

PALLBEARERS

Elder Jeffrey Meeks, Elder Phillip Jones, Elder Phillip Henson, Elder Dr. Joe Anderson, Elder Raymond Williams, Elder Deontae Thomas, Pastor Vernon Joseph

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

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INTERMENT

Gethsemane Memorial Gardens
800 Hammond Blvd | Jacksonville, FL 32221

REPAST

The Awakening Power of
God’s Word Ministries
9525 Gibson Avenue | Jacksonville, Florida 32208

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We, the family of Apostle AD Meeks, are extremely appreciative of family and friends like you who have been so compassionate, supportive, encouraging and thoughtful during these challenging times. Your prayers, attendance, calls, visits, flowers and other acts of generosity have given us the courage and motivation to persevere and keep pushing forward. God Bless you all.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH C.O.G.I.C.

- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in the Bible.
- The Congregation:

We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible written word of God.
- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in God.
- The Congregation:

We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit
- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in the Blessed Hope.
- The Congregation:

We believe in the blessed Hope, which is the rapture of the Church of God, which in Christ, at His return.
- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in Repentance and Salvation.
- The Congregation:

We believe that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ. We believe that regeneration by the Holy Ghost is absolutely essential for personal salvation.
- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in Jesus Christ.
- The Congregation:

We believe that the baptism in the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it.
- The Leader:

We affirm our faith in Sanctification.
- The Congregation:

We believe in te sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling, the Christian is enabled to live a holy and separated life in this present world.

Amen

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A.D.
MEEKS

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OCTOBER 3, 1947

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OCTOBER 14, 2024

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024 | 12PM
THE AWAKENING POWER OF GOD’S WORD MINISTRIES
9525 GIBSON AVENUE | JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32208
APOSTLE DR. WILL A. MEEKS | ATLANTA, GEORGIA - OFFICIATING

L I F E R E F L E C T I O N S

In the postwar era, 1947 is considered a period of economic expansion, new inventions, and the debut of Jackie Robinson in Major League Baseball. Apostle AD Meeks, the fifth of eleven children, was born to the proud parents of Jacob and Lula Mae Meeks of Farrell, Mississippi in 1947. Apostle Meeks was affectionately known as "Grown Man" due to his maturity and poise.

Apostle Meeks graduated from Coahoma Agriculture High School and furthered his education with an Associate of Arts Degree in Business Administration from Coahoma Junior College. With an innate desire to be a successful businessman, the Apostle enrolled and completed several career and certification courses at various business schools in Chicago, Illinois and Minneapolis, Minnesota. One of his childhood aspirations was to travel so the Apostle became employed as a Greyhound Bus driver for sixteen years. However, he started working as early as fourteen years old for SafeWay Grocery store and purchased his first car in high school. The Apostle was an overachiever in pursuit of his dreams and goals.

A firm believer of the Holy Scriptures, “that many are called; however, few are chosen” the Apostle testified that he received an invocation to preach the gospel and compel souls to come to Christ at the tender age of fourteen. Therefore, knowing the will of God for his life, the Apostle took a keen interest in studying the Word of God and learning to hear God’s voice. Apostle Meeks' ministerial career began when he became a member of St. James Temple C.O.G.I.C. where he served faithfully as a minister under the honorable, late, Bishop T.T. Scott of the Northern Mississippi Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

In obedience to the Holy Spirit, Apostle Meeks relocated to the Sunshine State in the city of Jacksonville, Florida with his beautiful wife, L.B. Meeks (high school sweetheart), three sons and one daughter on the way. They later completed their family with six children including three sons and three daughters. The favor of God was upon the Apostle, he served as a minister under the late Bishop Williams at Southside Church of God in Christ. Shortly thereafter, Apostle Meeks served under the late Bishop C.D. Kinsey at Greater Holy Temple. This Godly occupation afforded him opportunities to meet Jacksonville city officials and act as a positive advocate of change in the community.

