



Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles

October 5, 1934 - October 12, 2010

Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles is survived by her son Elder Joel R. Peebles, Sr., who serves as Assistant Pastor of the Jericho City of Praise; and a host of other family, and friends. She adopted each and every one of her members as her children – and was affectionately referred to as “Mom Betty”. She will be greatly missed.

It is with a sorrowful spirit that we announce the passing to glory on October 12, 2010, of our beloved Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles, Senior Pastor of the Jericho City of Praise, in Landover, Maryland. Apostle Peebles was 76 years of age – she had just celebrated a birthday on October 5, 2010. She passed in a small community hospital in Maryland, where family and friends gathered to be with her in the final moments of her earthly life.

Apostle Peebles was born in Columbia Hospital for Women, Washington, D.C. Her elementary education began in the DC Public School System (a graduate of Cardoza High School); then on to Howard University where she received a Bachelors of Science degree in Accounting Finance; a Masters degree in Divinity; and a Doctorate of Divinity from Wilbur Waters School of Divinity. Apostle Peebles has served the Jericho Ministries, and the body of Christ with tremendous passion, strength and love for over forty one years; the ministry has a membership of over 15,000. Her commitment to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ has fostered the salvation of thousands of lives and made an indelible impact in all regions of the world.

Apostle Peebles continued the vision of her late husband Bishop James R.

Peebles, Sr. to build a ministry that would represent the heart of God for the people of this land. The fruition of that vision includes the Main Sanctuary that seats over 10,000; the James R. Peebles, Jr. Chapel; the Jericho Administration Building; the Jericho Christian College; and the Jericho Christian Academy – that portion of the vision was paid in full in 2005. Extensions of the vision include the Jericho Business Centre, the Jericho Center of Hope, the Jericho Youth Center, and the Jericho Residences – a 270 luxury active adult community in Landover Maryland that sets a higher standard of living for the senior population in Prince George's County. Her family thanks all for the prayers and love they have shown during this hour. "For we know to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **21**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jericho City of Praise
8501 Jericho City & Bishop Peebles Dr.
Landover, MD 20785

Wake

OCT **21**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Landover, MD 20785

Public Viewing

OCT **22**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dear Family, Please accept my sincerest condolences. While many people may say to you "May she rest in peace", the actual truth is that Ms. Janice is resting in peace because Ecclesiastes 9:5 says "For the living are conscious that they will die; but as for the dead, they are conscious of nothing at all". Ms. Betty is conscious of nothing which means no suffering for her. As you continue to comfort yourselves with wonderful memories of Ms. Betty, please remember that Almighty God has in his memory the life history of each one who has died and promises to bring them back to us alive and well. We can have confidence in this promise since Hebrews 6:18 says that it is "...impossible for God to lie," May you draw comfort from these promises found in the Bible at Daniel 12:2 and Matthew 5:5 and share them with others to comfort them.*

Angie Stepney - January 26, 2011 at 12:31 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your friend or family member, mr goodman. The bible can be of some comfort at John 5:28,29. I hope that this scripture can be of some comfort.*

Ryan Ashley - January 21, 2011 at 11:21 AM

RG

“ I would like to express my condolences to each member of the family as you cope with the loss of your loved one. A wonderful hope is held out for each one of us as God’s children. “There is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.” Acts 24:15. Where will this take place, Psalms 37: 10,11, verse 29, “The righteous themselves will possess the earth, and they will reside forever upon it.” May these words be of comfort to you.

Rowland Gaunt - January 10, 2011 at 06:13 AM

JU

“ May god bless you.

Juan - December 27, 2010 at 03:04 PM

JJ

“ ~~I was saddened to hear of the loss of such a great and blessed woman of God. I truly enjoyed her teaching/preaching. She was indeed a mother to so many. She will deeply be missed but she is smiling on in the hearts of many that she touched with her love as she is with the Lord in Glory~~



James Valerie Jones - December 20, 2010 at 09:00 AM

NC

“ Apostle was a great woman of God, when I was on oxygen and felt like I couldn't make it, she would always ask me if I was holding on and I would say yes pastor I'm holding on and she would say don't let go you hear me and I would say yes I hear you. I will truly miss her if she didn't teach anything else she taught you how to stand.



