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St. Stephen Baptist Church 2011 Women's Conference October 21 - 22, 2011

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Welcome!

2011 Women's Conference Planning Committee

Ladies, Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We, the St. Stephen Baptist Church Women's Conference Planning Committee officially WELCOME each of you to our 2011 Women's Conference. Our theme for Women's Ministry and this year's conference is Women Walking in Worship "As Iron Sharpens Iron" Proverbs 27:17 (a) And so, one sister sharpens another. We hope that this is one of the most enjoyable, enlightening and eventful conference ever. We are so excited this time is here as we have been on fire about this weekend since the initial planning stage. We want this weekend to be a beautiful blend of all the right "stuff": a friendly nurturing environment, wonderful worship, informative learning sessions and lovely fellowship. In addition to Praise and Worship, we have awesome workshops for you according to your age so you can share, draw strength, love one another and become powerful women of God. Our guest speakers are knowledgeable anointed women of God and their teachings and testimonies will open your eyes and hopefully answer some questions you may have. We are women who are coming together to strengthen, deepen and develop our relationship with God and our spiritual walk. Let's continue to sharpen each other in our faith while diligently praying for one another. Thank each of you for sacrificing. We are glad you decided to join us. We want you to come away from this conference transformed, renewed, revitalized as Women Walking in Worship living for the promises of God so that we can continue to Sharpen, Shape Up & Shine one another. Much peace and many blessings!

In Christian Love,
St. Stephen Baptist Church
2011 Women's Conference Planning Committee

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Greetings Women of God!



I want to give honor to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who is the head of my life! I want to thank my awesome anointed husband State Overseer Designate, Pastor Lanier C. Twyman for allowing us to have this wonderful women's conference and for being supportive through the entire endeavor.

Thank you so much for participating in our 2011 Women's Conference.

The bible says in Proverbs 27:17 As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend. I pray that as sisters during this conference we sharpen each other to the glory of God and to the up building of his kingdom. Ladies sit back relax and prepare to be sharpened, shaped up and shining as we begin our 2011 Women's Conference. 1 Corinthians 2:9 But, as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.

Humbly a Servant

First Lady Tonya Twyman



St. Stephen Baptist Church
2011 Women's Conference
"Iron Sharpens Iron"

