

A Celebration of Life for



Annette Guni Davis-Preston

*Sunrise: October 18, 1960
Sunset: September 15, 2010*

The 2005 Graduation Ceremonies of the Center for Women's Organization

Women's Leadership Award

The Center for Women's Organizing presents this award to:

ANNETTE PRESTON

in recognition of her dedication and work on behalf of women living with HIV/AIDS this 10th day of June, 2005



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The Women's Leadership Award Annette P.

Annette has taken to HIV/AIDS activism like a pro! Because she feels a personal responsibility to give back to her community and the world around her, Annette committed herself 100% to the Women's Leadership Institute. She sought opportunity after opportunity to push herself and courageously opened herself up to new challenges. Undertaking an active leadership role in coordinating women to testify before the Hill Planning Council of its Broken Hill town, Annette demonstrated exceptional organizing and leadership skills. Because of her guidance and support, the participants in her group successfully and powerfully execute their planned advocacy strategy. Annette's energy, optimism and her refusal to be complacent in the fight against HIV/AIDS can give us all hope for a better tomorrow!



CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Awarded to

ANNETTE PRESTON

*For the successful completion
of 30 hours of training in
2004*

*As required by Department of Health and
Department of Children and Family Services
All Incoming a Family or Group Family
Day Care Provider*

Presented on this day May 23, 2005

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Annette's Journey

Annette Suni Davis-Preston was born in Brooklyn, NY to the late James and Janie Chambers on October 18, 1960. Annette graduated from Eli Whitney Vocational High School in June 1978. Later in her life, she met and married, Amos Basheek Preston "Herc".

Annette accomplished many things in her life. She was a Certified Child Care Provider for many years and she and her husband "Herc" helped to raise three foster children. Annette truly loved children and wanted them in her life. Also, Annette regularly worked for the Election Voting Poles. She loved to network and she was like a database of knowledge. Annette traveled to the Bahamas in the early 90's and was involved with the Women's Leadership Worship Committee to advocate for the rights of women with HIV. She liked to share her personal life story to give others faith and hope. Annette would find many different avenues to reach out to people. For example, she would go to different public schools and other organizations to inform young people about the dangers of not practicing safe sex. Annette always had a patient ear to listen to others and she wanted to make a difference. She felt that if she touched one person's life, she gained a new friend.

Narcotics Anonymous was a big part of her life. She would recite the serenity prayer and share the twelve steps to sobriety with others who had no insight. She was patient and kind to those she sponsored in her eighteen years of affiliation with Narcotics Anonymous. She sponsored and led New Members through the Recovery Process. In addition, Annette volunteered for many years to help doctors discover new effective vaccinations for the cure of HIV.

Annette Suni Davis-Preston succumbed to her illness on September 15, 2010. She will always and forever be remembered for her work as an advocate for the rights of HIV patients.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her loving husband, Amos Basheek Preston; their adoptive daughter, Zaire; one grandson; two brothers, Everette Faber and James S. Chambers, Jr.; three sisters, Irma Harley, Deborah Johnson-Holton and Cheryl Lynn Donaldson; one sister-in-law, Francine Faber; one brother-in-law, Anthony Holton; four aunts, Mayphene Carr, Jesse Woods, Floria Bennett (who resides in Miami, FL) and Victoria Robinson (who resides in Charleston, SC); and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The Road To Eternity

*Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what's to be,
A resting place along the road
To sweet Eternity.*

*We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn something,
But never meant to stay.....*

*Our destination is a place far
Greater than we know,
For some, the journey's quicker,
For some, the journey's slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We'll claim a great reward,
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the Lord.*

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is long-suffering and kind. Love is not jealous, it does not brag, does not get puffed up, does not behave indecently, does not look for its own interests, does not become provoked. It does not keep account of the injury. It does not rejoice over unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails.

Service

Wednesday, September 22, 2010 - 12:00 Noon

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Old Testament

New Testament

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Final Viewing

Benediction Pastor M.E. Wooten

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Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

Human Participant Protections Education for Research

Completion Certificate

This is to certify that

Annette Preston

has completed the Human Participants Protection Education for Research Training online course, sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), on 06/27/2008.

This course included the following:

- key historical events and current issues that impact guidelines and legislation on human participant protection in research.
- ethical principles and guidelines that should assist in resolving the ethical issues inherent in the conduct of research with human participants.
- the use of key ethical principles and federal regulations to protect human participants at various stages in the research process.
- a description of guidelines for the protection of special populations in research.
- a definition of informed consent and components necessary for a valid consent.
- a description of the role of the IRB in the research process.
- the roles, responsibilities, and interactions of federal agencies, institutions, and researchers in conducting research with human participants.

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You are invited to join us for a repast at the
Greater Zion Hill Baptist Church
2365 8th Avenue, New York, NY

Acknowledgements

*We the family would like to express our gratitude to all the expressions of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Also, we would like thank everyone who participated in the celebration of life for **Annette Suni Davis-Preston**. The family would greatly appreciate you keeping them in your prayers in the days to come.*

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