

A Celebration of Life

Elder Joseph Harvey, Sr.

of

New Born Church of God and True Holiness, Inc.

Bishop Allen L. Roach, Pastor

a member of

The New Born Lighthouse Church of the Apostolic Faith, Inc.

Bishop Winfer Turner, International General Overseer

March 5, 1904 - October 14, 2011



Saturday, October 22, 2011

Viewing: 9:00 AM

Service: 10:30 AM

Fisherman of Men Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ

3641 Georgia Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20010

Bishop Clarence Groover, Sr., Pastor

Life Journey

Joseph Harvey was born in Plantersville (now Georgetown), South Carolina on March 5, 1904, to James Lance and Elisa Harvey. On Friday morning, October 14, 2011, he quietly slipped away into eternity as he cuddled head-to-head with his lovely wife.

Joseph was the eldest of four brothers, Joseph, Abraham, Robert, and James, Jr. Joseph had six sisters; Christine, Katy, Ella, and a set of triplets, Mary, Martha and Magdalene. He was the 2nd oldest of ten children. He attended the Georgetown County Public Schools through the eighth grade, and attended the St Mark AME Church as a youth.

Joseph met Mabel Owens in Sellars, South Carolina in June of 1928. After a brief courtship, they were wed on August 13, 1928. Joseph held several occupations in South Carolina, such as, Farmer, 2nd Rigger for a logging Company, and Logger for a Saw-Mill Company. The young couple moved to the Washington, D.C. area in 1930. They resided at 1836 Fourth Street, N.W. for 10 years. Seven children were born to this union, four boys and three girls, of which three are deceased.

Joseph, being a young black male in this era and having no formal education, found it difficult to obtain a decent job to provide for his family. In search of better employment, the couple decided to move to Alexandria, Virginia in 1940. After residing there for 2 years, the couple decided to move to New York City, New York in 1943 looking for decent employment. Spending 3 years in New York City, the couple then decided in 1946 to move back to Washington, D.C.

Joseph obtained a job with the Noland Plumbing Supply Company, working as a truck driver. The couple then purchased 2 row houses located at 1232 and 1234 Delaware Avenue, S.W. At that time, there were no Natural Gas lines in the community; so Joseph, along with residents of his community, petitioned Washington Gas Company to provide Natural Gas lines to the homes in their community. They were successful in their petition, and Natural Gas was piped into their homes. Joseph worked for the Noland Company for 19 years until Crossroads Supply Company (a subsidiary of the Noland Company) was formed. Recognizing him as a valuable employee, Crossroads Supply asked him to work for the new company.

In 1955, Joseph received an award and a bonus for his integrity, work ethic and punctuality. With that bonus, Joseph purchased the house at 3630 10th Street, N.W., in November of 1955, where he resided until his passing. For the next 24 years, Joseph worked from "can't-see-in-the-morning" until "can't-see-at-night." While working hard weekdays, Joseph was still community-minded. He helped his neighbors whenever he could. Whatever task, great or small, that he was called on to do, he would do so without complaining.

Life Journey

Joseph was a charitable man. He always had money for you if you were in need. He was well known in the community for helping the needy. He donated generously to various charities such as: the Easter Seal, The Heart Foundation, The Diabetes Association, and The Veterans Association. He became an active member of the Clean Block Program, and could be found picking up trash and debris in his neighborhood. Joseph officially retired in 1979. Having worked hard since he was 8 years old, retirement was just not for him; so he started a landscaping service, and his clientele were in Northern Virginia as well as the neighborhood.

Joseph came to know the Lord and was saved November 12, 1952, at Emmanuel Holiness Church under the leadership of the late Bishop Neil Hadley. Joseph worshiped and served at New Born Church of God and True Holiness faithfully until his passing, where he was ordained a Deacon and an honorary Elder.

Elder Harvey was successful in marriage because of his commitment first to God, communication, and his wife. He believed that God promised abundant life if you obey His Word. He also believed that the key to longevity in marriage was to be honest with one another, and to keep love and intimacy alive in their relationship. His advice was to love God, His Word and each other, and you will have a lasting relationship. This year, Elder and Mother Harvey celebrated 83 years of marriage.

Elder Harvey leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife ("B I" sweetie) of 83 years, Mother Mabel Harvey of Washington, DC; two daughters: Priscilla "Trudy" Reed of Clinton, MD (Clifford), and Dianna Brock of Beltsville, MD (Larry); two sons: Thomas Harvey of Washington, DC, and Ron Harvey, Sr. of Dallas, TX (Rhoda); 34 grandchildren, 52 great-grandchildren, 12 great-great-grandchildren, and a host of Nieces, Nephews, and friends.

