



Henry Simon

July 22, 1936 - October 30, 2002

— A Preacher With Vision —REVEREND DR. HENRY SIMON, one of Baltimore's most recognized and inspiring ministers, was born to Deacon Peter and Sis. Winnie Simon on July 22, 1936 in Darlington, South Carolina. Dr. Simon went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday morning, October 30, 2002. In 1941, he moved to Baltimore where he continued his education, his growth in the Lord, and eventually to start a family. In 1958, Rev. Simon was joined in holy matrimony with the love of his life, Ms. Janie Dewitt. Out of this union they were blessed with one son and three daughters. Reverend Simon joined Southern Baptist Church under the pastorship of the late Reverend J.R. Grant. Reverend Simon served as a member of the Sunday School, Jubilee Chorus, Male Chorus, and Vocal Choir. Under the pastorship of Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Higgs, Reverend Simon served on and was later appointed assistant Chairman of the Trustee Board. In 1969, while he was still a faithful employee at Fort George Meade, God began to reveal a greater work for Reverend Simon and felt it necessary for him to serve as one of His shepherds in His vineyard; so God called him to the Gospel Ministry. On August 3, 1969, while a member of Southern Baptist Church, under the pastorship of Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Higgs, Reverend Simon received his certificate of license to preach the Gospel Ministry. He was ordained on July 26, 1972. From 1969 to 1974, Reverend Simon served as an Associate Minister of Southern Baptist Church. From 1969 to 1971, Reverend Simon attended the Maryland School of Religion. From 1971 to 1976, he attended

Virginia Seminary. On May 3, 1976, he received his Bachelor of Arts in Theology from Virginia Seminary, Lynchburg, Virginia. On Sunday, August 4, 1974 before more than 500 members, Reverend Simon was installed as the second pastor of First Baptist Church of Cherry Hill. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the pastorship of Reverend Simon, First Baptist Church, Cherry Hill, held their ground breaking service on Sunday, September 11, 1977, for the new \$500,000 edifice. With God and Reverend Simon's vision, the Church celebrated its Mortgage Burning Ceremony on Sunday, April 22, 1990, seeing the enormous debt satisfied in less than half the original 24-year term of the mortgage note. On Friday, March 19, 1982, Reverend Simon was conferred with an Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree by Rev. A. C. D. Vaughn, Chairman of Board of Managers, Virginia College and Seminary, Lynchburg, Virginia. In addition to his many pastoral duties and obligations, Rev. Dr. Henry Simon has served as Sunday School Commentator of the Baptist Pastors Conference, member of the Trustee Board of the Maryland Baptist Center and School of Religion, member of the NAACP, member of the Baltimore Ministers Conference, member of the School Advisory Council of Carter Godwin Woodson Elementary School, Pastoral Care member of Harbor Hospital Center (formerly the South Baltimore General Hospital), Recording Secretary of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland, and First Vice President of the Baptist Pastor's Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity. He served as President of the Baptist Pastor's Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity, as well as advisor to the President of the Baptist Pastor's Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity along with being a member of the Special Affairs Committee. He also served as Trustee of the United Baptist Missionary Conference and Treasurer of the Baptist Ministers' Conference and was currently serving as First Vice President. In 1998, Reverend Simon was honored for 25 years in the ministry by the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity. During this year, he also hosted the Layman's League Monthly Meeting and Workshop. In 1999, he was one of the Fullwood Foundation honorees and hosted the Quarterly Meeting for the United Baptist

