

# The Lamp Newsletter International

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path," Psalm 119:105 KJV*

**IT'S YOUR TIME!**



# Spring Forward For Daylight Saving Time

By *Wells Brothers*

Thursday, February 24th, 2022



It's time to "spring forward" for Daylight Saving Time and gain an extra hour of sunlight. It also means you will lose an hour of sleep!

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13, 2022. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour before you head to bed on Saturday, March 12.

Springing forward and falling back may seem simple enough, but daylight saving's history has actually been quite complex—and misconceptions about it persist today. As you prepare to reset your watches, alarms, and microwaves.

## 8 Things You May Not Know About Daylight Saving Time aka. D.S.T.

1. Its "daylight saving time," not "daylight savings time."
2. Though in favor of maximizing day-light waking hours, Benjamin Franklin did not originate the idea of moving clocks forward.
3. Englishman William Willett led the first campaign to implement D.S.T.
4. Germany was the first country to enact D.S.T.
5. D.S.T. in the United States was not intended to benefit farmers, as many people think.
6. For decades, daylight saving in the United States was a confounding patchwork of local practices.
7. Not everyone in the United States springs forward and falls back.
8. Evidence does not conclusively point to energy conservation as a result of daylight saving.

Click [here](#) to read more fun facts about Daylight Saving Time.

Source: *Christopher Klein for The History Channel*



Mrs. Wanda J. Burnside,  
Founder and Publisher

# It's Your Time!



Dear Readers,

Okay...by now...surely you have changed your clocks **AHEAD** one hour. Yeah! I hope you have set the time one hour **AHEAD** around your house, on your job, on your desk, and everywhere needed. Thank God for the automatic time clocks that are computerized in cars, computers and...the microwaves...and other modern devices.

With so much going on in life, from day to day, I was angered about making this change to our clocks. I had to grit my teeth and felt irritated by all of this! It's annoying to make this springtime adjustment.

You know what...I shouldn't even act like this because this is Simmie's job. Oh yes! I expect Simmie, my husband, to change the clocks here at our house. I don't know why I act like this. Thank God Simmie loves me *or puts up with me...whatever.*

Well, while I was sitting and wondering what to write about for this March issue, it hit me that it's time to **Spring Ahead**. I moaned...and considered writing about the changes of the seasons, the weather, and putting away these heavy winter clothes, boots and things.

THEN...God said, ***"SPRING AHEAD! SPRING AHEAD!"***

WOW! I started feeling what He was saying. My dormant spirit woke up! God was letting me know that we must **ALLOW** His Holy Spirit to move in our lives **OVER** the circumstances, troubles, disappointments, worries and woes.

Friends, in all that we are confronted with, **SPRING AHEAD!** Let the Lord come in and empower you to **MOVE FORWARD** in Him! Breathe! Cry out!

**LORD, COME and HELP ME TO SPRING FORWARD** into a new place in my life!  
Take my hand Lord...Lead me on!

Lift up my head! Send Your Heavenly Angels to **RECUSE ME!**

Lord, get me out of this pit! Set me **FREE!**

Now, there is a Bible scripture that troubles me and blesses me, too. Here it is:

*<sup>10</sup> In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation. <sup>11</sup> All power to him forever! Amen, (1 Peter 5:10-11 NLT).*

What's a problem for me is..."after you have suffered a little while..." NO, LORD!  
How long is a little while? Lord, Your time and ways are way different than mine...Help!

Well, I want the Lord to do as He promised to do: "he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation." PRAISE THE LORD!

So, the Lord spoke to me about a poem that I wrote in 2011..."It's Your Time to Shine!" God bless you. Hold on to these words...**You will Spring Ahead!**

## **SHINE!**

It's your time!  
It's your time to shine!  
You've been faithful,  
Now stay in line.  
God will open the door;  
You will be blessed  
Like never before.

God said,  
**"It's your time!  
It's your time!"**

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## **DONNA R. BROOKS**

### **Youth Staff Writer**



#### **SCRIPTURE FOCUS: PRESSING!**

##### **Philippians 3:12**

*Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.*

##### **Hebrews 12:1**

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,*

##### **Job 17:9**

*The righteous keep moving forward, and those with clean hands become stronger and stronger."*

##### **Philippians 1:6**

*"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."*

**KEEP PRESSING ON IN THE LORD OUR SAVIOR!!**

**Blessings,**

**Ms. Donna R. Brooks**

# PRAY! PRAY! PRAY!

WOMEN  
WORKING

# UKRAINE

**LORD**

Please protect the people  
of the UKRAINE.  
Renew their Strength  
and Faith.  
Please keep them safe.



