



GREATER UPPERROOM
APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

47TH

PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY
JULY 18-21, 2013

HONOREES

SUFFRAGAN BISHOP LEON E. & FIRST LADY JOY WILLIAMS
CELEBRATING SUFFRAGAN BISHOP WILLIAMS 85TH BIRTHDAY (SATURDAY)

Greater Upperroom Church | 1 Linden Avenue, Middletown, New York 10940

Praise the Lord!

It is with great joy that I welcome you to our 47th Pastoral Anniversary, honoring Bishop and First Lady Joy Williams. The Greater Upperroom family welcomes you with open arms to help us celebrate this awesome occasion. Your presence is greatly appreciated.

This anniversary celebration is a special one for our pastor. The Greater Upperroom Church honors Suffragan Bishop Williams for 47 years of ministry and we also commemorates Bishop Williams' 85th birthday. We love our pastor and First Lady and are delighted to share them with each of you.

As a 20 year member of the Greater Upperroom Church, I can personally attest that Suffragan Bishop Williams is an extraordinary leader and visionary. He has dedicated his life to serving others in ministry. He is well respected within our community and regarded as a father in the gospel to countless religious leaders. A total of four churches were birthed from his leadership.

At an age when most leaders are well into retirement Suffragan Bishop Williams, 85, continues to preach the Word of God without compromise. In addition to serving as pastor of the Greater Upperroom Church, he is also the pastor of King's Chapel church, in Monticello, New York. As we honor our leaders, I invite you to celebrate the name of Jesus.

Each service was designed to inspire you, nurture your spirit, and encourage your soul. Feel welcome to worship with us and expect a mighty move of God.

Thank you once again for joining us in the memorable occasion. I personally welcome all of you!!

Evangelist Rochelle Vaughan
Anniversary Chairperson



THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2013

.....DEVOTIONAL.....

GREATER UPPERROOM PRAISE TEAM

.....SCRIPTURE READING.....

.....PRAYER.....

ELDER RYAN TINSLEY

.....PRAISE SERVICE.....

PRAISE TEAM

.....WELCOME ADDRESS.....

SIS. EVETTE SMITH

.....RESPONSE.....

.....INTRODUCTION OF OCCASION.....

EVANGELIST ROCHELLE VAUGHAN

PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

.....REMARKS.....

SIS. MARTHA BROWN
DEACON TALBERT BINNS
DEACONESS REBECCA MCZORN

.....GENERAL OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....SOLO.....

SIS. AVIS BENJAMIN

.....INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....

PASTOR MICHAEL WILLIAMS
ASSISTANT PASTOR OF GREATER UPPERROOM CHURCH

.....SPEAKER.....

PASTOR DALE SHAW
BETHESDA APOSTOLIC CHURCH

.....ALTAR CALL.....

.....SPEAKER'S OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....REMARKS.....

GUEST MINISTRY

.....BENEDICTION.....

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2013

.....DEVOTIONAL.....

SIS. BRENDA STEWART, SIS. RUTH FITZGERALD, SIS ASHLEY VAUGHAN

.....PRAYER.....

Ministry

.....SCRIPTURE SHOWERS

PRAISE TEAM

.....WELCOME ADDRESS.....

SIS. DONNA MONTGOMERY

.....RESPONSE.....

.....OPENING REMARKS.....

EVANGELIST ROCHELLE VAUGHAN

.....REMARKS.....

PAS DEACON EARL & SIS. CURLINE BLACKWOOD SARY
ELDER UVIE & SISTER BRENDA STEWART

.....MUSICAL SELECTION.....

.....GENERAL OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....MUSICAL SELECTION.....

.....INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....

ELDER RYAN TINSLEY

KING'S CHAPEL CHURCH, MONTICELLO, NEW YORK

.....SPEAKER.....

PASTOR DALE SHAW

BETHESDA APOSTOLIC CHURCH

.....ALTAR CALL.....

