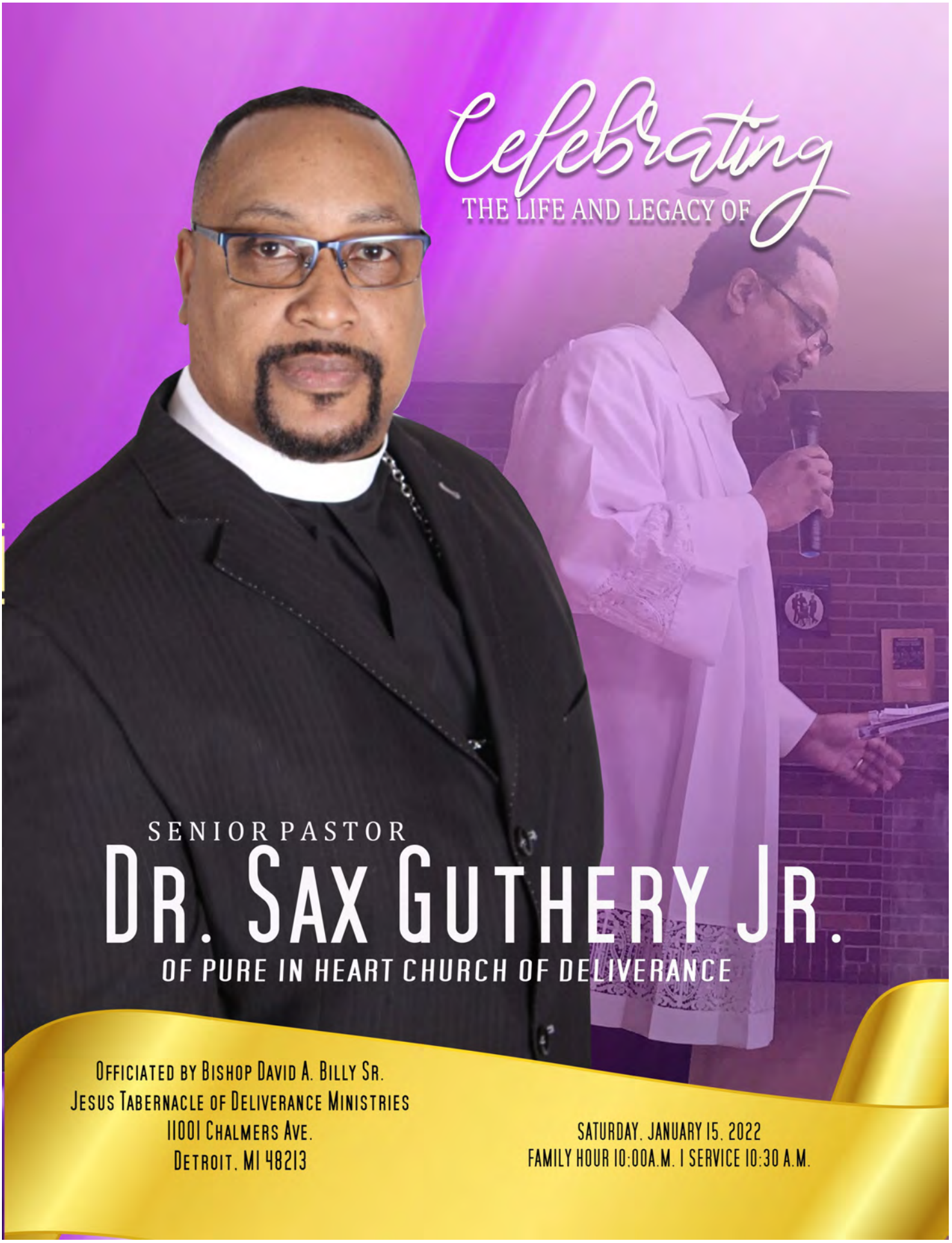
Celebrating
THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF
SENIOR PASTOR
DR. SAX GUTHERY JR.
OF PURE IN HEART CHURCH OF DELIVERANCE
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Senior Pastor, Dr. Sax Guthery Jr. was born on July 14, 1964 to Ada Guthery and the late Minister Sax Guthery Sr. at Crittenton Hospital in Detroit, MI. He was Affectionately called "Bo-doe" by his mother and adored by many.

The calling on his life was made prevalent as early as in his mother's wound when she was filled with the Holy Spirit for the first time in her Christian walk. His love for the Lord flourished through catechism, under the direction of Sister Patricia Beall and leadership of Minister Gruits at Bethesda Missionary Temple.

Sax lived a life surrounded by laughter, love, family, and friends growing up with his beloved older sister Obed in a family that were pillars in the Winship community. He had a strong bond and fondness of his grandmother "Mae Ya", the late Aida Lee. Her nurturing spirit, wisdom, powerful gifts, work in the Lord coupled with the spiritual foundation gained from his parents and shepherdship displayed by his late father, hosting prayer sessions for the children in the neighborhood, were the building blocks in his spiritual walk.

