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Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Isaiah 1:18



Superintendent's Pen

DIVINE INTENTIONS



By: Rev. Tommy Channell, Superintendent Maine District UPCI

Intention, or the thought or plan behind an action, can be a tricky thing for us as people to understand. Whether it be words, or actions, sometimes the things that we

intend to convey can be misunderstood. Even the kindest gesture with the best thought behind it can be misconstrued. Unfortunately, this leads us to mistrust the intentions of other people, and even sometimes the intentions that we think God has in mind. However, with God, we can trust that His intentions are always good.

Jeremiah 29:11 says - "For I know the thoughts I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

All of humanity is under His gaze and especially His people are under His watch. He knows the way that we take by the choices we make and the spirit we possess. He knows the purpose, the plan, and the progress of us all and His INTENTIONS are good! Sometimes the only consolation within our test is that His gaze is on us.

Sometimes when we are going through a test or trial, the intention does not feel good, or like the thoughts that God is having toward us are those of peace. Imagine being Joseph! God gave him dreams of the future, and his brothers despised him for it. He was sold into slavery, wrongly accused, thrown into jail, and even one of the men he was in jail with was killed. He had every reason to think that God's intentions were of evil and not of peace. He didn't have the reassurance of Jeremiah 29:11, but he did have his faith.

If we stopped reading Joseph's story around the time that Joseph was in the pit, we might be tempted to disregard the message in Jeremiah. We might think... there's no way that all of these things have a positive thought behind them. However, we continue to read through the story, and most of us know it by heart, and we know that in the end, Joseph's trials ended up being for the benefit of not only him, but nations!

This is what Jeremiah was conveying when he penned his letter to "... The residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;". This letter penned from Jeremiah, was an encouragement to the people who had been taken from their homes, held captive, and not given much hope for their future. But God said "I know the thoughts I think toward you... thoughts of peace, and not to evil...".

When we are moving through our walk with God, we are going to face things, whether it be a trial sent directly from God or it is something that is allowed as a distraction. It is easy to get discouraged and think that God's favor has moved from us and that we are no longer under His watch. We begin to doubt that His intentions remain good toward us. It is something that we must continue to remind ourselves that no matter the test or trial, God's intentions remain those of peace and an expected end.

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3RD ANNUAL PRAYER SUMMIT Maine District WNOP

AUGUST 2ND - 3RD 2024

Apostolic Lighthouse Church 517 Hammond St, Bangor ME

MAINE DISTRICT WNOP 2ND ANNUAL PRAYER SUMMIT | 2023 *By: Rev. Brenda L. Bowley*

The Maine WNOP 2nd Annual Prayer Summit launched into the authority of God's anointing on Friday morning. The theme was, "Power is Prayer!" Prior to each session, we invited everyone to engage in preservice prayer. After that,

the praise team lead us in worship and song to invite the presence of God. Rev. Thomas Channell, Maine District UPCI Superintendent, greeted everyone with words of encouragement, and he shared his burden of prayer for the Maine District.

We heard a powerful message from Juli Jasinski on WNOP Weapons of Warfare. The Regional NE Coordinator, Louis Brwon, delivered an anointed

message titled, "The Turning of the Kingdom, Our Help is on the Way."

The Maine District is being called to prayer as we prepare for a great revival. Host pastor, Rev. Nick Doucette, brought forth a message titled, "The Altar of Alteration." After his message, the altar in the sanctuary was filled with those seeking God. Worship followed with the anticipation of God's glory surrounding the saints and speakers with a dynamic anointing. Stan Jasinski closed the morning service speaking on "Corporate Prayer." Prayer cloths were prayed over by the ministry, and those in attendance came forward to receive one for their needs and the needs of others for whom they are praying. Some prayed for healing, others prayed for prodigals to come home.

Rev. Brenda Bowley, WNOP Coordinator for Maine, shared a miracle of angels who ministered to her in a time of need. She encouraged others to believe in the ministry of angels.

Rev. Thomas Channell opened the evening service on Friday sharing a message on "ALL, We Need It!" An inspiring word of God is what we all need. Our guest speaker Rev. Jay Stirnemann, Superintendent of MA/RI, spoke on "Marked for a Mission."

On Saturday morning, the preservice prayer was powerful and anointed making way for the

presence of God to fill the place. Again, Rev. Thomas Channell opening the morning service with an anointed message titled, "Apostolic Authority in Us!" It helped us realize we need to use what we have in the Holy Ghost.

