

Wers. Kathleen Armstrong

Kathleen Armstrong was born and raised in Jamaica, West Indies, where she completed her High School education at the McGrath Comprehensive High School. As a result of her outstanding performance in school, she was employed by the high school as secretary where she worked until she migrated to the United States.

Mrs Armstrong attended the Borough of Manhattan Community College where she obtained an Associates Degree in Business Management and graduated with honors. She is presently pursuing a Bachelors Degree in Human Resources Management at Baruch College. She attended Cashier Training Institute to receive training as a Bank Teller and graduated at the top of her class. Upon her first interview, she was hired as a bank teller and was well on her way to starting her career. She was determined to accept any challenge in order to succeed in the career path she has chosen.

After completing the bank teller course she gained employment with the American Savings Bank in January 1982 as a bank teller. She was promoted to Supervisor in 1984, Assistant Manager in 1985, Branch Manager in 1988 and Assistant Vice President in 1990. She has been effectively serving the bank and community in this capacity eversince at Banco Popular (formerly American Savings

Bank) at 539 Eastern Parkway/Nostrand, Brooklyn, NY. She takes pride in supporting and giving of her time to community projects and organizations. She serves as a board member of the Bedford Stuyvesant Community Housing Council, a committee member of the Washington Ave. Merchant Association, and the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation Revolving Loan Fund Committee for Small Businesses. She also works with the following community organizations: Crown Heights Community Service Center, Community Board #8 - Economic Revitalization Committee, Crown Heights Jewish Community Council, Crown Heights Kiwanis, and Concerned Citizens for a Better Brooklyn. In 1991, she received the Distinguished Service Award from the Crown Heights Kiwanis Club, and in 1995, she received the Outstanding Service Award from the Concerned Citizens for a Better Brooklyn Organization.

As an active member of the Christian Fellowship Seventh Day Adventist Church, Mrs. Armstrong serves in the Treasury Department and as a Deaconess. And through it all, she gives of her time and talent unselfishly. On February 18,1997 she received an award from the North Eastern Seventh Day Adventist Conference for Outstanding Ingathering Effort for 1996.



Dr. Ann Earolyn Brown

Ann Carolyn Brown (Anatomist, Hematologist, Scientist, Teacher), is a member of the faculty at Medgar Evers College, Brooklyn. She holds a graduate (Ph.D.) degree in Anatomy/Cell Biology from the New York Medical College, Valhalla, NY. She has worked in industry and academia, having held positions of research and teaching at Pfizer Pharmaceutical, New York City Department of Health and St. Francis College. She is a published author of scientific research in scholarly journals as well as a prolific grants writer.

For the last five years, in addition to her teaching and research, she has been an advisor and counselor of undergraduate students in Biology. Through her efforts, Dr. Brown has been instrumental in heightening the self-esteem of her students and guiding their aspirations to successful careers. Dr. Brown is a health practitioner and frequently speaks before large audiences on health issues that impact the African- American community. She has been a frequent guest speaker at the Self Healing Temple in Brooklyn.

Dr. Brown is a flutist and musician of many years, playing classical music as soloist to many audiences. She was director and conductor of her own chamber ensemble for ten years, as well as accompanying choral groups in churches in the metropolitan area.

Finally, Dr. Brown was the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions from the African-American communities for her contributions to the conscious-raising and enlightment of people of all ages and walks-of-life. She is a member and the Secretary of the Association for the Study of Classical African Civilizations (ASCAC).



Apostle Callie Jasper

Called, anointed and appointed by God as Bishop. Lauded by Bishops and Pastors. Praised by the fruit of her labor - her spiritual sons and daughters. A Leader of Men in ministry, her Sons of Thunder. Awarded by the City of New York's first African-American Mayor as a shining example of leadership excellence in ministry and community work." A Pastor's pastor, a leader's leader. A Mother-In-Zion."

Apostle Callie M. Jasper, Senior Pastor and Overseer of Holy Faith and Deliverance Ministries Center of Love, New York, and Holy City New Covenant Church, South Carolina, has stepped into her destiny as a reformer in this the fullness of time concerning the vision of God as given to her for the people, the city and nation. She is also the Founder and President of the United Covenant Sisters and Brothers International, with branches in North / South Carolina, Maryland, Tri State New York and Florida.

"Psalm 67 is a mandate for Holy City Ministries also because of the praise and the worship that is a foundational and integral part of the ministry of Jesus Christ. The question has been asked concerning the deplorable condition of the people, the city, the nation, the world, 'can these dry bones live?' - and the response is a resounding, YES! If we follow the Word of God, we shall have good success, but you can't do it without the praise and worship - it's the missing ingredient."

This mandate is obvious within the Holy City Ministries as the ministry is known for its riotous praise and worship services that flow in the prophetic anointing of the Lord. The anointed Basic Praise music ministry and the new songs of Zion that flow from heaven break yokes even before the Word is delivered. "I endeavor that we take a back seat, go behind the curtain and let the Holy Spirit have full reign and movement within Holy City."