Missionary Convention and Auxiliaries of Maryland in February. Reverend Simon was also instrumental in the purchasing of a new \$55,000.00, 24-passenger church bus. Joy was felt by all when Reverend Simon hosted the Morgan State University Choir in concert on Sunday, May 23, 1999 at First Baptist Church, given in honor of his 25th Anniversary (Dr. Nathan Carter, Director.) Reverend Simon relished above all awards and titles he had garnered during the years, the ultimate one as shepherd. He felt the greatest honor bestowed on him had been God's calling him to preach and teach His Holy Word. No other award presented to man had a higher honor than the call to preach God's Holy Word. No other vocation, according to Reverend Simon, could compare with the enormity of gratification he had realized by sharing in the responsibility, joy and commitment presented in his answering the call from God. Reverend Simon preached his last sermon at First Baptist Church of Cherry Hill on Sunday, October 20, 2002 at the Family and Friends Day Service. This was a special day because this was the first time Rev. Simon and Sis. Simon shared the pulpit. Their message was reflective of the family's morals, values and unity with faith in God. As Sister Simon ended her message, Rev. Simon sang, "See What The Lord Has Done" as he came forth preparing to deliver the Word of God. In allowing the Lord to use him, Rev. Simon was a good provider for his family and did help as many people in the Cherry Hill community as well as the surrounding areas of the city and state. He was a preacher and teacher in the Gospel ministry; a born-again believer who pledged his full dedication and commitment to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted wife, Janie Dewitt Simon; one son, Rev. Henry Simon Jr.; three daughters, Celestine Partlow, Clementine Simon and Carolyn Frazier; one stepson, Sylvester Dewitt; one daughter-in-law, Tammie Dewitt; three sons-in-law, William Partlow, Tyrone Willingham and Vincent Frazier; seven grandchildren, Alease Davis, Antoine, Davonne, Dominique and Jaylen, Meshach and Sierra Simon; one great-granddaughter, Sade Johnson; (he was preceded in death by his beloved

granddaughter, Latonya Jeannette Simon, whose memory goes on by the establishment of the Latonya Jeannette Simon Memorial Scholarship); and a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ Henry Simon

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“ Henry Simon

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“ Linda Right lit a candle in memory of Henry Simon



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“ The tears that dampen our eyes in time of mourning are tears of homesickness, tears of longing for our loved ones. But it is we who are away from home, not they! Death has been for them a doorway to an eternal home. They are still with us, lovingly and tenderly waiting for the day when we, too, will enter the doorway of our eternal home. It is such a mistake to see death as separation and nothing more. For us who believe, death is a preparation for eternal union with those we love, in peace and in joy.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##

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“ To The Family, Earth has no sorrow that heaven can not heal. May the peace of our beloved heavenly Father keep you forever at peace. The angels are rejoicing, so don't despair because he is in the place we all long to go. May God continue to enrich and bless all of you. We will keep you all in our prayers.##imported-begin##Pamala Mintz & Family##imported-end##

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“ "Let not your heart be troubled, ye that believe in me shall not parish, but will have eternal life." May God continue to bless & keep you in His care.##imported-begin##Theresa (Howard) Moore##imported-end##

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“ My deepest and most sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Rev. Dr. Henry Simon Sr. May the love he had for his God keep you in perfect peace.##imported-begin##Gwen (Feaster) Evans##imported-end##

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“ "Earth has no sorrow, that heaven cannot heal." To the wife and family of the late Dr. Henry Simon, may God keep you in His care during this trying time and the remaining days of your lives. You are forever in our prayers as we leave you with these words often uttered by his mother, "You're gonna need that pure religion, Hal-le-luj." That kind of religion will allow you to see your husband, father, grand-dad, uncle and loved one again. Love Eternally!!!##imported-begin##Roger N. Evans, Sr. & Roger, II##imported-end##

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“ *Be not dismayed, whatever betide; God Will take care of you! May you find comfort in these words and know that we share in your loss! God Bless You! Winston R. Gray & The Music Ministry of The Central Baptist Church. Rev. M.J. Brackett, Pastor*###imported-begin###*Winston R. Gray*###imported-end###

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“ *Dady I love you very much. God is the only one that can heal my broken heart right now. I wish that God had given us more time together. But I thank God anyhow for the time we did have together. I can't wait to see you in Heaven. Love always and never will I forget*###imported-begin###*Min. Henry E. Simon Jr.*###imported-end###

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“ *I Thessalonians 4:14 "For if we believe Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." May your faith in God, sustain your family at this time.*###imported-begin###*Phyllis&Brenda Geer*###imported-end###

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“ To Celestine and Clementine. Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. May God be with you and your family during this time. It may seem to be a sad time, but your loved one is resting with Jesus. To Carolyn, I too am a member of New Psalmist Baptist Church. So to Sis. Carolyn, Mrs. Simon, Rev. Henry Simon, Jr., and other members of the family, may God be with you, also. Go forth with his teachings and love of God, and be blessed!!!To Clementine and Celestine, I know you remember me from Herring Run. My telephone# is 410-467-7375. I too have lost my Father. God bless all of you.##imported-begin##Karen Y. Harris##imported-end##

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“ Rev. Henry Simon was a very dear friend to our family for many years. May God comfort your hearts in the time of your lost. God Bless!##imported-begin##The Stancil Family##imported-end##