Juli Jasinski preached a powerful message titled "Rachel, Weep for Your Children." The power of a burden for our children fell in the house as people wept tears and prayed for children everywhere. Maine District Children's Ministry

> Leader Rev. Rodney Dame was touched by the anointing of God when Sis. Jasinski addressed the need to care for the Maine Kidz. He carries a burden for our children.

To close the summit, Rev. Jay Stirnemann preached, "The Spirit of Elijah." The word was powerful and

Alexandra Bates

Prayer Summit was great! We need focused,

specific prayer! This event helped guide and

lead us through how we can pray for some

very real things we are facing as well as

reminding us of the authority we have in

prayer. I also loved being able to connect with

others with a passion for prayer.

brought everyone to a place of powerful anointing! God began to move, and Rev. Brown moved in the prophetic and ministry of angels. He said they were going to be dispatched by God to all the Maine pastors and he told how God will fight on their behalf to free them up for a great revival in the northeast.

Many thanks to all who participated and supported the 2^{nd} Maine District Prayer Summit. We hope you will make plans to join us for the 3^{rd} Annual Prayer Summit being held August 2 - 3, 2024, in Bangor. As we prepare, we welcome offerings and donations to support the WNOP ministry and the Prayer Summit here in Maine. Donations can be made to the Maine District UPCI for WNOP Maine. We are grateful to all who gave a love offering to help support the event in 2023. We raised enough to cover the cost of speakers, accommodations, food, and other expenses associated with the event. We are grateful for the miracle of giving!

Rev. Brenda L. Bowley serves as the Maine District Prayer Coordinator and is Pastor at High Praises Lighthouse in Madison.

MAINE NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS **GREETS YOU!** By: Rev. Jonny Channell

As chapter 2023 closes and 2024 begins, I am reminded of the command that Jesus gave to his followers in Matthew 28 to "Go ye therefore and teach all nations...". This command was given, not only to those who had assembled on the mountainside that day, but it also extends to you

and me. In John chapter 20, Jesus tells us "...as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." The call to "go and teach" has caused many to forsake the luxuries of life and answer the call of God. Some began with a bible study, others a preaching



hopeless, peace to the restless, and joy to the sorrowful. Jesus said, "I came to give life... and that more abundant". The greatest gift ever given to lost humanity is a Savior. In order to fulfill the Great Commission, we must reach ALL nations... and that includes North America! How will they hear unless someone is sent? How will darkness fade unless

someone shines a light?

Christmas for Christ is a

tremendous opportunity

to invest in the planting of

point. In some cases, those beginnings have progressed into daughter works or the planting of a church. But in each instance, the work began when an individual answered the call! The mission has always been, and it always will be to "seek and to save the lost". And while the mission remains the same, the request for "more workers in the field" also remains. We need Pastors, ministers, and believers that will answer the call and will unite so the Kingdom of God can advance!

To answer the call, we must be willing to go beyond our comfortableness and extend our reach into the unknown. The unknown will often times cause us to fear, but I would remind you that fear and faith operate in the dimension of the unknown. Fear causes us to worry while faith propels us to walk. Fear inflicts paralysis while faith produces movement! Fear hinders while faith gives hope! The Great Commission still resounds through the chambers of time today, challenging us to go to the Next Town and share the Gospel! 2 Corinthians chapter 4 verses 3&4 says: "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

The only thing that dispels darkness is light and those who walk in darkness must see a great light! We "are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men

churches across North America. Every gift is an answer to the call. Every dollar supports the cause of reaching our world! Every prayer and every effort helps shine the light.

light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a

candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in

the house." The remedy for a world full of

darkness is people who reflect the light! The remedy for the stain of sin is a spotless Savior.

The reason He came was to bring hope to the

We thank you for your continued support of Christmas for Christ & North American Missions! Thank you for giving your best gift in 2023!

Rev. Jonny Channell is a staff minister at Calvary Apostolic Church in Hampden and serves as the Maine District UPCI North American Missions Director.

