

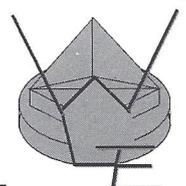
Coral B. Barnett

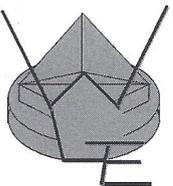
Coral B. Barnett was raised in the hills of St. Elizabeth, Jamaica, West Indies. Her formative years were nurtured by her grandparents, who shaped her life morally and spiritually. While in Kingston, Coral attended the Accompong Primary School, the Providence Primary School, and the Papine Senior School. Her formal education continued in England at the Handsworth Wood Girls School and later at Handsworth College.

In 1970 Coral migrated to the United States, where she gained successful employment and developed a vocation for volunteerism and community service. In the 1970's she was employed by the N.Y.C. Health and Hospital Corporation (HHC) and subsequently, the Public Affairs staff where she was responsible for the implementation of the Employee Recognition Breakfast Program in the department of Community and Patient Relations: the first of its kind at HHC. Additionally, Coral worked in other programs such as the Bureau of Labor Services and the Primary Care Development Cooperation. Recognizing the need to make a difference within her community, in 1997 Coral joined the staff of The Honorable Una S. Clarke, Council Member of the Fortieth District in Brooklyn, N.Y.

During Coral's busy life as a civil servant, she found time to continue her volunteer work with an emphasis on the quintessence of fine art. Coral organized some of the earliest exhibitions of Caribbean Art in New York. For fifteen years, she mounted major annual exhibitions with artists from various parts of the world, much of which was displayed at the Jacob J. Javits Center in Manhattan, New York. Coral, along with notable artists, founded the Association of Caribbean-American Artists, Inc., which is dedicated to the promotion of excellence in the works of African, Caribbean and Caribbean-American artists.

In 1990, Coral, along with her dear friend Otto Neals and a host of others, opened the ACAA Art Gallery. The purpose of this effort was to bring quality, affordable, and relevant art to the community. It became a resource center and refuge for the youth in the community. Coral's vision has been driven by her family and especially by the words of the late Lloyd Van-Pitterson who once told her - "It is the consciousness that knows how to fulfill every need, including joy, love, laughter, peace, harmony, and knowledge. And if we seek these things first, not only for yourself, but for others, all else will come to you."



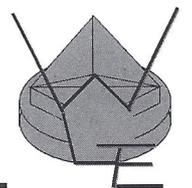


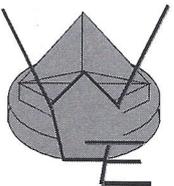
Honorable Enid Maude Bennett, C.D.

Enid Bennett, one of seven children, was born in Linstead, St. Catherine, Jamaica, West Indies. She is a graduate of Linstead Elementary School and also completed studies at, the now defunct, St. Helen's Commercial Academy. Always the amiable person, Enid Bennett has risen to become one of the most prominent leaders of Jamaica. As a young woman, Ms. Bennett developed interest in community activities and became a member of the Women's Federation, the local Red Cross, The Credit Union Movement and also served as a Sunday School Teacher. Her service and diligence to the political profession has accorded her the distinction of being the fourth female to be elected to the Houses of Parliament since Adult Suffrage and also the first woman to hold a seat in the Jamaica Parliament for three decades.

Her initial steps into politics, which include her election as Constituency Secretary for Central St. Catherine, held until 1967, increased her confidence to engage in representational politics. Despite several geographical boundary adjustments, Enid Bennett sustained her political posture by defeating several notable opponents, over a period of time that included seven general elections. Her sincerity, courage, disciplined work ethic, and availability to her constituents, which proved to be the hallmarks of her brilliant career, afforded her the longevity necessary to implement the many services and programs to improve the quality of life for those within her public domain. These services, among others, were to include the extension of electricity into the more rural areas, the improvement of water supply, the introduction of telephone services and the improvement of school buildings. It is her ideal that government should have a positive impact on the living standard of its citizens, providing, at minimum, a safety net to prevent the less fortunate from falling to base levels of depravity.