Nichole Covington - November 30, 2010 at 10:07 PM

DC

“ I first heard Apostle Betty P. Peebles on the radio in Baltimore in the late 1960s. Ever since she has been a mentor and beacon light for me as a woman minister. I shall never forget when she hosted me and my Wednesday noon Bible class in a personal VIP tour of the new facility at Jericho City of Praise. She was so generous, played the piano for us, and surprisedly served us a great luncheon. As my neighbor and friend, I had wonderful conversations with her over the years. She and her staff always made my experience at Jericho a joy, once inviting me to the after church reception for the mother of Magic Johnson. I have read and benifited from many of her many publictions that I bought in the bookstore. I was at both her elevation to Apostle and at her Home-going. May she rest in peace! And when Christ cracks the sky, she will be in front of the elect. As a wisdom woman, I imagine her helping Christ judge the quick and the dead. I pray that at His coronation, I'll be somewhere near her. Delores Carpenter, Senior Pastor Emerita, Michigan Park Christian Church, Wash. D.C. Professor of Religious Education, Howard university School of Divinity

Delores Carpenter - November 23, 2010 at 10:16 AM

SM

“ Sabrina McCall lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Sabrina McCall - November 21, 2010 at 10:06 PM

MT

“ Min. & Deaconess Sandra Townsend lit a
candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P.
Peebles



Min. & Deaconess Sandra Townsend - November 18, 2010 at 01:48 PM

MA

“ Please accept my deepest sympathies for your loss. There is a void that cannot be replace. The life insurance we buy is really preparation for death. But the life insurance Jehovah God offers is the destroying of death itself and all the things we can think of that causes it. He will do this through His Kingdom that His Son Jesus Christ is King of. We can gain comfort now through the Bible. And in the very near future we will hold our love ones again. We all will live happy healthy lives forever in exquisite delight and in an abundance of peace here on earth.

Marquell - November 18, 2010 at 08:25 AM

BP

“ *Apostle Betty Peebles was one of the greatest teachers of the Word of God without opinions and she has blessed my life to another dimension. Apostle Betty Also met with my senior Pastor who was Bishop Emma S. Dickens and she is now Apostle Emma S. Dickens. As they met an impartation came from Apostle Betty to Apostle Emma and it changed the whole face of our ministry to come out of denomination and become a teaching and training ground ministry as Kingdom Empowerment Ministries, 1 & 2 in Scotland Neck and Greenville, NC. We thank you so much! Elder Joel continue to march on under a Joshua and Nehemiah mantle. Be blessed and encouraged Peebles family. From Minister Byron Pink ... Greenville, NC Amen!*



Byron Pink - November 05, 2010 at 09:54 PM

AS

“ *April Snyder lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



April Snyder - November 01, 2010 at 12:33 PM

DE

“ Who can find a Proverb 31 women...



Excellence became her...

Sometimes one can see excellence, brilliance, perservance, steadfastness, and a uncompromising strength and most of all the God kind of love/humility that extends to a nation and possible beyond... but little old me (the I AM somebody me) experienced it all from a little Washingtonian woman, Dr Betty Poindexter Peebles, whom taught in true uncompromising obedience...the principle of Faith and meticulously and with step by step precision instructed everyone under the sound of her voice or the Voice of The Lord this principle.

Wisdom (of God) was exhibited on every hand and in every way , who can find?

I am deeply grateful for the Lord for calling such an amazing vessel and her accepting the call. I know that God is real and not just a figment of anyone imaginations. I found gems in (sweet) Daddy and Mom Peebles and more importantly the Word is lifted up in me. Why? It was through the ear, eye, soul, and heart gate all in one setting. There is a season whereby one must morn, but not sadness not for the lost (she is not) but for a gratefulness that one cannot explain. I am STILL standing NOW Mom because you shown us the way. It is the Word and His Holy Spirit. Know this, Jesus is the Way!

To God be all the Glory!

To Joey and family,

The foundation has been laid, the building is still standing, therefore all we have to do is live (Holy) in it and Thank the lord everyday for all the visitors that become family.

Deborah - October 31, 2010 at 07:52 PM

WB

“ *For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal: 2 Cor. 4:17, 18.*



Wanda Baylor - October 31, 2010 at 04:25 PM

WB

“ *I am the butterfly who has been transformed into the likeness of Christ through the prophetic and anointed teachings of Apostle Dr. Betty Peebles. I love you mom, and I miss you dearly. Till we meet again...*



Wanda Baylor - October 31, 2010 at 04:11 PM

WB

“ *Wanda Baylor lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Wanda Baylor - October 31, 2010 at 03:59 PM

WB

“ Momma there are not enough words in the dictionary that will allow me to express how much I am thankful to God for the God that lives in you. I will never forget the day I had my first encounter of the prophetic anointing and call of God in and on your life. It was over twenty yea

Wanda Baylor - October 31, 2010 at 03:58 PM

TW

“ Torri Wise lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Torri Wise - October 28, 2010 at 08:30 PM

TW

“ The most important thing I've learn from the Apostle is to always becareful what I say and to "stop telling the devil my business"!

Torri Wise - October 28, 2010 at 08:30 PM

YM

“ I didn't know Apostle Betty personally but I will truly miss her. She was a no nonsense, holy woman of God. She was one of a kind. My prayers are with her family and my family will undergird Pastor Joel and First Lady Ylawnda as they take the reins to move the ministry forward.



