

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Naples, Florida

*~ Golden Anniversary Celebration ~
“50 Years of Praising God”*

THEME: “Affirmative Action through Christ”



Saturday, February 27, 2010

“The Celebratory Luncheon”

The Bellasera Hotel

221 Ninth Street So. ~ Naples, FL 34102

1:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 28, 2010

The Golden Anniversary Worship Service

Bethel A.M.E. Church

2935 64th Street SW ~ Naples, FL 34105

4:00 p.m.

The Right Reverend McKinley Young, Presiding Bishop

The 11th Episcopal District

The Reverend Jimmy J. Thompson, Presiding Elder

The Reverend Edward Stewart, Pastor

~ A Message from the Pastor ~

“To God Be the Glory for the Things He Is Doing!”



It is with great pleasure that I welcome and extend appreciation to each of you for joining us on this momentous occasion. As I reflect on the greatness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, I can only exclaim “*hallelujah*” for His many blessings, for today, we are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of service for Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples.

As we review the history of our Church, we acknowledge the struggles of the Founding Members and pay homage to them for their perseverance. Our theme for this Golden Anniversary – “*Affirmative Action through Christ*” – is indicative of the faithfulness of our Founders. Their faith in God helped them to move forward in their plight.

It is my hope that we, the Bethel Family, will continue the plight of the Founders to make Bethel Naples a beacon in the community. Let us continue to work together collaboratively to enhance the growth and development of Bethel, which means “house of God.” Let us pray jointly for God’s intervention as we work toward *kingdom building*. Let us continue to show our love for God and for each other in our daily interactions.

God has provided us a great opportunity to bring lost souls to Christ. He has provided a sanctuary for us to come together in Christian love to worship Him. He has provided each of us with different talents which, collaboratively, will help us to do His work. We cannot allow anyone or anything to interfere with this mission.

“*You and I...we are Bethel.*” Let us work together – recognizing that none of us is perfect – and do what God would have us to do. On this, our 50th Church Anniversary, let us all renew our commitment to the mission set before us by the Almighty God. Let us minimize adversity and maximize production. The Founders persevered so that Bethel would stand. It is our responsibility to promote Bethel in all aspects.

May the love and joy which only our Savior can provide, keep your hearts and minds in perfect peace. May God bless and keep you safe and in His care.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Edward Stewart". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Rev. Edward Stewart
Pastor

“We are the Church where Christian hospitality is...and everybody is somebody.”

*Congratulations to
Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples
In Celebration of 50 Years of Service*



*"He that is faithful in that which is least,
is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least
is unjust also in much."
(Luke 16:10)*

*Presiding Elder and Mrs. Jimmy J. Thompson
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3319 Barley Lane
Lakeland, Florida 33803*

African Methodist Episcopal Church

McKinley Young, Presiding Bishop

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February 16, 2010

The Reverend Edward Stewart
Bethel AME Church
2935 64th Street, SW
Naples, FL 34105

Dear Pastor Stewart:

Congratulations and Best Wishes on your 50th Church Anniversary!

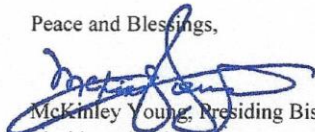
For fifty years the faithful people of this congregation have obtained help from God and today Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church stands witnessing to both great and small. Your jubilant Anniversary testimonies will inspire congregations everywhere but especially those in Florida and the Bahamas. To God be the Glory!

As you celebrate let us challenge ourselves to prayerfully reflect on your theme: *"Affirmative Action through Christ."* Let us also focus on the Anniversary scripture reference: *Philippians 4:13; "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*

We are praying for a fresh anointing and the move of God for this historic celebration.

Mrs. Young joins me in words of commendation for your pastoral leadership and the follow-ship of the people.

Peace and Blessings,


McKinley Young, Presiding Bishop
Florida and Bahamas

Conferences

Florida • Central • South • West Coast • East • Bahamas

*Congratulations to
Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples
On Your 50th Anniversary*



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Phillipians 4:13*

Bishop and Mrs. McKinley Young

Keynote Speaker for the Luncheon

Rev. John F. White II, Pastor

Mt. Hermon A.M.E. Church of Miami Gardens, Florida

Rev. John F. White II attended Tuskegee University and Florida International University, where he received his undergraduate degree in Liberal Studies with a concentration in Business. Rev. White is a graduate of Turner Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, Georgia, with a Master of Divinity Degree in Church Administration and Leadership. This gifted, young minister is currently writing his dissertation, ***“A Pastor’s Transitional Manual for the A.M.E. Church”*** for the degree of Doctor of Ministry in Black Church Studies.

