

A CELEBRATION OF

Life & Legacy FOR

DISTRICT
MISSIONARY
EMERITUS

Pearl
THOMPSON

SEPTEMBER 28TH 1932 - JULY 17TH 2023

PRAISE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
5895 BINZ ENGLEMAN RD. SAN ANTONIO, TX 78244

PASTOR STEPHEN F. THOMPSON, EULOGIST
BISHOP SHELTON C. RHODES, HOST PASTOR



Celebrating the Life and Legacy of a "Pearl"

**SATURDAY, July 29, 2023
11:00 a.m.**

Pastor Dewey Johnson
Master of Ceremony

The Organ Prelude

THE PROCESSIONAL

The Clergy
The Family

THE INTERCESSORY SUPPLICATION

Dr. Chandra Williams- Kelley

THE MINISTRY OF ASSURANCE

Old Testament Reading
New Testament Reading

Pastor Ken Flye
Pastor Joseph Pope

The Ministry of Music

The Resolutions (*please give all others to the ushers*)

Tameka Dugas

The Epitome

Cherrelle Simmions

EXPRESSIONS

The Children

Roderick Thompson
& Edith Hawkins

The Grandchildren

Kristie N. Mann

The Transformation Place Worship Center

Sis. Linda Stephens

Texas Southwest First Jurisdiction, Supervisor of Women

Mother Gerald Denny

The Ministry of Music

Shay Porter
Favorite Songs of “Mother Pearl”

EXPRESSIONS

From the Clergy

Bishop Maurice Green, Jr.
Texas Southwest First Jurisdiction, Prelate

The Music Ministry

THE EULOGY

Stephen F. Thompson, Sr. Pastor
The Transformation Place Worship Center

The Recessional

Celebratory Song



District Missionary Emeritus Pearl R. Francis-Thompson

"I'm Living, that I may live again."

District Missionary Emeritus Pearl Thompson, a native of San Antonio, Texas, was born September 28, 1932, to James Lee and Clemmie Helen Francis. She completed her education graduating from Wheatley High School and matriculated to college, becoming a dietitian.

She met and married the love of her life, Nathan L. Thompson on April 21, 1952. To this union were born 5 children Roderick, Edith, Pamela, Stephen, and Alesia. They remained faithful companions for 57 years of marriage until Pastor Thompson's homegoing in November of 2009.

After Pastor & Missionary Thompson married, an extensive spiritual journey began. She was saved by grace through faith on August 18, 1955. A few weeks later, she was filled with the precious gift of the Holy Ghost at True Holiness C.O.G.I.C, in Russell City, California, under Rev. Bertran Watson.

District Missionary Emeritus Pearl Thompson was a gifted woman of dignity, elegance, and grace who strived to exemplify Christ, dedicating her life and service to him, "I'm Living, that I may live again." In her walk with Christ, she demonstrated 1 Corinthians 7:14a KJV which states, "For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, ...". One of the many life-changing testimonies observed in her life was how she lived such a holy and dedicated life, that it caused her husband to surrender his life and come to Christ. This was the beginning of their incredible faith journey in Christ.

It was in 1955, while on tour in Japan that the Lord blessed Pastor Nathan and Missionary Pearl Thompson to do mission work in the: "back country" of Japan, where the Japanese had never been in contact with African Americans. They were astonished that Pastor Nathan and Missionary Pearl Thompson were able to speak their language. After a while, the Lord blessed Pastor Nathan and Missionary Pearl Thompson to purchase property and build a mission. During these services, many Japanese were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost speaking in tongues. Later, the Lord blessed them to add rooms to the mission. These rooms provided a place for rest and relaxation for other missionaries working in the field.

They later received orders to go to Cleveland, Ohio where they were blessed to serve under the late Bishop Mack E. Jonas who worked with Bishop Charles H. Mason working out churches throughout Ohio and surrounding states. Missionary Thompson received her Evangelist License on December 7, 1964, in Cleveland, Ohio under Bishop O.T. Jones and Overseer, Bishop Mack E. Jonas.

After touring in Ohio, Japan, and Arizona, they returned to San Antonio, Texas and united in fellowship with the late Bishop T.D. Iglehart. Missionary Thompson received her Missionary License for Texas under the late Mother Emma F. Crouch. Throughout the years, she has served in numerous capacities in the Church of God in Christ, as well as the community, using her gifts to edify and glorify God.

District Missionary Emeritus Pearl Thompson worked with her husband at the T.D. Iglehart Nursing Home under the direction of the late Bishop S.E. Iglehart as a Dietetic Supervisor. She attended San Antonio College where she was certified as a Dietetic Supervisor. She was registered in a degree program, working towards her degree as a Dietitian. She attended St. Phillip's in a Restaurant-Food Preparation and Nutrition Course. She also attended San Antonio College, where she took a course in Home Economics.

