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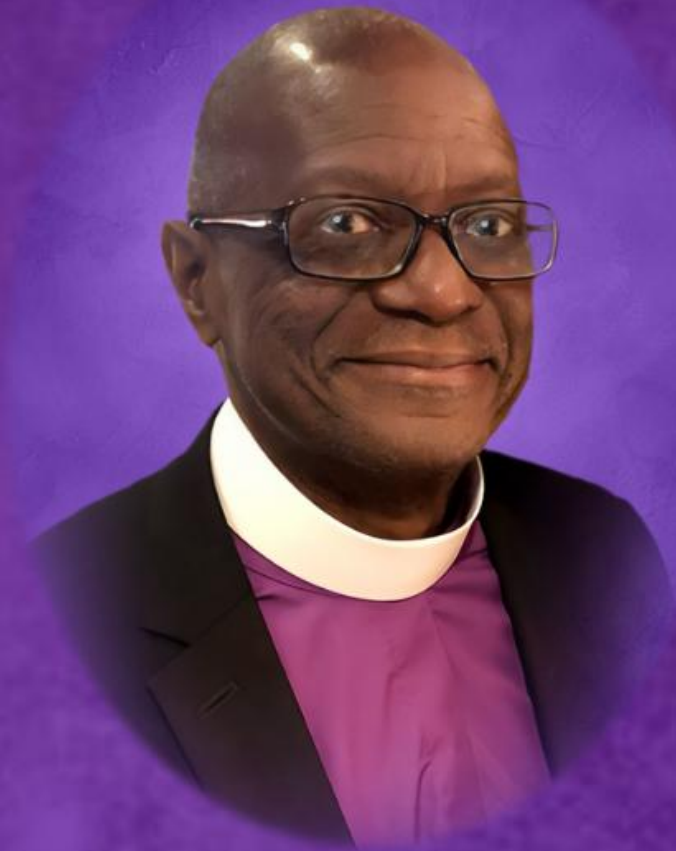
We, the family of Bishop Richard Samuel Johnson, Jr., wishes to acknowledge the many acts of kindness conveyed to us during the passing of our loved one. Your love and compassion shown during this time will never be forgotten and will be cherished in our hearts forever. A very special thank you to Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr. and the staff of Brookland Baptist Church, Bishop Sylvester Reed and the staff of Refuge Temple Church, Bishop David Johnson and the Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Hopkins, SC, Dr. Charles Pollock and the South Carolina Upstate Diocese District #4 Women's Auxiliaries, Cathedral of Faith Ministries Family, Elite Home Care and Day Centers, Vigilant Healthcare, caregivers, Melissa McCullough, Beverly Odom, Joan Douglas, Cedric Tucker, CJ Johnson, LaToya and Jarvis Adams, Moncina Etheredge, and Kocifica Etheredge.



Amen.....

A Service of Victory CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Bishop *Richard Samuel Johnson, Jr.*



Saturday, March 29, 2025
12:00 Noon

Brookland Baptist Church

1066 Sunset Boulevard
West Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr., Pastor
Apostle Dr. Reginald Davis, Eulogist

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Order of Service

Bishop Sylvester Reed, Presiding

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Selection

Old Testament.....Psalm 23.....Bishop James Pooser

New Testament.....I Thessalonians 4:14-14.....Dr. Andre Rogers

Prayer.....Bishop Anderson Williams

Greetings.....Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr.

Selection

Reflections:

Region 8 South Carolina Apostle.....Apostle Walter L. Jackson

SC Upstate Diocese District 4.....Dr. Charles Pollock

Friend/Co-Worker.....Mr. Richard Wilson

Friend.....Mr. Alex Snipe

Selection

Family Reflections

Brother.....Bishop David Johnson

Brother.....Bishop Paul Johnson

Grandchildren.....Richard, Daniel, Samuel, Nia, and Kendall Johnson

Selection

Family Reflections-Life, Love, and Legacy

Son/Daughter.....Mr. Richard LaMonte and Mrs. LaTanya Brown Johnson

Son/Daughter.....Mr. Michael Ryan and Mrs. Nina Mitchell Johnson

Son/Daughter.....Mr. Joshua Samuel and Mr. Telitra Burtin-Johnson

Solo.....Ms. Heatherlyn Grant, Goddaughter

When Two Become One.....Dr. Peggie Etheredge Johnson, Wife

Acknowledgements.....Mrs. Raichelle Hall Glover

Solo.....Dr. Charity Davis

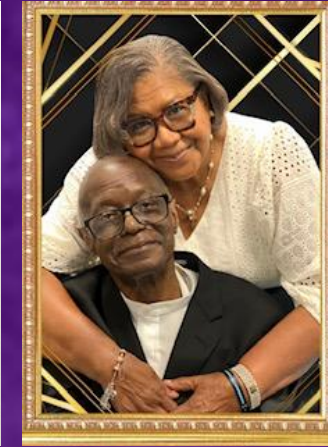
Eulogy.....Apostle Dr. Reginald Davis

Recessional

Postlude

Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery
4900 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina



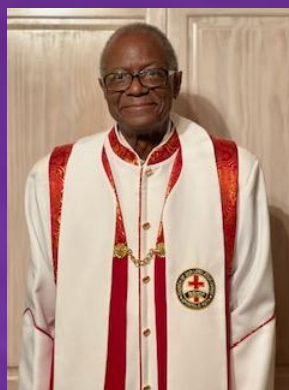
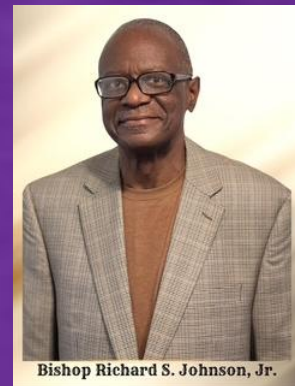
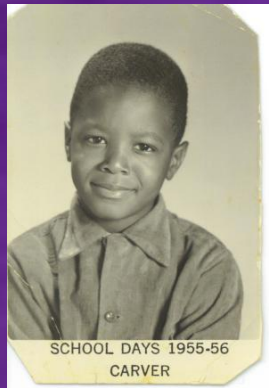
Tribute

A Tribute To Dr. Peggie Etheredge Johnson from Bishop Richard S. Johnson, Jr. (March 2020).

“I want to celebrate my wife, First Lady Dr. Peggie E. Johnson, during this special month as we celebrate Pastors Wives Appreciation Month. I am thankful to God for giving me a wife that blesses my life and the work that God has called us to do in ministry. She is a loving wife, mother, and servant of God. She is a good partner and team member. Words cannot express the love that I have for her and the contributions she has made to the ministry that God has called us to. I love her dearly and salute her for the contribution she makes to Cathedral Of Faith Ministries. To a wonderful Pastor’s wife, I say thank God for you, you are a blessing. I love you, Bishop Richard Johnson.”

A tribute to Bishop Richard S. Johnson, Jr. from his wife:
“Babe, I will always love you!”

Memories



Obituary of Bishop Richard Samuel Johnson, Jr.

Our beloved Bishop Richard Johnson was peacefully promoted from his earthly body into the presence of God on March 18, 2025.

Bishop Richard Johnson, affectionately called “Ricky” by his family and close friends, is the eldest son of the late Richard S. Johnson, Sr. and the late Helen Brimage Johnson. He is a native of Columbia, SC where he attended and graduated from C.A. Johnson High School in 1967 and Benedict College in 1971 with a BS degree in Social Work. He is a licensed social work counselor with various certifications relative to his field. He did graduate course studies at Auburn University and Columbia International University.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by three siblings: Josephine Tucker, Hellena V. Johnson, and Charles Johnson, Sr.

Bishop Johnson is known for his meekness, love, and faithfulness to God, his family, and others. As a servant leader, he met people where they were with loving kindness with a passion for being and doing God’s will. His obedience often caused him to be misunderstood as his gifts, talents, and Faithfulness to the voice of God were diverse and unshakable. He was a trailblazer and a man before his time in service to God.

In the marketplace, his career allowed him to serve more than 30 years combined in three state governmental agencies where he held many positions: the South Carolina Department of Mental Health as a Social Worker (1974-1980, Columbia, SC), the South Carolina Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission as Director (1981-1985, Saluda, SC/Coordinator Of Substance Abuse Programs, Columbia, SC) and the South Carolina Department of Corrections (1985-2006, Columbia, SC) as Administrations Manager and Coordinator of Addictions Treatment and the Youthful Offender Programs. He retired from SCDC in 2006. In retirement, he became an author in the anthology *Soulful Affirmations: 365 Days Of Positive Thoughts and Lessons To Start Your Day* with Dr. Cheryl Polote-Williamson.