In 1982 Senior Pastor Sax graduated from Cooley High School, where he was a star pitcher of the baseball team being heavily recruited by several professional teams such as Cleveland, Detroit, and Cincinnati. Sax's life shifted shortly after High School when he answered the call to ministry. In 1983 he became a member of The Pure In Heart Crusade Church and was later ordained as a minister in 1984 and an Evangelist in 1986. On August 11, 1990 prior to becoming a pastor he married the late Pastor and Founder of The Pure In Heart Crusade Church, Helena Maria Guthery. In 1990 their church became a part of the covering of Jesus Tabernacle of Deliverance Ministries under the leadership of Bishop David & Pastor Elaine Billy. There his art of ministry really began to blossom.

Aside from being an athlete, education has always been a priority for Sax so after obtaining his formal education at Cooley he went on to Oakland Community College earning an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts and Sign Language Study. He attended Madonna College pursuing a degree in Social Work education but completed it at Spring Arbor College receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Marriage and Family Life Counseling & Education in 2000. Two years later (2002), Sax received his Master of Arts Degree in Counseling & Psychology from Ashland Theological Seminary.

As Sax continued his formal education the Lord continued to push him. In 2005 Pastor Sax was ordained as Senior Pastor of The Pure In Heart Church through the Pentecostal Churches of the Apostolic Faith where he passionately pastored for 25 years. Under his leadership Pure In Heart Ministries in Nassau, Bahamas was started and a number of community based programs were established. Amongst these were C.H.I.P (a prison based ministry), Operational G.R.O.W. (a youth and family relationship enhancement ministry), Unity in the Community, At-Risk Youth, That More Abundantly Workshop, I.M.A.G.E. (a program that focuses on 5 factors in African-American males: Identity, Managing, Assertiveness, Growth, Emotions and Empowerment), and the Emma Jean Johnson Scholarship Fund which helps send teens to college who do not have a 2.5 or better GPA.

In 2007 Pastor Sax became a Board Certified Relationship Professional Counselor through the American Psychotherapy Association and Certified Relationship Specialist, CRS in 2008. In 2015 created a Scholarship & Memorial Fund geared towards students and mothers who struggle with challenges getting and staying in college their first year in the name of his dearly departed wife, Helena Maria Guthery.

With a tenure of 20 + years in the human health field Sax worked at Sinai- Grace Hospital for over 18 years. He was the first African-American Director of their Security Police Department. Senior Pastor Sax worked in partnership with the Detroit Police Department establishing many protocol roles with local state and federal law enforcement agencies. He went on to work in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Prison, United States Probation as the Chief Administrator of a Federal Half-Way-House. Senior Pastor Sax has worked with the Juvenile population as the Program Director of Detroit Behavioral Institute-Capstone Academy and Taylor Life Center Consumer Services Inc. working as the Director of a Development & Mental Health Facility in Macomb County.

Senior Pastor Sax later joined with his current wife, Teresa Guthery, in opening a business with the help of the Lord, Heavenly Escape Day Spa & I.M.A.G.E Consultant Specialist LLC. With his never ending commitment to serving, Senior Pastor Sax was affiliated with several committee boards such as Ashland Alumni Board, Spring Arbor Alumni Committee, Chaplin Programs of Directors, Christian Association of Counselors, American PsychoTherapy Association, (FBI) Federal Bureau of Investigation "Citizens Academy" and a member of National Homeland Security's Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team.

Due to his outstanding service, Senior Pastor Sax was nominated on June 26, 2015 by Glenda Lewis channel 7 news as a "Detroit Achiever", one who helps & mentors youth working with Detroit YMCA Youth Program. May 21, 2017 God answered his desire to find love again. After two years of consistent friendship, prayer and hearing the voice of God, Pastor Sax Guthery pledged his enduring love in front of a host of loved ones and friends to his wife, Teresa R. Guthery. Pastor Sax & Lady Teresa Guthery, with a fresh anointing, breathed new life into their ministries and shepherded Pure In Heart Church of Deliverance together. In their mission to selflessly serve and draw the community to Christ they've hosted events such as Family Fun Days, Holy Ghost Movie Nights, Food Drives, feeding and clothing the homeless, countless donations and other unexpected blessings to the community and their members. He was ambitious and continually seeked ways to serve the Lord more. Senior. Pastor Dr. Sax Guthery was obedient and used another avenue to reach the Lord's children through releasing one of his new creations of books inspired by God titled "A Courage To Change". He completed his educational journey in 2017 with a Double Doctorate in Christian Education and Divinity from Evangel Theological Seminary under Dr. Jerry Piscopo and Dr. Sherill Piscopo.

