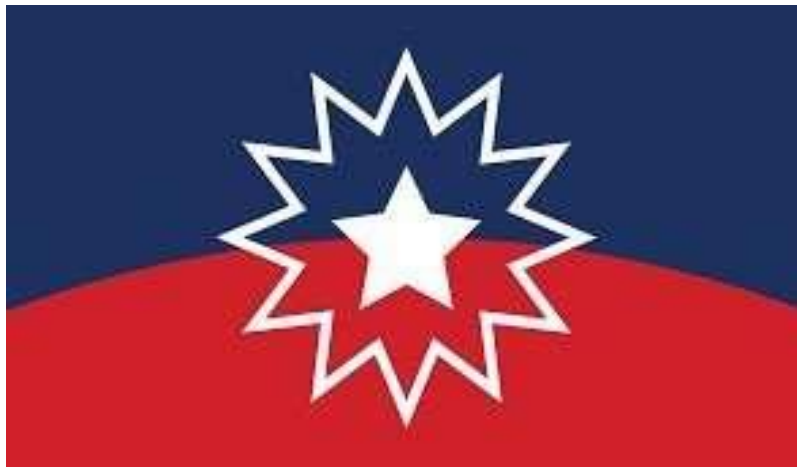
The Emancipation Proclamation issued by President Abraham Lincoln freed enslaved people in Confederate states in 1863. It was a measure meant to punish the Confederacy during the U.S. Civil War and did not cover enslaved Africans in border states.

It also failed to free those held in bondage in Texas. That would not come until June 19, 1865, when Union General Gordon Granger landed in Galveston, Texas, and issued General Order #3. Popular belief is that the enslaved Africans in Texas did not know about the Emancipation Proclamation until Granger's announcement.

## There is a Juneteenth flag

The Juneteenth flag is red, white and blue, though it is constructed differently than the red, white, and blue you're used to seeing.

The flag has one bursting star and is the brainchild of activist Ben Haith, founder of the *National Juneteenth Celebration Foundation*. Haith created the flag in 1997 with the help of collaborators, and Boston-based illustrator Lisa Jeanne Graf brought their vision to life.



In 2000, the flag was revised to the version we see today. Seven years later, the date June 19th, 1865 was added to the flag. The lone star represents both Texas, where the last of slaves were freed, and the freeing of slaves in all 50 states.

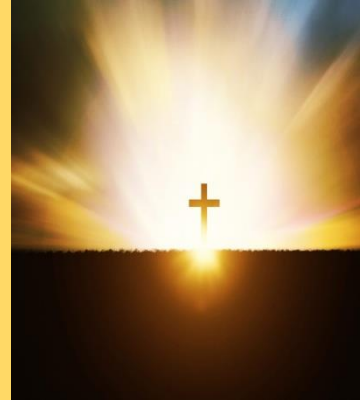
The curve that extends across the width of the flag represents a new horizon and The red, white and blue represents the American flag, a reminder that slaves and their descendants were and are Americans.







Author Ramelle T. Lee



## Five Minutes with God

By Ramelle T. Lee © 2016

Mediation Message: (Psalm 43:3-4 KJV).

***“O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles. Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.”***

Have you ever been in a situation in your life where you were devastated, hurt, disappointed and confused? You were totally overwhelmed to the point that you couldn't even pray in that moment? You needed to talk with God, but the words that you wanted to say just wouldn't come? Well, know that you are not the only one alive who has experienced such discomfort.

When you feel yourself pushed to such a state of confusion and despair, take time to steal away to Jesus! You may desire to cry out to God in that split second...asking the question, “Why me Lord?” Step back in that moment and become determined to face your fears, anxiety and unbelievable hurt that are causing you grief and discomfort.



In your frustration and hurt, you may not have the adequate words to express to God exactly how you are feeling deep down inside. The hurt may be suffocating your senses, but surrender your emotions, bitterness and frustration to God in prayer. Stay right there, in that moment.

