

Called Home to Peace

Do not let your hearts be troubled.
I have gone to a place prepared for me,
where there is no pain and no sorrow, only peace.

Though you may not see me, I am never far.
I live on in your love, your memories,
and in the quiet moments when you feel my presence near.

Trust in God's plan, just as I have.
He has carried me home, and one day, we will meet again.
Until then, hold one another close,
walk in faith, and remember,
I am at peace.

Pallbearers

Wayne Johns – Grandson
Shedaine Thorpe – Grandson
Sean Smith – Nephew
Bernard Pinnock – Nephew
Brennan Watson – Son-in-law
Doran Williams – Grandnephew

Master Pallbearers

Elder Sybert McKenzie – Husband
Sheldon Thorpe – Son

Acknowledgement

The family of **Elaine Codner-McKenzie** wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude for the love, prayers, and support shown to us during this time of loss. Your kind words, comforting presence, and thoughtful gestures have brought us strength and peace as we celebrate her life and legacy.

We are deeply grateful to our family, friends, and community—near and far—who have stood with us in love.

May God bless you all for your compassion and care.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Mrs.
Elaine
Codner-Mckenzie

Sunrise:
November 24, 1955

Sunset:
April 1, 2026

Friday, April 24, 2026
Visitation: 4:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Celebration of Life 7:00 PM

**The New Jerusalem Church of
God In Christ Apostolic Inc.**
130-08 Springfield Blvd.
Springfield Gardens, NY 11413

Officiating
Bishop Altamont G. Blackwood
Minister Yvonne Blackwood



Order of Service

Processional

Congregation Hymn “Face to Face with Christ My Savior”

Opening Prayer Bishop Dr. Aubrey C. H. Brown
Brooklyn Cathedral of Praise N.T.C.O.G

Scripture Readings..... First Lesson: St. John 14: 1-6
Donald Simpson (grand-nephew)

Selection Shania Thorpe (granddaughter)

Second Lesson: 1st Corinthians 15: 35 - 58
Avril Codner-Crooks (niece)

Selection The New Jerusalem Church Choir

Congregational Hymn “It May Be At Morn “

Tribute..... Tashnique Artrey (niece)

Tribute..... Sheldon Thorpe (son)

Tribute The Codner Sisters

Open Tributes (2 mins each)

Prayer for the Family Bishop Noel Henry
Showers of Blessing N.T.C.O.G

Eulogy Dr. Marsha Smith (niece)

Selection Showers of Blessings N.T.C.O.G

Sermon Bishop Altamont G. Blackwood

Final Viewing

Closing Prayer/Benediction

Recessional

Interment
Pinelawn Memorial Park



Graveside Hymns

When The Trumpet Of The Lord Shall Sound, And Time Shall Be No More

1. When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound,
and time shall be no more,
And the morning breaks,
eternal, bright and fair,
When the saved of earth shall gather over on
the other shore,
And the roll is called up yonder,
I'll be there.

Refrain:
When the roll is called up yonder,
I'll be there.

2. On that bright and cloudless morning, when
the dead in Christ shall rise,
And the glory of his resurrection share,
When his chosen ones shall gather to their
home beyond the skies,
And the roll is called up yonder,
I'll be there.

3. Let us labor for the Master from the dawn
till setting sun,
Let us talk of all his wondrous love
and care;
Then, when all of life is over,
and our work on earth is done,
And the roll is called up yonder,
I'll be there.

There is a Land That is Fairer Than Day

1. There's a land that is fairer than day,
And by faith we can see it afar;
For the Father waits over the way
To prepare us a dwelling place there.

Refrain:
In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore;
In the sweet by and by,
We shall meet on that beautiful shore.

2. We shall sing on that beautiful shore
The melodious songs of the blessed;
And our spirits shall sorrow no more,
Not a sigh for the blessing of rest.

3. To our bountiful Father above,
We will offer our tribute of praise
For the glorious gift of His love
And the blessings that hallow our days.

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Face to Face with Christ My Savior

1. Face to face with Christ,
my Savior,
Face to face—what will it be,
When with rapture I behold Him,
Jesus Christ who died for me?