The Honorable Enid Maude Bennett gracefully retired from her career of public service in 1997, with the all of the dignity and circumstance of one so deserving of honor and acclaim. Her many glistening awards and sparkling commendations, to which one is added on this occasion, are diminished by the brilliant light of love and compassion, which she fashioned by ideology and service to her people. This radiant glow continues to rise and meet the dawn of each new day.





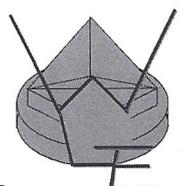
Dulcie Victoria de Montagnac

 Mrs. Dulcie Victoria de Montagnac for more than thirty years has been tending to the needs of our Mother Earth. She has given her best in service to the United Nations during this time as she has been an advocate for the environment. Her educational focus and encouragement, regarding issues of conservation and preservation, have been directed, in particular, to the youth. Her philosophy might be considered somewhat subversive, as it is grounded in the ideal of interdependence. Her declaration that "our planet will not be saved by any one big decision but by many individual choices" engenders a global ethic of collective work and responsibility.

Mrs. de Montagnac has continually encouraged children and youth to extend their vision to the broader contexts of their society when considering global environmental programs. The challenge to the children to locate the most critical issue regarding the preservation of Mother Earth led to the launching of the United Nations Environment Program - Global Youth Forum. The inaugural event, which has spawned many others, brought several thousand people from around the world to the General Assembly of the United Nations. As a result of this gathering, governments around the world were sensitized to include environmental protection in their national agendas.

Although the many nuances of her vocation attenuate its popularity, she has necessarily been honored for her outstanding efforts by The State of Texas House of Representatives' Heart to Heart Global Youth Coalition (1995), the United Nations Environmental Program's Certificate of Appreciation and the Honorary Friendly Ambassador Award presented by the Governor of Toyama Prefecture, of Toyama, Japan, among several others.

Since 1997 her attention has been focused toward her local community in rural Jamaica. The Government of Jamaica has issued a challenge to engage its citizens in the fight against the problem of illiteracy in the country. Dulcie de Montagnac has worked tirelessly to apply the same ideology to illiteracy that she has implemented with regard to environmental issues. The notion of collective work and responsibility again emerges as she solicits the citizens of Jamaica to acknowledge their interdependence, while indicating that the difference in this educational dilemma will be made by the appropriate choices of many and not by the decision of one. Herein lies her great wisdom and most revered asset; the ability to motivate many for one righteous cause.





Rt. Rev. Antionette Dreckette



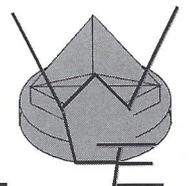
Bishop Antoinette Dreckett

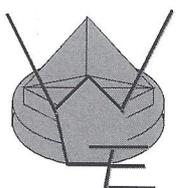
*A*ntoinette Dreckett was born in Portland, Jamaica, West Indies. At an early age she assumed leadership roles in various organizations which included the Youth Arm of the Jamaica Labor Party.

As a social worker, she implemented many programs to benefit of the elderly and youth in the West Kingston area. She married Samuel Dreckett in 1969 and is the mother of five children, ten grandchildren and numerous adopted children. She was educated at the Taylor Business Institute, St. Francis College and the Lynchburg Theological Seminary.

With these customary life achievements well tended to, Antoinette Dreckett in 1972 responded to a higher calling. Entering the ministry, she was ordained a deaconess by the late Episcopal Theo Rhoden-James. In 1981 she was consecrated Bishop and formed the United Holy Church of Jamaica International which grew to forty-five churches throughout Jamaica, Canada and the United Kingdom. This same year the spiritual churches, being labeled as demonic, encountered severe opposition from the traditional churches. Bishop Dreckett, recognizing that the Divine Domain was all-inclusive, with her husband at her side, assisted in the unification of the spiritual churches, which gave birth to the Jamaica Revival Council of Churches. She made numerous appearances on television and radio speaking forums, supporting the egalitarian ideal within this religious arena. After over a decade of challenging struggles, a draft was sent to the House of Representatives and in 1992, the spiritual churches, or so called pocomania churches, received equal legal status with the traditional churches on the island.