Yolanda McKie - October 28, 2010 at 03:32 PM

JT

“ *Awsome woman of God, never will be forgotten.* ”



Judith Thomas - October 27, 2010 at 05:37 PM

MH

“ *Meosha Austin Hudgens lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles* ”



Meosha Austin Hudgens - October 27, 2010 at 12:25 PM

EJ

“ *My favorite memory is what Apostle Betty taught me about Halloween, it changed my life.* ”



Elders Johnson-Coleman - October 27, 2010 at 11:40 AM

KS

“ *Kimberly Simmons-Robinson lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles* ”



Kimberly Simmons-Robinson - October 27, 2010 at 08:27 AM

PM

“ *Pastor Mickens-Alajiki lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Pastor Mickens-Alajiki - October 26, 2010 at 08:58 PM

PM

“ *My most fond memory of Apostle Betty was her daily prayer before delivering the word at 11am sunday service, she would start off by saying " Father in the matchless, adorable name of the Lord Jesus, think through my mind and minister through my lips that we your people be edified and challenged and doers of the word and not just hearers only, now raw back and say amen." I just loved it so and now that I am an asst. pastor I repeat those words before preaching or during biblestudy in my church. It was 14yrs. of great teaching, chastisement, love and guideance, Apostle taught me all of my bible knowledge and for that I am eternally grateful, none like you Dr. Betty Peebles you were one of kind, great administrator of the word with great simplicity. She prophesied I would some day grow to be a great preacher, I chuckled and said definitely not, she responded the God I serve never lies or goes back on His word and you will preach & teach the gospel so sit down and be taught so you can go someplace in life! (in her stern tone, I cried and she hugged me and prayed that God would turn my feet around and He did just that from sinner to saint of God. Thanks mom for giving me a life changing experience under your tutorage, it was an awesome journey, I love you and learned to appreciate everything you gave even though when it was happening I didn't see it at the time, but up the road I understood you better and better, Love always, Pastor Barbara Mickens-Alajiki (#45 Safety ministry/book ministry/collating ministry).*

Pastor Mickens-Alajiki - October 26, 2010 at 08:53 PM

TB

“ Theresa Bennett-Gary lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Theresa Bennett-Gary - October 26, 2010 at 07:02 PM

TB

“ Joey, my prayers and condolences to you and the family. I am believing God for the next level for JCOP. Apostle Betty "Mama" legacy will continue. I stand with you in the City of Praise as you continue to do the work that you are ordained to do. I have been a member of Jericho for thirty plus years and I thank God for her life , her vision, and I thank God for honoring me with her ministry, her time, her love, her talks ...I will miss her. We know that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. God Bless

Theresa Bennett-Gary - October 26, 2010 at 07:01 PM



“ When I arrived at Jericho 10 years ago after being in church all of my life, God instructed me to just sit at Apostle Mom's feet and learn the Word and Wisdom of God from her until He released me to do anything else: I did for a year and a half. Apostle Mom said in a sermon to her Jericho Babies, "It's time to get out of the pews and do what He has anointed you to do. I've been walking out and demonstrating His Love ever since as "The Daughter of Christ." Thank you Apostle Mom for a piece of your mantle which I shall handle with Love, grace and humility. In His Love, Your Spiritual Daughter, Evangelist Darnella Moore



Darnella Moore - October 26, 2010 at 05:43 PM



“ *Reginald&Janice Tyler lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles* ”



Reginald&Janice Tyler - October 26, 2010 at 04:26 PM

JM

“ To the Peebles family, I am ever so grateful to have witness Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles. I had received a promotion at work to a new office located on Lake Arbor Way only to find out it was just down the street from Jericho. I came over to go to the bookstore only to meet a lady named Ms. Jeanette. After talking with her, I told her I would be in attendance that Sunday and was I in for a surprise. Once there, I could not stop coming no matter what. I loved the fact that she explained each and every word to further our understanding. For a moment I thought something was wrong when I saw people running around and the rest of the congregation appeared to continue to worship as if they didnt see it at all. I never saw such a genuine and beautiful smile on someone like your mother and to this day, its what I remember most. I also enjoyed the fact that she told it like it really was with no sugar on it and made sure it was understood, NOT AT JERICHO. She was no nonsense at its finest.



It was times when I could not figure out where I left my car so I would go to the next door and the next door til I thought I was right. One day, out came Apostle Dr. Betty Peebles from a door when I was leaving and she says, LOVE YOU. I almost fainted just from that statement. I looked around as if maybe she was talking to someone else and it was me. All I could think was, how could this woman that does not know me love me so like that. It was that love that you tell your children when you get off the phone that comes with a different motherly tone. I think I cried just walking to my car just trying to figure this out from that moment on. I brought my children to holiday events and found out that she was so down to earth and humble. She really stole my heart when I came on a mothers day and she invited mothers out to dinner with her family. Of all the things a person may expect, that was not it and I have never seen it since. The kindness she showed to strangers will forever be planted in my soul. I cried so hard for the fact that I personally did not get a chance to say thank you to her for being the teacher that she was. My grandmother raised me and my sister in

the church and I never saw that from childhood of anyone. I remember seeing in the program they needed people to do secretarial transcription and need volunteers. Once I called and was told I needed to be a member to help out, I continued to come anyway because I wanted to learn and figure out where might I fit in.