In 1980, Apostle Meeks began his pastorate at the Awakening Power of God’s Word Ministries, Inc., formerly known as the United Church of God in Christ. He pastored hundreds and impacted thousands within the forty-four years of ministry. The Apostle served as Chief Overseer, Pastor and Spiritual Adviser to at least eight ministries (six ministries were started by the Apostle and numerous Pastors installed) within the following locations: California; Racine, Wisconsin; West Palm Beach, Florida; Jacksonville, Florida; The Bahamas; Atlanta, Georgia and Folkston, Georgia. In the 80’s, the Apostle held a Crusade for Christ at the Jacksonville Coliseum and hundreds attended. The Apostle has always had an overwhelming desire to preach the Gospel and compel the lost to come to Christ. Throughout his ministerial career – the Apostle could be heard weekly on the airwaves of WCGL 1360. There are many testimonies of God using the Apostle in the areas of healing, prophecy, deliverance, salvation, marriage restoration and financial breakthroughs. The Apostle preached with a strong conviction that holiness without, no man will see the Lord.

It was the Apostle’s dream to build a new place of worship for The Awakening Power of God’s Word Ministries. God granted the Apostle’s desire with a new sanctuary that was built and is in the greater, northwestern section of Jacksonville. The Apostle was a man of faith and firmly believed “but without faith, it is impossible to please him[God]; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him” Hebrews 11:6. The Apostle preserved and continued in the work of God for the advancement of the Kingdom. His stance was Habakkuk 2:3 “ For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie; though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. To Apostle Meeks – Let it be known as declared in II Timothy 4:7a, “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith” | Matthew 25:21b,d “Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of the Lord.” In the words of the Apostle, “All is Well”.

Apostle AD Meeks leaves to cherish his most sacred memories, his wife: Pastor LB Meeks; son: Elder Jeffrey Meeks (Bernice Meeks); daughters: Elder Lashay Meeks, Elder Valerie You (Dr. Joseph You) and Prophetess Shurnita Jones (Elder Phillip Jones); sister: Mrs. Ella Mae Dixon; brothers: JM Meeks, LD Meeks, Jacob Meeks (Odessa Meeks) and Apostle Dr. Will Meeks (Pastor Dr. Renee Meeks); grandchildren: Minister Patrecia Huggins (Elder Quinton Huggins, Jr.), Gabrielle Olivia Meeks, Sergeant Phillicia A Jones, Derrick Meeks, Jr., Courtney Meeks, Joshua Meeks, Swelina You, Hannah You, Cailee A Chism, Savannah Jones, Preston Jones and Princeton Jones; great-grandchildren: Alecia Huggins, Allysa Huggins, Quinton Huggins, Jr., Alana Huggins, Ava, Alexandria Huggins and twins: China and Kai Meeks.

O R D E R O F S E R V I C E

Presiding
Apostle Dr. Derrick D. Cole
Abundant Life World Harvest Ministries
Jacksonville, Florida

Processional
Pulpit Guests & Elders
Pastor Meeks & Family

The Sealing of the Bier

Song of Comfort
The Awakening Power Praise
Reverend Angelo King

Invocation
Elder Raymond Williams

The Old Testament
Elder Gregory Upton

The Choral Response
Meeks and Dear Family

The New Testament
Pastor Vernon Joseph

The Affirmation of Faith
Please See on Back Cover
Elder Phillip Jones

Expressions
(Please, two minutes only)
Elder Phillip Henson
Prophet Steven Jewels
Dr. Mother Pearl J. Cole
Pastor Alberta Glass

The Choral Response
Meeks and Dear Family

Expressions
(Please, two minutes only)
Son - Dr. Farid You, MD
Deacon Eddie Pinckney
Niece – Jacquelyn Pace

Silent Reading of the Obituary to Soft Music

Tribute Song
Sisters: Valerie and Shurnita

Introduction of the Eulogist
Pastor Dr. Renee A. Meeks

Eulogy
Apostle Dr. Will A. Meeks | Atlanta, Georgia

Recessional