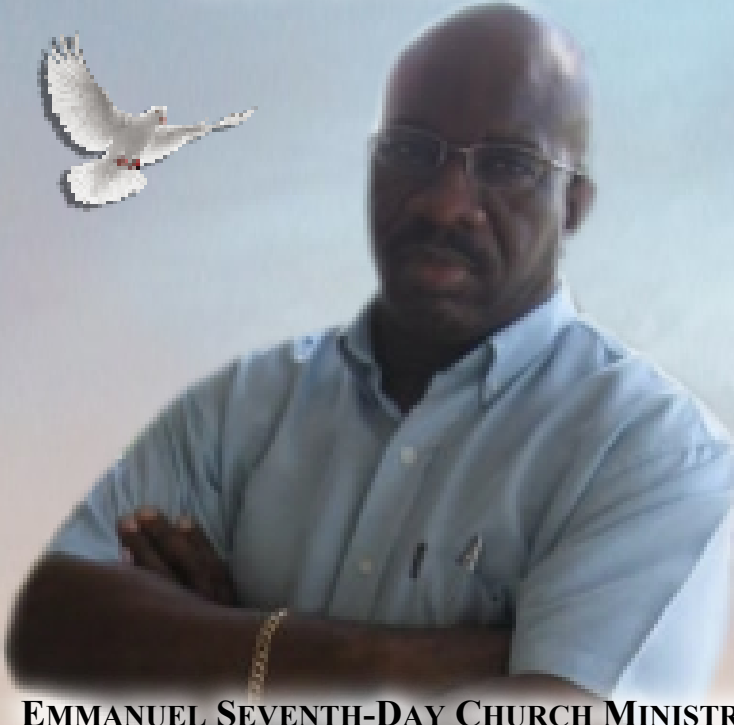


Thanksgiving Service for the Life of

*Bishop*

*Dexton O'Neil McKenzie*

*March 9, 1963 - February 22, 2016*



**EMMANUEL SEVENTH-DAY CHURCH MINISTRIES**

3301 Laconia Avenue, Bronx N.Y. 10469

Sunday, March 13, 2016

Viewing: 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Funeral Service: 11:00 am

**Pastor Ivan C. Plummer**

**Officiating Ministers:**

**Pastor M. Christie (Kingston, Jamaica)**

**Evangelist: Althea Alexander & Lawrence Alexander**

**Dr. Marjorie Edwards**

## Order of Service

**Musical Prelude** ..... Clive Maxwell (Organist)

**Opening Hymn**..... “**How Great Thou Art**”

1. O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder.  
Consider all the works thine hands have made.  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

### **Chorus:**

Then sings my soul. My savior God to thee.  
How great thou art, How great thou art.  
Then sings my soul My savior God to thee  
How great thou art, how great thou art.

2. When through the woods and forest glade I wonder  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
I hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

3. And when I think that God, his son not sparing  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died and take away my sin.

### **Prayer**

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson** ..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
Ivanna McKenzie

**Open Tributes** ..... (2 min. Each)

**Chorus** ..... “Sign Me Up For The Christian Jubilee”

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson** ..... 1 Corinthians 15:50-58  
Dexton Mckenzie Jr.

**Open Tributes** ..... (2 min. Each)

**Chorus**..... “Oh I Want To See Him”

*Remembrance*

Pastor Myrtle Christie  
Tabernacle of Light Incorporated Ministries  
Kingston, Jamaica

**Selection** ..... Children (Sonishea, Ivanna, Dexton Jr.)

**Eulogy** ..... Evon Goode (brother)

**Offertory Hymn** ..... “The Lord’s My Shepherd”  
(Happy Wonderer)

1.The Lord’s my shepherd I’ll not want  
He makes me down to lie,  
In pasture green, He leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

2. My soul he doth restore again.  
And me to walk doth make,  
Within the path of righteousness  
E’en for his own name sake.

3.My table thou hast furnished  
In presence of my foes;

My head Thou dost anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

**Refrain:**

He lives, he lives  
I know that my redeemer lives,  
He lives, he lives  
He lives within my heart.