Refrain:

Face to face I shall behold Him,
Far beyond the starry sky;
Face to face in all His glory,
I shall see Him by and by!

2. Only faintly now I see Him,
With the darkened veil between,
But a blessed day is coming,
When His glory shall be seen.
3. What rejoicing in His presence,
When are banished grief and pain;
When the crooked ways
are straightened,
And the dark things shall be plain.

4. Face to face—
oh, blissful moment!
Face to face—to see and know;
Face to face with my Redeemer,
Jesus Christ who loves me so.

It May be at Morn

1. It may be at morn,
when the day is awaking,
When sunlight thru darkness
and shadow is breaking,
That Jesus will come
in the fullness of glory
To receive from the world
His own.

Chorus:

O Lord Jesus, how long,
how long
Ere we shout the glad song—
Christ returneth!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Amen, Hallelujah! Amen.

2. It may be at midday,
it may be at twilight,
It may be, perchance,
that the blackness of midnight
Will burst into light
in the blaze of His glory,
When Jesus receives His own.

3. While hosts cry Hosanna,
from heaven descending,
With glorified saints
and the angels attending,
With grace on His brow,
like a halo of glory,
Will Jesus receive His own.

4. O joy! O delight!
should we go without dying,
No sickness, no sadness,
no dread, and no crying,
Caught up thru the clouds
with our Lord into glory,
When Jesus receives His own.

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Elaine Codner-McKenzie

November 24, 1955 – April 1, 2026

Elaine Codner-McKenzie, age 70, passed away peacefully on April 1, 2026, in New York. Surrounded by love, she transitioned from this life, leaving behind a legacy of warmth, strength, and cherished memories.

She was born on November 24, 1955, in St. Ann, Jamaica, W.I., to Claudius Codner and Keziah Gibbs-Codner. Raised in Madras, St. Ann, she was shaped by a rich cultural heritage and a close-knit community that instilled in her the enduring values of faith, resilience, and kindness. From an early age, Elaine was known for her warmth, intelligence, and quiet determination—qualities that guided her throughout her life.

Elaine received her early education at Madras Primary School, where she built a strong foundation for a life of purpose and dedication. She later pursued training in the healthcare field, leading to a meaningful career as a certified nursing assistant, with additional training as a medication technician. Throughout her professional journey, she was known for her strong work ethic, compassion, and commitment to excellence; qualities that earned her the respect of colleagues and those in her care. Beyond her career, she remained deeply devoted to her community and her faith. As a member of The New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ Apostolic, she served faithfully as an evangelist, choir member, and Sunday school teacher, touching countless lives through her service.

She will be remembered for her kind and gentle spirit, her resilience, and her unwavering faith, which carried her through life with grace. She found joy in watching cricket and baseball, and took great pleasure in life's simple moments such as spending time with family, preparing meals, and gathering with loved ones. Grounded in her faith, she lived a life guided by love, compassion, and purpose. She showed up for others in meaningful ways, offering support, encouragement, and a listening ear, leaving a lasting impression on all who were blessed to know her.

Elaine was preceded in death by her father, Claudius Codner; her mother, Keziah Gibbs-Codner; her brother, Moses Codner; and her sister, Evelyn Lewars-Hunter.

She leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband, Sybert McKenzie; her children, Maxine Clarke-Watson and Sheldon Thorpe; her cherished grandchildren, Candice Johns-Purrier, Wayne Johns, Sahna-Kay Thorpe-Reid, Shedaine Thorpe, Shania Thorpe, and Shamari Thorpe; her beloved great-grandchildren, Nehemiah Dawkins, Liam Purrier, and Kaylee Reid; her siblings, Sylvia Codner-Callum, Gloria Robinson, and Merlene Codner-Garcia; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and loved ones whose lives were deeply touched by her presence.

Her life was marked by kindness, unwavering love, strength, generosity, and faith. She lived with a deep sense of purpose, guided by values of integrity, compassion, and resilience—values that shaped the way she cared for others and moved through the world. The impact of her life will continue to be felt in the hearts of her family, friends, and all who knew her, leaving behind a legacy that will endure for generations.

**With hearts full of gratitude for a life well lived, we say,
 "Well done, good and faithful servant."
 May she rest in the eternal peace of God's presence.**

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