Rev. White is a former corporate executive with IKON Office Solutions and Pitney Bowes, where he was honored as one of the top Sales Representatives in the entire country. He was the former Media Relations Director for the City of Opa-locka and an Adjunct Professor with Edward Waters College.



Rev. White was appointed as the Pastor of Mt. Hermon A.M.E. Church in Miami Gardens in November 2008. This visionary, community activist has made a major impact on the Miami Gardens Community through such efforts as Jazz in the Garden Outreach; Lenten Shopping Trip for 100 children who live in the homeless shelter; Teachers Appreciation Week; Come Together Day; and the Journey of Faith Radio Ministry on 103.5 FM, the Beat, each Sunday morning from 6:00-6:30 a.m.

He has served on the Florida A & M University Institutional Review Board, Boys & Girls Club of Big Bend Board of Directors, and has worked with many other community organizations. He has received many awards, including the African American Pulpit Top 20 Young Preachers under 40 Award; the Jefferson County Branch

NAACP Church Impact Award; the Tallahassee District Pastor of the Year Award; and the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Spiritual Leader of the Year Award.

Rev. White served as Pastor of New Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church in Tallahassee from November 2003 until November 2008, leading more than 800 persons to join the Church. He also served as Pastor of St. Phillip A.M.E. Church in Monticello, Florida, where, in less than two years, he was blessed to lead the congregation in building Phase I and Phase II of a \$700,000+ Expansion/Renovation Project. He has been successful in accomplishing many feats during his years of service as a Pastor – too many to list!

Rev. White shares in marriage and ministry with Rev. Maria Mallory White, a graduate of Candler School of Theology, earning both Master of Divinity and Master of Theology Degrees. They are the proud parents of John F. White III, ***Trey***, a gift from God!

Keynote Speaker for the Golden Anniversary Worship Service

Rev. Paula Lake
Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church, Ft. Myers, Florida



Rev. Paula Lake, an Itinerant Elder in the A.M.E. Church, has been preaching the Gospel since 1996. She is a native of Orlando, Florida, and the youngest of six children. Rev. Lake was educated in the public school system in Orlando. She graduated from the University of Central Florida with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. She furthered her education at Tumer Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, where she graduated with honors, receiving a Master of Divinity Degree, with a concentration in Church Administration. She has completed her coursework toward the Doctor of Ministry Degree in Black Church Studies at Ashland Theological Seminary in Ashland, Ohio.

During her time in Atlanta, Rev. Lake served as Assistant Pastor at Flat Rock A.M.E. Church and later at Greater St. Peter A.M.E. Church where she worked in several ministerial capacities: Director of Membership and Evangelism, Women's Ministry Coordinator, and Lay Leader Coordinator. She also spearheaded the planning, developing, staffing and licensing of the Greater St. Peter Child Care Center for Children six weeks to five years old.

Rev. Lake returned to Orlando in 2001 and joined the staff of St. Mark A.M.E. Church, under the leadership of her father in the ministry, Rev. Samuel L. Green, as the Assistant Pastor and Church Administrator. As the Church Administrator, she supervised a staff of over forty-five employees.

In October 2004, Rev. Lake transferred to the South Conference of the A.M.E. Church with her husband, Rev. Eddie Lake. They served at Greater Mount Pleasant A.M.E. in Hollywood, Florida. In June 2007, her husband was appointed to Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church in Ft. Myers, Florida, where they are currently working to develop new ministries.

Rev. Lake is a Board of Examiners Instructor of Church Administration for the South Conference; serves as Dean of Workshops for the South Conference Ministers' Spouse Alliance (MSA); and is the Central District Director of Women in Ministry. She is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Rev. Lake and her husband are the proud parents of two daughters, Kalea and Jessica, and a son, Edward "Deuce" Lake, II. Rev. Lake holds to the scripture, "...but I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified." (I Corinthians 9:27)



Ms. Beatrice Mostiller



Ms. Virginia Nesmith



Ms. Mary Leon



John and Cutee Blackmon

Founders of Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples



Herbert and Alma Cambridge



Mr. Willie Perry
(Photo Unavailable)



Ms. Daisy Cannon

The History of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Naples, Florida

The history of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Naples, Florida, follows the pattern that most often characterizes the narrative of the African in America. Our story has been gleaned almost exclusively from the heads and hearts of the human memory; it is the oral tradition.