.....SPEAKER'S OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....REMARKS.....

GUEST MINISTRY

.....BENEDICTION.....

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2013

Morning Worship

.....DEVOTIONAL.....

GREATER UPPERROOM PRAISE TEAM

.....SCRIPTURE READING.....

.....PRAYER.....

ELDER RYAN TINSLEY

.....PRAISE SERVICE.....

PRAISE TEAM

.....WELCOME ADDRESS.....

BRO. MALCOLM SCOTT

.....RESPONSE.....

.....ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS.....

FIRST LADY JOY WILLIAMS

.....REMARKS.....

SIS. JESSICA WILKS

SIS. LYNN MARTIN

KING'S CHAPEL REPRESENTATIVE

.....GENERAL OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....MUSICAL SELECTION.....

.....INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....

ELDER RYAN TINSLEY

KING'S CHAPEL CHURCH, MONTICELLO, NEW YORK

.....SPEAKER.....

PASTOR MICHAEL WILLIAMS

KING'S CHAPEL CHURCH &

GREATER UPPERROM APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

.....ALTAR CALL.....

.....SPEAKERS OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....REMARKS.....

GUEST MINISTRY

.....BENEDICTION.....

PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2013

Finale

.....DEVOTIONAL.....

.....PRAYER.....

MINISTRY

.....SCRIPTURE SHOWERS / PRAISE SONGS.....

.....WELCOME ADDRESS.....

SIS. MILDRED SMITH

.....RESPONSE.....

.....OCCASION.....

EVANGELIST ROCHELLE VAUGHAN

.....SPECIAL TRIBUTE.....

FIRST LADY JOY WILLIAMS

PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY

.....REMARKS.....

GUEST MINISTRY

.....GENERAL OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....MUSICAL SELECTION.....

.....INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....

PASTOR MICHAEL WILLIAMS

ASSISTANT PASTOR OF GREATER UPPERROOM CHURCH

.....SPEAKER.....

BISHOP THEODORE L. BROOKS

BEULAH HEIGHTS CHURCH

.....ALTAR CALL.....

.....SPEAKERS OFFERING.....

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

.....PRESENTATION.....

.....REMARKS.....

HONOREES

.....BENEDICTION.....



District Elder Dale I Shaw Sr

District Elder Dale I Shaw Sr., a native of New Haven, Connecticut relocated to New Britain in 1982. He is the fourth son of Douglas and the late Elizabeth C. Shaw, was baptized in the name of Jesus at the age of twelve, and received the gift of the Holy Ghost in April, 1978 at the age of sixteen at Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church in New Haven, Connecticut during a revival conducted by Bishop Richard Young of Fort Worth, Texas. At that time, the pastor was the late Bishop George H. Brooks.

District Elder Shaw retired from the State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development in July of 2012, after 27 years of service.

He attended Greater Hartford Community College to complete course work in Governmental Accounting. He is an ordained Elder of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc. and is continuing ministerial studies with Aeon Bible College, Indianapolis, IN.

District Elder Shaw was installed Pastor of the Bethesda Apostolic Church, Inc. in June of 2010. He was mentored in ministry under the leadership of the late Suffragan Bishop John H. Thomas.

District Elder Shaw served in many capacities at Bethesda Apostolic Church. Since he has assumed the pastorate, the church has experienced much growth and continues to seek ways to serve the people of God and the greater New Britain community. He is the Director of the Young People's Union of the Connecticut District Council of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc. He has also served as Chairman of the Men's Ministry Department and Young People's Union of the CT District Council.

In June of 2013, Diocesan Bishop Theodore L. Brooks, Sr., elevated Elder Shaw to District Elder of the Connecticut District Council, Episcopal District #20 of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World.

District Elder Shaw also currently serves the City of New Britain in the following capacities: Commissioner, Economic Development Commission, and Clergy Advisor to the Social Services and Political Action Committee.