Schedule

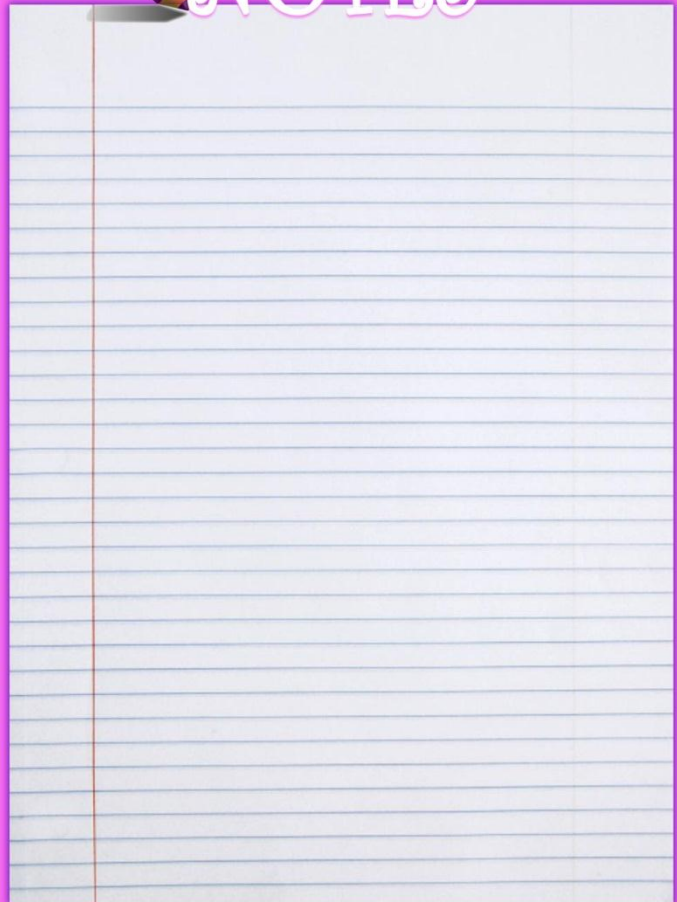
Friday, October 21, 2011

7:15/ 7:45	Intercessory Prayer	
8:00/ 9:00	Continental Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
9:15/ 9:45	Praise & Worship	Sanctuary
10:00/ 10:45	Opening Message	First Lady Tonya Twyman (Sanctuary)
11:30/ 1:30	Group Sessions	"Designing Divas" Ages 16 - 25 Min. Brelyn Freeman (Room 111) "Sassy Divas" Ages 40 - 59 Pastor Olga Johnson (Sanctuary) "Diamond Divas" Ages 26 - 39 Min. Trenace Richardson (Room 113) "Sophisticated Divas" 60 + Dr. Eleanor Doom (Burch Chapel)
2:00/ 3:30	Lunch/Vendors	Fellowship Hall
7:30/ 9:00	Evening Service	Pastor Miriam Niles (Sanctuary)

Saturday, October 22, 2011

7:15/ 7:45	Intercessory Prayer	
8:00/ 9:00	Continental Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
9:15/ 9:45	Praise & Worship	Sanctuary
10:00/ 10:45	Healthy Living Session	Sis. Nakeesha Harris (Sanctuary)
11:00/ 1:00	Closing Session Elder Veda McCoy	Sanctuary
1:15	Closing Remarks/ Dismissal	Distribution of Boxed Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

Group Name	First Letter of Last Name	Team Captain
Designing Divas	A-Z	Sis. Megan McCurdy
Diamond Divas	A-I J-Z	Trustee Sanovia Smith Trustee Metina Booze
Sassy Divas	A-I J-Z	Trustee Kim Brown-Davis Trustee Sabrina Smart
Sophisticated Divas	A-I J-Z	Deaconess Catherine Riley Deaconess Sharon Hollingsworth

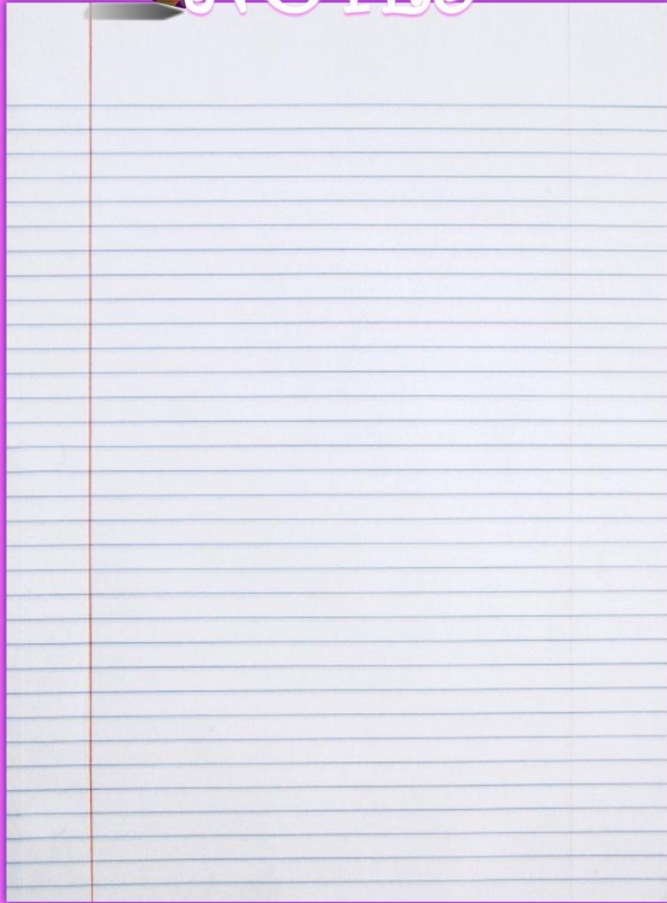


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SSBC First Lady, Tonya Twyman



First Lady Tonya Twyman is the only child of Effie Bullock Merritt and the late Mack Lloyd Garnes. She was born in Henderson NC and her family moved to the Washington, DC area when she was 11 months old. She is a spirit filled anointed woman of God who loves the Lord with all of her heart. She rededicated her life to the Lord at The Sanctuary at Kingdom Square (formerly known as the Glendale Baptist Church) in January 1996 under the leadership of Pastor and First Lady Maclin. While at The Sanctuary she was the head of the Youth Ministry, sang in the young adult choir, member of the Singles ministry, the Married Couples ministry, treasurer and president of the women's ministry for two years.