I said all of this say that she made such an impression on my heart that I keeps me every day. I have such a peace with myself now because of her and your family sacrifices to make sure we all know the word. All I can remember now is when she use to say, Glory Hallelujah and if she did not think you heard her she would say, HELLO. If I cant say another word it would be Glory Hallelujah!. God Bless your family and the entire Jericho City of Praise. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

Johnetta McCain - October 26, 2010 at 02:44 PM

DM

“ *DiAnne Mason lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



DiAnne Mason - October 26, 2010 at 01:23 PM

YJ

“ I am grateful to God to have been able to sit under a teacher like none other. I have been a member of JCOP since 2000 and I learned so very much from Ma Betty. I knew JCOP was the place for me after sitting under the Apostle who knew the word and could break the word down for you and would give you word in every thing she spoke about and to me that was awesome. I graduated from attending her class at the bible college and really will cherish the wonderful memories of such word I received each and every Sunday from such an annointed vessel. I will hide the word in my heart that I have had rightly divided for me. Yvette Jefferson, Burtonsville, MD

Yvette Jefferson - October 26, 2010 at 12:48 PM

GH

“ Gladys Hordge lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Gladys Hordge - October 26, 2010 at 09:52 AM

KW

“ Pastor Joel & Elect Lady Yolanda,
I am so grateful to God for the opportunity to have been under the teachings of such an awesome woman of God, it is and has been a honor and a priviledge. The impact upon my life through this GREAT woman of God has been prodigious. I rememeber before I would approach her, I would say Mother May I, and she would always say yes you may with that beautiful smile on her face. I miss her so much! My heart goes out to both of you. If you need me for anything, please do not hesitate to contact me. My thoughts, support, love, and prayers are with you, and as Mom would say "To God Be All The Glory". I Love you!!! God Bless All Of Your Family!!!



Kathy White - October 25, 2010 at 07:12 PM

MW

“ Kathy White: Pastor Joel & Elect Lady Yolanda,
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Minster White - October 25, 2010 at 07:07 PM

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Minster White - October 25, 2010 at 07:03 PM

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Your Family!!!



Minster White - October 25, 2010 at 06:56 PM

LT

“ La Tonya P: A member of city of praise, I first like to thank God for her life she has been a blessing to me and my family her wisdom and love that she had for her babies of the city of praise and for those who were not members of Jericho mom was truly a blessing to my life Apostle always taught us to never to boast on her nor on our ourselves in anything but when we boast we must boast on the Lord. I have never been under such an awesome spiritual leader such as mom Betty although she will be truly miss I thank God for allowing me to have the opportunity to sit under the leadership of Apostle I will never forget you Apostle and you will forever be in my heart thank you for allowing God to dwell within your heart I love you.

La Tonya - October 25, 2010 at 06:17 PM

CM

“ Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Ps 116:15

Mom Betty was one of my spiritual mentors. I looked forward to hearing a rhema word from her every Thursday on Word in Action on DCTV. Mom Betty was God-gifted and anointed with God's wisdom and revelation and she unselfishly committed to instilling that same wisdom in others. She will be sorely missed but will live on in my heart.

May the joy of the Lord be your strength.

Peace, Love and Strength to the Family

Consuello Madison - October 25, 2010 at 03:08 PM



TA

“ *Apostle Betty, you were one of the most prime examples (next to Jesus of course) to me of how we are to walk in holiness. You would wait and wait until the very last soul would come to the altar and I appreciate your obedience to God for that! Your smile, the love that you expressed to your flock will forever be etched in my mind, until we meet again....*

Tawanna1 - October 25, 2010 at 10:38 AM

RB

“ *" AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS" in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it." (Isaiah 2:2) (EXPECTATION)*
The NAMES of God (Jehovah-Tsur) Lord our strength; (Jehovah-Sabaoth) Lord of Host ;
(Jehovah - Aman) Faithful God; (Jehovah-Perazim) Lord our breakthrough;
"SUPERNATURAL FEATS" We will do great exploits in the earth.
The teachings of our Apostle shall always be etched in my heart.
Peace be unto you in
the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Ramona Beckett - October 23, 2010 at 10:56 PM

CW

“ I thank God for the opportunity to be under the teaching ministry of Apostle Peebles since 1994. I have learned so much from her and her family and consider it an honor and a privilege to be connected with them. Of all the things I have learned from Apostle Mom is how to stand in tragedy. I remember when Bishop went home to be with the Lord. Although she was so hurt she still was able to minister on the radio the day he passed as well as the next day at service. I could see and hear her pain but yet she went on. Through so many adverse situations she was able to stand. Apostle Mom, as well as Elder Joel were the reasons that I was able to keep going when my dad passed (the same year as Elder John) as well as earlier this year when my sister went home to be with the Lord. I kept thinking, "If Apostle Mom and Elder Joel could go on, then I can go on, too". I would not be able to deal with the adversity that I have had to endure without them.