As Bishop Dreckett worked with the spiritual churches here in the United States, her political militancy gained her the position of Vice-President of the Women and Men for Political Action as she also became an executive member of the Caribbean American Clergy Coalition. Bishop Antoinette Dreckett continues to work for the full harmony of all peoples at all level of existence. Her tireless efforts have been driven by a simple dream: "Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."



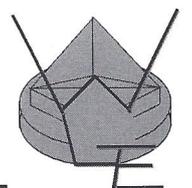


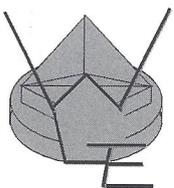
Dr. Edna Marilyn Smith-Edet

Dr. Edna Smith-Edet was born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 16, 1924. A descendant of Jamaican and Barbadian parentage, she married a successful Nigerian banker, Humphrey Edet, and is the mother of two children Asari and Etemma. This critical thinker, researcher, author, educator, musicologist, bassist, wife, and parent has made contributions to music, education, and politics which are chronicled in the archives of these varied yet convergent professions which, as a participant, she so graciously enriched.

She earned both her Bachelor's Degree and her Master's Degree in Music from the Manhattan School of Music. In addition, she has Master of Arts and was conferred with the Doctorate of Education Degree from Teachers' College of Columbia University. She has assisted in the development of the music department at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, where she served as professor and at the same time produced several musical extravaganzas. Dr. Smith-Edet has also done extensive research at the University of Ghana regarding the cultural nuances of African, African-American, and African-Caribbean music. This essential research has resulted in the publication of many articles in scholarly journals as well as discussions and recordings presented on radio and television programming. After many years of dedicated service, Dr. Edet's shared her accumulation of wisdom, during her final years as an educator, with the City University of New York system at Queens College and also functioned as the Chairperson of the Division of Humanities at Medgar Evers College.

History has recorded her story of "The International Sweethearts of Rhythm", the "Burnside all Female Combo", and the "Edna Smith Trio". Her bass guitar still vibrates the skill and genius with which she so generously performed. These grand accomplishments of music and education, notwithstanding her legacy, endure to include the voice of one crying as in the wilderness for the under-served, the handi-capable and the quality of life for women. Having breached the threshold of the century into the new millennium, the rhythm of her wisdom yearns for an ensemble of those who would likewise do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with the One Most High.





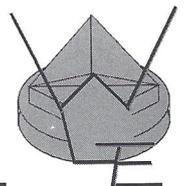
Pastor Michel White-Haynes

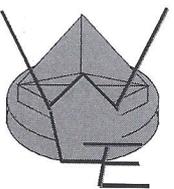
*M*ichel White-Haynes is the founder and pastor of the Faith Temple Church of the Living God, located in the Bronx, New York. This multi-gifted woman is a religious instructor, a powerful pulpiter, and is also internationally known as a musician, choral directress and vocalist. Although her appointments and accomplishments have elevated her to the equivalent of royal status within her various vocations, the humility with which she functions is a demonstration of the love of God flowing through her.

Notwithstanding the magnitude of her achievements, they are accompanied by necessary academic preparation. Pastor White-Haynes graduated with advanced status from the Manhattan Bible Institute in New York City. She holds a Bachelor of Theology and Religious Education degree from the American Bible College and also a second Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Fordham University. Evangelist Michel White-Haynes, a proponent of the importance of education, has led by example.

As the world is her stage/pulpit, the quality of her example is not bounded by the rigors of the classroom. This Savoy recording artist is a voting member of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (The Grammy Awards). In New York City she performed at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine where celebrities were gathered to pay tribute to the Pulitzer Prize winning Toni Morrison. She has also ministered to audiences which have included the former Governor of New York State, Mario Cuomo and the present Governor of New York State, George Pataki. Her ministry has taken her to the Apollo Theater and Madison Square Garden in New York, to the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, and the Miami Civic Center.