Bishop Johnson was called to the ministry at a young age at Progressive Church Of Our Lord Jesus Christ under the leadership of Bishop J.D. Williams. However, he ran from this call for many years until a near-fatal car accident caused him to surrender to the voice and will of God. He served as youth leader, Sunday school superintendent and teacher, choir director, singing on the choir, and usher. He received his ministerial license and pastored his first church in Columbus, GA. (1977-1980).

Bishop Johnson and his family joined the Churches Of Our Lord Jesus Christ under the leadership of Bishop Wilbur Jones in 1983, where he was ordained an Elder in 1994. On August 3, 2008, he was consecrated to the office of Bishop, recommended by Bishop William L. Bonner.

Additionally, He and his family have been involved in Kingdom work in the following ministries: He assisted Elder Wilbur Young at the Progressive Church in Saluda, SC (1980-1983). He assisted Elder David Smith at Beulah Refuge Church, Columbia, SC (1983-1985). He pastored the Beulah Church in Bowman, SC (1985-1989).

Our Family



Bishop Johnson founded and pastored Faith Temple Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Columbia, SC (1989-1994). Faith Temple merged with Refuge Temple Church Of Our Lord Jesu Christ in January 1994 and moved to 4450 Argent Court. Bishop Johnson continued to assist Bishop Bonner as Assistant Pastor for 9 years. He was the Overseer of many ministries and assisted in all of the construction of the Southern Regional Headquarters. Additionally, Bishop Johnson was one of the original professors and students at the W.L. Bonner College, where he taught several courses.

In 2001, he was prompted by God to *“Go and start a new ministry; for My people need a place to go.”* Pastor Johnson stepped out on faith, going where God led him, believing as God said that He would provide for the vision He had given, that is, a ministry whose purpose was to focus on developing and preparing God’s people for the kingdom through a wholistic ministry; spiritually, socially, physically, and emotionally. Through much prayer, a name was chosen to reflect the church's mission, Cathedral Of Faith Ministries. Along with his wife and three sons, COFM began on September 2, 2001. The Lord led Pastor and First Lady Johnson to begin weekly Bible Study in Charlotte, NC., and after 8 years, Cathedral Of Faith Charlotte was born on March 24, 2013.

Bishop Johnson has served the communities through missions globally and locally and has traveled to more than 25 countries, including Israel, Jordan, and Egypt. Additionally, he and his wife have led mission teams from Cathedral Of Faith to Belize, Central America, where they adopted St. Joseph’s primary school in the village of Barranco. They raised funds through *The Lea Project* to assist in the educational needs of the children in Belize and Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Bishop Johnson met and married the love of his life, Peggie Etheredge, a native of Saluda, SC, in August of 1970. They are blessed with children, grandchildren, and global spiritual children.

Those who love and cherish his memory are his devoted wife of 54 years, Dr. Peggie Etheredge Johnson; his children, Richard “LaMonte” and LaTanya Brown Johnson, Charlotte, NC, Michael Ryan and Nina Mitchell Johnson, Charlotte, NC, and Joshua Samuel and Telitra Burtin-Johnson, Atlanta, GA; five grandchildren, Richard, Daniel, Samuel, Nia Amarie, and Kendall Ashlyn Johnson, all from Charlotte, NC; five grand dogs who love him dearly; bonus sons, Charles Johnson, Jr. (Columbia, SC), Anthony Caldwell (Rockhill, SC), Cedric Tucker (Columbia, SC), and Jamie Badger (Fort Mill, SC); two bonus grandchildren, Caiden Wigfall (Charlotte, NC) and Kymberly Robinson (Columbia, SC); goddaughters, LaToya Grate Adams, Heatherlyn Grant, Megan Grant, and Ashley Wolfe; siblings, Reverend George Weathers, Sandy Island, SC, Bishop David Johnson (Shanda), Hopkins, SC, Bishop Paul Johnson, Hinesville, GA, and LaChelle (Robert) Smalls, Poughkeepsie, NY; three brothers-in-love, Fred Etheredge (Clinton, SC), Oscar (Jean) Etheredge, Norristown PA, and Larry (Annette) Etheredge, Columbia, SC; two sisters-in-love, Rosie Barnes and Anita Etheredge both of Columbia, SC; two aunts, Lottie Bowens and Dorothy McBride, Wilmington, NC; a host of loving and devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, Cathedral Of Faith Church Family, spiritual sons, and daughters; extended family: the Browns, the Williams, the Mitchells, the Burtins, and the Livingston Families..

Memories



In Loving Memory of Chief Apostle William Lee Bonner ~ 11.12.21–04.03.2015