Another thing about Apostle Mom that I loved was that there was such a strength and a commanding presence that was always present when you spoke to her. Even with that strength there also was a genuine love that was almost tangible when you were around her. You knew that she loved you and wanted the best for you, whatever she had to say to you. She generally cared about your life and what you were going through. She wanted to help in anyway possible. We were her babies, whether you had an earthly mother or not.

I cry not for her because she is in such a better place than here and still completing the work that God has for her in glory but for us who miss her so much. And I say to the family, whatever you need I am here for you, am standing and praying for you and love you!

Coletta Webster - October 23, 2010 at 05:58 PM



“ Mom Betty! I'm going to miss your lovely smile and I love to hear you say (Hello), when you preaching and we didn't get the message. Pastor Joel and First Lady Yolanda my heart goes out to the both of you. Pastor Joel I lost my mom in June 3, 1988 and my dad July 16, 1988 and it wasn't easy at all, but as time moves on it gets better. Your mom is a remarkable women and I love her dearly. God Bless and To God Be All the Glory.



Yvonne Blake - October 23, 2010 at 11:17 AM



“ I believe in 2002, we were rehearsing for a play at the beautiful Jericho City of Praise and Mom Betty quietly came into the choir room to view our rehearsal. After, I had finished my scene, Mom said to me, "you did a great job Yolanda", and I said, that you Mom. I couldn't stop smiling because my Momma was pleased with my performance.

Yolanda Abney-Underwood - October 23, 2010 at 09:48 AM



“ MeLinda Gooch lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



MeLinda Gooch - October 23, 2010 at 07:45 AM

JC

“ Jacques Chevalier, sent a virtual gift in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Jacques Chevalier, - October 23, 2010 at 07:31 AM

JC

Thank you Pastor Peebles for sharing and setting examples of what a BLACK FEMALE WOMEN can do when she dwells in love and respect. I hope and pray many other balck pastors can be like you. The service was long I attended for you and frankly it should have been a county holiday...oh it was as witnessed by so many. Thank you and keep loving PEEBLES family.

Jacques Chevalier, - October 23, 2010 at 07:34 AM

VS

“ Pastor Joel,
You are the only one left in your family to preach the gospel, but not really because you and Yolanda are one flesh that has four angels (your father, two brothers, and now your mother) surrounding you on all four sides. Therefore, they are never forgotten, remember their memories and their love is in your heart forever. Continue your families legacy for an audience of one (GOD). May God give you comfort and peace of mind in this point of time. TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!!!

Love Your Sisters and Brother in Christ,

Vanetta T. Smoot-Sutton, Sharay Smoot, Jeremy, Sierra, and Sabrina Sutton

Vanetta Smoot-Sutton - October 22, 2010 at 10:13 PM



“ *Sierra Sutton lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Sierra Sutton - October 22, 2010 at 09:36 PM



“ *Keeping the Peebles family in our thoughts
and prayers during this time and thanking
God for the awesome gift of favor and the
teachings of our Apostle. God has truly
blessed us.*



Angela Hyman - October 22, 2010 at 07:49 PM



“ *Marlyn Williams lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Marlyn williams - October 22, 2010 at 06:17 PM

SD

“ To Pastor Joel Peebles and the Jericho Church Family,

I am so ever grateful for God giving us His precious gift Apostle Betty P. Peebles. I had the pleasure over 11 years ago to serve Apostle and her Late Husband Pastor James Peebles. I would serve the preacher and teachers on Sundays mainly at the Red Lobster Restaurant. It was then that I was moved by this great woman of God! Even though my role was to serve, Apostle Peebles and Pastor James would in the end serve me with a dish of word straight from the throne. Later I joined Jericho on New Years Eve 1999.

I thank God for placing Pastors James and Betty in my path. I am so ever thankful for the unconditional love and encouragement I recieved in my early 20's from two of the Greatest Apostle and Prophet of God.

Jericho Christian Academy gave my daughter a solid foundation in the word. Her experience was life changing. My family is an example of the vision and legacy Apostle Betty Peebles had. Joel the mantle is now yours!

Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

Habakkuk 2:2-3

May God continue to bless you and keep you in perfect peace!

Very Truly Yours,

Prophet Stephanie Douglas

Stephanie Douglas - October 22, 2010 at 02:28 PM

MW

“ My name is Marguerite Watson and my condolences go the Elder Joel Peebles and his entire family in the loss of his mother. I have known Apostle Betty for many years even though there was a lapse between the first time I met her and meeting her again in later years. I was diagnosed with cancer in 1993 and God miraculously healed me and within a few months after that the Holy Spirit spoke and told me to go to bible college. I knew that I could not be hearing right because at that time I was 60 years old. The Holy Spirit spoke to me again and again and one day when I turned on the radio I heard the commentator talking about Jericho Bible College. So I knew that this was the Lord speaking! I registered and start attending and what a powerful teacher Apostle Betty was and she taught us the unadulterated Word of God! Each week that I would attend I would tell this friend of mine that she look so familiar and that I knew her from somewhere before.