According to Rev. Dr. John Henry Williams, brother of Sister Daisy Cannon (one of the founders of the Church), Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Naples, Florida, had its genesis in the Fall of 1959 at River Park on Fifth Street in Naples. It was a part of a larger group of worshipers who would eventually separate to form multiple congregations.

The Presiding Elder of the Fort Myers District, Rev Williams, was Bethel's first Pastor. He chose the name "Bethel" which means, "house of God," because of two seminal events in his life that occurred at churches named Bethel: his conversion and his call to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In 1971, Rev. Benjamin Hooks was appointed Pastor of Bethel. Rev. G.J. Oates, Jr., was the Presiding Elder of the Fort Myers District. Church services were held at the old recreation building. In May, 1975, Bethel presented its first annual Mother's Day Program. In 1978, the Church was incorporated and property was purchased on Golden Gate Parkway for \$25,000.00. With God's blessings, the property was paid in full. As members discussed construction of the Church, they encountered a great deal of opposition to building the Church in this location. The Collier County Board of Commissioners refused to grant a zoning variance. The struggle continued. No matter how vocal the opponents became, the members continued to work toward the dream, keeping God in the forefront.

In 1980, Bishop S.S. Morris launched a building fund drive for the Church by asking A.M.E. Churches from Tampa southward to worship one Sunday in Naples. All donations raised during this service were placed in the building fund. This special service was held at Naples High School on Sunday, February 10, 1980.

In 1984, Rev. Semmeal Thomas was appointed Pastor of Bethel. The members again encountered great opposition as they pursued their dream of building on the Parkway. However, after much discussion and deliberation, the variance was granted. Groundbreaking services were held on March 25, 1984, at the Triumph Church of Christ. Following the services, a motorcade traveled to the new Church site for the official Groundbreaking Ceremony.

In December of 1985, under the leadership of Rev. Thomas, the first worship service was held in the new Church home. The officers were as follows:

Stewards: Willie Lee Perry, and John V. Blackmon, Sr.

Trustees: Alma L Cambridge, Daisy Cannon, Virginia Nesmith, Cutee Blackmon

The Building Committee was chaired by Roger Simmons. The Building Committee members were John Blackmon and Herbert Cambridge.

In March 1986, Bishop Phillip Cousin, Sr., led the congregation into the Church for the dedication services. The first Church Anniversary, under the leadership of Rev. Ronald R. Fortune, was celebrated on Sunday, December 14, 1986. Bishop Phillip R. Cousin, Sr., and Presiding Elder S.W. McKinney were in attendance. The second Church Anniversary was celebrated on December 13, 1987.

In 1988, following the Tampa Annual Conference, Rev. Clayton L. Hodge, Sr., was appointed as the new Pastor. The Presiding Elder was C. Ellis Jenkins. Some milestones under Rev. Hodges's leadership include the construction of the Church Fellowship Hall; installation of a sound system, pews, and carpet; refurbishing the restrooms in the Church; purchasing a Church marquis; and purchasing a 7-passenger van and, subsequently, a 15-passenger van. The Fellowship Hall was dedicated on February 19, 2000. Bishop Curtis Cummings was the messenger.

In October 2007, Rev. Dallasteen J. Yates was appointed Pastor of Bethel.

In November 2008, at the 118th Session of the South Annual Conference, Rev. Edward Stewart, current Pastor, was appointed. Pastor Stewart has indicated a desire to continue to help Bethel grow and has appointed a Church Outreach Committee to assist in that effort.

