

*Celebrating The Life
Of*



*Elder
Bennett Harold Pitts*

Sunrise
August 19, 1967

Sunset
March 17, 2011



“Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord”

*The
Master
Called*

Service

Friday, March 25, 2011

Visitation and Musical Tribute 6 o'clock
Celebration of Life 7 o'clock post meridian

CHRIST TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

38 Hopper Street, Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Turner, Senior Pastor, Celebrant
Apostle Walter L. Scott, Officiant

Reflections of Life

The life of **Bennett Harold Pitts** began on August 19, 1967 in Hackensack, New Jersey.

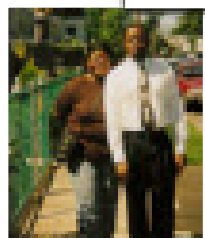
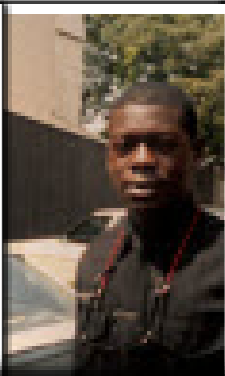
Harold was the eldest son of Robert Pitts Jr. and Janice Pitts. He began his education in the Paterson, New Jersey School system where he also attended Passaic County Community College. Harold joined the United States Navy in 1986. He was a Religious Petty Officer and Radioman. Seaman Bennett Harold Pitts received extended training in advanced communications and procedures. He was discharged with honors from the United States Navy in 1990.

Harold was well known for his involvement in the church. At a young age he expressed his love for music and taught himself how to play the piano, guitar, and organ by ear. During his early years he was a member and organist for Christ Temple Baptist Church. He also was a member and organist for Holy Tabernacle for many years. During Harold's time at Deliverance, he responded to the Call of God on his life to the gospel ministry. He was licensed, and ordained, by Apostle Walter L. Scott. His love for Christ was strong and he enjoyed expressing his love as a musician for these churches as well as Cannan Baptist Church and various other churches in the New Jersey and New York area, including Victory Faith Deliverance Center in Brooklyn, New York. In September of 2010 Harold came back to Christ Temple Baptist Church as an organist.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Pitts Jr., grandmother, Gertrude McCleod Houston, one uncle, Clyde Pitts, one aunt, Carrie "Daisy" Mae Jacobs, and one cousin, Angela Pitts.

He exchanged this earthly life for eternal life on Thursday, March 17, 2011.

Harold leaves to cherish his memories: his beloved mother, Janice Pitts; his siblings, Derek and Kyrene Pitts both of Paterson, New Jersey, Myra Pitts of Saddle Brook, New Jersey, Minnette (Steve) Sowell of Merrillville, Indiana, and Wanda (Robert) White of Union City, Georgia; biological father, Matthew (Lucille) White of Douglasville, Georgia; uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews; and a host of cousins and lifetime friends. He had a special relationship with Henry and Frances Pitts.



Order of Worship

*Apostle Walter L. Scott
Presiding Prelate Deliverance Holy Tabernacle,
Worship Leader*

Processional Clergy, Choir, Church Officials and Staff

God Speaks To Us Psalm 23, Rev. Sharon Kearney
John 14: 1-6, Rev. Brian Collins

We Speak To God Rev. Barry Graham

Hymn of Praise

Reflections of Life Church Staff

Expressions of Sympathy Church Staff

Personal Expressions 2 minutes please

Liturgical Dance Ministry Christ Temple

Poetry Janice Pitts (Mother)

Family Tribute Carrie Mae Harris

The Music of Praise
and Celebration CTBC Mass Choir

The Word of Life .. Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Turner, Celebrant

Recessional

Interment

Saturday, March 26, 2011 - 9:00 a.m.

Fair Lawn Cemetery

Fair Lawn, New Jersey

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Ye are the light of the world.

A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

~St. Matthews 5

Acknowledgements

It is times like these that we learn the true meaning of friendship. First and foremost, we thank God for His presence through the power of the Holy Spirit who has brought us thus far, watches over us at this very moment and will continue to sustain us when the crowd subsides and loneliness creeps into our night. We thank all of you who said you cared--through the flowers, cards, phone calls, visits, hugs, and many other expressions of concern. To those of you who traveled from near and afar to be with us, we thank you.

We pray for God's blessing upon each of you.

*The Family of the late **Bennett Harold Pitts***

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