

Honoring
Pastor Vester Thompson Jr.



2nd
Year

PASTORAL
ANNIVERSARY

July 14, 2024, 11:00a.m.
Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church
548 east 15th street
Port Arthur, Texas 77640

*Celebrating 2nd Year Anniversary
Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church
Salutes its Pastor and First Lady*



Rev. and Mrs. Vester Thompson Jr.

Pray for our Pastor & Wife

Lord, I thank you for your righteousness, strength, and wisdom. Lord, I know that you have called every single one of your children for a specific purpose and that you have graced them to walk in that purpose. Father right now, I lift up my pastor and wife. God, I thank you for the vision that you have given them for our church. Amen

Theme

“Honoring Our Pastor for the Noble Work His Doing”

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching 1 Timothy 5:17 NIV



Rev. Dr. Terrence Grant-Malone

Dr. T. Grant-Malone is the Pastor of the Historic St. John Missionary Baptist Church, Houston, TX. He is the loving husband of Mrs. Valerie R. Davis Grant- Malone. He preached his first sermon as Pastor of St. John, May 15, 2005. He was baptized by the late Rev. Dr. G.W. Daniels at the Sunlight Baptist Church in Beaumont, Texas. Rev. Grant-Malone accepted his call to the ministry at the tender age of fifteen. He has served in various ministerial capacities. Before God placed him at St. John, he labored as a licensed and ordained minister at Fellowship Baptist Church in Beaumont, Texas.

While in undergraduate school, he served as the college minister at the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Austin, TX, under the leadership of the late Rev. Dr. G. V. Clark. Dr. Grant-Malone served as the Vice-President of the National Baptist Youth and Children's Convention of America, Inc. He is a sought-after evangelist, educational facilitator, motivational / keynote speaker, and lecturer. He has spoken throughout all regions of the U. S. and even in other countries. He has spoken in churches, schools, universities.

Educational concentration has always been an essential part of his success. After graduating from Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, TX with a Bachelor of Arts in English, he went on to earn a Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees in Christian Education from Aspen Theological Seminary in Denver, Colorado. Additional studies at Lamar University and special seminars at The Seminario Evangelico in San Juan, Puerto Rico have been completed.

In local denominational work, Dr. Grant-Malone served as (FUDA) Fellowship United District Association of Texas--Congress of Christian Education, first president. He now serves as Moderator of (FUDA) Fellowship United District Association of Texas. In national denominational work, Dr. Grant-Malone served as a writer and instructor for the (NBCA) Congress and Christian Education. He also serves as the National Baptist Convention of America International, Inc.; National Director of the Youth and Children's Convention.

Dr. Grant-Malone is a member of the oldest and most prestigious fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., was initiated at the Delta Chapter at Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas and the Texas Council of Alpha Chapters Chaplain, as well as the Southwest Regional Chaplain for Alpha Phi Alpha. He is recognized as a young yet an influential member of his community. Texas State Teachers Association, National Alliance of Black School Educators and a member of the National Education Association. He has completed the writing of a choral song with recording artist Jassette Whitaker-Simmons, Worship that is Worthy and has completed a Christmas single "Christ Our Lord." Politically, Dr. Grant-Malone has serves as a Senior Advisor to Congresswoman Shelia Jackson Lee of the 18th Congressional District in Texas and has advised United States Secretary of State, Hillary Rodham Clinton. He led the Texas Clergy for President Biden in his 2020 successful bid for U. S. President. He is also an activist in the Third Ward community of Houston, Texas. He is noted as a "force to be reckoned with" in the political arena. He has been a contributing force in higher education as a ten-year board trustee of Huston-Tillotson University in Austin, TX and now serves as a board trustee at Philander-Smith College in Little Rock, Ark.

Dr. Grant-Malone is a published contributing expositional writer in V. Michael McKay's book of hymns, "God Talk: Sounds of a Sanctuary". He has also produced several publications on Urban Outreach Ministry and the Role of Deacons in the local church. Dr. Grant-Malone is an articulate orator and an expositor par excellent. He is known for his intellectual capacity and

his high-spirited, powerful preaching. Like Moses, he is a leader, like Isaiah, he is a preacher of righteousness, like

David he is subject to human frailty, like Enoch he walks with God, like Daniel he knows the power of prayer, like Paul he is not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, like Jesus, he sacrifices himself for the good of others and is truly a man of God, with a vision from God, for the people of God.