With all that she has attained, which also includes the publication of numerous articles documenting various aspects of her theological reflection and compelling performances, her greatest pride is the organization of the faith community. With God's direction and diligence to the call, the store-front church, under the leadership of Pastor White-Haynes, now owns a million-dollar edifice and is renamed the Greater Temple Church of the Living God. God be praised!



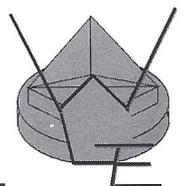


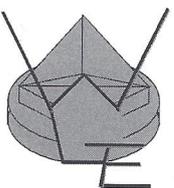
Daneel Ottelia Esther Howe

Daneel Ottelia Esther Howe was born in Kingston, Jamaica in 1980. She attended Urban Basic School and Holy Family Primary School and gained entrance to the Convent of Mercy Alpha Academy. Ms. Howe spent five years at the Academy where she was appointed as Prefect and Executive member of the student committee. She later sat the C.X.C. examination and received nine subjects to later graduate with honors in 1997. She then proceeded to the sixth form level at the Academy and successfully completed her 'A' level examinations.

Centered on her academic advancement with the goal of becoming an attorney, she is demonstrates equal diligence with regard to her community service. Maintaining this delicate balance, she is always available to assist in the upliftment and motivation of her peers. Ms. Howe was an active member of the Gold Street Police Youth Club and the Youth Educational Support System (Y.E.S.S.). She was also involved in the feeding of the elderly and children in the community as a volunteer for the Hamilton-Gonzales Save the Children Fund.

As she is focused on her academic and professional goals and also dedicated to service in her community, Ms. Daneel Ottelia Esther Howe holds the keys to one day be in situation, for such a time as then, to provide extraordinary enfranchisement to the people, whom she loves so dearly. Today, we extend our salutations.





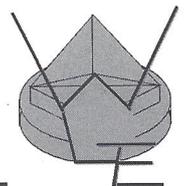
Alice Douglas-Jacob

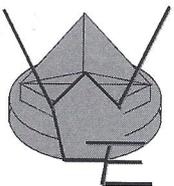
Alice Douglas-Jacob, the eleventh of fifteen children, was born in the town of Portsmouth, Dominica. As challenging as life may have been for her, the spiritual foundation having been established, she graduated from the Convent High School. She subsequently taught at the Portsmouth Home Economics Center, Mahaut Government School and Massacre Government School. It was during this nineteen year period that she pursued studies at the Dominica Teachers College where she obtained a certificate in Education. It was during her tenure as an educator that she met her husband, Haynes Jacob, and together they have so far shared four beautiful children and twenty nine years of quality relationship.

Conscious of the calling placed upon her to preach the word of God and experienced as a care-giver, she left the teaching profession in 1990 and committed to that vocation. She will maintain; however, that she was summoned to this endeavor at the age of seventeen, possibly as the result of an incident which occurred when she was nine years old. She accidentally swallowed an eraser that found its way into one of her lungs. Eighteen months later, Alice struggling to survive, the doctors having given up, during prayer, the bloody eraser was coughed up and the miracle was completed.

As she flowed from miracle to ministry, Alice has received several titles: Evangelist in 1985, by the Evangelical Church in Illinois; Teacher in 1991, through the Gospel Fellowship in Florida; and most recently Reverend, conferred by Bishop Gonzales of QKingdom Ministries of Brooklyn, New York. Fortunately, these ecclesiastical functions merely witness the humble spirit and compassionate person that is Alice Douglas-Jacob. Working as a counselor, visiting schools, conducting home-cell bible study and sharing the gospel of Truth with persons of interdenominational backgrounds, her ministry has taken her to Barbados, Grenada, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saint Martin, Saint Thomas and many other locations.

It has been said that this person who possesses a radiant smile is also a gift to Dominica. These descriptors notwithstanding, Divine worship, which is central to Alice's life process, endows essence and epilogue as she is a reflection and an extension of the beauty and wholeness that one experiences when they continually access the heart of God.