We hug them in our prayers.  
*Amen* **HL**



**Isaiah 40:9 WEB**

**You who tell good news to Zion, go up on a high mountain; you who tell good news to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with strength; lift it up, don't be afraid; say to the cities of Judah, Behold, your God!**



**From Ms. Sandra Hickman  
Australian Ministry Leader  
And Staff Writer ....**

*I love the word **behold!** It means to observe, witness, discern, see... perceive. In these times when we are witnessing worldwide strife think upon and behold our God who holds us and this world in the palm of His hands.*

*In Isaiah 40: verse 9, **the Lord now directs our focus upon who He is and what He has done; to look upon his glory.** It is a pronouncement of good news; such good news His people are to declare it from "a high mountain," and with "raised voice with strength." We would say make it loud and clear, and so everyone hears it. (16/6/2020) stories GETTING THE MESSAGE/Isaiah 40:9-11 - Neshoba Democrat )*

# Behold!

**Behold** the One whose presence shrinks the earth to a footstool. By whose stature we are tiny specks of dust. The enormity of His vastness is all encompassing.

**Behold** that same vastness of God. See how great it was and is, that the wayward earth beheld His command in the Genesis beginning, and still will in the Revelation's end.

**Behold** the Son of God. There is only One begotten, The One who binds this earth to the heavens. His promises are anchors keeping you tethered to Him... for your benefit.

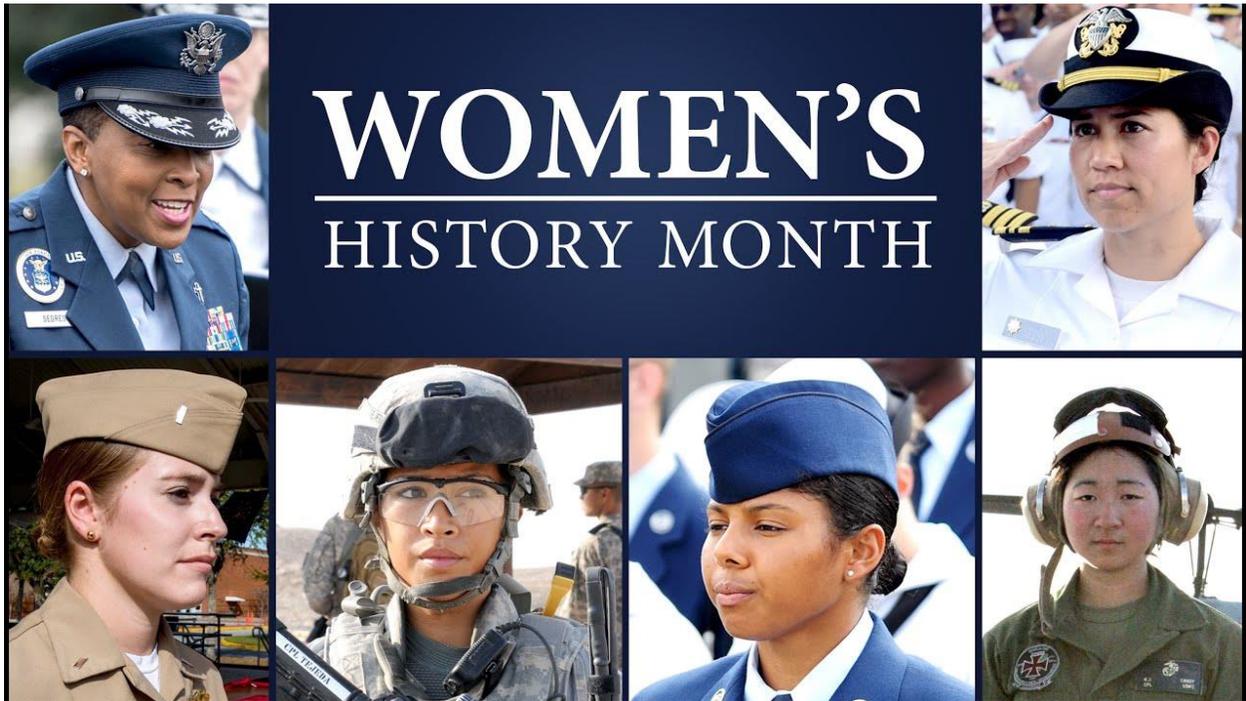
**Behold** your Saviour, your lifeline keeping you bound to righteousness; His hand is upon all things. His is the earth, the heavens, and the universe... **and all mysteries known and unknown.**

**Behold** the man of sorrows upon Calvary, burdened and weighed by your sin. He was pierced to die in your place. Behold the great Adoptee of all who are adopted by faith through grace. Amen.