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“ To the Simon & First Baptist Church family, please know that we are holding your arms up in prayer. With you, we celebrate the life of Pastor Henry E. Simon, Sr. -- one of God's precious sons. May this transitional period cause you to overwhelmingly experience God's limitless comfort. Now with all the "saints of old," Pastor Simon joins his friend and our former Pastor David Boyd; who went to Heaven a few months ago. So when we all get to Heaven, we surely will sing and shout the Victory! Rejoice in the Hope of Christ, Pastor Wm. David Boyd and the NEBC family.##imported-begin##Pastor Wm. David Boyd & New Elizabeth Baptist Church##imported-end##

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“ *Daddy I love you and I will see you when I get there. You will truly be missed.*###imported-begin###Antoine Simon###imported-end##

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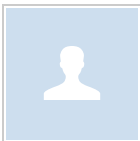
“ *To the Simon family and the church family our prayers are with you in your time of sorry.*###imported-begin###Conyers Family/Harvey & Mary###imported-end##

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“ *Dad, I will always cherish the time that we had to together. You're the Father-in-Law that anyone could ever hoped for. Dad,I will miss your smile... You will always be in my heart! I will see you in Heaven... Love your, Daugther-in-Law Teresa K. Simon*###imported-begin###Teresa Simon###imported-end##

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“ *Granddaddy, I love you!!!! Love Jaylen*###imported-begin###Jaylen Simon###imported-end##

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“ *Granddaddy, I Love you!!! and you will always be in my heart.It's hard losing a Granddaddy like you, but,I know that you are with the Lord right now singing with the Angles Hide Behind The Mountain.I will miss you but I know that I will see again when I get to Heaven... Love your Grandson Dominique Simon*###imported-begin###Dominique Simon###imported-end##

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“ Pastor Simon, ever since my daughter married your son, you have been an inspiration and a blessing to our family. I am going to greatly miss you at the special thanksgiving dinners and "family get together" occasions. But praise God, I will see you in glory when we both, along with all of the saints, sit down with Jesus at the grand dinner to celebrate our victory over trials and tribulations that we endured while on earth. But for now I will cherish the opportunity to have witnessed your everlasting smile and beautiful voice, especially when you sang your favorite song, "Hide behind the mountain." Both my husband as well as our entire family loved you so much. We know that you are now with our heavenly Father, enjoying His Forever presence. Your earthly Godly life will be remembered forever in our hearts. Love you, Sis.
Barney###imported-begin###Ellen Barney###imported-end##

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“ My heart is still hurting and the tears are still shedding. Our love for you Rev.Simon will never die. I cry because I didn't tell you how special I thought you were and how much we loved you when we were there in September for cousin Cal Robinson funeral. we didn't get a chance to talk to you, but I know you knew we were there. I will truly miss seeing your happy face at the Family Reunion but you will never never be forgotten. We were so happy when we had the opportunity to visit your church last year and fellowship with everyone, that was a Joyous time. Till we meet again, Love you always, Gwen Simon-Porter, Boston, Mass###imported-begin###Gwen Simon Porter###imported-end##

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“ To the entire Simon family: I love you all stay strong and the God of our salvation will carry you through these rough times. I know he will because he carried me through when my dad was called home. Pastor left a great legacy so continue as he would want you to. Just stand still and know that He is God and He knows whats best.##imported-begin##CHARMAINE CHESTER##imported-end##

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“ What can you say about a wonderful man who has a smile that can light any room ,Dear Simon Family for the short time that I have known Pastor he has truly been an Inspiration to me and my Family .He will be truly missed after the passing of my father he always had open arms for me and my Family. Mrs.Janie when you feel that you miss him think of this scripture and song Psalms 121, I'm a green tree planted by the water.I hope that his legacy will pass on through your wonderful Family. Love Tiffany, Youth choir President of FBCCH##imported-begin##Tiffany Chester##imported-end##

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“ DADDY I MISS BEING AROUND U AND WHEN I THINK ABOUT U I CRY I WISH U NEVER LEFT. U DONT KNOW HOW MUCH I MISS U ME AND THE FAMILY WE STILL CANT BELIEVE U GONE IT STILL UNBELIEVABLE I LUV U DADDY AND I WISH THAT I COULD HAD SPENT MORE TIME WITH BUT THE TIME I DID I WILL CHERISH AND REMEMBER##imported-begin##Antoine simon##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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