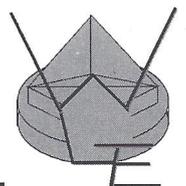


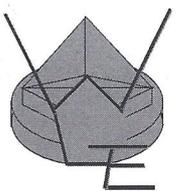
Mrs. Lolita Long

 Mrs. Lolita Long has earned the reputation of being a feisty, non-nonsense, passionate and invulnerable journalist. As the Editor of the North American Edition of the Gleaner and Star, these qualities are quite necessary. Even in her tender years Mrs. Long had a curious nature and an insatiable interest in current affairs and how the news events were presented to the general public. This avid desire for learning proved to be the impetus for her academic success. She received a diploma from Codrington College in Barbados and has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mass Communications and Social Sciences from the University of the West Indies. Undoubtedly a support system for her unbounded successes, Mrs. Long, who enjoys netball, dancing and cooking, is married to her life-long love, AnceI, and is the mother of three children.

Subsequent to completing her formal education in 1972, which formed the foundation for her career in journalism, she joined the staff of the Gleaner Company (Jamaica). Known for ceaseless interrogation and her indomitable will, her first position was as a reporter where dedication to the craft won her the adulation of the industry. Paralleling her continued development were advancements through the ranks as she was inevitably named as the Associate Editor for the News section of the paper. Her distinctive service was rewarded by awards from the Press Association of Jamaica in 1986, 1989 and in 1998 for sub-editing and design.

Mrs. Long, has served as editor since 1999, during which time she has revitalized both publications with innovative technology and penetrating commentary. As the readership responds to the paradigm shift, feedback on the new direction of the publications has been laudatory as it has been consistent. Her years of dedication and self-denial have found her at the helm of yet another successful venture. These publications entering the new millennium are assured of continued growth coupled with integrity as these have been the hallmarks of Mrs. Lolita Long.



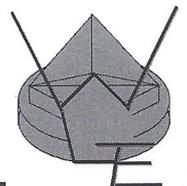


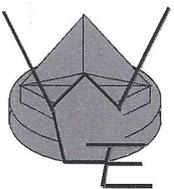
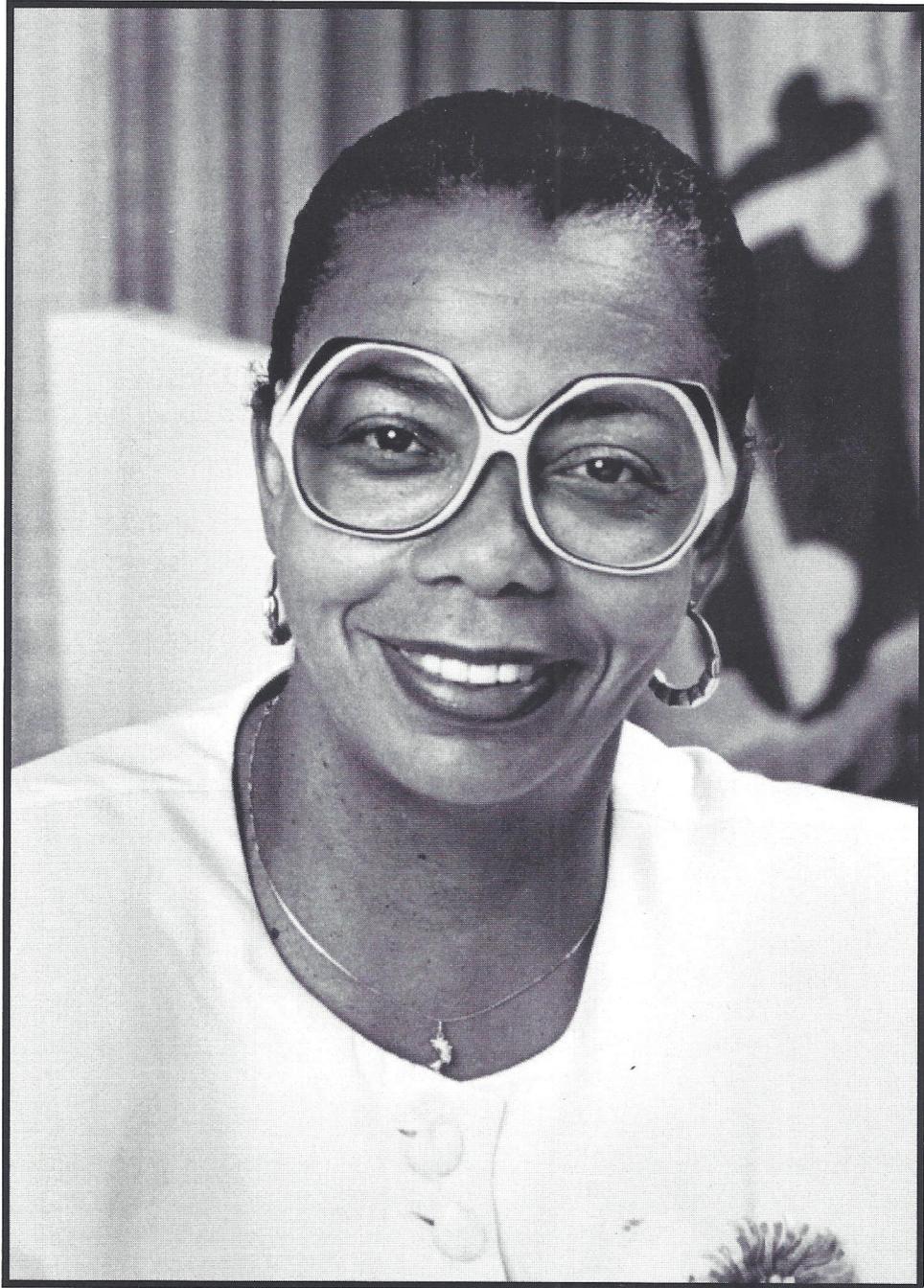
The Honorable Portia Simpson-Miller, M.P.