**Behold** the Prince of peace, **look... Behold** your King!

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# Women's History Month

Every year, March is designated Women’s History Month by presidential proclamation. The month is set aside to honor women’s contributions in American history.

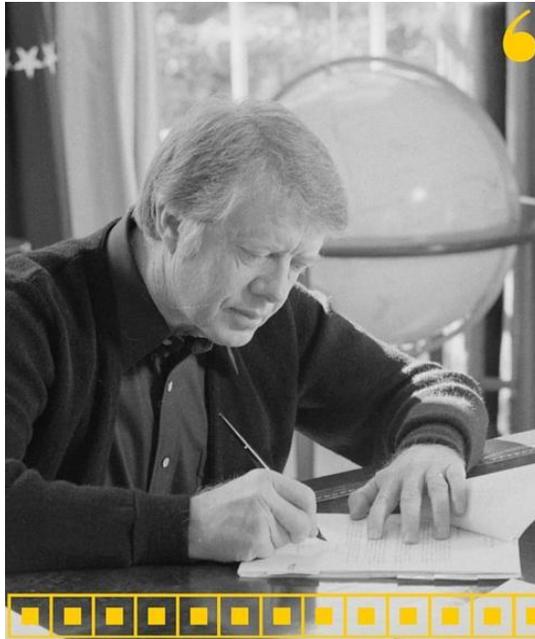
*Did You Know? Women’s History Month started as Women’s History Week*

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Women’s History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California. The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a “Women’s History Week” celebration in 1978. The organizers selected the week of March 8 to correspond with International Women’s Day. The movement spread across the country as other communities initiated their own Women’s History Week celebrations the following year.

In 1980, a consortium of women’s groups and historians—led by the National Women’s History Project (now the National Women's History Alliance)—successfully lobbied for national recognition. In February 1980,

President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women's History Week.



From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indian families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.

*President Jimmy Carter's Message designating  
March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week*

Subsequent Presidents continued to proclaim a National Women's History Week in March until 1987 when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as "Women's History Month." Between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women's History Month. Since 1995, each president has issued an annual proclamation designating the month of March as "Women's History Month."

The National Women's History Alliance selects and publishes the yearly theme. The theme for Women's History Month in 2021 captures the spirit of these challenging times. Since many of the women's suffrage centennial celebrations originally scheduled for 2020 were curtailed, the National Women's History Alliance is extending the annual theme for 2021 to "**Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced.**"



# Staff Writer...Evangelist Kizzy Gray

**Powerful words!**

**Wisdom...Truth...Victorious Living!**



*Always*  
**KNOW**  
**WHEN**  
**TO**  
**WALK**  
**AWAY**

KIZZY. STATEN GRAY

## ***God Bless You, Woman of God***



***Congratulations...KIZZY!***

**Words from Evangelist Kizzy  
Staten-Gary...**

**Soul Winners International  
Ministries has blessed and  
increased my life immensely! I  
thank God for much growth  
and for Pastor *Tilda Whitaker  
Bailey*. We've been growing  
together on our journey since  
2017.**

***Much love to you and the  
fellow Ministers of the  
Gospel. Kingdom Blessings to  
you all. We Win Souls.***

***-Rocky Mountain, North Carolina***

**A GREAT MAN with A GREAT HISTORY...**

**Mr. Anthony Hales, Sr.**  
**of**  
**Poplarville, Mississippi**





## In His Own Words...

*I am a part of the Black History in Poplarville and Pearl River County in Mississippi*

**Retired Supervisor at PEARL RIVER COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT**

**Mr. Anthony Hales, Sr.**

**In 1985, I was elected as the First African American to the Board of Aldermen for the City of Poplarville Mississippi. I served there until I was elected as the first African American to The Pearl River County Board of Supervisors in 1995. I took office in January 1996 and remained there until I retired from public office December 31, 2015.**

As an Alderman, I helped work on infrastructure improvements in the city. This also included streets, fire protection, water supply, equality in the workplace, employee benefits, and police and community relationships. This included securing grants for the removal of blighted and inadequate housing by replacing them with new energy efficient housing at little or no cost to the homeowners.

During my time as Supervisor, I served as both President and Vice President of the board for several years and continued the same type of work as I did as an Alderman. I oversaw the building, paving, and repaving roads in my district. I made sure that departments and other elected officials that we were responsible for funding their offices had adequate funding as much as the taxpayers could pay without being overburdened.

I introduced new concepts to the Board about how some business should be done. I supported law enforcement and pushed for fairness in policing. I helped make improvements to the hospital as well as supported the effort to bring Highland Hospital to the City of Picayune.