Bethel's Founders

John and Cutee Blackmon
Herb and Alma Cambridge
Daisy Cannon
Mary Leon
Beatrice Mostiller
Virginia Nesmith
Willie Perry

PASTORS OF BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH OF NAPLES, FL

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| • Rev. John Henry Williams | 1960 |
| • Rev. Benjamin Hooks | 1971 |
| • Rev. E.R. Williams | |
| • Rev. Joe Williams | |
| • Rev. Chatmon Nickols | 1979 |
| • Rev. Edward L. Wilson | |
| • Rev. N. McArthur | |
| • Rev. Semmeal Thomas | 1984 - 1986 |
| • Rev. Ronald R. Fortune | 1986 - 1988 |
| • Rev. Clayton L. Hodge, Sr. | 1988 - 2007 |
| • Rev. Dallasteen Yates | 2007 - 2008 |
| • Rev. Edward Stewart | 2008 - Present |



City of Naples

BILL BARNETT
MAYOR
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** "Whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed". James 1:25; and
- WHEREAS,** Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Naples, Florida is elated to have reached a great milestone in serving the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for fifty years; and
- WHEREAS,** Bethel reflected on the history of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, which was founded in 1793 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania by Richard Allen; and
- WHEREAS,** reflecting on the history of Bethel AME Church of Naples, it was discovered that there are similarities in the struggles faced by the parishioners. In both situations, the parishioners were successful in their attempts to establish a place of worship through the grace of God; and
- WHEREAS,** after fifty years of patient continuance and well doing, Bethel of Naples gathers to celebrate its Golden Anniversary; and
- WHEREAS,** the theme for its 50th Church Anniversary Celebration is "**Affirmative Action Through Christ**", and reflects on the challenges that it has faced over the years, the obstacles that were placed in its path, and the glorious outcomes through prayer and our faith in God; and
- WHEREAS,** the Collier County community is invited to join in this celebration which will begin with a Celebratory Luncheon on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. at the Bellasara Hotel. The Golden Anniversary Worship Service will be held on Sunday, February 28, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. at Bethel AME Church; and
- WHEREAS,** through perseverance and believing that all things are possible through faith in God, Bethel AME Church of Naples has been blessed for fifty years.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL BARNETT,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Naples, Florida, do hereby proclaim that February 27 – 28, 2010 shall be designated as

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF NAPLES
"GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DAYS"

in the City of Naples.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of January, 2010.


BILL BARNETT, MAYOR

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Proclamation from the Board of Commissioners of Collier County, Florida

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Bethel AME (African Methodist Episcopal) Church of Naples has reached a great milestone and will be celebrating their 50th anniversary this month; and,

WHEREAS, as they reflect on the history of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the history of Bethel AME Church of Naples, they find similarities in the struggles parishioners faced in their attempts to establish a place of worship; and,

WHEREAS, the theme for their 50th anniversary is "Affirmative Action through Christ"; and,

WHEREAS, beginning Saturday, February 27th, a Celebratory Luncheon will take place at the Bellasera Hotel in Naples with guest speaker Rev. John White, II of Mt. Hermon AME Church, Miami Gardens, Florida; and,

WHEREAS, Sunday, February 28th the Golden Anniversary Worship Service with speaker Rev. Paula Lake of Mt. Olive AME Church, Ft. Myers, Florida will take place at Bethel AME Church located at 2935 64th Street SW in Naples; and

WHEREAS, Bethel AME Church of Naples is thankful for the continued support of its parishioners and for this wonderful opportunity to celebrate their 50th anniversary.

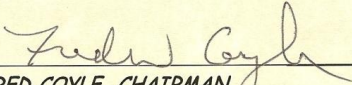
NOW THEREFORE, be it proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners of Collier County, Florida, that we congratulate Bethel AME Church of Naples for their

50TH ANNIVERSARY

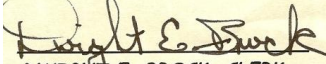
and wish them continued success in the years to come.

DONE AND ORDERED THIS 9th Day of February, 2010

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA


FRED COYLE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


DWIGHT E. BROCK, CLERK



Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples 50th Anniversary Luncheon Celebration

February 27, 2010 ~ 1:00 P.M.

Theme: “Affirmative Action through Christ”

Rev. Lori Snell, Mistress of Ceremonies

Prelude

Welcome Ms. Vera Simmons

Prayer/Grace Rev. Clayton L. Hodge

Musical Selection Miss Ashley Bartley

~ Lunch Is Served ~

Musical Selection Miss Ashley Bartley

Bethel's History Ms. Carolyn Maxwell

Pre-Introduction Sister Bethelena, Diva of Gospel Comedy

Introduction of Speaker Dr. Della Bradley

Speaker Rev. John F. White II

Musical Selection Miss Ashley Bartley

Recognitions/Acknowledgements Mrs. LaVerne Franklin
Dr. Rozalyne P. Wright
Rev. Edward Stewart

Closing Remarks Pastor Edward Stewart

Benediction

Recessional



Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples
Golden Anniversary Worship Service
February 28, 2010 ~ 4:00 P.M.