Then one night after she finished teaching she beckoned me to come to her and asked me this questioned that seemed to puzzle me. She asked, "do you know who I am" and my reply was "yes", and she asked me the same question again and I answered "yes". She looked at me with that beautiful smile and said "you are Marguerite Lambert and I am Betty Poindexter and I quietly yelled out --- if there is such a thing as doing that quietly --- I realized that we had attended Cardozo High School during the same time.

I also realize that her birthday was October 5th and mine is October 2nd --- we had that same spirit and smile. Apostle Betty's teaching put me on a strong foundation, I was later ordained as Elder at the church I was attending in 2000 and I went on to serving the Lord in ministry. I am now over a cancer survivor's ministry call "The Victorious Warriors" at Victory Christian Ministries and I am so blessed that God put me again in the path of Apostle Betty and her teachings. She was my teacher, my friend, and my classmate and I will miss her but there is great joy in my heart because I know that one day I will see her again and "Oh what a great and joyous reunion it will be". She taught us about the crowns in Heaven and I know God has hers reserved in Heaven for all that she did here in the earth! Both her and her husband left "much evidence"! Jericho

"look around"!

Marguerite Watson



Marguerite Watson - October 22, 2010 at 01:47 PM

MJ

“ *Ms. Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Apostle
Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Ms. Jenkins - October 22, 2010 at 01:04 PM

MP

“ To Pastor Joel Peebles and the Jericho City of Praise Family,

On behalf of the First Rock Baptist Church Family, allow me to express our deepest condolences on the passing of your beloved Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles. She has served as a source of leadership and inspiration to not only this community but also in the body of Christ worldwide. Her loving legacy will always be remembered. Please know that our prayers are with the entire Jericho Family especially Pastor Joel Peebles. Be encouraged as you celebrate the glorious homegoing of this great woman of God.

To Pastor Joel Peebles we know that your continued leadership at the Jericho City of Praise Church will be a blessing to not only the church but the entire faith community. Without a doubt you have both our prayers and support. If, in anyway we be of service to you, please do not hesitate to call.

We love you with the love of Christ,

*Minister Anthony L. Minter, Pastor
First Rock Baptist Church*

Minister L. Minter, Pastor - October 22, 2010 at 10:20 AM

TC

“ On behalf of the ministry leaders and disciples of The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, it is with deep sympathy and tenderness of heart that I express words of love and encouragement to you and your family in the loss of your beloved mother, Apostle Betty P. Peebles. It is sad to see someone leave us. Yet, at the same time, this sadness cannot be the final word for us as Christians. We know that there is a life after this one, and we know by faith that death is only a door to a new and better existence.

We interpret faith in this instance as basic trust. We don't need a huge quantity of it in order to get on with our bereavement. In fact, if we worry about having a lot of faith, we may miss the mustard seed we do have. The giver of this grain of faith is God, whose Son maintained his faith. He went through his Gethsemane of grief with the word "Father" still on his lips.

You too can go through the valleys and mountains of your bereavement journey with "Father" on your lips. Your heart may wonder, doubt and cry out in pain, but these feelings will not obliterate your faith. Even when you think you have lost that mustard seed, you do well to remember that our Father is faithful, for he has loved you first. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning".

The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church family bows in humble submission to the Heavenly Father's will, and prays that the comforting influence of the Holy Spirit will rest with you.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Dr. Kendrick E. Curry
Senior Pastor

The Avenue Baptist Church - October 22, 2010 at 09:34 AM

MJ

“Peace Be Unto You and To God Be All The Glory! Our pastor and Apostle, Dr. Betty P. Peebles, demonstrated the God within her in this earth realm. This life wasn't about her - it was all about Jesus. I remember in the early years of this decade - not yet a member of Jericho - the Apostle interrupted the order of service. This was when Jericho passed the offering baskets. Pastor Betty said, "To the visitors, welcome. For those who had birthdays, happy birthday. If you want to give, give. It's time for the engrafted Word of God!" And the Word she'd give so much so that you could not wait to get back to church to get more "meat" of the Word. My all time favorite sermon is "The History of His Story" in which she showed us Jesus in every book of the bible.



I also remember writing Dr. Peebles thinking that among the many members and duties that there would be no response. To my surprise, I received a hand-written response. When I needed a hug from my pastor, and I told her I needed a hug, she'd say "Anytime daughter". She is a light, a doer of the Word.

I could go on and on about my beloved pastor but one thing for sure, God does order your steps and I thank him everyday for placing me in the path of Pastor, Apostle Betty Jean Poindexter Peebles and the Jericho City of Praise church family for such a time as this. I will miss her smile, warmth, singing, wit and humor, and mostly her excitement in bringing the Word of God to the masses. She'd say from the guttermost to the uttermost, God can use you.