My work involved helping with the recovery efforts after Hurricane Katrina. There was so much to do: replacing old dilapidated bridges, brought in a housing development ( Poplarville Estates ), supported the development of recreational facilities, a new jail, new DHS, new Justice Court facilities, Storm Shelters, new Health Department, and even supported the Fire Departments .

I can't remember everything that happened during those years, but I did my best to serve people. I didn't have to be in front of a camera to get it done. I'm being a bit sarcastic here but, I'm still not conceited. I am a part of the Black History in Poplarville and Pearl River County in Mississippi.



Mr. Hales is a very devoted family man. Pictured here is his daughter Valerie to the left and beautiful wife, Mrs. Esther Hales, on the right. His wife is a school teacher in Poplarville, Mississippi. Mr. and Mrs. Hales are blessed with two sons and their wives. They love their grandchildren.

## Thank You...Mrs. Michele Barnes Lamp Newsletter Staff Writer



Mrs. Barnes enjoys talking to interesting people. She spends much of her time reaching out to people and listening to their stories. She has a tender and caring heart for others.

I am very thankful for her to connect with the Hales family in Poplarville, Mississippi. These busy, talented and important families of leaders have been a part of the many events, projects, and activities that I lead. Their participation is a blessing to me and the many lives they are touching over the last five years in our ministries and organizations.

None of this would have been possible without Michele's dedication and concerns about others. Thank you for your hard work and outstanding support. God Bless You!  
*-Wanda J. Burnside, Publisher*



# ***So Keep and Do Them Before Others***

**By Doris Homan**

The way you live, child of God, is a testimony to all those around you: your neighbors, co-workers and strangers with whom you interact. Do you think road rage or making a scene at the store doesn't speak loud to others? How about what you post on social media? What about how you conduct your business?

The way we act, speak, and respond says a lot about not only who we are but about the God we claim to follow. How many times have you heard someone say, *'they claim to be a Christian and look at how they act'?*

So keep and do them, for that is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes and say, *'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'* (Deuteronomy 4:6)

We are a walking testimony of faith in God reflecting HONOR or SHAME to His good name. You may think say that's too much responsibility and yes you would be right, but the rewards are unmatched to anything else on earth! He has never promised us an easy life, but He has promised us a rich one (rich in blessings; abundant as in full and meaningful).

There are several warnings we need to watch out for. One is to not put other things before God (those would be idols in our lives – 4:16, 23). Keep God first in your priorities and in turn, your life will be blessed. Take care not to worship the creation instead of the Creator; loving and caring for the environment is awesome but don't love it more than the One who created it. (4:19)

Always remember how God took care of you in the past, provided and sustained you. Remember who you are; you bear His Name before others. (4:20) Has anyone loved you like He has? Has anyone else been this loyal or dependable as He has? He is a God like no other, working and moving in your life. (4:34-39)

And if you forget Him and stray, He can be found again if you seek Him with all your heart. (4:29) Pressure and problems have a way of waking us and bringing us back to Him. He is a compassionate God, always so patient and ready to forgive. (4:30,31)

Who doesn't want a long life and a beautiful legacy of faith passed down to their children and their children's children? The secret to that is to continue to live according to His road map. (4:40)

Which of these warnings resonate with you the most? What steps do you need to take to get back on track with your Heavenly Father? Like the father of the prodigal, God is always waiting and watching for you to return to Him.





**Ether Mae Johnson** made her transition on Monday, February 14, 2022, at the age of 79 years, and is now present with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Ether was born on September 7, 1942, to Sammie Sullivan and Flora Brown (Thurman) in Frenchman Bayou, Arkansas. She was the second oldest child of Flora Thurman.

Ether dedicated her life to the Lord at an early age and was a devoted member of Paradise Missionary Baptist Church for over forty years. Ether was a long-time member and president of the adult choir and loved her church family dearly.

Ether attended public schools in Joiner, Arkansas. At age 22 years, she relocated to Chicago, Illinois, and later moved to Lansing, Michigan, where she obtained her GED. Ether began her career with the State of Michigan in 1972. She was a Departmental Technician for the Office of Child Support within the Department of Health and Human Services at the time of her retirement in 2002. Ether loved her job

and found joy in serving the citizens of Michigan. Ether was a loving, humble, patient, and nurturing woman who loved God and cherished her family.