Now, breathe in a sigh of relief. Take in

**the fresh air that surrounds you. Inhale and exhale until you are relaxed in your body. When you feel the pressure being released in your spirit, then you must spend time giving God the praise for rescuing you from your distress, emotional pain and grief.**

**Watch the healing begin to take place in your spirit, as you lift your hands to God. As you relax in your mind, He will release your feelings and emotions. You will enter into a place that will give you peace. You will be drawn to new hope.**

**God will not leave you in the place of despair and hopelessness. He will deliver your soul from trouble and cause you to be showered with new hope.**

**Come and bathe in the waters that will restore your very soul. God will comfort your weary soul. As you feel the pressure being released in your spirit within—watch the pain begin to subside. Stay in the presence of the Lord until you can lift up your head and feel the pressure and the weight being lifted in your body. You may think that you have been sent on a long journey in your mind—but you’ve only been away for five earthly minutes in your spirit.**

**Trust and believe God to work out your situation through prayer. It doesn't take God long to do anything when He gets ready to move! He can heal you from any illness! All God asks of you, right this minute, is that you willingly listen to the sound of His voice. The Holy Spirit will give you peace and assurance that everything is all-right. As you relax in the atmosphere of God’s love you will begin to feel more confident and less stressful in your spirit. A calmness will settle those worrying thoughts that you have experienced. Your weariness will evaporate as your mind is put at ease.**

**Realize the journey has just begun. It’s time now to receive a refreshing in your spirit. For God has invited you to feel His presence. He has gotten your attention! Now, praise Him for taking the time to deliver you from a place that you need not visit again! For in His presence you will find peace and joy for your weariness. You will be healed from everything that has come to hinder you.**

**God will restore your soul from trouble. You will be renewed and restored again.**



## An Intimate Connection

By Doris Homan

Over the years, I've heard Christian men and women express their desire to grow in their relationship with God. That is to go deeper in their knowledge of Him and His Word. These words of Jesus are quite sobering. If we think beyond His "I will love him" and really think about this conditional promise, we will want, more than anything, to know Him and to see more of Him. This means for Him to manifest Himself to us. Manifest (*emphanizō*) means "to show one's self, come into view, and appear."

According to Psych2Go, there are 5 levels of friendship: Strangers ("I know of you"), Acquaintances ("I know you"), Casual Friends ("I like you"), Close Friends ("I understand you"), and Intimate Friends ("I connect with you").

Jesus said He no longer calls us servants but "friends" (John 15:14). This



means *“there is no greater love than a man lay down his life for his friends.”* He came to show us the Father and make Him known. The Bible calls us co-heirs with Christ (Romans 8:17) and we are seated with Christ in the heavenly places (Ephesians 2:6) assuming the power and authority given us.

The more we dig into God’s Word, walk in obedience to His precepts and walk in the power of the Holy Spirit, the deeper things of God will be revealed to us. The Holy Spirit is our Teacher, our Guide and our Comforter. As we draw near to God, He will draw near to us and will reveal Himself and we will know (experience) Him (James 4:8)

This is an invitation to a more intimate friendship. Jesus’ invitation to a relationship with Him is modeled after His relationship with His Father; they are One in every way (John 10) (one in character, intimacy, connection and power).

It is up to each of us to decide which level of intimacy we want with God. Will you be satisfied with acquaintance, casual, close connection? Or will you seek to know Him intimately?

