Beulah Baptist Institutional Church
Rev. Dr. W. James Favorite and Dr. Ann Favorite
20th Anniversary Celebration

“The Voice of One Crying in the Wilderness”
Sunday, March 8, 2015
For the last several years, our Deaconesses have helped us to get started the right way. We started with prayer. We believe in prayer and prayer is the reason we are here today celebrating an anniversary. I acknowledge that, anniversaries are good because they give the Pastor an opportunity to say good things about himself but I can only say: “To God be the glory for the Great things He has done.” Truly my accomplishments are ordained by God and today, I have cause to be happy; twenty years ofpastoring one of the best churches in Christendom! The last twenty years have been marked with many successes. God has given me the opportunity to develop preachers who have become pastors. In twenty years, we have been able to give assistance to individuals that have grown in The Faith and we have had others to grow by virtue of many of the self-help programs that we have been fortunate enough to sponsor. Self-help programs such as Job and Health fairs and Debt Reduction programs. These endeavors have been very successful but the greater successes we have had are due to our Christian development programs.

Christian development programs like Convocations, Bible Study and our three-point Spiritual Gifts initiative. Our Spiritual Gift program ensures the discovery, development and deployment of the gifts of every member. This program creates a constant supply of members who are being assigned to a ministry suited to their gifts. All of our programs point us in the direction of our theme for the year 2015 and that is the Theme of ‘A church focused on moving membership to Discipleship’. Discipleship defines who we are and what we have been doing. We acknowledge that we can do nothing with membership; it is only when a member becomes a disciple that he or she is equipped to do the work of ‘Kingdom Building’.

The strength of our Church and our programs are dependent upon our officers. We have a cadre of officers willing to follow instructions for the good of strengthening our church. Officers are assigned to every organization to task them to work toward the fulfillment of their mission, goals and objectives. We are doing all that we can to ensure the success of the organization and the individual. We have a special care for our children because we believe that our children are not the church of tomorrow, but rather the church of today. They are included in everything we do. The growth of our children can also be credited to a strong Youth Advisory Board and our tireless Youth Pastor, Rev. Maurice Taylor.

All that we have accomplished would not have happened without an understanding, sacrificing wife like Dr. Ann Favorite. I am especially grateful to God for my faithful wife who has stood by my side and has given me the encouragement and time I needed to accomplish all that God has allowed me to accomplish. For twenty years, I am thankful to God, to my Family and to my Church.

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God. Micah 6:8
Sick & Shut-in Members

- Sis. Nancy & Bro. William Andrews, 2511 Riverside Drive, Tampa, FL 33602 ** 223-2089
- Sis. Yvonne Chandler, 5130 Palm Park Dr., Apt. 203, Tampa, FL 33610 ** 813-468-2390
- Sis. Ennie Floyd, 1315 W. Cypress Street, Tampa, FL 33607 ** 251-9304
- Sis. Grace Francis, 3243 Dunstable Dr, Land ‘O’ Lakes, FL 34638 ** 948-0921
- Bro. Kenneth Franklin, 3306 E. 26th Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605 ** 247-4569
- Mother Betty Joe Hopkins, 2012 E Chelsea, Tampa, FL 33613-230-1984
- Bro. Ron James, 1912 West Nassau Street, Tampa, FL 33607 ** (813) 251-4063
- Sis. Charlye Mae Martin, 205 Montego Circle, Riverdale GA 30274 ** 770-703-239-1984
- Sis. Marion Washington, 4816 88th Street, Tampa FL 33619 ** 813-677-6894

(Please call before visiting)

Members who are in a Hospital, Nursing Home or Rehab Center

- Sis. Georgianne Burns, Ybor City Health Care and Rehab Center Rm.250, 1709 Taliaferro Ave., Tampa, FL 33602 ** 223-5547
- Sis. Martha Darrigo, Palm Center Nursing Home Rm. 122, 3612 E. 138th Ave. Tampa FL, 33613 ** 813-972-8775
- Deacon Wayne Anthony Quin, Saint Joseph’s Hospital 3001 Martin Luther King Blvd Tampa, FL 33607 ** 813-870-4000
- Sis. Mae Smith, Westchester Gardens Rehabilitation & Care Center, 3301 North McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater, FL 33761
- Sis. Peggy Williams, Hanna Oaks Nursing Home, 2425 E Hanna Ave., Rm 413 Tampa, FL 33610 ** 813-238-3053

Please keep our sick and shut-in members in your prayers

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March
8 — Sister Kia Minor
9 — Sister Patricia Glover
 — Sister Machelle Maner
12 — Brother Joseph Abrams
 — Brother Barheem Ashe
 — Deacon Clement O. Brooks
 — Sister Debra C. Felder
 — Brother Alphonso Murphy
 — Deaconess Claudia Ross
13 — Brother Raymond Charles
14 — Sister Sandra Bentil
 — Brother James Ferguson
 — Brother Lovell Grant

A Message from Our First Lady

What a blessing it is to be in the service of the Lord. Thank you Beulah, the Lord has brought us from a mighty long way. It has been twenty years since we first arrived in Tampa with goals of building upon the foundation that had been laid by those who had gone before us. With my own eyes and ears, I am a witness to what God can do.

Our Church is a strong church because of the will of Spiritual Gifts God has given this membership. My husband often says that everything we have the Lord gave us; everything we know, the Lord taught us and where we are going, the Lord will have to take us because we are not able to make the journey by ourselves. In twenty years, it has been confirmed that we need the Lord to guide us and He certainly has done that. Our church has grown exponentially in all areas and our children are the prize that I thought they could be.

