



Apostle Arthur Clayton, III

August 28, 1951 - July 26, 2024

“Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.”

~Zechariah 4:6

Apostle Arthur Clayton, III was born in New Orleans, LA on August 28, 1951. He was the seventh child out of eleven children born to the union of the late Superintendent Arthur Clayton, Jr. and the late Mother Mayola Clayton. He was educated in the Jefferson Parish Educational System and worked as a Heavy Equipment Operator for Jefferson Parish Drainage Department for 25 years.

He met and married the love of his life, Melwyn Ann Eads on December 23, 1973. This union was blessed with five sons, Stephen Charles, Arthur, IV, Troas Garrick, Johnathan Tyrone, and Brian Ray, and four daughters, Cheynne' Maria, Tekoah LilCher, Temeika Lynn, and Laquita Shantee.

Apostle Arthur Clayton, III gave his life to the Lord in 1974 at the young age of 22 at Mosley

Temple Church of God in Christ, under the leadership of his father, the late Superintendent

Arthur Clayton, Jr. He received the baptism of the Holy Ghost the same year in a foot stomping,

hand clapping, old time revival that was conducted by his pastor, saying "Yes Lord" till he was

endowed with power from on high. He also received his spiritual training from his father. He

served as a deacon for two years before he was called to the ministry in 1976.

He received his

minister's license in 1977 and was ordained an Elder in 1978.

He served at Mosley Temple Church of God in Christ until he was called to "launch out in the

deep" in 1984 and The Solid Rock Church of God in Christ was birthed. In 2006, after Hurricane

Katrina, Apostle Clayton regrouped the remnants of his ministry and Abounding Blessing

Church Outreach and Ministries was birth. He was blessed to minister to the people of God for

48 years. He led and shepherded God's people for 40 years. There are hundreds of souls that

have been led to Christ, delivered, filled with the Holy Ghost, and healed through his ministry.

There are Ministers, Elders, Pastors, Jurisdictional Auxiliary Leaders, District Superintendents,

Evangelists, District Missionaries, First Ladies, and Church Workers who are going forth today

in different areas of the country who received and accepted Christ, and the Holy teachings from Apostle Clayton.

Apostle Arthur Clayton, III worked untirely in the vineyard of the Lord. He served as District Youth President under the leadership of the late Superintendent Arthur Clayton, Jr., as well as Jurisdictional Evangelist President and District Superintendent under the leadership of the late Bishop Joseph Thompson. He was the Founder and Overseer of the Ministers' Alliance Fellowship and, also, the Founder of God's Request Prayer Line. He served as Chaplain for the Jefferson Parish Adult Correctional Facilities and Chaplain for the Jefferson Parish Youth Correctional Facilities. He served as a Mentor and Spiritual Counselor in his immediate church community of Gretna, LA. Apostle was a Youth Mentor and Football Coach for Smothers Academy and AAU Travel Football Teams. He dedicated over 20 years of serving the Lincolnshire Community in Marrero, LA. Apostle Clayton was a powerful, dynamic gospel preacher who firmly believed and taught the message of Holiness or Hell. He consecrated his life through fasting, praying, and reading God's Word and God used him mightily in the ministry of healing, casting out devils, and

spiritual warfare.