District Elder Shaw resides in New Britain, Connecticut with his lovely wife, Susan, and daughter, Bria. Their eldest son, Dale I. Shaw, II resides in Brooklyn, NY.

"To God be the Glory" for the marvelous things he has done.....



District Elder Fredrick J. Jackson

The Honorable and Humble Angel of Christ Church of Deliverance and Greater Grace Apostolic Church - Pastor Fredrick Jeremy Jackson.

Pastor Jackson was born August 28th to District Elder and Sis. Freddie Jackson of Purvis, Mississippi. Pastor Jackson began preaching January 3, 1993 at the age of 14 and has been enjoying the ministry to this present time. He loves preaching/teaching the word of God and will not compromise the Gospel of Jesus. He has toured the country preaching during revivals, conferences, conventions etc. in 36 of the 50 United States.

Pastor Jackson was ordained in October, 2002 by the Mississippi and Western Tennessee District Council of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World. He served as Vice Chairman of the License/Credential Committee, standing member of the Resolution Committee, President of the Mississippi and Western District Council Young People's Union, Treasurer's Assistant, Aeon Bible College Extension Coordinator. At his home church (Christ Temple, Purvis, MS) he served as Assistant Pastor, Sunday School Superintendent, church organist and the administrator of the "King's" Kids Learning Center. Because of his working knowledge and ability to understand the needs of the community; he was the author of many grant proposals which brought new programs to the Southern Mississippi area. These proposals were written by Pastor Jackson, submitted to federal agencies and grant funds were awarded for community programs. He has been awarded grants by such agencies as Mississippi Action for Progress, Corporation for National and Community Service (MLK Day), and also the Mississippi Department of Human Services to name a few.

Pastor Fredrick Jeremy Jackson became the PASTOR of the Greater Grace Apostolic Church on Friday, February 10, 2006. Pastor Jackson's installation service was Sunday, June 4, 2006. In addition to pastoring Greater Grace, Pastor was appointed Associate Pastor of Christ Church of Deliverance, February 17, 2010. The announcement "one CHURCH, two locations" was on June 13, 2010. On Wednesday, May 4, 2011, Suffragan Bishop Andrew Clancy announced his retirement as Pastor and stated that Pastor Fredrick Jeremy Jackson would be his successor. Wednesday, May 25, 2011 Pastor Fredrick Jackson was installed as PASTOR of Christ Church of Deliverance #1. Bishop Theodore L. Brooks, Diocesan of the Connecticut District Council Episcopal District #20, the Second Presiding Bishop of the PAW, Inc. officiated the installation service. On Oct. 7, 2011 Pastor Jackson was elevated to District Elder of the CDC. In October, 2011 the Church Developers Network and Institute of Connecticut was established and organized by this Man of God.

Pastor Jackson was united in holy matrimony to his lovely bride, Evang. Michelle Jackson on Saturday, June 3, 2006. On Sunday, March 21, 2010 around 12:27 p.m. the Lord blessed Pastor and Evang. Jackson to be the proud parents of - Master Jeremiah DaQuan Jackson; Jeremiah is 3 yrs old; has his own bible, playing his drums and praising God.

Greater Grace Apostolic Church and Christ Church of Deliverance are blessed to have Pastor Jackson as our Shepherd. A man of God that feeds his people daily with the WORD.

Don't let this get out but we have our own "preaching machine". He is a visionary man, always seeking growth for his people. A Faith builder, encouraging the saints you are healed, you are delivered and you are set free!! A Man of God who preach and teach against sin. Many miracles and accomplishments have been done in these Six years and I know he gives God all the glory.

~Greater Grace and Christ Church Family~



Pastor Michael Williams

Pastor Michael David Williams is the youngest child of seven born to Bishop and the Late Evangelist Claudine Williams. He was born and raised in Middletown, New York where he was educated and began his ministry.