Theme: “Affirmative Action through Christ”
Sister Melanie Weatherspoon, Worship Leader



Pastor Edward Stewart

Prelude

Hymn of Praise Mt. Olive A.M.E Male Chorus

Invocation Brother Mike Weatherspoon

Holy Scripture Sister Marcia Williams

Choral Selection Mt. Olive A.M.E. Male Chorus

Welcome Sister Vera Simmons

Proclamation from the Board of County Commissioners Commissioner Jim Colletta

Church History

 “Church History Skit” Bethel’s Youth

 “Calling on the Spirits of Bethel” Sister Bethelena, Diva of Gospel Comedy

Choral Selection Mt. Olive A.M.E. Male Chorus

Introduction of the Messenger Rev. Eddie Lake

The Ministry of Movement Sister Monica Sesay

The Message Rev. Paula Lake

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Paula Lake

Offering Stewards of Bethel

Recognitions/Acknowledgements Sister LaVerne Franklin

Closing Remarks Pastor Edward Stewart

Doxology

Benediction

*Congratulations to Bethel A.M.E. Church on
~ Celebrating Your 50th Anniversary ~*



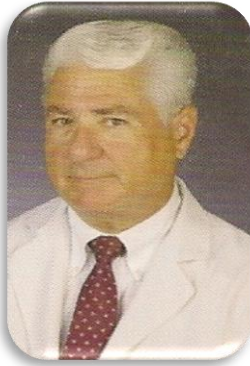
*Founders Herbert and Alma Cambridge
and Family*

*With Warmest Wishes on Bethel's
50th Church Anniversary Celebration*



*Newborn Josiah
Born 2/24/10 at 1:42 a.m.
8 lbs 1 oz ~ 20 in.*

*Jerry and Charlie Mae Greene-Primus
and
Jermaine and Ashley Primus and Children,
Iassac and Josiah*



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Congratulations
Bethel A.M.E. Church
50th Anniversary Celebration

~ Lee Pitts Live ~
Fox TV 4
Sunday 8:30 A.M

~ Terrance Deon Williams ~

Missing Since
January 12, 2004



African-American Male
27 Years Old
5'8" 160 lbs.

We miss you!!
Keirra, Tarik, Isaiah, Nassor, and Momma

Congratulations to
Bethel A. M. E. Church of Naples, FL
"50 Years of Praising the Holy Name of Jesus"

"The Stewardess Board of Bethel A.M.E. Church"



"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones."
(Proverbs 17:22)

*"Congratulations, Bethel, on 50 Years of Service!"
~ The Usher Board of Bethel A.M.E. Church ~*



*"And be kind to one another, tender-hearted,
forgiving each other, just as God in Christ
also has forgiven you."
(Ephesians 4:32)*



Congratulations to Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples!!

*"You got your start on the First Sunday
in November, 1959, at 3 PM with
Pastor J. H. Williams, the
First Pastor of this Great Church."*

"Warmest Wishes on Your 50th Anniversary Celebration"

*from Abyssinia M.B. Church of Bartow, FL
Rev J.H. Williams, Pastor*



*In Loving Memory of Our Beloved Daughter
~ Lorenda Fambro Gordon ~*

*"Your passing leaves a heartache no one can heal;
your love leaves a memory no one can steal."*

*Loving Parents,
Paul and LaVerne Franklin*





The Cutee Blackmon
Women's Missionary Society extends
Congratulations to Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples, FL
~ 50th Church Anniversary Celebration ~

*"Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.
Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation;
on thee do I wait all the day."
(Psalms 25:4-5)*



Congratulations, Bethel, On Your 50th Church Anniversary Celebration!