Apostle Arthur Clayton, III left this life for Glory on Friday, July 26, 2024. He was preceded in death by his parents, Superintendent Arthur Clayton, Jr. and Mother Mayola Clayton; his sisters, Lillie Clayton Lewis and Yvonne Clayton Jones; his Sister-in-Law, Carla Clayton; his Mother-in-Law, Mother Celestine Eads. His love for Christ and his admirable attributes as a loving husband and father will forever be cherished by his devoted wife of 50 years and 7 months, Lady Melwyn Clayton; his nine adoring children, Lady Cheynne' Clayton Weber (Pastor Derek Weber, Sr.), Ms. Tekoah Clayton, Co-Pastor Stephen Clayton, Sr. (Dilisha Hawkins Clayton), Mr. Arthur Clayton, IV (Cutina Clayton), Mrs. Temeika Clayton Adams (Joseph Adams), Mr. Troas Clayton, Pastor Johnathan Clayton, Sr. (Kimberly Clayton), Mr. Brian Clayton, Mrs. Laquita Clayton Davis (Dewriell Davis); 25 Grandchildren, 5 Great Grandchildren; six brothers, Pastor David Clayton (Laura), Pastor Daniel Clayton (Priscilla), Pastor Leon Clayton (Lou Ann), Superintendent Larry Clayton (Patricia), Pastor Gerald Clayton (Sheila), Brother Archie Clayton; two sisters, Sister Shirley Clayton, Missionary Rhoda Hundley (Uyles); two cherished friends, Elder Jerry Jackson, Jr. and Prophet Ronald Victor, a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, the Abounding Blessings Church Family, other relatives, Saints, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

1225 Whitney Ave.
Gretna , LA 70056

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 10. 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Beacon Light International Baptist Cathedral
1937 Mirabeau Avenue
New Orleans , LA

Homegoing Celebration

AUG 10. 10:45 AM (CT)

Beacon Light International Baptist Cathedral
1937 Mirabeau Avenue
New Orleans , LA

Tribute Wall

AC

“Dad, I can't believe you're gone!!! Life without you fest empty, please be my guide, keep me safe, direct me and be my strength from heaven. I love you so much pop's.

Arthur Clayton - August 13, 2024 at 08:59 AM

FR

“Such a sweet, mild-mannered, praying Man of God, eith a warm smile on his face shining through his heart. On behalf of the Richardson & Taylor families, we have been and will continue to lift up Mother Melwyn & the entire Clayton Family

Freda Richardson-Taylor - August 10, 2024 at 03:24 AM

DH

“DeAnna Halley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Apostle Arthur Clayton, III.

DeAnna Halley - August 09, 2024 at 10:31 PM



“Footprints Tribute Blanket was purchased for the family of Apostle Arthur Clayton, III.



August 09, 2024 at 10:31 PM

JS

“Awesome man of God. He and my Mother Missionary Hattie Conerly worked down thru the years together. Powerful preacher who was always warm and friendly to my late Husband Philip Slack and I. Giant man and preacher with a humble heart. He will be truly missed.



Judy Slack - August 09, 2024 at 09:13 PM

MC

Our Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to his family Mother M. Clayton praying for Strength and Comfort in this time of Sadness Blessings to you all. God Bless 🙏🙏💔

Mrs Emma Conerly - August 10, 2024 at 02:33 AM

TI

“From the Bernard keeping the family in our thoughts and prayers/ God is faithful, willing, and just love ❤️ you all



Tiffany - August 08, 2024 at 03:13 AM

 Donnie
Nicole

“ Apostle the best father in law and grandfather to my kids. With you it was always a judge free zone, because of you and your words I know the Lord is real. Having lost of own mom at the tender age of 19 but being a part of your family was the blessing I didn't know I needed at the time. Now I understand why, because I needed to know the Lord and what he can do and I can proudly say I know that because of you. Although I was your daughter in law and you had never met my mom, you prayed with her by phone often, you sent blessed oil and prayer cloths, she passed away with one safety pinned to her shirt. Your grandkids and my self will miss you dearly . I'm thankful for our last encounter and how joyous it was. Job well done Apostle.

Donnie Nicole - August 07, 2024 at 10:18 PM

EM

“ Apostle Clayton was an amazing preacher and he visited our church when I was young and I still remember the revivals. Nobody prayed a prayer like him you felt it in your soul and he will always be remembered as a great pastor and friend and family of The Mack's! Prayers to his lovely wife, family and his church family. My prayers and condolences 🌸 are with y'all.

Erastus Mack - August 07, 2024 at 08:11 PM

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“ Loved my Father n'law dearly. He was a light in this dark world. One of the most genuine people to ever come into my life. So grateful for the time & memories with the family I've shared. -Cutina



Cutina Clayton - August 07, 2024 at 04:45 PM