Tonya credits her spiritual growth and maturity to the anointed leadership of Pastor and First Lady Maclin. They are truly her spiritual "parents". After suffering the tragic death of her late husband James Reed Sr. in May 2003 she married Pastor Lanier Twyman, Sr., of the St. Stephen Baptist Church on December 8, 2007. Pastor and First Lady Twyman have three wonderful sons, Lanier, Joshua and James. She loves her husband and family and currently has one ministry responsibility.....taking care of her "Boaz" and their sons. She would be viewed as a modern day Ruth to some and does not take lightly the power of God that restored her after great tragedy. She humbles herself and thanks God everyday for another chance to be in love with a wonderful man. Her favorite scripture is 2 Corinthians 12:9 "And he said unto me, my grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."



SISTER BRELYN FREEMAN

Brelyn Freeman is the youngest daughter of Drs. Mike and Dee Dee Freeman. An example both spiritually and naturally, Brelyn has exemplified wisdom and a commitment to serving God that surpasses her age.

Because of her passion and stand for Christ, as well as her willingness to honor her parents, Brelyn is living the good life. Ministering the Word of God with simplicity and power, she strives to continue to live a life that others can follow.

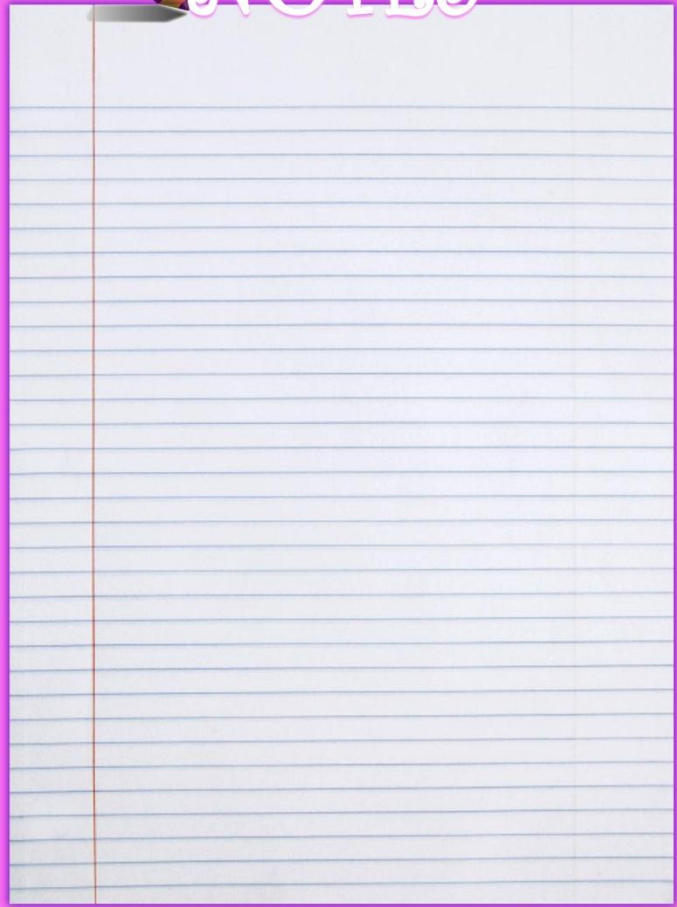
Brelyn is the founder and CEO of Breezy'z Accessories. A brick and mortar accessories store located in Waldorf, MD, she has expanded her desire for entrepreneurship to include an online site as well (www.breezyz.com).

In addition to her pursuits outside of the ministry, Brelyn is a Director of the Single's Ministry, a Floor Director assisting the Audio and Media ministries and a true servant at heart.

Committed to remaining a virgin until marriage, Brelyn Freeman is simply put, a young woman who loves God and is committed to fulfill His assignment for her life.