**4.** Yea though I walk in death's dark vale.  
Yet will I fear no ill  
For thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

**5.** Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house forevermore  
My dwelling place shall be.

**Bishop's Favorite Psalm:** ..... Psalm 23  
Read by Latoya Edwards

**Sermon** ..... Pastor Ivan C. Plummer

**Prayer for the Family**

**Recessional Hymn . . "There's A Land Beyond The River"**

**1.** There's a land beyond the river  
That we call the sweet forever  
And we only reach the shore by faith's decree  
One by one we'll gain the portals,  
When they ring the golden bells for you and me

**2.** We shall know no sin nor sorrow

In that haven of tomorrow  
When our barque shall sail beyond the silver sea;  
We shall only know the blessing  
Of our Father's sweet caressing  
When they ring the golden bells for you and me

3. When our days shall know their number  
When in death we sweetly slumber  
When the King commands the spirit to be free  
Never more with anguish laden,  
We shall reach the lovely aiden,  
When they ring the golden bells for you and me

**Chorus:**

Don't you hear the bells now ringing  
Don't you hear the angels singing  
T'is the glory Hallelujah Jubilee  
In that far off sweet forever,  
Just beyond the shining river  
When they ring the golden bells for you and me

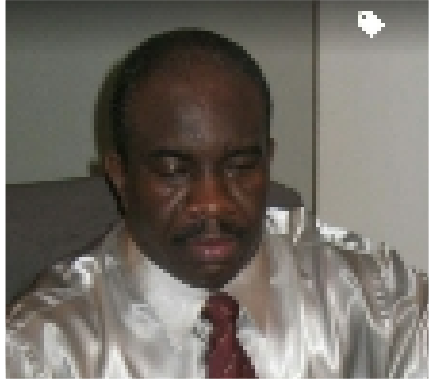
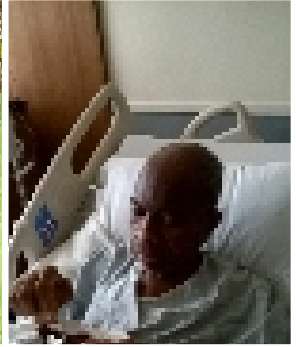


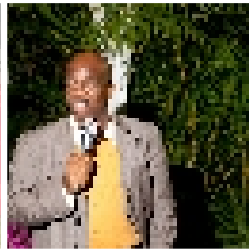
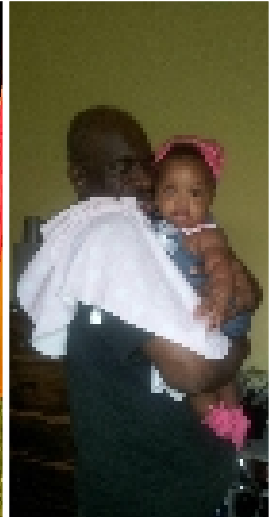
**Interment**

*Kensico Cemetery  
Valhalla, New York*

**Repast**

Please join the family for repast at Christian Faith Ministries  
located at 383 Huguenot Street, New Rochelle, NY 10801.





## *Always and Forever D.O.M.*

**Dex...**

If tears could build a stairwell and memories were a lane,  
I would walk right up to Heaven and bring you home again.  
No farewell words were spoken, no time to say good-bye...  
You were gone before I got back, and only God knows why.  
My heart now aches in sadness and secret tears still flow,  
What it means to lose you, no one will ever know.  
It broke my heart the day you left, but you didn't go alone,  
For part of me went with you. The day God called you home.

Time has taken you from me, although not very far.  
You'll be watching through the sunshine,  
And through the brightest star.  
If love alone could have saved you, You never would have died.  
In Life I loved you dearly, In death I love you still,  
In my heart you hold a special place that no one could ever fill.

Don't mourn for me, you would say  
I'm still here, though you don't see me.  
I'm right by your side each night and day,  
My body may be gone but I'm always near,  
In everything you feel, see or hear.  
My spirit is free and will never depart,  
As long as you keep me alive in your heart.

