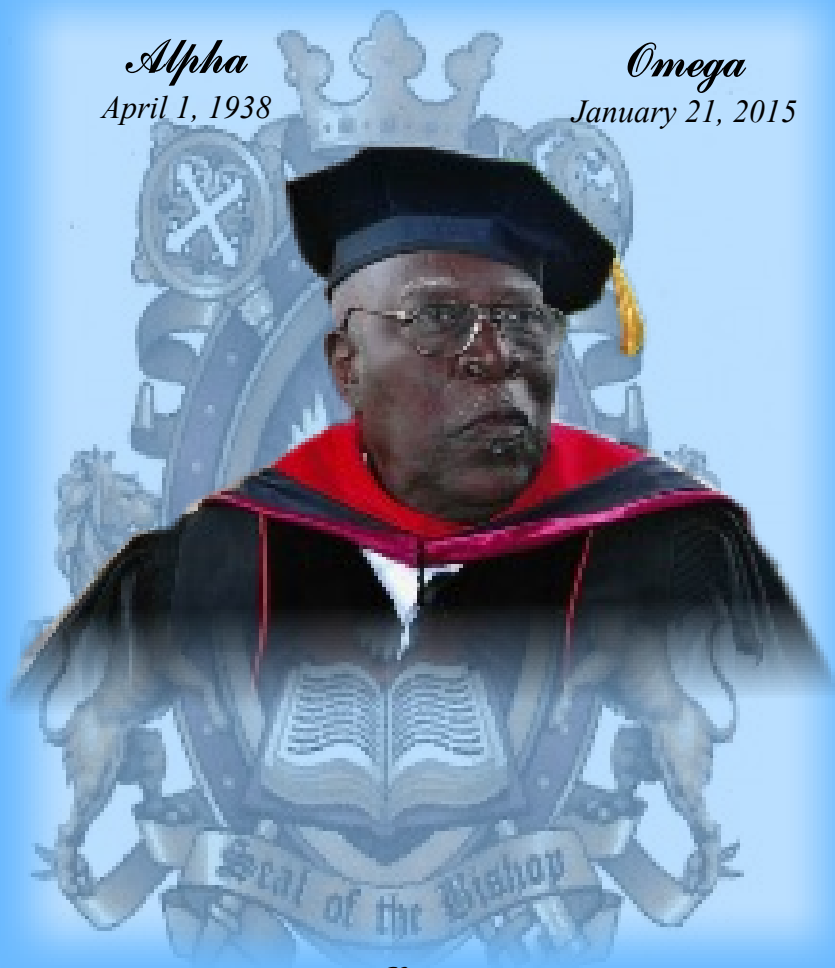


Celebrating the Life of
Bishop Dr. William H. Woods, Jr

Alpha
April 1, 1938

Omega
January 21, 2015



Service

Wednesday, February 11, 2015 - 1:00 p.m.

ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH
Leasburg, North Carolina

“This Little Light of Mine”

This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, this little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Hallelujah
This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
Ev'ry where I go
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, ev'ry where I go
I'm going to let it shine
Hallelujah
Ev'ry where I go
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
All in my house
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, all in my house
I'm going to let it shine
Hallelujah
All in my house
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
I'm not going to make it shine
I'm just going to let it shine
I'm not going to make it shine
I'm just going to let it shine
Hallelujah
I'm not going to make it shine
I'm just going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
Out in the dark
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, out in the dark
I'm going to let it shine
Hallelujah
Out in the dark
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Reflections of William's Life



Bishop Dr. William H. Woods, Sr.

William H. Woods, Sr. son of JoAnna Woods and Joe Harris was born April 1, 1938 in Caswell County, NC. He was the oldest of five children. He is preceded in death by his great grandmother, Betty Jane who raised him, his mother, JoAnna; wife, Evangelist Louise Lee Woods; biological son, Billie Long Woods; uncles, Will and John, who raised him; his sisters, Maggie, Shirley, Willie Swann.

In his formative years, he attended Caswell County Training School and graduated in 1955. In Yanceville, NC "Willie" as he was affectionately called joined the Armed Forces in 1959. He attended the Newark Deliverance Bible Institute in 1962, Iona College in 1964, other Bible Institutes and graduated from Liberty Bible School in 2009. He received an Honorary Doctorate Degree in 2013. Willie held various jobs and later started his own Swimming Pool Business named Lou Wood Pools in New Rochelle, NY. The business was successful until 2005 when he retired.

He accepted the Clarion call to the Ministry when he and his late wife, Evangelist Louise Lee Woods established the Celestial Pentecostal Church in Mount Vernon, NY. While married to the Late Evangelist Louise Lee Woods, after much prayer they added to their family by adopting three children, William Jr., John Nathan and Rebecca Louise. After the death of his wife Louise, he eventually remarried Celestine Dunn in 2003, they relocated to Danville, VA where he was the Director of Harvest Time Celestial Greater Blessed Hope Churches International before opening his own church. He assisted Bishop Calvin Smith in Mt. Vernon, NY as a servant to the people at The Holy Tabernacle Church. He opened his home to many children; he thought he could save the world. He was faithful to his Leaders and Bishops.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Celestine Dunn Woods; daughter, Marlyn; children, William (Lisa), John (Tashia), Rebecca Woods; fourteen grandchildren; brothers, Edwin (Mary) Sterling, of New York; sister, Dorothy Williams, M.D. of NC; and Bertha Mae Gentry; brother-in-law George Shannon; sister-in-law, Eva Greggs; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

I would rather have one little rose
from the garden of a friend,
then to have to choose flowers,
when my stay on earth must end.

I would rather have a pleasant
word in kindness
said to me then flattery
when my heart is still and
life has ceased to be.

I would rather have a loving smile
from friends I know are true,
then tears shed around my casket
when this world I bid adieu.

Bring me all your flowers today
whether pink, white or red;
I'd rather have one blossom now,
then a truck load when I'm dead.

Submitted by the Family



Acknowledgement

The family of **Bishop Dr. William H. Woods, Sr.**
expresses their deep appreciation and sincere thanks
for your kindness during our time of sorrow.

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