



## Loretta Johnson

August 4, 1952 - March 2, 2014

### The Early Years

On August 4, 1952 was a day that heaven would birth one of earth's greatest voices, Loretta Lee Johnson. She was born to the late Mildred Glover-Anderson and John Mc Bride in Baltimore, Maryland. A true gift to the church comprised of love, kindness, and compassion. She was the oldest of nine children.

The teenage Loretta McBride was educated in the Baltimore City School System. Upon graduating from Dunbar High School, Loretta began working for the Department of Social Services in Baltimore City as a client representative. Charles C. Johnson admired the beauty of Loretta, which yielded a union in Holy wedlock on July 30, 1977 until Charles' transitioned from earth to glory.

### The Beginning of Ministry

After a near death experience in the late 1970's it became evident that the call on her life was greater than a palmist. Following this life-threatening occurrence, she finally accepted her call to pastoring. Through much prayer and supplication, the ministry of Wailing Walls Full Gospel Deliverance Church was birthed in the spring of 1986. She started her ministry in her Ensor street row home and watched God bless her obedience. Apostle Estelle Davis of Mass Deliverance Church in Washington, D.C confirmed her call to the pastorate in the winter of 1986. The affirmation of Pastor Johnson's call

became apparent when God opened up doors to work professionally at the Christian Broadcasting Network. Through her experience at the 700 Club she diversified her opportunities and strengthened her passion for music. The hand of the Lord was on Pastor Johnson as God added to the church and expanded her music ministry. Pastor Johnson was afforded the opportunity to become the lead singer of "The Deliverance Specials." As the church began to grow, God provided houses of worship that accommodated Wailing Walls ministry needs. It was truly an atmosphere of deliverance, healing, and breakthrough. Wailings Walls became a place where dreams were produced, visions became seen, and spiritual dimensions were reached. Pastor Johnson's vision propelled Wailing Walls into a ministry that exceeded her wildest expectations.

### Education

Pastor Johnson's desire to complete her education was an important goal and she sought to academically supplement what she learned in private study. She earned her Associate of Arts degree in management from Baltimore City Community College. Through this educational experience, she furthered developed her creative passion of fashion design. Through mentorships provided by the Women's Entrepreneur League of Baltimore, she became a master seamstress. As her ministry grew she became a certified counselor and Bible Seminary teacher.

### The Elevation

Undoubtedly, Pastor Johnson's faith was increased and energy renewed, however, God would be seeking more from his humble servant. After serving diligently at her local church, God elevated her to the office of an Apostle. This hallmark moment was witness by many and filled with great celebration. Pastor Johnson accepted the office humbly as she began to walk in her spiritual adulthood. Although the challenges of ministry had multiplied, she took on the challenge to face the twenty-first century problems of drug and

alcohol addiction, unwed motherhood, child abuse, etc.

### A Phenomenal Woman

Apostle Loretta Johnson was loved by her family, by her church, and by her community. She made her transition on Sunday, March 2, 2014 around her family and friends. She leaves to cherish her memory and to honor her legacy eleven children: six daughters, Rochelle, Monique, Ayesha, Vivian, Lanora, LaShawn; five sons, Donal, Charles Jr., Antonio, James, and Durrell; eight siblings, Iota Mae, James, John Jr. Ernestine, Ronald, Robert Jr. Bernadette, and Johnette; two sons-in-law, Travis and Michael; three daughters-in-law, Kendra, Katina, and Janet; seven sisters-in-law, seven brothers-in-law, thirty grandchildren, thirty-two great grandchildren, forty plus nieces and nephews; close good friends, Sister Helen, Ms. Shelia, Sis. Evelyn, Ms. Hattie, Bro. James and Ms. Joyce and a host of clergy friends all across the United States.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Carmel

5712 O'Donnell Street  
Baltimore, MD

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 10. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
(410) 727-3300  
info@marchfh.com

## Wake

MAR 11. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Destiny Christian Church  
5401 Eastern Ave  
Baltimore, MD 21224

## Service

MAR 11. 11:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



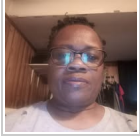
“ Loretta Johnson

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Death is the enemy of all mankind, yet when it touches us personally, few find the comfort they search for. The doctrines that are taught concerning death find their origins from men and not the Bible. As a result, they fail to leave those who are grieving with comfort or a hope. They do however, leave many with unanswered questions. The response that "God works in mysterious ways" or that "God needed another angel", does not satisfy the spiritual needs of those who are grieving. However, many have found comfort in the pages of God's word the Bible (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). In God's word we find the promise that we can be reunited with our loved ones (John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15). The Bible tells us where this happy reunion will take place (Psalm 37: 11, 29; Matthew 5:5). We are told why we die (Genesis 3:17-19; Romans 5:12), and that the God of the Bible will end death forever (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:3,4). Learning the truth about Jehovah, the God of the Bible (Psalm 83:18), God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:44), and the state of those who have died (Ecclesiastes 9:5), is the start to finding true comfort concerning loved ones who are sleeping in death (John 11:11-14; John 8:32. It is of vital importance to learn what the Bible really teaches concerning death. For more information please visit the website [jw.org](http://jw.org).

A Friend - March 17, 2014 at 01:36 AM



“ *To: The Johnson and McBride family, You all have our deepest sympathies. I'm truly sorry to hear of Loretta 's death. I know she will truly be missed. Lee was a go getter . She worked very hard at whatever she put her mind on..This will be one sister n law I'm going to miss. Remember family God doesn't make mistakes. Trust in the Lord and continue to love the family . With all our love Patrick McBride and Genevive Mc Bride Jiggetts.*

**Genevive Jiggetts** - March 10, 2014 at 04:00 PM

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“ *Pastor Ken Alexander lit a candle in memory of Loretta Johnson*



**Pastor Ken Alexander** - March 10, 2014 at 11:57 AM

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*To the Family of Pastor L. Johnson.  
May the Holy Spirit Comfort and Keep you. in this time of transition.  
Much Love Apostle Ken & Dr. DaphenAlexander  
Real Truth Full Gospel Ministries Church Family.*

**Pastor Ken Alexander** - March 10, 2014 at 12:01 PM

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“ *I met apostle Loretta Johnson in the fall of 2012 and she invited me to be a quest prayer intercessor on a satellite radio program she was hosting. Shortly after that I became the host of that broadcast for a little over a year. God used her in many different ways and many have been blessed because she came this way. My sincere prayers go out to Loretta's family. May the Lord strengthen you during this time. Rev Lonnie Dyer Charlotte N.C.*

**lonnie dyer** - March 09, 2014 at 08:12 PM



“ 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - March 07, 2014 at 01:46 PM