Reminder

The Maine District UPCI no longer has a PO Box in the Brewer Post Office. All district mail, including offerings and ministerial dues, should be sent to this address:

> Maine District UPCI 204 Montello Street Lewiston, ME 04240

TREASURES – MAINE LADIES CONFERENCE 2023 By: Jackie Little

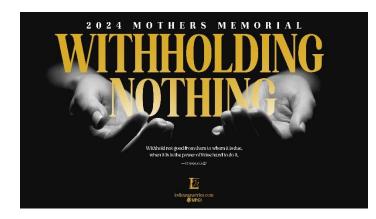
When Apostolic ladies get together, expect hugs, laughter, rejoicing and powerful anointing! Last May, we welcomed over 200 ladies to the Maine Ladies Conference. It was a time of refreshing and impartation. Sis Kim Haney from Stockton, California blessed us through her ministry and Sis Arielle Holmes led our talented and anointed worship team.

UPCI Music Ministry was represented by Bro. Jeromy and Sis Barbie Hoffee, and they led our first-ever ladies' choir! Sis Emily Knox sang a touching and anointed solo to Charity Gayle's Endless Praise. "What can we give you but endless praise? The heavens roar as we shout – Your name is Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, You are Lord!"

Friday morning breakout sessions included four relevant topics:

- Impartation: Power of Generational Prayer, taught by Elisha and Lindsay Bannister
- Effective Outreach: Search and Rescue Team, taught by Doris Jaynes and Tammy Churchill
- Diamonds in the Rough, by Carolyn Channell
- Striving for Excellence with a Passion for Ministry, taught by Jeromy and Barbie Hoffee

Special thanks to the ladies committee: Francisca Kear, Shawna Rafferty, Elisha Bannister, Heidi Sage, Tammy Churchill, and Amy Stoops. We are in awe of God's favor and blessings – and we eagerly anticipate this year's event on May 2-4, 2024, with special guests from Chula Vista, California – Amber Huizar and her mother, Rosa Hodges.



THE NEXT CHAPTER FOR ONE MEANS A NEW CHAPTER FOR ANOTHER By: Rev. Peter Stetson

For the past 42 years, we have been blessed to be the pastor at First Apostolic Church in Bath, Maine. My wife and I have enjoyed so many blessings, encountered challenges, witnessed the work of the Lord as he changed lives and provided for those in need. The time has come for us to enter the next chapter of our lives, and we will be stepping down from the role of pastor.



During this time, we seek the prayers of our brothers and sisters as we prayerfully seek the Lord as written in Acts 16:9-12.

"And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them. Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis; and from thence to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days."

Thank you so much for your prayers over the church in Bath, Maine. We trust the Lord will send someone to begin a new chapter as we step into our next chapter. If you are interested in exploring the possibility of serving in this area or know of someone who might be interested, please reach out via email at <u>facbath@gmail.com</u> or by phone at (207) 319-8428.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Roberta Lowena (Greene) Hooper Lubec, Maine

Roberta Lowena (Greene) Hooper, also known as Mom, Nana, Grandmother, Bobbie, Berta, and Bobbie~Girl, unexpectedly, but peacefully passed away on December 7, 2023, at the age of 74 in her hometown of Lubec, Maine. She was born on May 11, 1949, in Lubec, to her loving parents, Roland Maxwell and Lowena Ada Greene.



Roberta had a fulfilling life, working at various places including a Singer Sewing Division during her time In West Germany, the Quoddy Bay Nursing Home in Lubec, Campobello Nursing Home, Peacock Canning Company, McCurdy's Smoke House, the US Postal Office, and Customs Building in Lubec. She dedicated herself and her heart to providing care and support to those around her.

Roberta followed her mother's footsteps and was involved in many community organizations over the years including; the Ambulance Corp, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts, demonstrating her selfless nature and commitment to her community. During her youth she was part of the 4-H, Lubec Grange, and Lions Club

Beyond her professional and community pursuits, Roberta found solace and joy in the simple pleasures of life. Her nimble fingers wove intricate tales of love and warmth through the art of knitting, crocheting, ceramics, embroidery, and quilting creating cherished heirlooms that will forever hold her spirit. Her green thumb flourished as she cultivated beauty and serenity.

Roberta's family was the cornerstone of her existence and she leaves behind a legacy of love and devotion, including her daughter and spouse, Ann~Marie "Annie" and Victor Sokoloski, her granddaughter and fiancé Natasha Davis and Ashley Robinson, granddaughter and spouse Emily Ann and Jack Nasser, her granddaughter Jennifer Gallant, her Brother Randie Greene, multiple greatgrandchildren, uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, and friends who were like family.

She was predeceased by her parents Roland and Lowena Greene, her husband Douglas Hooper and her granddaughter Jade White. In her memory, a celebration of her life was held on Saturday January 13, 2024, at the Christian Temple Church in Lubec.