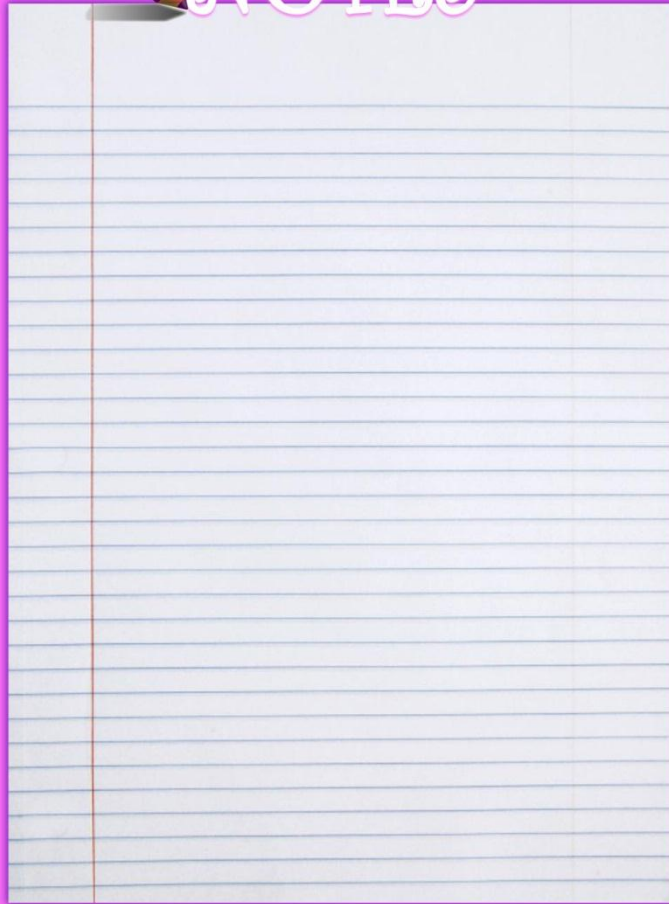


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DR. TRENACE RICHARDSON



Trenace Richardson Ministries exists to help people grow in Worship and in the Word. Dr. Richardson has spent over 20 years ministering in song and almost 15 years preaching the Word of God. Dr. Richardson is a singing, teaching, preaching, publishing powerhouse! Trenace recognized her call to the music ministry at a very early age. She has since recorded with several artists and is currently preparing her first solo project. Trenace is a gifted psalmist and songwriter. Her heart and sincere love for God and people is revealed when she ministers in song.

Trenace has been nicknamed a “fireball” in the pulpit. Her relevant, practical message is coupled with an anointed, fiery delivery that only God can grant. She travels across the country preaching and teaching for worship services and conferences throughout the year. She also personally organizes and hosts several conferences, concerts, and worship experiences. Trenace is a published author and has several writings in the works. She has written on the spirituality and leadership practices of Black women college presidents, and leadership development, among other topics. And recently, one of her sermons was featured in publication entitled, *These Sistas Can Say It!*

Dr. Richardson is a native of Chesapeake, VA and currently resides in southern Maryland. Dr. Richardson acknowledged the call to preach the gospel while in college. She attended Elizabeth City State University where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Secondary Education, Magna Cum Laude (with high honors). She taught English at Bowie High School, while at the same time attending Howard University where she obtained a Master of Divinity. There, she received the Timms Outstanding Religious Educator Award. In May 2009, Trenace earned a doctoral degree in Higher Education Administration at The George Washington University.

Currently, Dr. Richardson is a member and employee of Zion Church in Largo, MD where Keith Battle is the Lead Pastor. She serves as the Director of Operations, a small group leader, and a member of the preaching team. Trenace's ministry experiences include overseeing Christian Education, leading praise and worship, conducting ministers' trainings, and teaching Bible studies for all age groups.

Trenace previously worked on Capitol Hill as a WREI Congressional Fellow for Congresswoman Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick of Michigan's 13th District. Trenace has been blessed to win several local and national beauty pageants that provided scholarship money for her education. She is also a proud member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Dr. Richardson's call to ministry is firmly based in the Word of God, specifically II Timothy 4:2-5. She is committed to being an effective disciple and witness for the Lord, Jesus Christ and determined to complete the ministry God has entrusted within her. Trenace is the proud wife of Gregory Richardson; they have two beautiful children, Nhi'ya and Nigel.



OVERSEER OLGA V. JOHNSON

Overseer Johnson, a native Washingtonian, has served in ministry for twenty years and is the founding pastor of Tehillah Life Changing Ministries. She is also the founder of The Empowerment Institute, Inc., a non-profit organization primarily serving Prince George's County, Maryland. Prior to serving in a senior pastor capacity, Overseer Johnson served as the Senior Assistant Pastor of Good Success Christian Church and Ministries and as a former full time instructor for Another Touch of Glory Ministry's School of the Prophets.

As a workshop facilitator, motivational speaker/trainer, former Chair of the Good Success Christian Church and Ministries College of Elders and as a member of Another Touch of Glory Ministry's Prophetic Presbytery, Overseer Johnson has used her God given gifts to minister to the Body of Christ and pursue her passion which is to develop leaders and equip the body to do the work of the ministry in accordance with Ephesians 4:11-12.