Order of Service



*Master of Ceremony
Randy Martin*



Prlude

Devotion..... Deacons

Processional..... Rev. Vester Thompson Jr. & Family

Inspirational Singing.....Mass Choir

Welcome..... Shelvin Jackson

Acceptance..... St. John Missionary Baptist Church

Inspirational Singing.....Mass Choir

Celebration of Giving..... Deacons

Words of Encouragement..... Bro. Willie Calcote

Inspirational Singing..... Mass Choir

Introduction of Speaker..... Pastor Vester Thompson

Inspirational Singing.....St. John Missionary Baptist Church Choir

*Gospel Message..... Rev. Dr. Terrence Grant-Malone
St. John Missionary Baptist Church, Houston. TX*

Invitation to Discipleship

Presentations

Expressions of Gratitude..... Pastor Vester & Sister Pam Thompson

Benediction

Dinner will be served after the service.



Pastor Vester Thompson, Jr.

“Formed by God’s Power, Perfected by God’s Grace.”

Rev. Vester Thompson, Jr. is a native of Dallas, Texas. He is a 1989 graduate of Franklin D. Roosevelt High School. He graduated from Wiley College in 1995 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. While attending Wiley, he was a part of a preaching staff that traveled the country to recruit students to attend Wiley. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He received a certification for expository preaching from the E.K. Bailey Conference of Expository Preaching in Dallas, Texas in 2007.

He served as the Youth Pastor at the Eastern Star Baptist Church from 2006 until 2021. He was later assigned the position of Assistant Pastor of Eastern Star in 2021 where he also served as Instructor for the Young Adult Ministry and the Single’s Ministry. He also served as the teacher/facilitator for Wednesday night Bible Study. Under his leadership, Eastern Star has a worship service entitled W.O.W. (Worship on Wednesday), every last Wednesday of each month.

He is employed with the U.S. Postal Service as Postmaster for the Kountze Post Office in Kountze, Texas. Pastor Thompson is currently enrolled in The Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University where he is pursuing his master’s degree in theology. He is happily married to Pamela K. Thompson, and they have two sons (Deionte, and Jalen) and a beautiful granddaughter Karter Kaye. His favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."



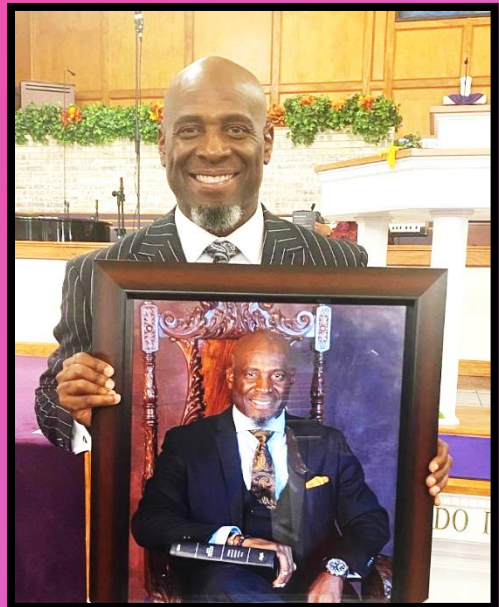
First Lady Pamela Thompson

Pamela Thompson is a Native of Orange, Texas, she is a 1995 graduate of Wiley College with a Bachelor of Science Degree. She is currently a Safety and Health Representative at Lion Elastomers. She married the love of her Life. Pastor Vester Thompson Jr. through this union, God blessed them with two handsome young men; Deionte' and Jalen. She has one adorable granddaughter, Karter Kaye. She enjoys being a wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoys shopping, traveling and just spending time with her family. She has a victorious testimony that prayer changes things. She believes that according to Phillipians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ Which Strengthens Me."



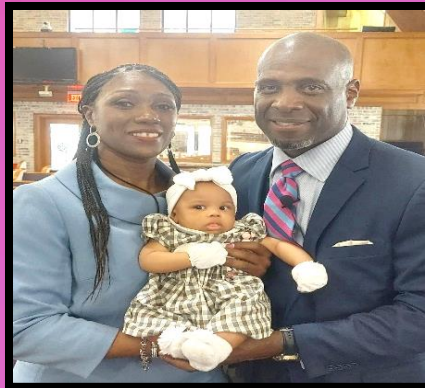


Family





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His Brothers in Christ





His Enjoyment





TO GOD BE THE GLORY



It's through people like you that Jesus show His love for us, you are God's greatest blessing. We thank Rev. Dr. Terrence Grant-Malone and St. John Missionary Baptist Church for participating in this special day, where we are celebrating Pastor Vester and Pam Thompson's 2nd Year Anniversary. To our visitors and our church family, thank you for praising and worshipping. "To God be the Glory, for the great things he has done."