

Home Going Service
for



Johnny M. Brown

Sunrise
May 22, 1942

Sunset
January 11, 2011

Services

Friday, January 21, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

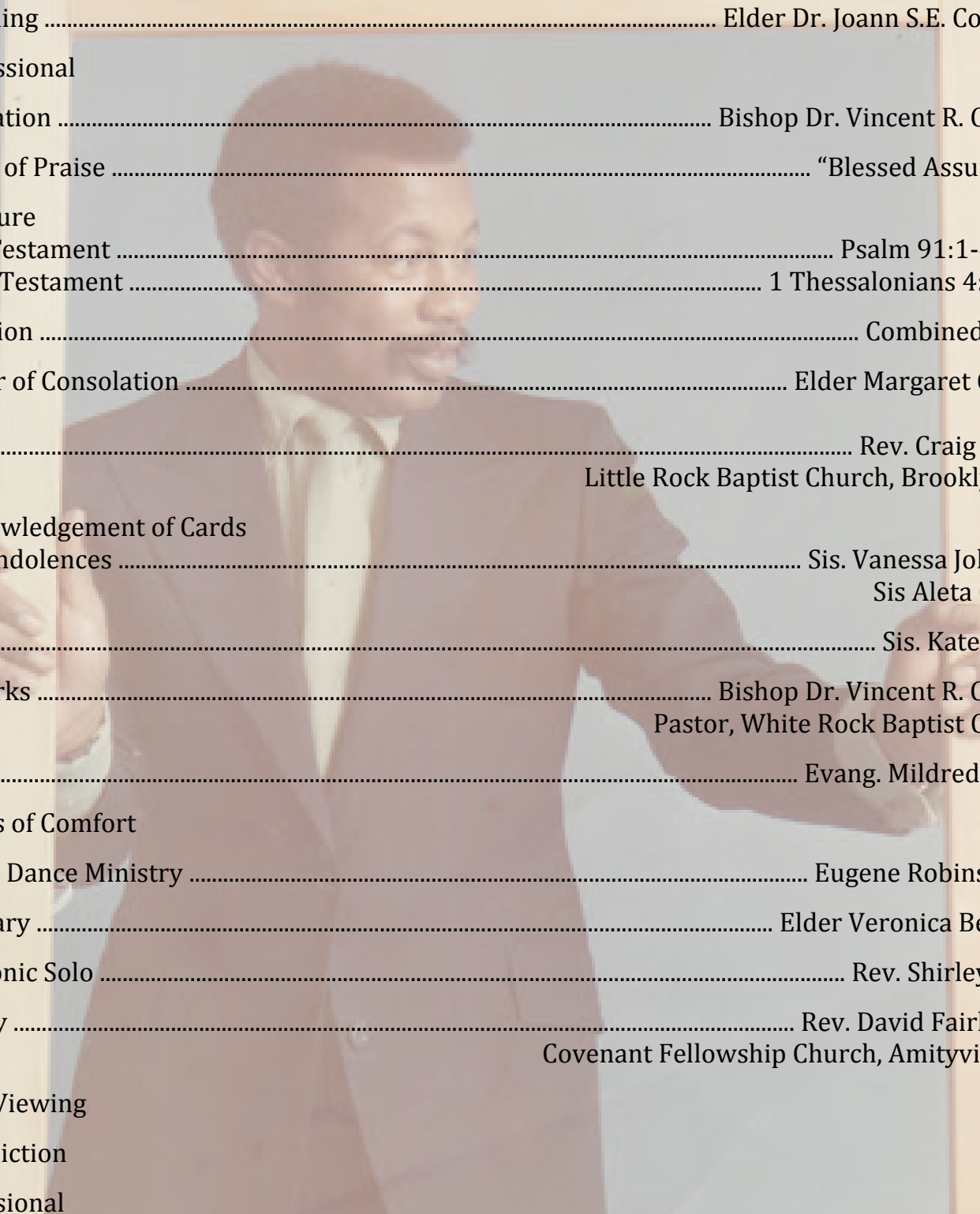
WHITE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