With condolences and heartfelt sympathy in our loss. May God's richest blessings remain with the Peebles Family during this time of transition.

The James Family
Capitol Heights, Maryland

Martha James - October 22, 2010 at 07:19 AM

AG

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Apostle Cynthia Garnett - October 22, 2010 at 01:23 AM

AG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Apostle Cynthia Garnett - October 22, 2010 at 01:15 AM

“ To Pastor Joel Peebles & Yolanda:

I wish to extend my condolences on the passing from this earth realm and graduation in the heavenly kingdom of your mom and Our Mom, Apostle Dr. Betty Jean P. Peebles.

Words cannot express the GREAT GIFT THAT SHE WAS TO THE BODY OF CHRIST given to us by the Father for yet a little while for the glory of the kingdom of God. The wife who became mother, the mother who became teacher, the teacher who became music minister, the music minister who became minister, the minister who became Pastor, the Pastor, who became Apostle! She ran her race and did finish her course! I honor her life & legacy!

It gives me great pleasure to give honor where it is due to this GREAT WOMAN OF GOD who birthed, mentored and trained so many of the which I am happy to be just one! She was my First Apostle designated by the LORD to lay in me the foundation needed to start a work for HIM!!

I will never forget the day, I was driving on the interstate, had the radio on listening to the word and heard this great voice speaking the Word of God, but on the end-times, (which is one of my assignments to this generation). I was just seeking the LORD where my first training would be, and then I heard HER VOICE and message, "You know any day now Jesus IS GOING TO CRACK THE SKY AND CALL US UNTO HIMSELF!" That was it! My tires screeching, I did a u-turn and went straight to the college that very day to matriculate! The Holy Spirit confirmed she's the one! GOD IS PERFECT! 5-yrs later I was ecstatic to graduate from JCTC! She is an integral part of me, My Foundation, which will remain FOREVER!! For she laid a foundation none other than the Lord Jesus Christ in me, for which I am eternally grateful. I wish to testify as one of her alumni student seeds of JCTC and past member. Because of her great foundation, it empowered me to start a work for the LORD which is now in four continents and five countries. I close with this scripture in my heart forever for our mom Apostle Betty: (paraphrased) " you have many teachers, but NOT MANY

FATHERS!" It was her love as a mother that nurtured the mature seed of the Word that she sown in our hearts forever that we will miss and always love!! May the LORD transfer unto you now, Pastor Joel her mantle double-fold in Jesus' Name!! Amen!

*Apostle Dr. Cynthia Garnett
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Apostle Cynthia Garnett - October 22, 2010 at 12:56 AM

AW

“ *Angela Windley lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Angela Windley - October 21, 2010 at 11:06 PM

PB

“ *Portia Bobbitt lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Portia Bobbitt - October 21, 2010 at 10:54 PM

PB

“ To Pastor Joel Peebles and his lovely wife Sister Ylawanda, I would like to extend my heartfelt condolence to the Peebles family and the Jericho City of Praise. Pastor(Mom) Betty will be truly missed and by many, many others who loved her so very much. She have left and imprint on my life of her Godly example and teaching sermons. She have ran her race to the finish and believing all the way. She is rejoicing and shouting with the King, the Most High God. My prayers are with you and your family and the Jericho City of Praise.

Portia Bobbitt - October 21, 2010 at 10:53 PM

JG

“ Jackie Gilmore lit a candle in memory of
Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Jackie Gilmore - October 21, 2010 at 09:38 PM

PR

“ To Pastor Joey and First Lady Ylawnda: Apostle Betty Peebles was an icon in the Kingdom of God. Apostle Peebles was an awesome Pastor, Teacher, Worship Leader, Spiritual Mother and Messenger for the Lord Jesus Christ. She will be SORELY MISSED. I pray that the Lord Jesus Christ comfort you, your family, Jericho City of Praise sons and daughters and all that are associated with the church family. May Jesus keep you both and give you the strength to continue the race until the Lord tells you "Well Done my good and faithful servants." May the Hand of the Lord rest on ALL that you both touch and carry the mantle well that our Mother and Pastor left behind. NOTE: I know Mother Peebles is dancing in heaven on the way the services were handled. Truly you all did this "Apostle Betty Peebles' style."



Much Love,

*Pastor Anita L. Reynolds
On Fire for God Ministries
Suitland, MD*

Pastor Reynolds - October 21, 2010 at 08:41 PM

CC

“ To Pastor Joey, Sis Ylawnda, the Peebles Family and the Jericho City of Praise, thank you for sharing Apostle Peebles with the world. She and you all have touched so many because of the life you lead. Keep on keeping on. I am not a member but always felt like I was home when I visited. Thank you Jesus for Betty Peebles. I am encouraged and you all be encourage. We serve a mighty God.