Pastor Williams was baptized in the name of Jesus and was filled with the Holy Ghost at an early age. He has dedicated his life to advancing the work of Christ and community service to others.

Affectionately known as Pastor Michael, he is a faithful assistant pastor to the Greater Upperroom Church in Middletown, New York and as pastor of King's Chapel Church in Monticello, New York. He presently serves as an instructor for the Greater Upperroom Christian Education department and is also a member of the Greater Upperroom Board of Directors and financial committee.

Known for his sense of humor and practical teaching style, Pastor Williams is an avid reader with a passion for youth centered development. He faithfully stands by his father's side and fully supports in all aspects of ministry.

Pastor Williams is also a member of the Lions Club and is a conference speaker for the Middletown, New York chapter of the NAACP.



Bishop Theodore L. Brooks Sr.

Bishop Theodore L. Brooks Sr. began his illustrious tenure at Beulah Heights Church in 1988.

He succeeded his father, the late Bishop H. George Brooks, as the church's fifth pastor.

Bishop Brooks, a veteran and decorated former U.S. Postal Service employee, has worn several hats within the church infrastructure. He served as Secretary of the Men's Ministry, Youth Auxiliary President, District Elder, Lay Director, Suffragan Bishop, and member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut District Council of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World (P.A.W.). Currently he serves as 2nd Assistant Presiding Bishop of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World (P.A.W.) Diocesan of the Connecticut District Council of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc.

Over the years, Bishop Brooks has done great works for the up building and edifying of God's kingdom. In 1994, he and his brother, the late Walter S. Brooks, founded Beulah Land Development Corporation to redevelop the crime-ridden neighborhood in which Beulah Heights Church resides. A few years later, he began missionary work in the country of Brazil. In 2001, the P.A.W. ordained him as Bishop of the Brazil Fellowship of Apostolic Churches. During this same period, he earned his B.A., M.A., D.Min., and Ph.D. in religious studies. He published two books, *Complete in God: The Apostolic Faith Challenge*, and *Pleasing God-Striving for Spiritual Excellence*. It is his desire to write a third book, *The Lion's Den* in the near future.

Bishop Brooks' partner in ministry and life, the lovely Lady L. Janice Brooks, who has developed a growing ministry, focused on the needs of women both inside and outside the church. The two have three sons (Theodore Jr., Darrell and Harold) and ten grandchildren (Jordan, Jocelyn, William, Theodore III., Chelsea, Lindsey, Paige, Ramiah, Darrell Joshua, and the late Michael Brooks).

GREATER UPPERROOM APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH HISTORY

Look where the Lord has brought us from! When we look back how God has blessed us, our hearts are full of praise and thanksgiving for the great things the God of our salvation has done! Pastor Leon Williams always carried with him from childhood the desire to do a great work for God! Evangelist Claudine Williams grew up as a young girl in Middletown! Even after joining the Women's Army Corp and moving away she always carried with her a burden for the souls of people in her hometown! Because of this it was not hard for these two to follow the Lord's direction and start a church in the City of Middletown!

The first church service was held in an old railroad station, known as the O&W building, in April of 1966. The congregation consisted of the Williams family, father mother & children. Because they were following the leading of Lord, God began to bless! People began to attend the services as God poured out His spirit in a mighty way! During this time the Lord began to bless. Sister Martha Studer was the very first person to be baptized in this ministry! Other followed such as the Martin family and the Pinkney family!

A new thing was happening in Middletown. Souls were being baptized in Jesus name and being filled with the Holy Ghost. Someone suggested that because the church was on the second floor and that the spirit was falling so mightily that the church be called the Upperroom! This was the beginning of the Upperroom Apostolic Faith church!