As President and Founder of the National Chapters of United Covenant Sisters International, Inc., and United Covenant Brothers International, Inc., Bishop Jasper is called to bring together the male and female leadership of the Lord into a healing place of dialogue, covenant and communion as the Lord had purposed from the beginning of time. "The Lord is calling in all leadership, and we've got to get it right. How do we expect to impact the world when we are too busy tearing each other down, when we should be about our Father's business. I refuse to let the enemy take any more ground concerning the relationship between the leaders of the Lord, whether they be men or women. I'm doing good works and no, I won't come down."

This Pastor, this devout praiser and worshipper, is of determined destiny, is pastoring with embedded praise as she moves into greater domains in God.

Ms. Carmen L. Rivera

Carmen Rivera has spent several decades in the Human Resources field advancing and expanding the available opportunities for both women and men, and more especially for less advantaged minorities. Rivera has pressed Corporate America in New York to broaden its perception of and hiring practices for qualified men and women of all races, creeds, and cultural backgrounds.

As a Human Resource manager working at NYNEX, Rivera was instrumental in the recruitment of qualified Hispanic men and women to fill high paying craft and policy making management positions. Rivera was also heavily involved in the training, developing and coaching of craft and management personnel to assume both job oriented and post-retirement consultant positions in the telecommunications and financial consulting industries, encouraging Hispanics to achieve higher ranking positions in non-traditional careers.

Rivera, as a member of the NYNEX Hispanic Support Organization, played a crucial role in the development and fostering of the ongoing partnership between NY State Governors Office for Hispanic Affairs and the Hispanic Support Organization, which resulted in the Organization's eventual recognition by the Governor's Office with the prestigious Eleanor Roosevelt Community Service Award for its commitment to mentoring. Rivera formulated the organization's two Scholarship Award programs to recognize and support budding young high school graduates with a dire need for financial support to attend higher education at the institutions of their choice. Rivera also performed a key role in the establishment of the Hispanic Support Organization's annual Commitment to Excellence Award, recognizing those men and women who epitomize the mission of the Hispanic Support

Organization to develop, recruit, promote the inclusion, recognition and advancement of Hispanics in the community as well as in the corporation.

After her retirement from full time employment, Rivera still maintains an active role both as recruiter, developer and as a trusted member of the HSO's Advisory Council. Rivera continues to actively recruit Hispanic women and men to high paying and career advancing positions. Rivera takes an active personal role in the development and career advancement coaching of Hispanics to attain higher positions in both corporate life and community service involvement. In addition, Rivera continually reminds her fellow Hispanics to "give back" to the community with volunteer service, high school student mentoring efforts, and scholarship awards programs.

In all phases of Rivera's corporate and community action roles, the role played with the utmost care was that of the nurturing individual with a focus on those individuals entrusted to her care in this life. Whether in the role of manager, recruiter or as a corporate Affirmative Action activist, Rivera never forgot that those she worked side by side with or those she worked for were people who needed to be cared for, with all the gentleness and understanding she could muster. Even during conferences with corporate officers to press forward recruitment, development and advancement issues, Rivera always maintained the dignity of the person, while at the same time maintaining the strong and protective persistence of the caring woman.



Dev. Bernadine Arthur

Rev. Bernadine Arthur is the wife of Rev. Claude Arthur, the founder & pastor of the Living Word Assembly located at 123 Henry Street, Port of Spain, Trinidad, and is the General in Command of the Chaplain's Association of the Republic of Trinidad & Tobago.

She is the mother of three children, an ordained minister and holds the position of Assistant Pastor in the Living Word Assembly. In doing Our Father's will, she is a Prayer Warrior. Moreover, she is the Principal of Kiddies College Kindergarten where she supervises and ensures that there is cohesion in the running of the school.

For the past fifteen years, Rev. Arthur has been involved in various auxiliaries. She was the Brigadier General in Crusades until she became the President of the Caring Committee which includes visiting the sick, feeding and clothing the poor.

She is highly favored among the young people and serves as second in command in a group of one hundred and fifty youths. As a result of her remarkable performance she was rewarded Most Outstanding Officer of 1988 and 1989.

Rev. Bernadine Arthur studied Pastoral Theology Evangelism and Homiletics graduated with honors "Cum Laude.". At present she is the President of the Women's Group where she conducts counselling, visitation of the sick in hospitals, private institutes and homes.



Bishop Dr. Daisy B. Garvin

Bishop Dr. Daisy B. Garvin's ministry of prayer and deliverance and leadership training began with people that society had thrown away. Seemingly, the Lord gave her the misfits of society, the insane and the afflicted spirit, soul and body. From the inception of her ministry, she began to take these people into her own home, and feed them at her own expense. This was all before the government began to realize that the homeless needed shelter. She received people regardless of race, religion or creed. Through her ministry, she feeds 200-250 people per day, with delicious meals. Because of her great concern for youth and education, she instituted tutorial programs.