She leaves to honor her memory, five children, daughter, Tracy Crockett; four sons, Ricky Dean, Jackie Crockett, Fred Crockett and Greg Johnson; four grandchildren, JiBron McPherson, Ashley (Kempfor) Haskins, Elijah Hunt Crockett, and Ava Smith, one great-grandchild, two stepchildren, Theresa Johnson and Jimmy (Denae) Johnson, Jr., all of Lansing, Michigan; six siblings, three sisters, Shirley Johnson and Dianne Thurman of Lansing, Michigan, Bonnie (Amon) McPeak of Grand Rapids, Michigan; three brothers, Jimmy Thurman, Leroy (Nadine) Thurman, and Sunday Thurman, all of Lansing, Michigan and former husband, Jimmy Johnson Sr.; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Ether was preceded in death by her father, Sammie Sullivan; mother, Flora Thurman; stepfather, Leroy Thurman Sr.; sister, Mae Francis Wilson; brother, Ellison Charles Thurman; and stepdaughter, Sabrina Johnson.

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*Special prayers for you...*

*Mother Bonnie McPeak,*

*a beloved sister of Ether Mae Johnson*



*Mother McPeak is a precious lifelong friend. She is the National President of The Business and Professional Women's Federation of the Church of God in Christ. I am grateful to serve as the publisher and typesetter of their newsletter. –Wanda J. Burnside*

**GOSPEL LEGEND...EVANGELIST LASHUN PACE...**

**September 6, 1961- March 21, 2022**

Presiding Bishop J. Drew Sheard and the constituents of the Church Of God In Christ are united in prayer for our beloved Pace Family, in the transition of the multi-award-winning artist, actress, gospel legend, trailblazer, and a noble daughter of our great church, Evangelist Lashun Pace. May God grant strength, peace, and comfort during this most sensitive time. [#COGIC](#) [#TeamCOGIC](#) [#COGICMktgTeam](#) [#Prayers4PaceFamily](#)

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PACE FAMILY



IT IS WITH DEEP SORROW  
THE PACE FAMILY  
ANNOUNCES THE  
TRANSITION OF

**Lashun PACE**

SUNRISE    SUNSET  
9.6.1961-3.21.2022

FROM LABOR TO REWARD.

OFFICIAL DETAILS TO FOLLOW

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF THOSE  
*Forever*  
IN  
OUR *Hearts*



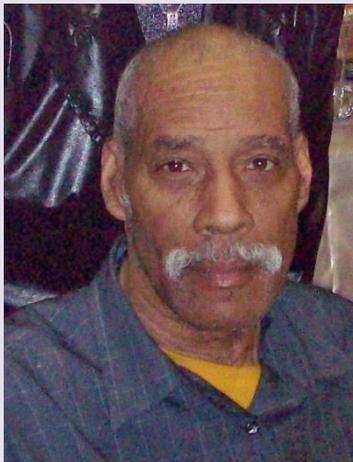
*In Memory of the March Homegoings of Our Beloved...*



*Evangelist Willie Lee McCann Palm*  
*Mother of Mrs. Wanda J. Burnside*  
*March 14, 2002*



*Mrs. Barbara Eddins Lee*  
*Mother of Author Ramelle T. Lee*  
*March 17, 2017*



*Reverend Lovell Lee*  
*Twin brother of Author Ramelle T. Lee*  
*March 20, 2020*



*Elder Rodger M. Palm passed*  
*He is pictured with his dear wife, Josefa*  
*They were married March 26, 1977*

## Mother Roberta Jones Toone...**CROWNED QUEEN!**



Seated: Mother Roberta Jones Toone,  
the 2022 queen of Michigan Southwest Second Jurisdiction COGIC  
Standing from left to right: Mother Mollie Whitehead (the bishop's wife), Mother Josie Bell  
the Supervisor of Michigan Southwest Second Jurisdiction, and Bishop James L.  
Whitehead, Jr., Jurisdictional Prelate.

On Saturday, February 26, 2022, **Mother Roberta Jones Toone** was crowned queen of Michigan Southwest Second Jurisdiction of the Church of God in Christ, Inc. This event was held at the 36th Annual Prayer Breakfast at the Hellenic Culture Center in Westland, MI.

# Mother Roberta Jones Toone

Courageous, God fearing, dedicated, saved, sanctified,  
and Holy Ghost filled servant of God.

Mother Roberta Jones Toone was born in Detroit, Michigan to her godly parents, Deacon Robert Jones, Sr. and Mother Beulah Jones. She graduated from Saint Clair Shores School District. She is a retired certified paraprofessional and was employed by the Macomb County School System.

Her life is blessed in many ways. Mother Toone is the wife of the late Auxiliary Bishop Willie B. Toone. They were married for fifty-three years. Mother Toone is the mother of six children, the grandmother of seven and the great grandmother of one.

For years she served faithfully at Greater Miller Memorial Church of God in Christ for thirty two years under the leadership of the late Bishop Earl Jerome Wright, Sr. From 2003 to 2021, Mother Toone's husband, Bishop Toone, was the Pastor of Northend Church of God in Christ in Detroit. She served as the First Lady of Northend COGIC with her husband in the ministry of the Lord.