Born in the deep rural community of Woodhall, St. Catherine, Portia was named after the Shakespearean heroine in "The Merchant of Venice". How did her father know that this heroine, feminine yet formidable, a believer in justice and fair play would be a mere shadow to the profound achievements of his daughter, the Honorable Portia Simpson-Miller? As a young woman the family moved to Kingston where she completed her secondary education. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Administration from Union Institute in Miami and in 1999 completed the Executive Program for Leaders in Development at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

After completing the undergraduate degree, her involvement with the People's National Party led to her election to Parliament in 1976, representing South West St. Andrew, where she has served this inner city constituency for twenty four years. Always a part of the vanguard in the struggle for the improved status and conditions of women and children, Portia Simpson-Miller spearheaded the establishment of the Bureau of Women's Affairs, the Status of Children Act, the Equal Pay for Equal Work Law and the Family Court and Paid Maternity Leave Legislation. In 1978 she was elected to the post of Vice President of the People's National Party, responsible for Women's Affairs and has been president of the party's women's movement since 1983. She led the delegation of the PNP Women's Movement to the United Nations End of Decade Forum in Nairobi, Kenya in 1985. And in 1995, Portia Simpson-Miller headed the Jamaican Government delegation to the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China.

Portia Simpson-Miller serves as the Minister of Tourism and Sport, responsible for Entertainment and Women's Affairs in Jamaica. Prior to this appointment she served for eleven years as Minister of Labor, Social Security and Sport with charge over Women's Affairs, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities. This predominant voice for women's issues, has participated in several prestigious leadership forums, including the University of California-Berkley's Advanced Management Program for Caribbean Managers presented in conjunction with the Jamaica Institute of Management, to name just one. These successes of this formidable female, and more which can not be detailed in this brief introduction, solicit one question. How did her father know?





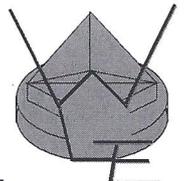
The Honorable Shirley Nathan-Pulliam, R.N., B.S.N., M.A.S.

Shirley Nathan-Pulliam is the first African Caribbean person to be elected to the Maryland General Assembly in its three hundred and fifty year history. Born in Jamaica, West Indies, Shirley Nathan-Pulliam was educated in Jamaica, England and the United States. In addition to her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Maryland, she holds a Master of Administrative Science degree conferred by Johns Hopkins University. As a member of the Hunting Ridge community in Baltimore, she has been an active member of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church for thirty-five years. She is the proud mother of three children and the grandmother of four.