This takes a commitment on our part; a commitment of time and energy. After all, it is through actively seeking Him in prayer and the study of His Word that we truly gain that sweet knowledge and connection. He promises that when we seek Him with our whole heart, we will find Him (Jeremiah 29:13)

***God Bless You!***



# TINA TURNER

The "Queen of Rock 'n' Roll"  
November 26, 1939 – May 24, 2023



**Tina Turner** (born **Anna Mae Bullock**; November 26, 1939 – May 24, 2023) was an American-born singer.<sup>[a]</sup> Known as the "[Queen of Rock 'n' Roll](#)", she rose to prominence as the lead singer of the [Ike & Tina Turner Revue](#) before launching a successful career as a solo performer. She was noted for her "swagger, sensuality, powerful gravelly vocals and unstoppable energy", along with her well-publicized history with ex-husband [Ike Turner](#) and her famous legs.<sup>[5][6][7]</sup>

Turner began her career with Ike Turner's band [Kings of Rhythm](#) in 1957. Under the name Little Ann, she appeared on her first record, "[Boxtop](#)", in 1958. In 1960, she debuted as Tina Turner with the hit duet single "[A Fool in Love](#)". The duo Ike & Tina Turner became "one of the most formidable live acts in history."<sup>[8]</sup> They released hits such as "[It's Gonna Work](#)

[Out Fine](#)", "[River Deep – Mountain High](#)", "[Proud Mary](#)", and "[Nutbush City Limits](#)", before disbanding in 1976.

In the 1980s, Turner launched "one of the greatest comebacks in music history."<sup>[9]</sup> Her 1984 [multi-platinum](#) album [Private Dancer](#) contained the hit song "[What's Love Got to Do with It](#)", which won the [Grammy Award for Record of the Year](#) and became her first and only number-one song on the [Billboard Hot 100](#). At 44, she was the oldest female solo artist to top the Hot 100.<sup>[10]</sup> Her chart success continued with "[Better Be Good to Me](#)", "[Private Dancer](#)", "[We Don't Need Another Hero \(Thunderdome\)](#)", "[Typical Male](#)", "[The Best](#)", "[I Don't Wanna Fight](#)", and "[GoldenEye](#)". During her [Break Every Rule World Tour](#) in 1988, she set a then-[Guinness World Record](#) for the [largest paying audience](#) (180,000) for a solo performer.

Turner also acted in the films [Tommy](#) (1975) and [Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome](#) (1985). In 1986, she published her autobiography [I, Tina: My Life Story](#), which was adapted for the 1993 film [What's Love Got to Do with It](#). In 2009, Turner retired after completing her [Tina!: 50th Anniversary Tour](#), which is the [15th-highest-grossing tour](#) of the 2000s. In 2018, she became the subject of [Tina](#), a [jukebox musical](#).

Turner has sold more than 150 million records worldwide, becoming one of the [best-selling recording artists of all time](#).<sup>[11]</sup> She received 12 [Grammy Awards](#), which include



eight competitive awards, a [Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award](#) and three [Grammy Hall of Fame](#) inductions. She was the first black artist and first woman to be on the [cover of Rolling Stone](#). [Rolling Stone](#) ranked her among the [100 Greatest Artists of All Time](#) and the 100 Greatest Singers of All Time. Turner has a star on the [Hollywood Walk of Fame](#) and on the [St. Louis Walk of Fame](#). She was inducted into the [Rock and Roll Hall of Fame](#) twice, with Ike Turner in 1991 and as a solo artist in 2021. She was also a 2005 recipient of the [Kennedy Center Honors](#) and [Women of the Year award](#).<sup>[12]</sup>

### **My Personal Comments:**

*Let me tell YOU! I love Tina Turner for her heart, strength, talent, and KINDNESS! She was an important person in my life. You don't know!*

*Let me say this, I am the publisher, owner and founder of THE LAMP NEWSLETTER INTERNATIONAL. I wrote a major article in 2015. I needed MS. TINA TURNER on the cover of that February issue. IT WAS A MUST!*

*I consulted a dear friend and asked him about what to do. He WARNED ME..."Wanda, Ms. Turner has copyrights, trademarks, and everything on her products...She Is A BRAND...NAME! BE CAREFUL!*

*Well, I asked him to help me to get her permission...he thought I was crazy! BUT, GOD DID A MIRACLE!*

*MS. Turner asked to see and read my article!!! When she read it, SHE WAS TOUCHED...and said.."Tell this young lady..I give her my permission to use this photo of me...and..as long as she writes any story or article saying all of these great things...about God...and using these comments...GO AHEAD and USE ANY OF MY PHOTOS! I grant her my permission!*

*TINA! TINA! THANK YOU!*

**If you want to read my newsletter, with her photo go to February 2015:  
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**CATHY LYNN G, MINK**  
**Popular Bible Teacher and Christian Television Host of**  
**TCT – Len and Cathy Minks Ministry**

Cathy Lynn Gravitt Mink went to her eternal home on Sunday, May 7, 2023.