After staying in the O & W building for one year, we were forced to move because of the fire code! We worshiped briefly at 13 Center street and then in the home of Sister Martha Studer! One month later we were able to rent a store front at 56 Cottage Street, where we stayed for 8 years! Many began to come during this time such as the Parker family, Elder Alfred Stephens and his family, Sister Betsy Lundy, The Hasbrouck Twins, Mary-ann. and Marion to name a few! Even Pastor's Nephew Elder Sam Sledge and his family relocated to Middletown to be a help during this season! It was during this time that Evangelist Williams and Sister Florence Martin worked together to form a strong Sunday School Department which would become a main evangelistic arm of our church! Sister Martin would go on to become the first Sunday school superintendant!

After Worshipping 8 years at Cottage Street we were then seemingly forced out again. This time because we were noisy! One thing we learned is that man cannot stop God's program! When one door is shut, another is opened!

From here our Pastor under the direction of God purchased an old Hardware store at 27 East Main St. The down payment was \$3000.00 and a ten year mortgage that was paid off in seven years. What was once a dilapidated building was turned into a beautiful sanctuary with an apartment upstairs! Our pastor worked hard doing the renovations even though in the beginning he didn't even know the business side of a hammer! But with God's help and others, including some very helpful do it yourself books much work was completed! East main was a special place in the memories of the saints! God's outpour was tremendous in the center of downtown! Many souls came to the Lord! We saw those such as the Gibson family, the Beamons, the Leightons, the Clarkes, the Mczorns and so many more become a part of this ministry! This was the season of great outreach as the church grew! After 7 years, because of growth we needed a bigger place to worship!

The people of God caught the vision and together worked hard to purchase the sanctuary at 1 Linden ave. which is our current location! The first service in our new location was held New Years eve, 1982! During that time we followed the leading of God and began to call ourselves the Greater Upperroom! The Lord continued to bless. Souls were saved and lives were changed.

In 1986 our pastor was elevated to the position of District Elder and then in March of 1995 he was elevated to the position of Suffragan Bishop. Alongside his wife, Evangelist Claudine Williams they continued to work tirelessly for the Lord! A weekly radio broadcast was created that blessed many throughout the Hudson valley as well as other states! The Choir could be heard opening the broadcast with the song "It shall be light in the evening time"! Evangelist Williams could be heard announcing "you have tuned in to the broadcast of the Greater Upperroom Apostolic Faith church"! Bishop Williams could be heard preaching the gospel weekly! Again the church grew and more families joined such as the Watsons, the Hayletts, the Vaughans, Mother Philpot any many more! In December of 2003 the Lord called our Pastor's wife and long time assistant pastor Evangelist Williams home! She passed from our presence but will always be remembered as a teacher, singer, musician, preacher's preacher and Old Testament scholar! She was and innovator and worker that continued to pray even when no one else would! Because of this she was blessed to see a great work for God established in the city that she loved and called home!

In 2006 Bishop Williams was remarried to lady Lilleth (Joy) Watson-Williams! First lady Joy stands supports and works tremendously with our pastor! She has been a true blessing to him and the church! The years have come and the years have gone. There have been times of sorrow and times of joy. There were those that were for us and those that were against us. Many souls have passed through the doors. Some stayed, some left, but God will always have a people! Because of the preaching and teaching of this gospel by our pastor, men were called into ministry and other works were established! His natural sons that were once babies have grown up and have now joined him in ministry!

As we celebrate we must also reflect on the great legacy that has been established! Many can talk about the present and the future! But you cannot do it without recognizing that there was a past! So we salute our Pastor Bishop Leon Williams and all of those that worked through the years! Many of the first ones have passed off the scene, but we shall never forget their labor of love! Some were only here for a season but we shall never forget that they were instrumental in the work of God for that season! History is for us to remember and today we remember 47 years of work for the Kingdom! And we can all say with an assurance that "DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS GODS BEEN GOOD TO US"! We can stand on the word and on His promises. "No weapon formed against us shall prosper"....This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is from them, saith the Lord! THE WORK CONTINUES!

Humbly submitted by
Suffragan Bishop John C. Williams and the late Deaconess Florence Martin