152 W. 127th Street

New York, NY

Bishop Dr. Vincent R. Cooper, Pastor

Order of Service



Presiding	Elder Dr. Joann S.E. Coleman
Processional	
Invocation	Bishop Dr. Vincent R. Cooper
Hymn of Praise	“Blessed Assurance”
Scripture	
Old Testament	Psalm 91:1-4,9-11
New Testament	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Selection	Combined Choir
Prayer of Consolation	Elder Margaret Gurley
Solo	Rev. Craig Henry Little Rock Baptist Church, Brooklyn, NY
Acknowledgement of Cards & Condolences	Sis. Vanessa Johnson Sis Aleta Cabral
Solo	Sis. Kate Smith
Remarks	Bishop Dr. Vincent R. Cooper Pastor, White Rock Baptist Church
Solo	Evang. Mildred Lewis
Words of Comfort	
Praise Dance Ministry	Eugene Robinson, Jr.
Obituary	Elder Veronica BeCoate
Sermonic Solo	Rev. Shirley Reed
Eulogy	Rev. David Fairley, Sr. Covenant Fellowship Church, Amityville, NY
Final Viewing	
Benediction	
Recessional	

Interment

Saturday - 10:00 a.m. leaving from Unity Funeral Chapel
Maple Grove Cemetery
Hackensack, New Jersey

Obituary

A Time to Be Born.....Johnny M. Brown was born in Camden, South Carolina to the late Lucille Brown and Henry Wheeler on May 22, 1942. The eldest of three children, he was raised in a loving Christian home.

A Time to Learn.....Johnny received his early education at Antioch and Jackson Grammar Schools in South Carolina. After moving to New York City in 1954, Johnny attended Wadleigh Junior High and concluded his education at New York City's High School of Fashion Industries, further cultivating his passion for creative event planning and design.

A Time to Love.....Johnny possessed a proud and enduring love for his large family. Everyone who knew Johnny, knew that he was blessed with a vast array of sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Throughout the years, he was a main organizer of many Brown Family Reunions and a keeper of much of the family folklore. In addition to his biological family, Johnny adopted many sisters, brothers, daughters, sons, and godchildren. Family was important to Johnny and he was a binding tie, keeping everyone connected.

A Time to Worship.....Johnny accepted Jesus Christ at an early age. His worship began at Mount Joshua Baptist Church in Camden, South Carolina, where he was baptized. Upon relocating to New York City, he joined Bethany Baptist Church. Years later he joined White Rock Baptist Church and served under Pastors James Alton Brown, William Hargrave, Andrew B. Cooper and Bishop Dr. Vincent R. Cooper. In Chicago, Johnny was a member of The First Church of Deliverance under the leadership of Bishop Otto T. Houston.

A Time to Serve.....Colossians 3:23 says "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men" and Johnny exemplified this throughout his life. He was a minister of love and laughter in both the workplace and House of Prayer. His many roles in the workplace include Emergency Room Registration Technician at Harlem Hospital (New York, New York) and Hospitality Manager at the Marriott Residence Inn (Chicago, Illinois). His ministry to the House of Prayer and the Body of Christ at-large include member of the New York City Community Choir, founder of the JMB Mass Choir, organizer and board member of the New York City Gospel Academy Awards, member of the Gospel Chorus of White Rock Baptist Church, member of the Mother's Club Plus at White Rock Baptist Church, member of the Marjorie Richardson Housing Birthday Club and a member of the Trustee Board at First Church Of Deliverance.

A Time to Rest.....After a brief illness, Johnny was called home to be with the Lord on January 11, 2011.

A Time to Remember.....Johnny will be remembered with heartfelt love by: his two sisters, Sarah J. Nelson-Hudson (Grover), H. Delores Smith, aunts Elizabeth Alexander, Mary E. Jordan and Sarah Joy, an uncle James Wheeler (Janette), great-aunts Estelle Fox, Jannie Harris, nephews Calvin G. Hudson (LaQuita) Darnell D. Smith, Keith L. Smith, Vinson T. Cunningham and Quran Wilkins, goddaughters Kim Reed-Butler, Kisha Clarke-Morrison, Donnalese Donaldson-Robinson, and Margaret Gurley, godson David J. Fairley II, "sisters" Peggy McBride, Barbara Rolle, Barbara Frazier and Ruth Oliver, "brothers" Douglas M. Smith, Saul Carroway, Garrie Burks and Rick Coleman, "daughters" Maureen Morgan, Iva Cunningham and Diana Thompson and a host of great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and dear friends.



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to us during this difficult time.



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