Overseer Johnson's ministry gifts were used extensively in her former position as the Chief of Program Services for the Prince George's County Department of Corrections where she was responsible for overseeing the many programs aimed at helping offenders re-integrate into society. With an undergraduate degree in accounting, she has a sound financial background and has served in various budget/finance and managerial capacities. As a theologian, Overseer Johnson earned a Master of Divinity degree at the Howard University School of Divinity in May, 2003.

God has honored and blessed Overseer Johnson with two wonderful sons: Pastor D. Matthew Norris II and wife, First Lady Sheryl A Norris, Esq., pastors of The Hope House in College Park, Maryland; and, David C. Norris, who helped her birth The Empowerment Institute, Inc. Overseer Johnson has also been blessed with six marvelous grandchildren.

Extremely active in the community serving on various boards, to include the Health Action Forum for Prince George's County, Maryland, Overseer Johnson has been commissioned by God to preach the good news of the gospel, heal the broken hearted, proclaim liberty to those that are captive, and the opening of the prison for those that are bound (Isaiah 61:1). Her heart's desire can be found in Philippians 3:10-11:

That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

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ELDER VEDA A. McCOY

Veda McCoy is a dynamic and influential woman who lives a life devoted to spiritual growth and public service. She motivates and inspires thousands of people worldwide as a speaker, teacher, author, leader, and vocalist. She has been

married to her life partner and best friend, Senior Pastor Marvin E. McCoy for over 26 years and is the mother of two children, Minister Marvin M. McCoy and Ms. Johntae McCoy. Veda McCoy holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Bowie State University, (Magna cum laude), a Master of Theological Studies degree from Wesley Theological Seminary (high honors), and is also a board-certified English teacher in the state of Maryland. She is currently employed as a Reading Specialist with the Prince George's County Public Schools, where she is a highly-respected instructional leader. She is currently pursuing the Educational Supervision and School Administration masters degree also at Bowie State.

Veda McCoy is an ordained elder, having served for nearly twenty years at Greater Mt. Calvary Holy Church in Washington, DC in a number of capacities, including lead soloist, worship leader, missionary, altar worker and the Founder and Director of the Ministers in Training Program. Elder Veda McCoy uses universal principles to elevate people from mediocrity to greatness, as they strive to live their best lives.

A leader of leaders, she is committed to helping ordinary people – particularly women – achieve optimum impact in the world. She is widely known for her keen prophetic insight and life-changing events. Her debut book *Look At This Woman: Destroying the Bondage of Low Self-Esteem*, has helped many to enhance their self-image. Her sophomore publication is entitled, *LifePOWER ~ Six Winning Strategies to a Life of Purpose, Passion and Power*. *LifePOWER* is also a complete self-empowerment program, offering inspirational quotes, strategic planning, vision manifestation, individual life coaching, and corporate team building. Veda McCoy is the founder and host of the Annual Old Fashioned Prophetic Prayer Breakfast, held each summer and also includes training for prophetic ministry. Also a gifted vocalist, Veda McCoy has released three solo projects, entitled *Reality*, *Over Again* and *Renewed Strength*. Her anointed and melodious voice has allowed her to travel extensively with many gospel greats, including Pastor Shirley Caesar. In April 2004, Elder McCoy joined her husband, Senior Pastor Marvin E. McCoy, and established Judah Christian Center Church of Suitland, Maryland, a ministry committed to empowering people and changing lives. For seven years, she served as Executive Co-Pastor, First Lady, Director of Church Administration and Membership. In June 2011, she joined Pastor McCoy in accepting the pastorate at the historical Mt. Zion Pentecostal Church in Washington, DC where she serves as First Lady and assists in many capacities. Veda McCoy's ultimate goal is to see people enjoying their divine right to live, love and pursue their dreams. Her motto is, "I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach many people – religious and nonreligious – entering their world to lead them into a God-filled life." (I Corinthians 9:19)

DR. ELEANOR M. DOOM



Dr. Doom is the second oldest of nine children. Born and reared in Washington, D.C., she also received her formal education there. After graduating from Dunbar Senior High School, she enrolled in D.C. Teachers' College and graduated with a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education. She did graduate work at Trinity College and graduated with an M.A. Degree in Language Arts. On August 5, 1972, she married Elder Charles H. Doom, Jr., Pastor of Southern Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. They have one beautiful daughter, Desiree. She announced her call to the Gospel Ministry in March 1988 and preached her trial sermon, "My Determination is Up," on Sunday, July 17, 1988 at Southern Baptist Church, when she received her license to preach the Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In addition to her service as Pastor of Women at Southern Baptist Church, she serves in the following ministries:

- Director of the Christian Board of Education
- Instructor for Sunday School Teachers
- Founder and Director of the "Daughters of the Covenant Promise," Women's Ministry
- Founder and Dean of the Southern Baptist Church Bible Institute

On April 4, 1998, she was solemnly and publicly set apart and ordained to the work of The Gospel Ministry by the authority and order of Southern Baptist Church. On May 12, 2001, she received her Ph.D. in religious studies from Faith Christian University and Schools. In January 2003, God birthed in her the ministry, "my life for His Glory Ministries," which specifically ministers to the needs and concerns of women in ministry. She retired from D.C. Public Schools in June 2003, after having worked in the field of Elementary Education for 34 years. Personal Testimony: I, like Paul, do not count myself to have apprehended ... But I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus that my life might be conformed to the image of Christ and that He alone might get all the glory, praise and honor He alone so richly deserves.



PASTOR MIRIAM NILES

Pastor Miriam Niles is the Founding and Senior Pastor of Real Life Today Church in Washington, D.C. Launched in September 2006, Real Life Today Church is a God-centered and socially-conscious church that provides Biblical and universal life principles designed to equip people to live authentic and productive lives that will impact, serve, and uplift the community and the world.

Pastor Miriam speaks at numerous churches, conferences, seminars, and retreats throughout the country where she applies biblical principles to practical living. Pastor Miriam served as a Co-Pastor of the Dominion Church of Washington, D.C., for 7 years and presided over the Women's Ministry for ten years. Pastor Miriam has also been featured on the TV show "Sisters" with Darlene Bishop, serving as both guest and co-host on the program.

Pastor Miriam holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Howard University School of Divinity and is a 1990 honor graduate of Howard University's School of Business, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration. Pastor Miriam has distinguished herself academically and professionally excelling at various positions of management and leadership at major companies in Corporate America and in ministry, and has received numerous awards and civic citations for her outstanding work in the community and service to her local church. Pastor Miriam is also a former World Religions and Business Ethics professor at Phoenix University, Greenbelt, MD campus.

Pastor Miriam is a mentor, life coach, professor, and spiritual advisor to present and future leaders. She derives her greatest joy as the wife to Ian, mother to Mirielle and Julian and stepmom to Maya and Cameron.



SISTER NAKESHAT. HARRIS, MS; C.N.C

Nakeesha T. Harris is a God-fearing woman and a wife who has an extreme passion for health. A health and wellness expert and certified nutritional counselor, certified through the American Association of Nutritional Counselors, she is most definitely walking in her calling.

After many years of dieting and trying various programs, Nakeesha learned that the best way to maintain healthiness and not fluctuate with her weight was not a diet, but a lifestyle. Her desire is for everyone to live to their fullest potential and purpose without any hindrances. Because of this, she works very hard to remove any of those nutritional, physical, and spiritual blockers. Nakeesha believes that making adjustments and dedicating some time to your health will benefit you, your family, and your purpose. The nutritionist of the Healthy Families Initiative, Nakeesha continues to dedicate her time and attention to God's people with a strong desire to watch each and everyone grow and become who God has purposed in them.

In 2010, she founded the Garden of Life Health and Fitness Summer Camp where the mission is to plant, water, and fertilize the seed of both spiritual and physical growth through knowledge and application in order to watch with expectation God's children grow in their purpose. She also is working with the American Heart Association in creating a nutrition toolkit that will be utilized in various states, Maryland, Washington DC, and Georgia just to name a few. Mrs. Harris also is the director of the health ministry at St. Stephen Baptist Church, Temple Hills, MD, in which the mission is to change lives, release strongholds of unhealthy habits, and inform God's people of various ways to improve their health by first teaching the fundamentals of nutrition and then expanding on that concept in various ways.

Nakeesha loves educating people on the foundations of health and nutrition by helping them expand on nutritional principles according to their lifestyles. She specializes in making sure each program is specific to the client's needs and not just a generic plan. "Everyone has different needs, and leads a variety of lifestyles. Therefore, I cannot base one program on another- they all must fit that specific person or family". As a nutritionist and a lover of health, Nakeesha is constantly searching for ways to learn and grow in nutrition. Currently, she is speaking at various venues and guest speaking on health radio shows to spread the gospel of health. She plans to continue finding new and holistic ways to incorporate nutrition into the lifestyles of all types.