*"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God,
to them who are the called according to his purpose."*

Romans 8:28

The Bradleys

~ Hilbert and Della ~



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On Your*

~ Golden Anniversary Celebration ~

*"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
For by it the elders obtained a good report."
(Hebrews 11:1-2)*



*~ The Hawkins ~
Al and Esperanza*

*Congratulations to Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples, Florida
On Your "50th Anniversary Celebration"*



Galen Mantell, Sales and Leasing Consultant



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Greetings to All:



*On behalf of the
50th Church Anniversary Committee,
I express my sincere appreciation to each of you
for your support and assistance
in making Bethel's
"50th Anniversary Celebration"
a great success.
We couldn't have done it without you!*

*May God continue to bless and
keep each of you safe and in His Care.*

*Mrs. LaVerne Franklin, Chair
50th Church Anniversary Committee*

PATRONS

Mrs. Geraldine L. Clark

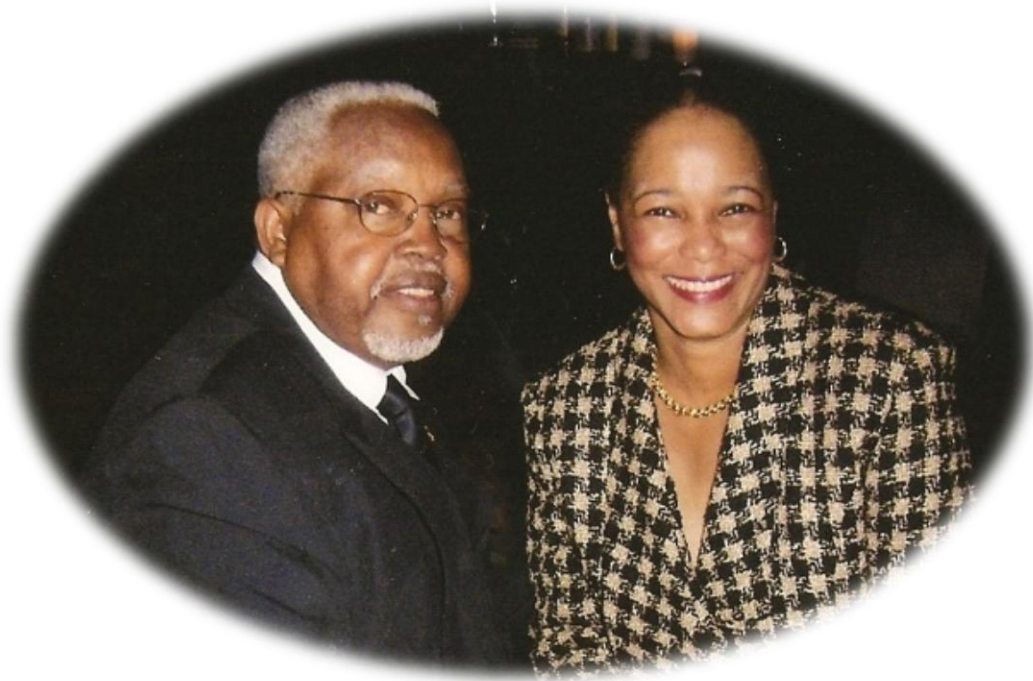
Ms. Paulette Mitchell

Ms. Therese Mitchell

*Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works,
and glorify your Father Which is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:16

*Greetings and Best Wishes to Bethel Naples on Your
Golden Anniversary Celebration*



Deacon Larry Wiggerton and Dr. Rozalynne P. Wright



*"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart,
and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."
(Proverbs 3:5-6)*

Congratulations and Warmest Wishes to Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples

*on your
“50th Church Anniversary Celebration”*



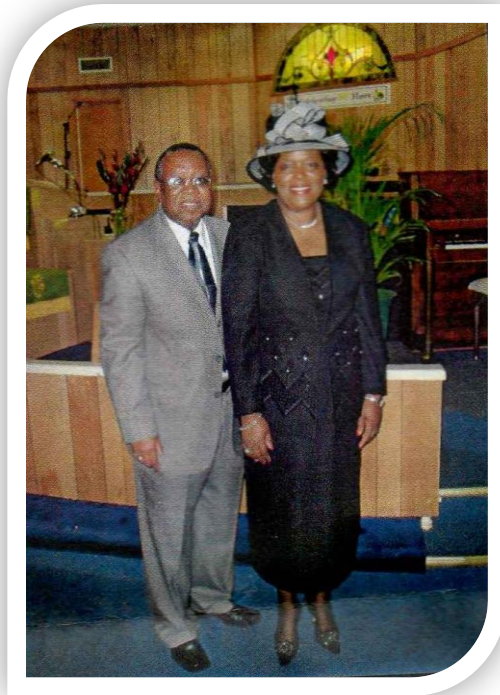
*“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God,
to them who are the called according to his purpose.”*