> Celebration of Life arrangements were coordinated by McClure Funeral Home of Machias and Lubec. The family greatly appreciates their assistance during this difficult time. Friends may visit <u>www.mcclurefamilyfuneral.com</u> to share condolences and memories.

> The family requests in lieu of flowers donations to be made to the Lost Fishermen's Memorial or the Lubec Memorial Library in Roberta's honor. She

will forever be remembered for her smile, kindness, dedication to the Lord, the love and light she so freely shared with those around her.

EDITH RUTLEDGE STOOPS Augusta, Maine

Edith Rutledge Stoops, 101 years, 10 months, 3 weeks, and 6 days of age, went to Heaven on Wednesday, August 30, 2023. She was born Oct. 3, 1921, the daughter of Llewellyn O. and Rose Day Rutledge, in Roodhouse, Illinois.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1976 from Gateway College of Evangelism, St. Louis, Missouri, and a Master of Science in Education from Southern Illinois University in 1978. Of the 11,267 United Pentecostal Church International ministers in North America, she was the oldest at the time of her passing. She served with distinction as an Elder at the 1st United Pentecostal Church of Augusta for the past 20 years. She was a gifted songwriter and vocalist and recorded two projects. She loved everyone and everyone loved her. Most of all, she loved Jesus and was 100% Apostolic.

Edith was predeceased by her husband Resal T. Stoops, four sisters (Virginia Rutledge Sipes, Irene Rutledge Painter, Ina Rutledge Bell, Eunilah Rutledge Mean), two brothers Vivion Rutledge, Darrel "Gene" Rutledge; and a granddaughter Stacey Stoops Penrod. She is survived by three sons, Ronald Stoops and his wife, Jane, Larry Stoops, Pastor Rick Stoops and his wife Shari, two daughters, Rev. Deanna Willhoite and her husband Rev. Jacky Willhoite, Rev. Sharon Walston. She is also survived by her sister, Mary Rutledge Glancy, her brother-in-law, Rev. John Mean; 30 grandchildren; 71 great grandchildren; 61 greatgreat grandchildren; 2 great-great-great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

EDITH RUTLEDGE STOOPS – A SOLDIER IS AT REST

warrior/altar worker. She prayed countless people through to the Holy Ghost. There was no job she wouldn't tackle. Her name was never on a church

By: Rev. Rick Stoops

My mother, Edith Rutledge Stoops was a stalwart soldier of Jesus Christ. Everywhere she went people were drawn to her because of the anointing that was upon her and because she made people feel important and loved. She was a fearless witness wherever she went. It was her practice to witness just about every time she went out.

There are many who remember

her as their favorite Sunday School teacher. She devoted herself to serving Jesus Christ. She ministered in countless nursing home services. She took me with her. She ministered in the state prison with her friend, Reverend Audrey Feigl, who she had helped win to the Lord. She helped start churches. She cleaned the church. She made peanut brittle (much to my chagrin as the world's worst peanut brittle sales-boy). She sang and wrote many songs that brought hope to many. She was used in the Gifts of the Spirit for as long as I can remember. In one particular service she gave a message in tongues and there was no interpretation given. Mom began to worry that perhaps she had missed it but after the service a friend told her, "Sister Stoops, I brought a guest with me tonight and he is very angry with you." My mother was startled and asked why the guest would be angry with her. Sister Sharon Wells replied that her guest was visiting from the nation of Lebanon and had told her, "That woman is not fooling me. She is speaking to me in perfect Arabic." I do not know what God said to this man, for he stormed out after God spoke directly to him through my mother.

Our little home missions church was having a revival and mother went to tidy the building up before the evening service. While there, she noticed the toilet was continually running so after jiggling the handle, she looked inside the holding tank and found a fifth of whiskey sitting in the cold water. Mom poured it out and got rid of the bottle. A man had been coming to the revival services seeking the Holy Ghost. We noticed that each night he would make a trip to the bathroom before going to the altar. He had not been able to receive the Holy Ghost. That night when the preacher gave the altar call, he got up, went to the bathroom, came out, and walked to the altar and received the Holy Ghost. Nice job Mom!

There are many pastors who she helped to mentor (including me). Mother was a prayer



sign, she just served...knocking doors, teaching home Bible studies, encouraging the saints, encouraging the ministry, literally fulfilling Eccl 9:10. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest."