She was born on November 3, 1947 in Lexington, KY, to Billy Cassius Gravitt and Margaret Adair Gravitt. She was sister to Gary Cassius Gravitt (Judy) and Robert Kent Gravitt (Linda) and aunt to Amanda Gravitt Rogers.

Cathy married Leonard "Len" Myers Mink, Jr. on June 18, 1972. They have two children, Carrie Meredith Mink Perez (Omar) and Leonard "Lenny" Myers Mink III (Leslie) and six beautiful grandchildren: Sydney Mercedes Mink, Leonard "Leo" Myers Mink IV, Dominic Antonio Perez, Stone Cassius Mink, Dylan Antonio Perez, and Violet Ruth Mink.

From Lexington, Cathy's family moved to Washington, DC from 1949 until 1957 for her father's law career. They briefly came back to Lexington and then settled in Cincinnati, Ohio where she attended Finneytown High School. Cathy went on to graduate from The Ohio State University where she obtained her degree in teaching. She modeled throughout her high school and college years and then professionally with the Ford Agency in New York City. She returned to Cincinnati and taught English for a year at Mason High School.

Cathy met Len while he was in production of his musical variety television broadcast, "The Len Mink Show." They were married in 1972 and left behind modeling and show business to start their ministry - a ministry that has circled the globe for over 50 years. During those years they were honored to work with Kenneth Copeland Ministries for 42 years with Len leading worship and Cathy assisting in Healing School.

She also fulfilled a lifelong dream by graduating from Rhema Bible College in 1996, founded by her father in the faith, Kenneth E. Hagin.

They launched their daily television show, "Len and Cathy," on the TCT Network, seen in the U.S. on DirecTV, and around the world in 173 countries.

They have enjoyed a long-time relationship with the Oasis Radio Network, reaching millions of listeners worldwide. Through all of this amazing media ministry, they have continued to travel around the world over nine million miles, visiting 58 countries.

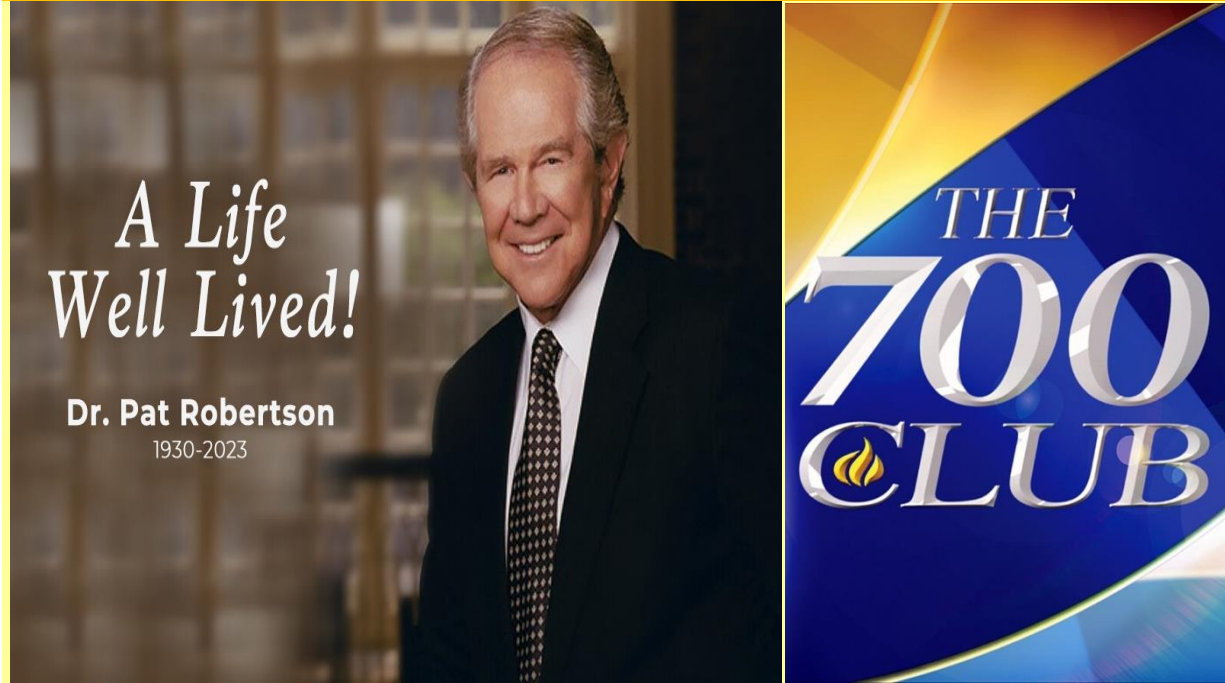
Her reputation as an anointed teacher and a friend like no other to countless people earned her the love of millions everywhere. Cathy's contagious laugh and particular anointing to "Count It All Joy" inspired others to do the same.