Right now you are in a different place. And though we seem apart,  
You're closer than you ever were, here inside my heart.  
You're with me when I greet each day, and while the sun shines bright,  
You're here to share the sunsets, and also every night.  
You'll be with me when the times are good to share a laugh or two,  
And if my tears should start to fall you'll be there for me too.  
And when that day arrives that we no longer are apart,  
I'll smile and hold you close to me...forever in my heart.

Dex, within my heart you'll stay.  
Always & Forever.

- Marj (Doc)



## *Remembering Dex*

### **His Favorite Quotes**

“What the heart has conceived and the mind truly believes, hard work dedication and commitment can and ultimately will achieve!”

Therefore no matter the circumstances and or difficulty that you find yourself in or going through “never quit, give up nor give in; for if you persevere a little longer you surely will win!”

“Indeed the heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight but they while their companions slept were toiling upward through the night!”

The Good book says that “by the sweat of your brow you shall eat bread” as such it is indeed a sin to feed a lazy man. Therefore it is a far better thing and of much more value to him, yourself and the society at large, to teach a man to fish, so that he will be able to provide for himself and his family with enough left over to give or sell to his friends and strangers alike; than to hand him a fish each day!

### **Who He Is**

I am a people person, as such I am a believer that there is good in everyone and even though it is very hard to see it at times, it doesn't mean that it is not there! I believe that making friends is a treasured art, while keeping the friends you have made is a patient practice! However, I also believe that having true friends is really a gift from God!

### **His Life's Motto**

“What the mind has conceived and the heart truly believes, hard work, dedication and commitment will achieve.” Interpreted; if we would apply our energy, intellect, resources, talents, time, strength and will to the accomplishment of our dreams; then dreams delayed would not be dreams denied!

### **What he said to Romar (Marjorie's son) on 02/14/2016**

“For health and for life we take so much for granted. My advice to you, appreciate what you have.”

**Love Always, Marj (Doc)**

## *AT THE GRAVESIDE*

### **Chorus: “No Grave Can Hold My Body Down”**

No grave can hold my body down  
No grave can hold my body down  
When the trumpet of the Lord Shall sound  
And the dead in Christ shall rise  
No grave can hold my body down

### **Chorus: “If You Miss Me”**

If you Miss me don't come searching  
If you don't see me, you know that I am gone  
If you don't hear from me  
Don't come knocking at my door  
I'll be gone in the twinkling of an eye

### **Chorus: “When I Get There”**

When I get there, when I get there  
I will sing and shout  
When I get there  
Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord  
When I get there

### **Chorus: “By And By”**

By and by when the morning comes  
When all the saints of God are gathered home  
We will tell the story how we overcome  
We will understand it better by and by

### **Chorus: “Sign Me Up For The Christian Jubilee”**

Sign me up for the Christian jubilee  
Write my name on the roll  
I have been changed since the Lord saved me  
I want to be ready when Jesus comes

## *AT THE GRAVESIDE*

### **Chorus: “Ring All The Heaven Bells When I Get There”**

Ring all the heaven bells, when I get there (Repeat )  
My sorrows will be over  
My heavenly joy come over  
Ring all the heaven bells when I get there

### **Chorus: “I Shall Be Changed”**

I shall be changed  
O Hallelujah I shall be changed in the by and by  
When the dead in Christ shall rise  
To meet Jesus in the sky  
I shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye

### **Chorus: “There Is No Failure In God”**

There is no failure in God, There is no failure in God  
You can search the record through and see what God can do  
There is no failure in God





### **Pallbearers**

Evon Goode (brother)

Dexton McKenzie Jr. (son)

Romar Edwards (family friend)

Henley Walters (uncle)

### **Acknowledgement**

The family and friends of the late **Bishop Dexton O'Neil McKenzie** wishes to thank all of you who have supported us during our time of mourning. We were encouraged by your visits, telephone calls and numerous expressions of sympathy.

May God bless you richly for your kindness.



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