These are but cursory comments when one considers the breadth of her experience and influence. Currently the President and CEO of Nathan-Network, Inc., a health-care company, providing consultation, personal care and stress management seminars, she is also serving her second term in the Maryland General Assembly, where her vision and leadership have earned the respect of her colleagues. Her presence on the Environmental Matters Committee, the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing, the Drug Treatment Task Force and the Task Force on Nursing Home Quality, among others, attests to her impassioned support of the critical issues which have an impact on the citizens of Maryland and those of the nation-at-large.

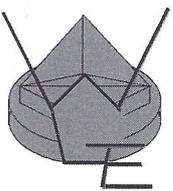
Delegate Nathan-Pulliam is keenly aware of the difficulties faced by immigrants and the issues surrounding the health of women and children. To raise civic consciousness with regard to legal responsibility concerning immigration, she has hosted 'Town Meetings'; bringing together a wide spectrum of individuals, including immigration lawyers, Congressional staff, INS officials and foreign dignitaries. She was instrumental in securing more than two million dollars which assisted in providing breast cancer treatment and screening to low-income, uninsured women throughout Maryland via the passage of the Breast Cancer Program. She also took part in crafting The Maryland Children and Family First Act of 1998 which provides health care to over sixty thousand children.

Delegate Shirley Nathan-Pulliam, named Legislator of the Year by the Maryland Nurses Association and recently elected as the First Vice Chairperson for the Maryland Legislative Black Caucus, declares by her actions that to serve to God is to serve others. She attends to those who are perceived to be the least as God would, making them the priority.





Premier of Bermuda

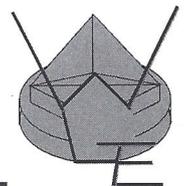


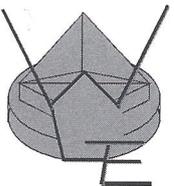
The Honorable Jennifer M. Smith, J.P., M.P.

Chronicled in the archives of history shall one day be a simple note to the attestation of the exploits and the preeminence of Jennifer M. Smith. She is a Harvard University graduate and was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Georgia. She is the first and youngest woman to have ever run in a general election. An effective speaker in both the House and the Senate, she is the first and youngest woman to have been appointed to the Senate. She is the first and youngest woman to have served on the House Chairman's Committee. And inevitably so, The Honorable Jennifer M. Smith is the first woman to be Premier of Bermuda. She has represented her country at the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference in the Bahamas, Guyana and Bermuda and held the Portfolio of the Minister of Education in the Cabinet.

The public prominence of this noble woman has not diminished her professional endeavors nor her personal pursuits. She was a feature writer and Editor of the Bermuda Recorder, Assistant Editor of Fame Magazine and also the now defunct Bermuda Times. She went on to be the Promotion Manager for three radio and two television stations. A student of the 'Arts', she expresses herself through dancing, painting and choreography. She taught dance to juvenile delinquents as part of a rehabilitative program and also at the National Youth Theatre in Jamaica. Among many others, she has been honored with The Ambitious Association's Role Model Award and the Black Family Productions' Inaugural Black Achievement Award, both in 1992. The expanse of her distinguished community work, the numerous memberships on boards and other prominent organizations which she has held limits the detailing of her more than twenty five years of public service.

Simply stated, Premier Smith has dedicated her life to the people of Bermuda. To the House of the Assembly, she radiates dignity and distinction. To her constituency, she brings dedication and diplomacy. To Bermuda, she engenders hope and optimism. Although the archives of history will one day detail her many triumphant accomplishments, Premier Smith prefers not to rest on the accolades so deservedly accorded, but with love, compassion, decorum and due diligence, she continues to serve this present age.