Preceding him in death was one daughter: Betty Harvey of Washington, DC in 1973; special niece: Carolyn Webster of Waldorf, MD in 2007 (Linwood), and two sons: Joseph Harvey, Jr. of Washington DC in 2008 (Cecelia), and Robert Harvey of Sylvania, GA in 2008 (Maryln).

Elder Harvey also leaves to cherish his memory special and dedicated caregivers: Nembo Jerome Nkwetaketu and Rose Linguen (Premiere Nursing Agency) of just under 1 year, and granddaughter Tonya Harvey who provided dedicated service, attention, care and love.

All who knew Elder Harvey will certainly miss him. He was truly well loved and respected.

Church Paper

Elder Joseph Harvey, Sr., *Chairman Deacon*
New Born Church of God and True Holiness, Inc.

Our beloved Elder Joseph Harvey was saved in 1952. He came to the Emmanuel Holiness #3 under the leadership of the late Bishop Woodrow Roach, Sr., in 1956. Emmanuel Holiness #3 was placed under the charter of the Church of God and True Holiness in 1957. In September of 1969 the church was chartered under the name of “New Born Church of God and True Holiness, Inc.” He served for many years under Bishop Woodrow Roach, Sr., and upon his passing served loyally and faithfully under the leadership of Bishop Allen Lee Roach until the Lord closed his eyes in peace on Friday, October 14th. He was devoted to his lovely wife, family, the New Born Church, and the New Born Lighthouse Church organization.

Elder Joseph Harvey was one of the last remaining pillars of our church. He played the old fashioned scrub board in earlier years during the services of the Lord. He served as the Treasurer of New Born Lighthouse Church from its inception in 1992 until present. He actively served on the Ushers Department well past one hundred years of age. The highlight of our Sundays would be to see him strutting down the isle leading the ushers in the march during the offering. He served as the Pastor Aide/Pastoral Care President and as chairman of the deacon’s board of New Born. He would ring out with “let the church say amen,” He told us that if you say amen that let him know that you were with him. He was a giver and a great encourager to the people of God to give to the work of the Lord and the man of God. He sang with the Brotherhood Chorus and was a dynamic devotional leader for many, many years. He would get up and just belt out a song such as, “what you doing out there sitting down,” if you weren’t standing you’d definitely be ashamed to be found sitting on your seat. Elder Harvey was a powerful example to us all, especially in the love that he portrayed to his “B I” Sweetie, (Mother Harvey).

Elder Harvey could outwork pretty much any brother in the church even in later years. He would put most to shame with his drive and endurance. Elder Harvey held us to a higher standard and set the bar for service very high. He was truly a man’s man with the firm handshake to prove it. God gave our beloved Elder Harvey many great years of life. We will hold on to the lasting legacy which this great man of God has left behind for all of us.

“For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:... We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.”

II Corinthians 5:1-2, 8

Respectfully Submitted:
Sis. Angela K. Gillispie – Church Secretary

Bishop Allen L. Roach, Pastor

Letter of Resolution

The General Overseer, Bishop Winfer Turner, the Board of Directors, and the affiliate churches of The New Born Lighthouse Church of the Apostolic Faith, Incorporated, humbly submit to the infinite wisdom of God and, therefore, rejoice in the home-going of Elder Joseph Harvey. We hold fast to the promises of God as we adjust to the physical absence of this wonder man of God in our company. Reflection on Elder Harvey's life inspires us to document the following:

Whereas, Elder Harvey was a member of New Born Church of God and served faithfully since 1956 and International Treasurer of New Born Lighthouse Church, and served faithfully from 1992 until present, and a member of the New Born Lighthouse Church of the Apostolic Faith, Inc.

And whereas, Elder Harvey, was steadfast in the doctrine; enduring sound doctrine until the end, paying special attention to II Timothy 4:3, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned to fables." Matthew 24:13, "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved";

And, whereas, Elder Joseph Harvey, fulfilled the instruction of the Apostle Paul to Timothy in II Timothy 2:3 and endured hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ;

Be it resolved that the General Overseer, Board of Directors, and affiliate churches of The New Born Lighthouse Church of the Apostolic Faith, Incorporated, firmly believe that Elder Joseph Harvey, at the approaching of his departure from this world, could say as the Apostle Paul: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." II Timothy 4:7-8. We encourage the family, members of the New Born Church and friends of Elder Joseph Harvey, to join us as we follow his example and "strive to enter at the strait gate."