Cathy's children and grandchildren were a source of great delight to her, and she enjoyed every minute with them. Her life's work and ministry are a legacy as enduring as the Word of God itself. "Well done thou good and faithful servant."



# PAT ROBERTSON

May 22, 1930 – June 8, 2023



Perhaps best known for offering prayer and political commentary at the helm of *The 700 Club*, the flagship program of his media ministry, Robertson's rise to prominence is rooted in what he called a vision from God to create The Christian Broadcasting Network, which he founded in 1960. A prolific innovator, he also started a Christian university, a legal advocacy group, and an international NGO specializing in disaster relief.

Even while promoting a worldview that believes in the inerrancy of the Bible, both his approach to business and his on-air persona were considered unorthodox by some – if not ahead of his time. Today, his influence and legacy crisscross interests and industries that have broken barriers for countless Christian leaders and laypeople.

Born Marion Gordon Robertson in Lexington, Virginia on March 22, 1930, the nickname "Pat" was given to him by his older brother. Sticking with that moniker rather than his birth name was just the first of many conventions he would defy during his lifetime.

## I AM GRATEFUL FOR ANOINTED PRAYERTIME!



**PAT ROBERTSON** blessed many with anointed daily prayertime. I always looked forward to hearing his prayers and Word of Knowledge that Pat featured on his programs. I know that many of the prayers that he prayed were true blessings in my life. I have been helped

and delivered by God through Pat's time of prayer for his viewers.

I had several answers to my prayers because of the supernatural move of God on Pat's life. I have several testimonies of healing, financial blessings and miracles from God. When I was suffering with illnesses, brokenheartnesses, disappointments, and other problems, I united in prayer with Pat Robetson as he fervently prayed.

My name was called out numerous times when the Lord moved upon Pat with a Word from the Lord for ME! I cried out and thanked the Lord for touching my life and the lives of loved ones, too.

About 40 years ago, I had extreme foot surgery. However, infection set-up in one of my big toes. The pain was so intense! My foot was looking so horrible! But, the Word of the Lord came to Pat that healing and deliverance was immediate! That night, the pain stopped and the infection dried up! I was healed by the Lord! I could had lost my toe, but... GOD HEALED ME! Praise the Lord! Thank you, JESUS!

