

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

*Christine Johnson*

Sunrise: May 23, 1929 - Sunset: July 22, 2015



SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2015 AT 9:00 A.M.

PRAISE TEMPLE

INTERDENOMINATIONAL

CHURCH OF GOD

1130 E. ST. GEORGE AVE., LINDEN, NJ

BISHOP TONY McNEILL, SR. PASTOR

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# *Order of Service*

## **Presider**

Pastor Pattie Roscoe

## **Processional**

Clergy and Family

## **Prayer of Comfort**

Minister James Young

## **Old Testament Scripture**

Evangelist Quanceletta Pittman

## **New Testament Scripture**

Evangelist Deborah Daniel

## **Selection**

Praise Temple Music Ministry

## **Reflections**

## **Special Presentation**

Sis. Tawana Johnson

## **Selection**

Sis. Michele White

## **Acknowledgments & Obituary**

Evangelist Terri Johnson

Sermonic Selection

Sis. Faith Perkins

## **Eulogy**

Rev. Anita Bethea

Greater Little Rock Missionary Baptist Church - Newark, NJ

## **Recessional**



On May 23, 1929 a miracle was born in Hampton, Virginia to the parents of Mary E. and John L. Gordon by the name of Ida Christine. Raised under strong Christian beliefs and drawing strength from Jesus she managed to be educated and graduated from Phoenix High School class of 1947. She was the oldest of five children. Even though she suffered from a disease which is now known as Sickle Cell, she was still able to fulfill the responsibilities of being a big sister and when she was sick, she would always say Jesus will heal me in three days.

She married James A. Johnson in 1953 and to this union eight children were born, but together they raised ten children. In Seth Boyden she ultimately became the mother to all the children there and was always sharing the word of God and to love your neighbor.

In 1957 she met Edna Reid (her chosen sister) and they were inseparable only to later meet and add on yet another sister, Lavinia Hester Curry. Their circle of sisterhood was enlarged when they met Ruth Barber, affectionately known as Granny Ruth.

After the death of her husband, Ida relocated back to Hampton, Virginia, where she raised two of her granddaughters. After a short period of time she returned back home to Newark, where she became a member of Greater Little Rock Missionary Baptist Church on Dayton Street. She



still remained loyal to her first church Emanuel Baptist Church, truly this woman of God was on a mission to lead men, women, and children to God, which wasn't hard because she lived it. On July 22, 2015, Ida Christine (Chris) answered her call and chose glory over earth and although we are saddened, we cherish her life and are so grateful to God for the mother he chose for us. She was predeceased by her parents, Mary E. and John L. Gordon, James (husband), Patricia (daughter), Mary Sophronia (sister), and two brothers, John (Little John) and Lyle.

She leaves to celebrate her legacy: Nine children, Tawana (Lamont), James (Rosa), Jeffrey (Terri), Kenneth, Keith, Meniyon, Monique, Kent and Brent; two son in-laws, Kevin Dixon, Sr. and Lance McDaniel, a dedicated daughter in Karen Brooks; step son, Lashawn Morgan; twenty eight grandchildren, host of great grandchildren, one great great grandchild, one brother Julian Tyrone (Marie-Pinky) Gordon of Long Island, New York, three sister in-laws, Loretta and Bernice Johnson of Newark and Marilee Gordon of Virginia, three special friends Edna Reid, Lavinia Curry and Ruth Barber and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Special thanks to Rose (niece) for all of your support during this time.



**Grandchildren**

Brandon Johnson  
 Brittany Johnson  
 Melody Murphy

Megan Johnson  
 Maya Johnson  
 Miava Johnson

Wayne Johnson  
 Edward Fisher  
 Thomas Fisher

Isaiah Solmon  
 Taron Price  
 Ketra Brooks

Kenya Brooks  
 Tiffany Calloway  
 Pamela Mapps



**Grandchildren**

Gerald Johnson  
 Kareem McDaniel  
 Kevin A. Dixon  
 Keith Henry

Kysien Dixon  
 Kristie Dixon  
 Nnaondi Hawks

Rashan Williams  
 James O.K. Johnson  
 Kimo Johnson

Lelani Johnson  
 Sherease Johnson  
 Barry Henry

## Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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## Acknowledgments

The Family of **Christine Johnson** would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many comforting messages, expressions of love and encouragement, and above all the prayers and concerns during the passing of our loved one. Your Support is truly helping us get through this difficult time. May God Bless you. The Family

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