Senior Pastor Dr. Sax Guthery Jr. is left to be celebrated and cherished by his loving Wife: Teresa R. Guthery. Sister: Obed West. Children: Shawn (Shameca), Dominique, Crystal Paige (Ezra) Extended Children: Rick (Sherita), Tino, Josh, and Eiesha. Grandchildren: Madison, Noah, Joe, Indigo, Joshua, Adrianna, and London Aunts & Uncles: William (Gloria), Peggy (Joseph), Dorthy, Tyrone (Caroline). Nephews: Mark (Tammy), Terrence (China), RayVaughn (Ashley), Davone (Sayana). Niece: Karen Great Niece: London Ray and a host of cousins, relatives and friends. Church: Pure In Heart Church of Deliverance. Overseer: Bishop David and Pastor Elaine Billy and the Jesus Tabernacle of Deliverance Ministries. Fellowships: Christ Harvest Fellowship of Churches under the presiding prelate Bishop Adolphus Cast and all of our fellowshipping churches.Churches under the presiding prelate Bishop Adolphus Cast and all of the fellowshipping churches.

UNFORTUNATELY HIS MOTHER; ADA GUTERY HAS FOLLOWED HIM INTO GLORY, AND WE WILL BE HONORING HER AT A LATER DATE.

I Love You

Bae,

I miss you soooo much! When we got married God gave me a double portion when he gave me you ! God said you were my gift, and I was your breath of fresh air. Bae, you we're my husband, my best friend, my partner, my counselor, my pastor , My Husband, My teacher, the head of my house hold. My traveling partner. We were each other's shadow , our lives moved as one, just as our hearts did. Our love is the greatest love story ever told! Chosen by God, one for another! I'm so grateful! So grateful that God saw me fit to experience the greatest love next to His to give me the time we loved and lived our life together. I asked God to give me peace and he has. Now I need God to hold me tight, as I do what I never never thought I would do and that is to grow old without you! Diamond and Bishop sit by the door and fall asleep every night as they await your return.

Bae, I promise to make you proud! I promise to keep my promise!!

Your Wife,
Mrs. Guthery

We remember when we met Grandpa Sax for the first time. We were staying in Michigan for three weeks in the summertime. When we stayed with grandma, she happened to have this very tall, but sweet and jolly man with her. They didn't tell us that they were a thing at first, but as the day filled with fun went on you could tell how in love they were. The best thing that happened that day was when we went to the park and spent hours laughing, playing of course, and having flower fights. Grandpa Sax thought it was the funniest thing how we took dandelions we found and Noah's very special, but dangerous, yellow flower and made a game out of it. Surprisingly, he took a major role in this game and made it so much better. Looking back on it now, that day and the week we spent with them helped form a bond that would live on and turn into something beautiful. We love you so much and how could we ever forget the big man that had the hugest heart to match.

Love, Madison, Noah, and Joe Castro

JTDM
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Always In Our Hearts

Sax,
You were a chosen one. You were a person that was placed on this earth to preach and spread the word of God to any and every one that would listen. As long as I can remember this is who you have been, and I believe that you have made God proud with your efforts. You are gone now, but I promise that you will never be forgotten. Your mission on Earth is complete, but I'm sure that your work is not done and will be carried out by all of those who you influenced throughout your life. Until we meet again, your name and memory will live on. We love you and will forever miss you Uncle Sax!

Love, Terrence, Chyna, & Londyn West

My Darling Son,
I love you and I'm grateful that you allowed me to be your #2 mom. You will remain my strength and when I think of you, I will remember all that we did together. The wisdom and word to increase my faith in a great God. Thank you for giving me Teresa, First Lady and now my Pastor. I will miss you sweet boy.

Mama Barb

Pastor,
I'm going to miss you, your prayers, your counsel, and your smile.

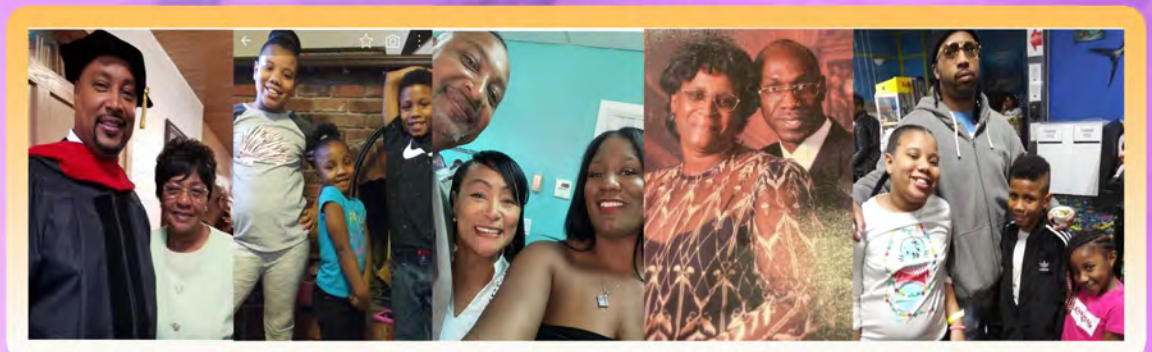
Love, Sister Lana

"I got to sit and talk with him for hours. He told me his testimony. I sat down with a stranger and got up with a brother."