In 1949, Bishop Garvin received Christ as her savior. She immediately began doing the works of the Lord. She began as a prayer warrior and a choir member, she worked in the ministry of the helps, and then began teaching the word of God. She functioned as an assistant pastor in Harlem, and dutifully served her pastor until the Lord led her, on Palm Sunday in 1963, to begin what is now known as Greater Revivaltime House of Prayer International, Incorporated.

She was born in Savannah, Georgia in 1924, the youngest of three children. As the oldest member of her extended family, she has four generations who view her as the matriarch of the family. At the age of 15, she married

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Arthur Garvin. They had one daughter, Juanita Davis, who is also a minister of the Gospel.

Her degrees include, (1) Doctorate of Philosophical Theology from United Christian College, (2) Doctorate of Divinity & Bachelor Degree in Theology from Dr. Rosalie Singleton School, (3) Certificate of Studies from Manhattan Bible Institute. She has received many awards from notable organizations such as Morris Cerullo Worldwide Evangelism & Leadership Training School of Ministry, and distinguished people such as Bronx Borough President Fernand Ferrer, Dr. Mary Walker (National Black Association of Minority Business Women), Dr. John Boyd (New Greater Bethel Ministries). Her affiliations include: Member of the board of Directors of the United Covenant Sisters & Brothers International Inc., Member of the Board of Elders of the Morris Cerullo World Evangelism and a member of the Ever Increasing Faith Network.



Dr. Louise Phalomah Ryant

As a concerned member of her community, Dr. Louise Shalomah Pyant, is founder and Director of the Temple El Shaddai Summer Youth Program. It was developed to "Bridge the Gap' in our community, comprising of an after-school tutorial program, and a tutorial summer youth program. Both programs provide recreation and provide interventions that develop reading, math, spelling and social skills of the children participating in it.

This community service provides stipends for youth and parents, they are provided with instructional training to work with children academically and socially. The After-School center employs a staff of 6 adults and teenagers. The Summer Camp employs 6 adults and 15 youths to supervise 50 children. As Director of the programs, she is able to use her professional counseling and educational knowledge to provide support the staff, children and parents.

Her objective is to provide various methods of intervention in the counseling of individuals and families within a public oriented organization; which allows advancement, and offers promotional opportunities.

Dr. Pyant is certified in such areas as (1) The Passive and Active Listener, (2) Holistic Healing, (3) Physician of the Soul Internship Practices, and serves as

an Educational Advisor of providing workshops in Professional Counseling. Bishop Isacc Pyant, Pastor of Temple El Shaddai is her husband. In addition to her work in academia, Dr. Pyant is also a spiritual mother, foster mother and grandmother.

She has attended New York University where she earned a Masters Degree in Reading and Psycology, and Medgar Evers College, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree. She has been awarded the Teacher of The Year and Outstanding Award of Excellence from the St. Marks Lutheran School in Brooklyn. Dr. Pyant has also received a Recognition of Community Service & Education Award. And for many years, she served as the Principal of the People's Christian Elementary School in Brooklyn.



Mrs. Dorothy Forsythe

Mrs. Dorothy is the mother, best friend, role model, and spiritual advisor of her daughter, Bishop Sylveta Hamilton-Gonzales. She was born in Kingston, Jamaica West Indies and in 1961, she migrated to the United States of America. Mrs. Forsythe is the wife of Lindley Forsythe and from this union, she had two sons: Glennford and Arthur. She is the proud grandmother of four with one expected in May 1997.

She is a strong matriarch of her family and the very backbone of its struggle and survival. Her clarity of vision and the strength she demonstrates as she confronts various obstacles in life, are manifestations of her extraordinary wisdom. QKingdom Ministries, Inc., of which she is a member and a valuable asset, is a recipient of her wisdom via Bishop Hamilton-Gonzales. Mrs. Forsythe is responsible for nurturing her daughter to fulfill her calling to renew, rejuvenate and retool her community for the future and the new millennium

Through her counseling, relentless hours of prayers and unconditional love, Mrs. Forsythe has encouraged Bishop Hamilton-Gonzales to develop a group-centered

leadership that promotes self sufficiency. Mrs. Forsythe emphasizes the philosophy that everyone has a purpose in life and must be given the opportunity and the privilege to fulfill that duty and destiny. Bishop Hamilton-Gonzales, an advocate for group-leadership, before her days at Princeton Theological Seminary, continues to enforce in the community, the reality of her mother's philosophy. One may say that Mrs. Forsythe is the "community mother", and the energy behind her daughter's fire.

She is a strong disciplinarian and yet, she exemplifies the true love of God. Her words speak volumes about her personality and character. Mrs. Forsythe's sweet, kind, soft and sometimes forceful voice provides a window into her soul. It is also the vantage point for an analysis of her words and contribution to QKingdom Ministries, Inc. and the broader community.

Mrs Forsythe has helped her family and members of her community to prepare for their opportunities to transform, discover self worth, and renew their status in life.