At the Nursing home she was a Financial Secretary and Dietetic Supervisor, General Management Supervisor over the department, developed and maintained menus and made all food purchases. She was in charge of daily inspections to ensure a clean and orderly operation.

District Missionary Emeritus Pearl Thompson was also a businesswoman. She was co-owner and operator of the Lone Oak Mall Cafeteria with her husband Pastor Nathan Thompson. This restaurant was located in the Lone Oak Mall on S. W. W. White Road in San Antonio, Tx. It seated 300 people and specialized in what she was well known for, "Old Fashioned Home Cooking."

Locally, for many years, she has served as Sunday School Teacher, Secretary, Home & Foreign Missions President, Business Administrator, Administrative Assistant, First Lady, President of the Women's Department, a gifted Pianist, a Licensed Evangelist Missionary and District Missionary for the Greater Alamo District. At the Jurisdictional level, she has served as a Licensed Evangelist Missionary, Chairperson of the District Missionaries, and has worked with the Special Missions Project under the late Bishop J.W. Denny.

When Pastor Nathan Thompson was appointed by Bishop T. D. Iglehart, as Pastor of the Monthalia Church of God in Christ, Monthalia, Texas, she served faithfully with him as First Lady. After a tenure of service there, Pastor Thompson had a vision from the Lord to move back to San Antonio, Texas. There he founded and built Thompson Chapel C.O.G.I.C, currently, The Transformation Place Worship Center, Pastored by their son, Stephen F. Thompson. Missionary Thompson served faithfully as First Lady, for 26 years working along with her husband, during building, growth, and expansion programs. She was instrumental in establishing the foundation of this great work.

She was appointed District Missionary of the Alamo District on July 17, 1999, by Bishop S.E. Iglehart and Mother Annie M. Cooper. She served faithfully 12 years with District Superintendent C.W. Steward. After many years of distinguished service, she was bestowed the title of "District Missionary Emeritus" on October 16, 2011.

District Missionary Emeritus Pearl R. Francis-Thompson, the matriarch of the Francis Family, was preceded in death by her beloved husband Nathan L. Thompson; her 5 brothers James, Brady, Eugene, Earl, and Charles; her 2 sisters Naomi and Helen. She leaves to cherish her legacy of service to God and his people, her loving children: Roderick (Lynn), Edith, Pamela, Stephen (Stacey), and Alesia "Lisa"; nine grandchildren: Nailah, Kristie, Jasmin, LeBria, Asia, Joshua, Caleb, Kaitlyn, Aaron: seven great-grandchildren; M'kei, Jada, Camryn, Jourden, Jaxston, Camille, Jianna: two sisters; Earline Lavallas, Verna Spears: four God-children; Thea Littlejohn Strain, D.C. Hammons, Jeremiah Pope, Neicy Pope and a host of nieces, nephews, family, friends, and The Transformation Place Church Family.



Mission in Japan





SNAP Classified Shopper

Thompson's Nathan and Pearl Opens Lone Oak Mall Cafeteria

One of San Antonio's newest and finest Family Cafeterias is now open at 919 S.E. W. W. White Road in the H.E.B.'s Lone Oak Mall.

This new, fine business venture is under the direction of The Thompsons; Nathan and Pearl, a husband-wife team.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

SNAP is inviting you to visit this all new, modern equipped cafeteria. When you see it and get a taste of some of their real old fashion home cooked food, you too will say this 300 seating capacity cafeteria got to be boasted of one of San Antonio's finest cafeterias.

THE THOMPSON'S PREPARED TO DO 1st CLASS BUSINESS

Nathan Thompson has attended San Antonio College, University of Maryland, Our Lady of the Lake University and received his Masters Degree in Health Administration from Southwest Texas State University.

Since 1968, he served as Administrator for the T. D. Iglehart Nursing Home here in San Antonio. Here he was responsible for Staff Manamement, implemented policies coming from the governing authorities, and implemented and managed fiscal and financial resources and employed a system for responsible accounting, budget and internal control. So, business wise, he is ready.

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Yes, the THOMPSONS, Nathan and Pearl, are ready for business.

The Thompsons reside at 1643 Lone Oak Street and are the proud parents of five children; Roderick, 22, who works at the cafeteria; Edith, 17, a senior at Sam Houston High School who has been featured in the 13th annual edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students for 1978-79; Pamela A., 13; and Stephen, 12, both students at Jeff Davis School; and, Alesia, 10, a student at Gates Elementary School.

San Antonio's newest and finest Family Cafeteria off to a good start

Grand 'Open House' being planned later



The financial package was put together by the San Antonio Business Development Center along with the Broadway National Band and S.B.A.

Willie A Mitchell, Construction-

Contractors Manager for S.A.B.D.C. worked very closely with the project to get it moving.

A formal open house for the cafeteria is being planned. Watch SNAP for date and time.



The top photo shows Rev. C. W. Black, Jr. and Sr. as they visited the Mall Cafeteria.