Charlotte Carter - October 21, 2010 at 05:47 PM

JC

“ Attended today's wake. Pastor Peebles is dressed in purple royalty on her way to her maker. God bless her! She has blessed my family and I over the years with her wisdom and guidance through her dynamic sermons!
Jehan Carter and the Carter Family



Jehan Carter - October 21, 2010 at 05:29 PM

JC

“ Jackie Cook lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Jackie Cook - October 21, 2010 at 04:48 PM

JC

“ To Elder Joel and family and the Jericho City of Praise family, I wish to extend my heart felt sympathy to each and and everyone of you from my family to yours. May God bless you and keep you during this difficult time. I just thought mom (besides my mom) was the greatest God had ever made. Indeed she was an amazing woman, mother and child of God and I never will forget her ministering of words through talk and song.

Jackie Cook - October 21, 2010 at 04:48 PM

PL

“ *Ma Betty, you were the FIRST women in the word (besides my mom) that I've ever met. You were an AMAZING woman. God called you home and now you're looking over all of us. God Bless your family. Thank you for being one of the most powerful, spritual women EVER!*

Patrice Lee - October 21, 2010 at 03:59 PM

JA

“ *Janice lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Janice - October 21, 2010 at 01:19 PM



“ I will miss "Mom" sooo much, but I know that she is now at rest. Pastor Joel, first lady Ywalanda, the Peebles family, City of Praise family. I am honored to have known such a mighty woman of God for over 35 years. Growing up in Kenilworth there was a saying can any good thing come out of Kenilworth. Well, it did. I am who I am because of the word taught by mom and because of her walk with the Lord. She taught me how to stand in the midst of trials and tribulations, how to speak the word and study the word of God. I appreciate the nights of studying for those long exams and for the words of wisdom imparted to me. I will forever hold the memories and the words spoken "I love you daughter" in my heart and what was the definition for "JOY" the inward stability, that God through Jesus Christ, fortified by the Holy Ghost on my behalf have (past participle) already (done done) worked it out" Glory to God!!! Yes, during this time it hurts so much. But, as we know it, God carry's us through the tough seasons in our life. There are but one set of footprints in the sand. 2 Corinthians 1 "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal" Much love to you and God bless



Janice and family - October 21, 2010 at 07:53 AM

DW

“ From the humble beginnings in the Kenilworth area to the massive growth in Landover, this family and this great woman of God never changed!! She has left an impeccable, impressive, impacting legacy just as her husband and sons have who went to sleep before her. What wonderful gifts were given to the body! He has made their name great!! Eternal deposits were made that will never be forgotten. Praying much for Pastor Joel, family and church.

Deborah Webb - October 20, 2010 at 11:21 PM

DW

“ *Deborah Webb lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles*



Deborah Webb - October 20, 2010 at 11:14 PM

ED

“ *MY SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO THE FAMILY AND MEMBERS OF THE JERICHO CITY OF PRAISE FOR THE LOSS OF A WONDERFUL WOMAN OF GOD. GOD BLESS YOU ALL IN THE NAME OF JESUS. I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT AND I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH AND NOW IS LAID UP FOR ME A CROWN OF LIFE.*

Eleanese Diggs - October 20, 2010 at 12:59 PM

MM

“ *At this difficult time, my family and I wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt condolences in the passing of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles. As part of the Jericho church family please now how much we care and know you're in our thoughts and prayers today, and in all the days to come. It will be the little things that you will remember, the quiet moments, the smiles, the laughter and although it may seem hard right now, it will be the memories of these little things that help to push away the pain and bring the smiles back again. God of all comfort will always be as close as a prayer.*

To God Be ALL the Glory!!!

Mary Millard-Rolland - October 20, 2010 at 10:18 AM

CM

“ Carmalita March lit a candle in memory of Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles



Carmalita March - October 20, 2010 at 08:04 AM



“ Our prayers go out for Apostle Dr. Betty P. Peebles's surviving family and Jericho City of Praise church family members. As you are fully aware Apostle Peebles was an incredible lifegiver, faithful Christian, and strong warrior in the body of Christ - to God Be All The Glory! The ministry she shepherded, as the angel of the church, has personally touched our lives and been a tremendous blessing. We take comfort in believing the Jesus died and rose again, even so Apostle Peebles also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him (1 Thes. 4:14) for she is Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood - as her life and lifestyle aptly demonstrated to all people. Peace to you and we will keep you all in our prayers for God's comfort and guidance.

Charles and Louise Bowman - October 18, 2010 at 09:34 AM

AR

“ Though I never met Ms. Betty, please accept my sincere sympathy during yur hour of bereavement. Despite this loss, you can be greatly comforted by the Christian hope of the resurrection. Jesus promises at John 5:28, 29: "Do not marvel at this, but the hour is coming in which all those in the Memorial tombs will hear my voice and come out. Yes, we have a real hope of seeing our loved ones who have passed again.

A Robinson - October 18, 2010 at 04:46 AM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - October 15, 2010 at 02:55 PM