Minister Darryl East

To my Senior Pastor Dr. Sax Guthery Jr,
You took us on an astronomical level of faith that I truly saw God's glory that rested upon your life. You were a pastor who loved everybody. You walked in a phenomenal structure of God's word that has given us a drive to make sure that we complete and finish our assignment for God. Our friendship of 44 years and the respect and love you showed me will never be forgotten. I truly know the Lord is saying "Well Done My Great and Faithful Servant".

State Evangelist Denise Cummings of the Pure In Heart Deliverance Church



It saddens me to say goodbye to you this early Uncle Sax. I am left wishing that we could have spent more days together where I could have soaked up more knowledge. I appreciate the wisdom and encouraging words you have given to me over the years. Currently, I am thinking about our last conversation and how much you have helped me throughout my college years. I will forever carry that wisdom with me as I continue to transition into a man. In your honor, I will save a seat for you at the Tigers game that we have talked about for years.

Your Nephew, Davon

Sax,

There are no words to express what you meant to us. When we think of all the things you did, the ways in which you cared. We seldom took the time to tell you how grateful we were with who you were in our lives and more importantly for being the husband you were to mom. When you first met our mother there was no way to know that over time, we'd love you as years would come and go but you were a beautiful person with a wonderful heart so kind and true. A constant readiness to help in a kind and thoughtful way. Encouragement and Wisdom no matter what came our way. A special generosity and always affection too. The role you took on as Stepfather took on a new meaning when a man like you STEPPED in it. We are filled with a sense of gratitude. We will miss you. We will reassure the memories and will not feel sad because we were so lucky to have had the opportunity to call you dad.

Shawn (Shameca), Dominique, and "Baby Girl" Crystal (Ezra)

I am my brother's keeper. I was there at the beginning and I was there at the end. Some days I wonder if I am dreaming and just haven't woken up yet. This hit hard. Life without you is a mess right now. I miss you calling me and coming over laughing and aggravating me. I'm just numb and lost for words but you would be thrilled to know I was able to pray and lay hands on you and I felt peace. Rest up brother you truly will be missed.

Love You Forever,
Your Big Sister
Obed Guthery-West

Uncle Sax,
You were the best Uncle out of a million. Humble, loving, caring, spiritual, understanding, uplifting, encouraging and a good person with a lovely heart & soul. Your life was a blessing to so many, especially our family. Your memory will be treasured forever. You are loved beyond words and will be missed beyond measure.
Rest in Peace.

Love Your Nephew & Nieces,
Mark, Karen, & Paris

Over the years, I've grown to understand that life is all about moments. It is these moments that have the greatest influence and imprint on our lives. As I sit and reflect on the times we've shared, I simply wish we had more time to create more moments but fortunately God has other provisions for your life. Deep in my heart our memories are kept, one's I shall never forget.
Until we meet again, Godspeed!

Love Always,
Rayvaughn and Ashley West

Sax (Pastor)
On January 2, 2022, little did I know God was calling you home. He saw you getting tired. No more pain or suffering. I know you're in a better place. I thought of you like a brother that I didn't have from another mother. Thank you for accepting me into the family. You were loved by so many people. You will truly be missed and forever in my heart. Rest up in heaven.

Love Always,
DeVette

Order Of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Prayer
Bishop Adolphus Cast

Old Testament Reading
Pastor Kim Brooks

New Testament Reading
Bishop Kim Brown

Selection
Grace Hall

Special Words of Expression
Pastors and Ministers,
Christ Harvest Fellowship Of Churches
Pure In Heart Church Of Deliverance
(2 minutes each)

Official Presentations
Award from Wayne County

Praise Dance
Sister Taylor Ford

Cards & Condolences
Evangelist Brenda Charlton

Remarks
Family and Friends
(2 Minutes)

Selection
Linda Goss

Obituary Reading
Peggy Nichols

Eulogy
Bishop David A. Billy Sr.
Jesus Tabernacle Of Deliverance Ministries

Recessional

Any other remarks can be added to the church Facebook page

His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things. I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

Matthew 25:23

Pallbearers:
Ezra Morris
Shawn Castro
James Hall
Tyrone Waddell
Demont McMillian
Stanley Amos
Ostelly Martin
Darryl East

Flower Bearers:
Family and Friends

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