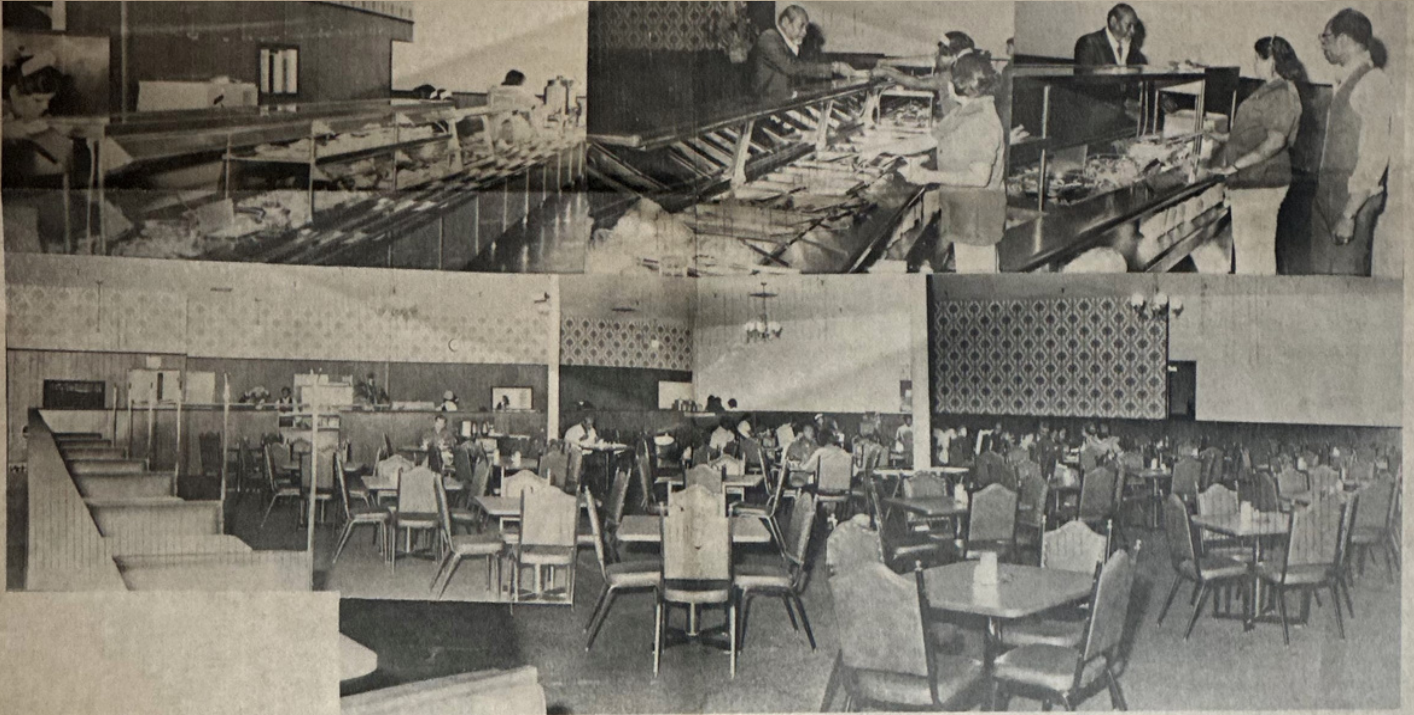
The next two photos are of Bishop & Mrs. T. D. Iglehart as they put a stamp of approval on the food service.

Mr. & Mrs. Ricardo Waih and Son Jr, Cardiff Church of Christ.

Elder C. E. Daniels, Elder C. W. Stewart, Elsworth Drumman and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Thompson.

Cedric McCrary-City VIA Metro Transist.

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Located in

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Specializing in

Old Fashioned Home Cooking

Opened: 11 A.M. to 8 P.M. Daily

Available for Banquets and Dinner Parties
After 7:00 P.M.

For Reservation Call 333-7962

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan L. Thompson
Owners and Operators

BEARERS OF THE BIER

Joshua Thompson
Alex Palmer
Tony Garcia

Tony Francis
Allen Burrus III
Shawn Simmons

HONORARY BEARERS OF THE BIER

Mothers, Missionaries, & Co-Labourers in Ministry

THE INTERMENT

Monday, July 31st at 9:30 a.m.
Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO

Carter-Taylor-Williams Mortuary
601 Center St. • San Antonio, Texas

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

We would like to express our thanks to all of you for your kind expressions of love and sympathy.

Your concern through calls, letters, cards, meals, messages, and contributions to ministries in Mother Pearl's honour have helped to lift and sustain us.

Special thanks and gratitude to those who have traveled across the miles to share this time with us. Your sacrifice of care and concern is appreciated.

Special thanks to Bishop Shelton C. Rhodes and Praise Cathedral C.O.G.I.C. for all your love and support for the family.

~THE FAMILY OF PEARL R. THOMPSON~

A family repass will be served in the Fellowship Hall of Praise Cathedral.