Romans 8:28

~ The Warrens ~

Fred and Geraldine

Greetings and Best Wishes
to Reverend Edward Stewart and the
Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Family
on your
“Golden Anniversary Celebration”



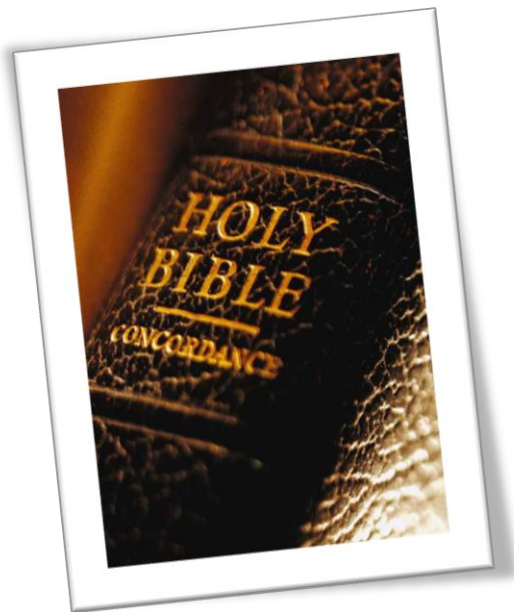
Pastor and Mrs. James C. Watson, Jr.
and the
Officers and Members of
St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church
900 East Avenue ~ Stuart, FL 34994

*“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God;
to them who are the called according to His purpose.”*
(Romans 8:28)

*Congratulations to
Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples*

~ 50 Years of Service to God and Mankind ~

May God continue to bless you!

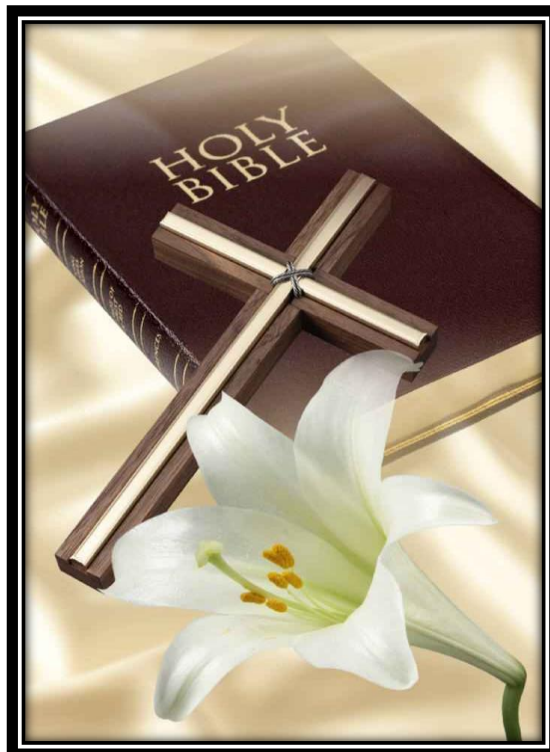


*"Cast your burden on the LORD,
And He shall sustain you;
He shall never permit the righteous to be moved."
(Psalms 55:22)*

~ The Thorntons ~

Dick and Yvonne

*Best Wishes to Bethel A.M.E. Church
on your
“Golden Anniversary Celebration”*



*“Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.
Let all that you do be done with love.”
1 Corinthians 16:13-14*

*~ The Tuckers ~
Royal and Delores*

"It's Up to You"

*Have you made someone happy
Or made someone sad?
What have you done
With the day that you had?*

*God gave it to you
To do just as you would.
Did you do what was wicked,
Or do what was good?*

*Did you hand out a smile
Or just give 'em a frown?
Did you lift someone up,
Or push someone down?*

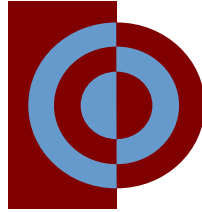
*Did you lighten some load
Or some progress impede?
Did you look for a rose;
Or simply gather a weed?*

*What have you done
With your beautiful day?
God gave it to you –
Did you throw it away?*



~Author Unknown~

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Coaching Youth and Adults
Writing Poetry for Special Occasions
Web Design*



*Warmest Wishes to Bethel A.M.E. Church of Naples
On Your Golden Anniversary*

*Carver High School ~ Naples, Florida
First Black Graduating in Naples
Class of 1960*



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