Mother Toone serves in the New Greater Metropolitan District as Chairperson of the Pastor's, Minister's and Deacon's Wives.

*"Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."*



Her dearly beloved husband, Bishop Willie B. Toone, passed on September 20, 2021.

Submitted: Mother Lurene Brooks

# Congratulations!

**Elder Dion Walls** is the newly appointed Pastor of the historic Northend Church of God in Christ located at 234 Custer Street in Detroit, Michigan.

Standing with Elder Walls is **Mother Lurene Brooks** who continues to faithfully serve as the Church Mother. She is the mother of **Ms. Donna R. Brooks**, our Youth Staff Writer.

**GOD BLESS YOU!**





September 29, 2007 2nd Annual "Sisters to Sister" event.

15 YEARS AGO!

**FLASH BACK!**

Mrs. Wanda J. Burnside and Author Ramelle T. Lee



**Purple Royalty**  
by Ramelle T. Lee

You are the color of royalty; dressed in purple.  
Shades of beauty. That's who you are.  
A lovely flower, adored from heaven.  
God sees a light shining in you.  
A star has been born, right here on earth.  
You've given your heart to the Father.  
That makes you His very own.  
Thank God for your royal new birth.  
You've been changed, renewed and restored!  
Walk in obedience.  
Always love and honor God.  
Purple Royalty. That's who you are.  
Our Heavenly Father has proclaimed your name.  
Sing and rejoice for the angels have  
given you a new song to sing.  
Praise God for the blessing that is written in heaven.  
You are a part of God's royal family!  
Purple Royalty belongs to you!  
Now, live accordingly.

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**BLESSINGS! OPENED DOORS!**  
**Ministry on the MOVE for the Lord!**



Pastor Sammy L. Jackson is rejoicing because the Lord is shifting him in ministry. Pastor Jackson is a soul winner. He cares about our youth. He is a city and community leader working hard in the vineyard for the Lord

Praise the Lord!

**NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH**  
WITH  
MINISTER SAMMY L. JACKSON

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NOW NETWORK  
**on**  
DEMAND

The graphic features a portrait of Pastor Sammy L. Jackson wearing a white cap with 'CMTM Foundation' on it. To his right is a smartphone displaying the NOW Network app interface, which includes options like 'WATCH LIVE 24/7', 'TV Schedule', 'NOW NETWORK on DEMAND', and 'I NEED Prayer'. The background is a dark blue gradient with a yellow border around the entire graphic.

**PRAY! PRAY!**

**We Must Pray!**

Write the Vision Ministries  
and Media Productions, International

*2022 Newest Release...*

**Boyz to MEN-d**

by

**WANDA J. BURNSIDE**

*Bestselling Author*

*Award-winning Poet and Author*



**PRAYER CHANGES EVERYTHING!**

**MARCH SPECIALS**

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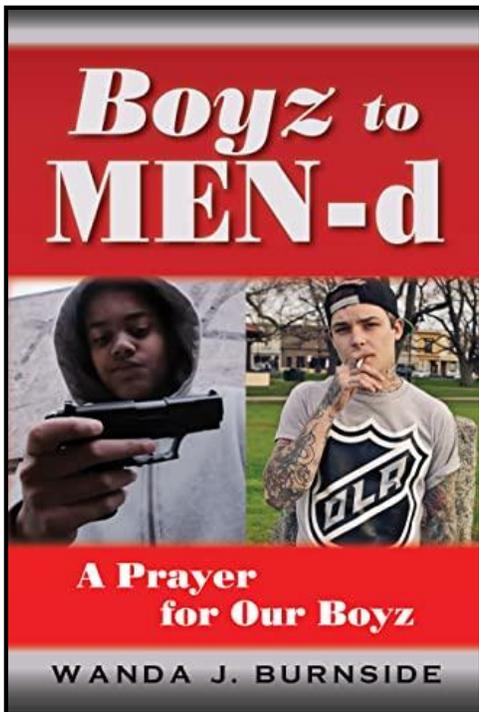
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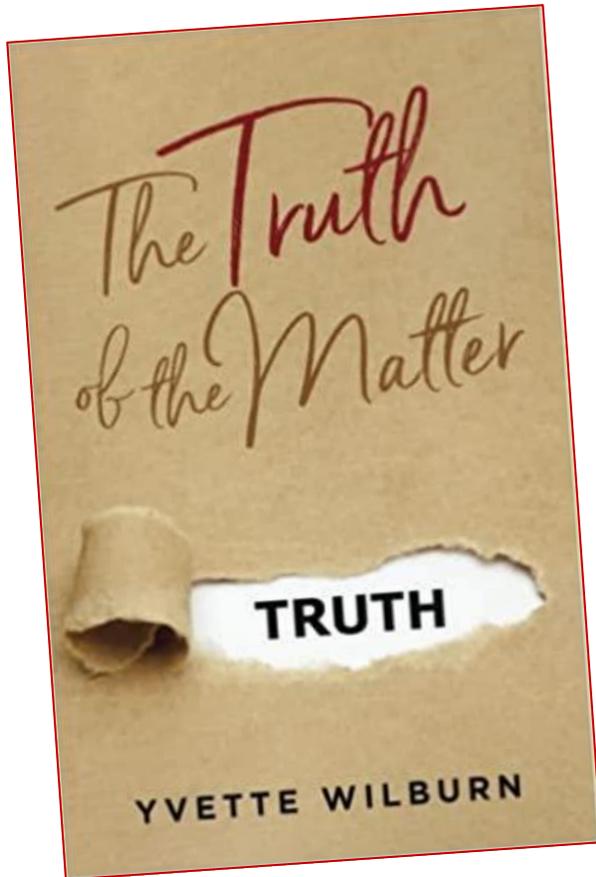
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*Newly Released!*

