THE HOMEGOING CELEBRATION SERVICE of

Deacon James Malachi Jordan

Sunrise June 28, 1923



Sunset May 22, 2013

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

II Timothy 4:7-8

Sunday, May 26, 2013 2:00 P.M.

Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church Burgaw, North Carolina

Rev. James Eason, Pastor

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude	Musician
Clergy and Family Processional	Soft Music
Selection	Choir
Scripture Readings:	



OLD TESTAMENT Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

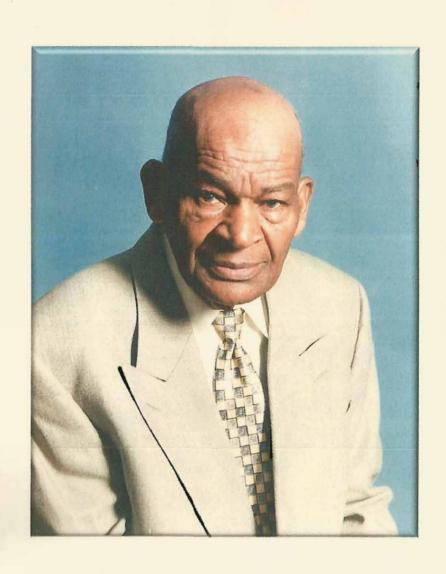
NEW TESTAMENT Psalm 90:4-12

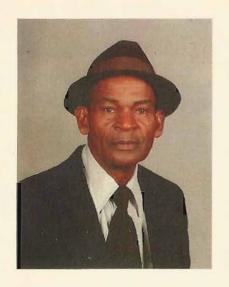
Prayer of Comfort	
Selection	
Church Paper, Acknowledgements and Obit	tuarySis. Mary James
Selection	Choir
Eulogy	Rev. James Eason, Pastor Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church
Mortician's Brief	Bob Dunn, Jr.
Recessional Selections	

INTERMENT

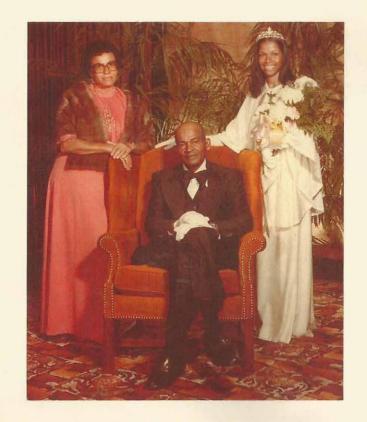
Burgaw Cemetery
North Walker Street
Burgaw, North Carolina
Drivers in cortege, please turn on headlights and flashers for safety.

A repast will be served at Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, following the committal rites.











Loving Memories















OBITUARY

James Malachi Jordan, the fourth child of the late Richard Thomas Jordan and Elder Mabel Walker Jordan, was born on June 28, 1923. Deacon Jordan transcended from his earthly home on Thursday, May 22, 2013, in Wilmington, North Carolina. His life was long and fruitful.

He was a quiet and obedient son. His mother taught him how to read when he was a toddler, and she used the Holy Bible as his first book. He had no books of his own, so he borrowed books from other students at school. Malachi excelled in his classes and throughout his schooling. He graduated Valedictorian of his class at C.F. Pope High School. Malachi joined Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church and gave his life to Christ, at an early age. Deacon Jordan was an avid church-goer, and served for many years as a Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent of the Sunday School, Trustee and Deacon. He was also instrumental in the reconstruction of Mount Pisgah and the fellowship hall, that is currently occupied today. Deacon Jordan loved his church and served faithfully until his recent illness, a few weeks ago. He lived by the Commandments.

Malachi relocated to Norfolk, Virginia to work at the Naval Ship Yard as an apprentice, in Carpentry. He learned the trade of masonry and construction, and became a master builder. He constructed houses, schools, churches and commercial businesses, in the North Carolina area. The first structure that he built was his parent's home, in Burgaw, North Carolina.

Malachi eventually returned to Burgaw, where he later met the love of his life, Hazel Thompson, and on December 24, 1946, they were united in marriage and have been for over sixty-six years. They resided in Burgaw, where he became a carpenter, farmer and teacher.

Malachi has always had a love for growing vegetables and garden plants and has done so for over seventy years. He worked diligently in his plant business until the Saturday before his illness came upon him. He planted his first seeds at approximately age twelve. He never stopped, and his plant business continued to grow and expand. He later named his business Malachi Jordan's Plant World and sold plants to local customers, various counties within the state, business and garden centers, in Jacksonville, Wallace, and Wilmington, NC and some orders were even shipped out of state.

Even while overseeing his plant business, Malachi eventually continued his education at North Carolina A&T University and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. He began his teaching career as the Masonry Teacher at C.F. Pope High School, and concluded his career at Pender High School. After waking up early to get his plant orders ready for the stores, Malachi rolled up his sleeves and continued his day teaching many students how to master the art of bricklaying. He also talked to his students about having good work ethics, working hard to make an honest living, saving money and other constructive things in life. Throughout his teaching career, many of his students entered the Annual District and State Bricklaying contest, winning first place almost every year. His son, Curtis Jordan was one of his students who won the Annual District Bricklaying Contest, twice and placed seventh (7th) and thirteenth (13th) in the state bricklaying contest on two different occasions. Another student, Phillip Hayes, won

first place in the Annual District and State Contest, travelling as far as Tulsa, Oklahoma to compete in the National Championship and placed fourth in the nation. Another highlight of his teaching career was when he won the Master Teacher Award. This award was granted to Malachi because he was considered the best in his field of teaching.

Deacon Jordan was a humble and God-fearing man. He was a man of few words; he said what he meant and meant what he said. Deacon Jordan was an exceptional role-model of a Christian, husband, father, teacher and citizen in his community. He also didn't mind lending a helping hand when someone asked him for assistance, and was in need.

Malachi was preceded in death by his daughter, Baby Girl Jordan and grandchild, Aarion Jordan.

HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORIES:

His Wife:

Hazel of the home

Children:

Velma Louise Jordan, Rolesville, NC James Melvin Jordan, Greenville, SC Curtis Edward Jordan, Burgaw, NC Cynthia Benita Jordan, Raleigh, NC

Daughters-in-law:

Janice Jordan, Tampa, FL Linda Jordan, Wilmington, NC

Grandchildren:

Michelle Brown, Wilmington, NC, Renee Garner, Springfield, MA Jasmine Griggs, Rolesville, NC, Andrea Jordan, Sandy Springs, GA Chanell Williams-Lomnick, Norcross, GA

Great-Grandchildren:

Camren Housey, Springfield, MA, Michael Housey, Jr., Springfield, MA Deandre Lomnick, Norcross, GA, Daionna Sykes, Wilmington, NC Dashawn Sykes, Wilmington, NC, DeLeon, Sykes, Wilmington, NC Deana Williams, Norcross, GA

Sisters:

Valeria Jordan Alston (Roosevelt), Henderson, NC Esther Ruth Jordan McGhee (Andrew), Oxford, NC

Sister-in-law:

Elizabeth Jordan, Parksley, VA

Brother-in-law:

Arthur Thompson, Springfield, MA

And a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and a special cousin, William Henry Jordan.

CASKET BEARERS

Former Students and Friends of the Family

FLORAL BEARERS

Missionaries and Friends of the Family

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is with grateful appreciation that we extend our sincere thanks to all for your presence, your deeds of kindness, flowers, calls, visits, expressions of love, and messages of comfort, extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God's grace and mercy shine upon each of you, and may He forever keep you in His care.

THE JORDAN FAMILY



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