I am personally proud of the sophistication of in-depth learning being espoused in our Young Men and Women of Excellence program. We are giving the children the fundamentals they need to deal with the notion of bullying in our society. We are giving them life skills that will help to continue their successes in school and in life.

We are doing a lot but we can do more and we need more parental cooperation to get more children involved in these self-help programs. We ought to not allow our children to make adult decisions and set their own course. Life is too critical and unforgiving and the Young Men and Women of Excellence program has so much to offer them. We must remember that our children do not represent the Church of tomorrow, they represent the Church of today and those of us who are proud of them, can be proud we raise them and those of who are not, must not forget that fact.

Thank you Beulah for supporting us in this celebration and may God bless us all. Thank you.

Blessed with two great-grand children.

Pharaoh Favorite
Imhotep Favorite
Rev. Dr. Delores J. Cain

Rev. Cain is currently the Organizer and Pastor of Heritage Christian Community Baptist Church of Lutz, Florida. She is a native of Chicago, Illinois and the daughter of a Baptist pastor. Pastor Cain confessed Christ at the age of six, and has been secure since confession and baptism, in knowing that she is saved and called to be a saint.

Pastor Cain acknowledged a call to ministry in 1993 and preached her initial sermon in 1994 at the Bible Based Fellowship Church in Tampa, Florida, under the pastorate of Rev. Arthur T. Jones and Rev. Earl B. Mason. She was licensed to preach in March of 1997 at Beulah Baptist Institutional church of Tampa, FL, and was later ordained and installed as Assistant Pastor of Beulah Baptist in 1999. Rev. Cain served as Assistant Pastor of Beulah Baptist Institutional church, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. W. James Favorite for 8 years, leaving to organize the Heritage Christian Community Baptist church in 2007.

Pastor Cain retired as an instructor at the University of South Florida in 2011 after working in the Department of Mental Health Law and Policy as a Master Trainer for the Child Welfare Training Academy. Rev. Cain works as a private consultant in the area of child welfare, providing keynotes, developing curriculum and presenting workshops throughout the USA.

She holds a bachelor’s degree in sociology from the University of Illinois and a Master of Social work degree from Florida State University in Tallahassee. Pastor Cain was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Ministry in 2013 from the Richmond Virginia Seminary in Richmond, VA. In December of 2014, Delores was awarded a Doctor of Ministry degree, as a member of the Curtis/Stewart cohort group, Preaching Prophetically in a Post Modern culture, from the United Theological Seminary, in Dayton, Ohio.

Rev. Cain is known as a Bible teacher, Sunday school instructor, women’s group facilitator, preacher, gospel soloist, directress, workshop facilitator and soul winner. Rev. Cain is a gospel-recording artist; and has been featured on several Florida Mass Choir albums, the James, and the Bethel Baptist church in Fort Lauderdale Florida. She has been invited to preach and teach in several denominations throughout the country. She has conducted leadership seminars, women’s conferences and retreats, and is a deliverer of the gospel message on any given day of the week. She is dualy prepared to reach the lost by preaching and or singing Jesus and the power of his resurrection. She is a proud pastor; often heard saying that “Heritage members make pastoring easy.”
CONGRATULATIONS

.........And I will give you Pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. Jeremiah 3:15

To our distinguished Pastor, Rev. Dr. W. J. Favorite and First Lady Ann Favorite of Beulah Baptist Church family, we say Congratulations on your Twentieth Anniversary Celebration.

Lao Tzu says "The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step". As you look back over your life, no doubt, there were doubts if you would make twenty steps. However, the same God that called you, empowered you to walk through seconds, minutes, hours then days. The days turned into weeks and the weeks turned into months and now twenty years have passed. We can say emphatically, if it had not been for the Lord, the journey here would not have been possible.

We thank God for allowing us the opportunity to share in this great day!

Respectfully,

Minister Jacqueline Johnson
Rev. Maurice Taylor
Rev. Brenna Fields-Taylor
Rev. Lela Morgan
Rev. Phyllis Council
Rev. Mavis Morisseau
Rev. Cameron Jones
Rev. Reggie Davis
Rev. Joseph Holland
Rev. Stephanie Harley
March 3, 2015

Reverend Dr. W. James Favorite, Pastor
Beulah Baptist Institutional Church
1006 Cypress Street
Tampa, Florida 33606

Dear Pastor Favorite,

It is a pleasure to join the congregation of Beulah Baptist Institutional Church and guests in the celebration of your 20th Pastoral Anniversary on March 4-8, 2015. I understand the special event held in your honor will include two special Pastor Anniversary Services, an Anniversary Banquet held at the A. Leon Lowery Center, and guest speaker the Reverend Dr. Delores J. Cain, whose profound messages will surely uplift and inspire all in attendance.

The success of a city is largely due to the partnerships it forges with the spiritual leaders of its neighborhoods. Over the years, you have demonstrated a deep commitment to your congregation and the Tampa community as a whole. The citizens of our city have benefited greatly by your leadership including through your service as Chairman of the Board of the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, Chairman of the Advisory Board for the Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections, President of Pastors on Patrol, and many other community roles that impact citizen’s lives spiritually and through health and educational initiatives. You and the members of Beulah Baptist Institutional Church are an asset to the Tampa Bay community.

We thank you for your commitment to others and will continue to look to you for strength and leadership in the future. May God continue to bestow His blessings on you and your congregation.

Sincerely,

Bob Buckhorn

The Four Ds (Dashon, Devon, Deron & Desmoree)
Youth Pastor, Rev. Maurice Taylor