## **THE TRUTH of the MATTER**

*\*Soul-searching Poetry*

*\*BREAKTHROUGH Messages*

*\*Sharing truthful LIFE EXPERIENCES*



***Author, Poet Yvette Wilburn***

**"The Truth of the Matter"** will open your eyes to some eternal truths that you may or may not have known. But you will be in for stark reality when reading about the author's journey to putting out eternal truths.

You will be given scriptural references that are relevant to today and its challenges. Sexual sin can be a thing of the past.

Idols can be dropped and a deeper committed relationship with God the Father, Jesus, the Son, and well as the Holy Spirit can be had by all.

**Available on Amazon. Paperback: \$13.99 ...and also on Kindle!**

**For more information contact Poet Yvette Wilburn at:**

**313-850-3004 and on Facebook**



**Hello from...**

**MR.JORDAN L'ECLUSE**

**of Australia**

**GOD CARES for YOU!**

**Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.**

# March Birthdays!

## MOTHER ELIZABETH HANDS



**HAPPY BLESSED  
91<sup>st</sup> BIRTHDAY**

Church Founder-Pastor's Wife  
Sion National Church of God in Christ  
A True Saint of God! Full of Love!  
Prayer Warrior!

## JA'DEN PALM

Great Nephew of Wanda J. Burnside



*Ja'Den is very smart, talented  
and full of wisdom.*

*He is caring  
and concerned about others.*

*Ja'Den is obedient  
to his father and mother.*

*What a tender-hearted young man  
he is in many ways.*

**JA'DEN IS FULL  
of  
Love and Kindness!**

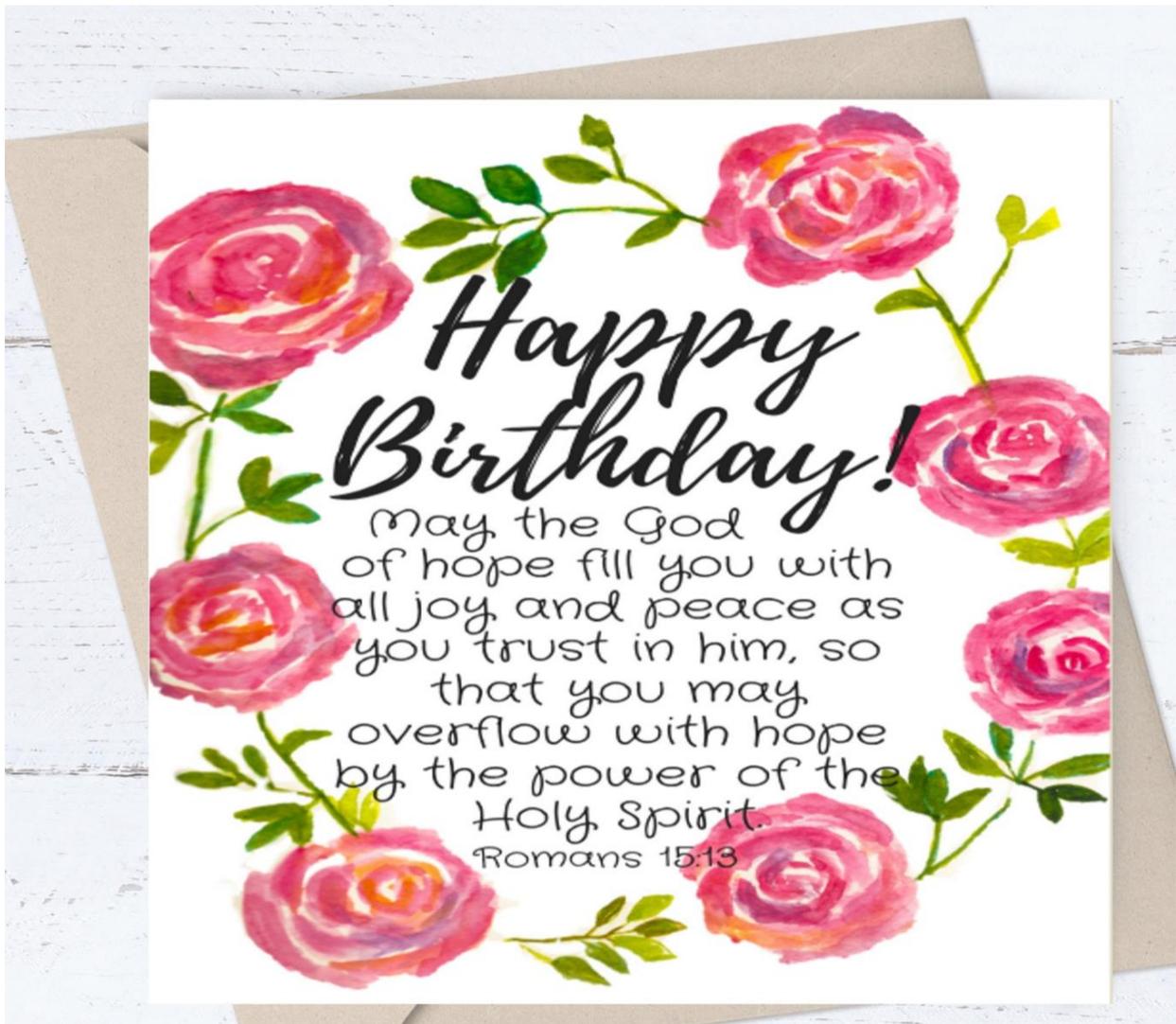
# Happy Blessed Birthday

**Sandra Hickman of Australia**

**Staff Writer and Ministry Leader**



Loyal Friend, Dedicated, Loving, Prayerful, Gifted, Anointed, Precious, Talented, Outstanding Writer, Caring and a Miraculous Gift from God! A True Sister!



## Happy Blessed Birthday to the Stafford Sisters...

### Reverend Marva Stafford and Ms. Linda Stafford



These two ladies are sisters! Reverend Marva's, on the left, birthday is March 17<sup>th</sup>. Linda, on the right, birthday is March 29<sup>th</sup>. They have twelve years between each other.

They are busy and faithful servants of God. Marva and Linda are actively involved in church work, community services and special events. They are devoted to their mother, Mrs. Essie Stafford, Janice (their other sister), Uncle Marvin, friends, and family members.