I would be remiss if I did not share how mother was introduced to the Apostolic faith. My father, Resal Stoops, invited mother and her family to attend a revival that was taking place in White Hall, Illinois.

The year was 1938. Rev. Charles Rigdon was the pastor. Sister Ruby Layle was the evangelist. My father explained, "I believe they are 'Jesus-only' but that's all right, they believe in getting the Holy Ghost, and I want to receive the Holy Ghost." So off they went, filling up a Model A front seat and rumble seat. That first night my Dad and my Mom's sister, Eunilah Rutledge, were both filled. Shortly thereafter, Eunilah felt the call to preach and became a well-known evangelist. Sister Charlotte, a former Catholic Nun of the Carmelite order, was baptized in Jesus name and filled with the Holy Ghost and began traveling with Eunilah. Sister Charlotte would give a portion of her testimony and Sis Eunilah would play the piano, sing, and preach in each meeting. They preached the first camp meeting in Old Town, Maine. When Sister Eunilah and Sister Charlotte were ministering in the bayous of Louisiana, a man standing in a pool hall said, "I think I'll go hear that nun give her testimony." He did and was gloriously filled with the Holy Ghost and baptized in the name of Jesus. That man's name was Tom Fred Tenney, who would go on to become the General Foreign Missions Director, Louisiana District Superintendent, etc. My father never preached behind a pulpit but he made one invitation that literally changed the world. There are thousands in the Kingdom of God today because of that one single invitation.

Dad got us into the Church. Mom kept us in the church. Mom never gave us the option of staying home from church while we were living at home. My family and many more are in the church today because of her faithfulness. She exampled what "God first" means. I shall always thank God for my precious mother, Edith Rutledge Stoops!

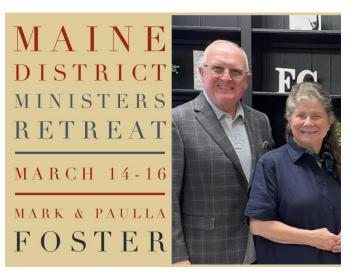
Rev. Rick L. Stoops is son of Edith Rutledge Stoops and serves as an Executive Presbyter for the United Pentecostal Church International.

MAINE DISTRICT MINISTERS RETREAT

Make your plans now to attend the Maine District Ministers Retreat on March 14 - 16, 2024, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Bangor, Maine. We will have a wonderful time together with guest speakers Rev. Mark and Paulla Foster from Louisiana.

Hotel accommodations are available for Thursday and Friday night at the rate of \$115 plus tax and must be reserved separately by contacting the Hilton Garden Inn at (207) 262-0099 or reserving online at here. Use promo code UP24 for our discounted rates. Room block lifts March 1, 2024.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Bro. Todd Little at (207) 754-3582 or Bro. Tom Channell at (207) 478-5693.



Event Schedule

Thursday, March 14



3 PM | Hotel Check-In 6 PM | Casual Dinner 7 PM | Session One with the Fosters

Friday, March 15

Breakfast on Your Own 10 AM | Session Two with the Fosters 12 PM | Ladies Luncheon 3 PM | Hotel Check-In 5:30 PM | Banquet and Session with the Fosters

Saturday, March 16

9 AM | Breakfast and Session with the Fosters 12 PM | Adjourn

ROYAL – ESTHER CONFERENCE 2023 By Jackie Little

Thinking about Esther Conference fills my heart with gratitude and brings a bright smile to my face. A record number – 166 in total – gathered in November to worship, pray, laugh, and smile. Hearts were healed, lives reconsecrated, friendships born. Sis Ashley Leppo from Georgia ministered with a passion and burden as she opened her heart to our precious girls. Girls responded in the altars and lives were touched by the power of God's presence.



We celebrated Friday evening's Royal Banquet by crowning seven 16-year-old young ladies with tiaras. We learned a little about each of them and received some words of wisdom that they shared with us. It was a beautiful and special moment! The after-party included games and the girls' favorite and much-loved spa time! Our Saturday morning breakout sessions included these four critical topics:

- Walking with God: Simplifying Prayer, taught by Alissa Cox
- Faith Rocks: Sharing the Love of Jesus, taught by Francisca Kear
- Godly Girl Power: The Power of Our Identity in Christ, taught by Tammy Churchill
- It's a Process: Winning the War of Your Thoughts, taught by Ericka Witham

Lindsay Bannister and Joy Kear were soloists in our all-girls choir. The choir sang "Fear is Not My Future" with power and anointing! I can still hear their young voices enthusiastically singing:

> "Fear is not my future, You are! Sickness is not my story, You are, You are! Heartbreak's not my home, You are! Death is not the end, You are, You are!"