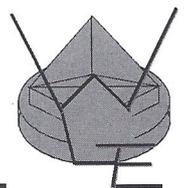


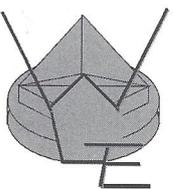
Beatrice Taylor

Beatrice Taylor was born in Kingston, Jamaica, the fourth child of the late Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. A very active child, she attended the East Branch Primary School, now called Holy Family School. She went on to the Holy Trinity Secondary School where she majored in Arts and Crafts, Home Economics and Sewing. During this time she also worked in the community teaching arts and crafts.

After leaving school she was employed by the People's Onward Relief Association and served as a Dental Assistant at the Barbara Manley Center. Promoting her own skills, she ventured into entrepreneurial world, establishing herself as an artisan and dressmaker. With a vision to promote the culture of Jamaica, she now works in the Tourism Industry, using her handiwork to advance her ideals.

Beatrice Taylor, because of her exceptional gifts and marketing skills, owns two stores and manages to additional stores in the same market. As she adds beauty to the home, the community and the nation, her success has enhanced the Jamaican culture and has had a positive impact on its economic posture. A 'Good Faith Ambassador', Beatrice Taylor has crafted her way into the culture of the nation, functioning within the simple wisdom of an ancient sage who suggested that without a vision, the people will perish. Today, we extend our salutations.



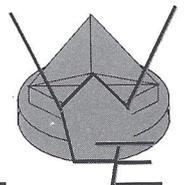


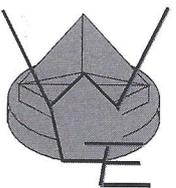
Mrs. Aurora Y. Villareal

Aurora Y. Villareal, who received her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education from Far Eastern University, Manila, Philippines, also hold a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Fordham University. From the plethora of political and social challenges, she has risen to serve the community which she has come to cherish. Her background and interests have always been focused on providing quality early childhood experiences for children and equipping the parents with viable processes which augment the education of children.

Mrs. Villareal was the Educational Director of Martin de Porres Day Care Center for ten years. She developed and maintained quality educational standards for the children while providing the parents with reasonable educational expectations. Demonstrating a characteristic not often witnessed in those who hold positions of leadership, she insisted on the professional development of her subordinates, in order to keep them well appraised of the ever changing currents within this occupational ocean.

For the past sixteen years, Mrs. Villareal has served as the Sr. Early Childhood Educational Consultant for the New York City Department of Health, Bureau of Day Care. She provides services and technical assistance to programs with regard to design, staff qualifications, and child safety and health. She develops and conducts training seminars for the present and the prospective day care owners, directors and staff personnel, while also corroborating with city agencies in order to maintain health and safety regulations. Mrs. Aurora Villareal, with requisite pastoral involvement, provides a widow of hope for our future, the children.





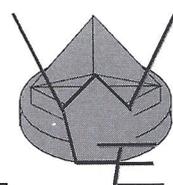
Ms. Gailene Windsor

Gailene Windsor, born in Kingstown, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, is presently the founder and First Vice President of the Caribbean American Netball Association. She serves the Public Relations Office for the Vincentian American National Charities Inc. and also functions as a Worker's Compensation Examiner. She holds a degree from the American Business Institute and is a graduate of Pace University.

Gailene Windsor builds bridges between her birthplace and her new found home. While in Saint Vincent, she held the position of Secretary of the National Council of Women in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. In this position she assisted in the designing of her country's independence. An accomplished netball player, she represented her country by playing for the National Netball Team in their inaugural World Netball Tournament.

After her migration to the United States in 1980, her involvement within the Vincentian community continued with sports and culture and local politics. Not only is she the past President of the American Netball Association, Gailene Windsor served the Central Brooklyn Soccer League as secretary. Ms. Windsor was the Fund-raising Chairperson for the Honorable James Connolly of the Eleventh Congressional District. She was also a member of the 1994 Soccer World Cup Support Committee for Saint Vincent, USA.

Ms. Windsor continues to establish connections between Saint Vincent and the United States as she has raised thousands of dollars to help her country with their sports and cultural development initiatives. She has worked closely with other organizations in New York City, securing funding for programs which provide services regarding health education, immigration and voter registration. While engaged in these enterprises, tending to those matters of her heart, she has forged for herself a distinguished career in public service and has demonstrated the value of remembrance.





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