***PAT ROBERTSON IS GONE! Yet, Jesus Christ is ALIVE! BELIEVE GOD!***

-Wanda J. Burnside, Publisher

# Powerful and Caring Men!

## Thank You! God Bless You!

This January, when my husband, Mr. Simmie Lee Burnside, Jr., was very ill and sincerely dealing with major health issues, these men stepped up! They prayed and rolled up their sleeves and WORKED! I cannot believe how determined they were to do all that they can to help him...and me! These men still continuously call us on the phone and serve us concerning on our needs. They willing do errands and show great love.

My cousin, Mr. Patrick Holloway...daily comes to our home to do many things!



Patrick Holloway  
Cousin



Bishop Earl J. Wright, Jr.  
Pastor and Bishop



Pastor Lindsay Kootman  
Friend



Pastor Michael Hands  
Friend



Jason Minor Palm  
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Sanders Scott  
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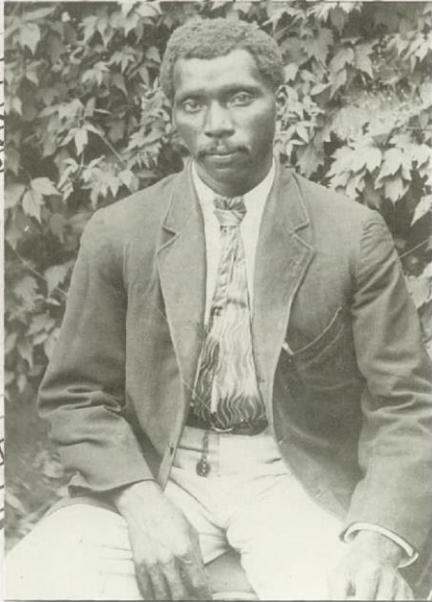
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TO ALL THE **SACRED HARP GROUPS**  
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Rev. Leonard T. Evans Jr. Pastor

Quote from the great grandson Pastor Sammy L Jackson  
*"It's like a clear vision seeing a great opera, where many believers are  
waiting at the doors of heaven to open and they shall  
be joining God's glorious angels choir,  
singing joyful songs unto the Lord in heaven."*

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should write an essay saying why they should be apart of it.  
Adults can also inquire about it.

Free Scholarship to attend Sacred Harp Summer Camp  
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**Are YOU READY to join the MOVEMENT?  
Christians! Let's Take Back the Rainbow! GOD GAVE IT!**

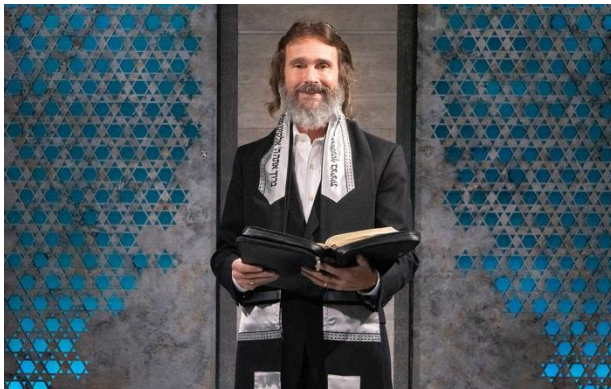
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**Founder- Rabbi Schneider**

**Objectives:**

- To unify the body of Christ in promoting righteousness on the earth.
- To Glorify God by taking the Rainbow back; restoring the rainbow's meaning to its original God-given purpose. (Genesis 9:16, Ezekiel 1:28, Revelation 4:3)
- To remove the stigma associated with the rainbow being exclusively an LGBTQ symbol.
- To share truth to protect our children and the next generation.
- To help those that are in the LGBTQ community receive hope. There is healing, restoration, and forgiveness in Jesus. There is a way out!
- To give God's people the courage to stand up, speak out, and do what is right.
- To push back the powers of darkness until Jesus returns

**A PRAYER  
FOR**

**FATHER'S  
DAY**

Thank you, God, for all who show a father's love in our world.

Thank you for those who are special to us.

Be close to those who are sad today.

Help us know that you, our Father, are always close.

In Jesus' name. Amen.



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