Respectfully submitted,
The New Born Lighthouse Church of the Apostolic Faith, Incorporated

Winfer Turner

Bishop Winfer Turner, International General Overseer

"Official Correspondence"





Messages Of Love

Children:

Dianna- I love you very much, and you will always be in my heart.

Thomas- You were a great father, and I am going to miss you.

Maryl- I thank God for blessing me with you. As a father -in-law, I could not have had anyone better. I thank God for your life and the example you have set.

Grand Children:

Thomasine- I love you very much, and you will be greatly missed. I will miss hearing your voice when I would call, because you would always tell me that I remind you of your mother.

Alphonzo- Grand daddy was loveable and a caring person. I know for myself that he cared for everyone and helped people if/when he could.

Krystal- My Grandfather is a man who I love dearly. I will truly miss him. I have seen him help and save so many lives. He was always giving, and that's why I have given him a special place to keep in my heart always.

Nancy- I know it feels great to return to your heavenly resting place. Watch down over us grand-father and ask God to keep us safe. ~Love, Nancy

Ashley- I thank you for being a part of your life, and I will never forget you. Love, Ashley and Family

Great Grand Children:

Tiffany- I miss you so much and I love you.

Timothy- I miss you grandpa.

Nyla- I love you and miss you papa.

Dmarco- I love you grand pa.

Khadejah- I miss you grandpa.

Zydale- I'm really going to miss you because you would talk to me about different things that were going on in my life.

Troy- Whenever I came around, you always had a smile on your face...nothing but laughter and happiness, and that is how I will always remember you.

Destiny- I will miss you grandpa and will always remember the wonderful times we spent together having fun. ~Love, Destiny

Favorite Songs & Sayings

Favorite Songs:

Keep on Looking Up

What You Doing Out There Sitting Down

Let the Church Say Amen

Prayer Brought Me Here

Good Morning to Heaven...

Must Jesus Bare the Cross Alone

If I Can Hear My Mother Praying Again

Favorite Sayings:

“It Takes 6 Months To Mind Your Own Business,
And 6 Months To Leave Other People’s Business Alone.”

“An Old Piece of Leather, Well Put Together.”

“You Have to Do for Two, To Let Your Love Be True.”

“99 & 1/2 Wont Do.”

“An Idle Mind Is the Devil’s Workshop.”

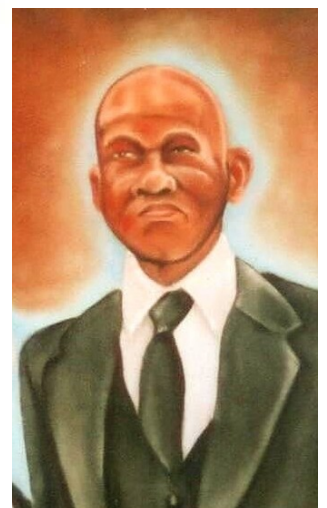
“It’s Just Right To Do Right.”

“Everybody Ought To Do Their Part.”

“Ol’ Need Is Gone, and Ol’ Gotta Have Is At the Door.”

“Let the Church Say Amen, Amen, E...men.”

“Thank God for My Time”



Order of Service

Presiding	Elder David L. Gillispie, <i>Assistant Pastor</i>
Opening Selection	New Born Lighthouse Church Choir
Invocation	Clergy
Scripture Reading	Old Testament (<i>Elder Michael King</i>) <i>Job 14:11-14</i>
	New Testament (<i>Elder Quinton James</i>) <i>St. John 11:23-27</i>
Selection	New Born Lighthouse Church Choir
Expressions (3 minutes, please)	Friends, Church & Family - Preselected
Prayer of Comfort	Clergy
Selection	New Born Lighthouse Church Choir
Acknowledgements & Readings	Sister Angela Gillispie, <i>Church Secretary</i>
Prayer of Consolation	Clergy
Solo	Mother Roxie Turner - " <i>Walk Around Heaven</i> "
Words of Consolation	Bishop Winfer Turner <i>International General Overseer</i>
Selection	New Born Lighthouse Church Choir
The Preached Word	Bishop Allen Roach, <i>Pastor</i> <i>International Vice General Overseer</i>
Recessional	NBLC Choir - " <i>Let the Church Say Amen</i> "
Interment	Fort Lincoln Cemetery Brentwood, Maryland
Interment Solo	Sister June Pearsall - " <i>Standing on Holy Ground</i> "
Closing Prayer and Benediction	Clergy