Their hearts are filled with God's love. They are committed to helping others and spreading hope and love.

May the glory of Jesus  
lighten up your life  
and you feel the love and  
compassion of God,  
on this special day of  
yours! Be happy  
and stay blessed!

**Happy  
Birthday**

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## **ERIC L. MOORE, Our Wonderful Godson**

Eric is very professional. God has blessed him to teach school in California and other states. His career also includes working in medical and hospital labs. He is highly educated and skilled in his work.

Prior to this, during his earlier years, he served in the United States military. He received great honors and recognition for his gallant serve. Our government has highly esteemed him.

He is focused and determined to accomplish many things in life. Eric is committed to help others and strives to be a man of dignity.

Eric knows the power of prayer! He remembers the love and godly training of his beautiful grandmother, Mother Helen Moore. He thanks God for her with his whole heart.

We thank God for our many, many years bonded in love, concerns, and prayers.





*In closing...*

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022 was my Birthday.  
This year, I am blessed to be 72years old.  
Praise the Lord forever!*

*God has been so good to me. He has kept me through many storms, difficulties, fears, worries, disappointments and trials.*

*He has provided for me. He has helped me to accomplish so many things that I NEVER...EVER...THOUGHT were possible.*

*I thank those who took time to celebrate my 72<sup>nd</sup> Birthday. Many sent me cards, sung me songs, gave me gifts, called me on their phones, sent me flowers, purchased and brought me delicious hot meals, bought me surprises, and MORE and MORE! I received greetings and love on Facebook! I cannot tell it all. I have laughed, smiled, giggled and ...cried a lot, too.*

*My life is a testimony! GOD YOU GET ALL THE GLORY!*

*THANK YOU...DEAR FAMILY and PRECIOUS FRIENDS.*

*Much Love, Wanda J. Burnside*



Better days  
are coming.  
You have been  
through a lot.  
Now it's time  
for you to  
shine.

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