Special thanks to the entire ladies committee for eagerly planning every detail – décor, gifts, schedules; to our Superintendent and wife, Bro & Sis Channell for attending the banquet and sharing your church facility with us; to the many others who willingly gave of their time, energy, and resources. Thank YOU for giving to Mother's Memorial! Your support makes this event possible. We are in awe of God's favor and blessings – and we eagerly anticipate this year's event on November 15-16, 2024.

DIVINE INTENTIONS continued...

The peace, the hope, the future, the expected end, the completion of the work begun in the trial, this is the intention of God. When we are dealing with the hardest trials, we must remember that God's intentions are good! He is always watching over us and while he does not guarantee that we will never deal with problems, He does guarantee that the things we go through Have the intention of our good, our growth, and our peace. We only need to trust that He only has good thoughts towards us and have faith that He will not leave us comfortless in the trial.

THE WHOLE GOSPEL TO THE WHOLE WORLD!



Global Missions exists to proclaim the whole gospel to the whole world by sending forth Godcalled men and women in obedience to the great commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15)

Please contact Rev. Eric Mailman by phone at (207) 669-5267 if you would like to schedule a missionary to visit your church. We appreciate all you do for missionaries of the United Pentecostal Church International.

If you want information on hosting a missionary in your church, please reach out!

Rev. Eric Mailman P. (207) 669-5267 E. <u>ericpmailman@icloud.com</u>

Rev. Eric Mailman is pastor at The New Life Apostolic Church in Old Town and serves as the Global Missions Director for the Maine District UPCI.

A TRIBUTE TO A LIFE OF SERVICE

Terri L. Dodge, 69 of Unity, formerly of Canaan, passed away peacefully Sunday, November 19, 2023, at home surrounded by her family. Terri was born in 1954 to the late Malcolm and Claire

Goodnow. Terri was a devoted wife, mother, and longtime pastor of the Church of the Apostolic Way in Unity. She could be found spreading the word of God throughout her community and in her spare time could always be found in her flower gardens.

Terri married William Dodge on October 16, 1971, and together they shared 52 years of marriage, had 3 children, 4 grandchildren and 4 great



grandchildren. Terri is survived by her husband, William T. Dodge of Unity, her children, Scott A. Dodge of Unity, Tammie J. Brindle and her husband William Brindle of Ashland, Ohio, and Laurie Millett and her husband Hartley Millett, of South Paris. Grandchildren Brandon A. Mayhew of Fairfield, Morgan A. Mayhew of South Paris, Sara Kelley of Ashland, Ohio, and Nathaniel Kelley of Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Great Grandchildren, Colton Mayhew, Ryleigh Gibson, Emmery Gibson, and Dawson Woodrum. Niece Tina Goodnow of Charlestown, Massachusetts, and her 3 sons; Dayquan Goodnow, Melvin Jones, and Malik Jones. Terri was predeceased by her mother Claire Goodnow, her father Malcolm Goodnow, and her sister Cheryl Goodnow.

A funeral service was held on Saturday December 9, 2023, at the First United Pentecostal Church located at 15 Wilson Street in Augusta, with a celebration of life following at the Belgrade Recreation Department. Arrangements were under the direction and care of Lawry Brothers Funeral Home & Cremation Care, 107 Main Street, Fairfield. An online guestbook may be signed, with condolences and memories shared at www.lawrybrothers.com.

Calendar of Events Danuary 2024



1 – 30	30 Days of Prayer and Fasting
21	CFC Offering Call-in Date
26	New Year's Rally

February 2024

1	Move the Mission Scholarship Deadline
3	Junior and Senior Bible Quizzing Tournament
5	First Monday Prayer and Fasting
11	CFC 2023 Offering Due to Maine District NAM
14	Valentine Offering for Maine Family Ministry
16	Articles Due for Maine Focus
19 - 23	Youth Week
22 - 24	Winterfire Conference

March 2024

2	Junior and Senior Bible Quizzing Tournament
3	Save Our Children Sunday School Drive Kickoff
4	First Monday Prayer and Fasting
5 - 7	UPCI General Board Meeting
13 - 14	Spring District Board Meeting
14 – 16	Ministers' Retreat
15	Ladies Luncheon
31	Faster Sunday Save Our Children Offering Sunday

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