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## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE



On behalf of the Executive Board, Directors, Members and Volunteers of The First Step Scholarship Foundation I am truly appreciative of the continued support for this foundation. Having a vision executing the vision takes dedication, belief, commitment, as well as proper implementation of said vision. The vision to facilitate scholarships to students became a reality through hard work, many challenges, along the way; however, through prayer, belief in the vision and mission of giving back to one's community made it worthwhile. This Foundation thrived five years because of the generous contribution of its Board, Directors, Members, Volunteers, Donors, and Advertisers. For this, we thank you all for your continued support in believing in the vision and mission of the Foundation. "The foundation stones for a balanced success are honesty, character, integrity, faith, love and loyalty" Zig Ziglar. All charitable foundations are not alike, First Step Scholarship pride itself on using all donations to fund the scholarship's mission.

The Foundation's team are fully aware of the many charitable organizations that exist, we will never take your support for granted. Your choice of making First Step Scholarship an organization you wish to support makes us humble; we are extremely thankful for your confidence in us, the work that we do to promote education in the field of science. According to Frank Lloyd Wright "I know the price of success: dedication, hard work and an unremitting devotion to the things you want to see happen." The First step Scholarship team concur with Mr. Wright's argument.

The vision began with a desire to assist in the area of science to students in an aggregate subcategory to enhance said set to be incline to consider the area of science. The vision's framework led to the mission which became a reality. Environmental, technological changes are salient issues in the world, thus the need for students in all areas of scientific knowledge is of paramount importance today more than ever before in order to face scientific changes. Why one may ask: "Climate change is the environmental challenge of this generation, and it is imperative that we act before it's too late". John Delaney. An educated group in this ever-changing environment will have the savvy to implement changes we will need

Thanks to all our advertisers who contributed ads for the journal. Thanks to our volunteers, the contributors of the baskets for the auction and the DJ Tyrone for assisting in making this event successful. Thanks to all attendees especially attendees from out-of-state. AHS co-workers' thanks for the support.

Be Blessed Always!

*Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler,  
Executive Director / Chairperson*

*“Lift Every Voice and Sing” ..... Led By Edith Lovelady*  
*Welcome..... Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler*  
*Introduction of Mistress of Ceremony..... Delores Dale*  
*Mistress of Ceremony..... Mrs. Merle Isler*  
*Invocation..... Executive Director Wheeler*  
*Praise Dance..... Design By Grace*

**DINNER**

**2019 FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT**

**BY: ANNIE WILLIAMS**

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS GIVEN BY: Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler**

**William D. Wheeler**

**Delores Dale**

**Introduction of Members..... Dr. Jones-Zeigler**

**Sheryll Samuel-Christopher**

**Closing Remarks..... Dave Zeigler**

**Musical Entertainment**

**D.J. TYRONE**

**\*Please walk around to view items for the silent auction\***

**50/50 tickets are available, Samantha Hickman, Delores Dale.**

**Thanks for your support**

## ***MISTRESS OF CEREMONY***



Merle Isler is a trained business coach with nearly two decades of managing a high performing Network Engineering Team with AT&T. Also, during her tenure with the Company, Merle served as the National President of The Alliance of Black Telecommunications Employees, Inc. She possesses an undergraduate degree in Mathematics from Clark Atlanta University and acquired a Master of Science Degree in Technology Management from Mercer University. Although she is currently a retired employee from AT&T, she continues to promote and support the need for future scientists.

Merle is one of nine siblings (4 brothers and 4 sisters) who truly understands the value of community support. As a former recipient of academic scholarships, she realizes that without financial assistance many students would be unable to attend and complete college. With the rising tuition cost, Merle believes it is critical to continuously contribute to the First Step Scholarship Foundation and other similar organizations.

***Merle Gervin Isler***

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/FINANCE CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE**



As the Director of Finance, it is my honor to express my thanks to you for your continued support to First Step Scholarship Foundation. Your support has enabled us to continue providing financial support to worthy students seeking to further their education. The Foundation having the recognition by the Internal Revenue Service as 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit entity assures you that all contribution made are tax deductible.

This year, as we prepare to celebrate our 5th Anniversary Awards Banquet, once again we seek your support. There are 11 recipients receiving awards this year totaling \$13,000. It is very important that we continue supporting the higher education of our youth. "All innovations of the future are the results of the solid foundations we lay today."

**"A mind is a terrible thing to waste". Arthur Fletcher**

All types of contributions and or sponsors who are willing to support us in our efforts to provide scholarships to students are welcome. We may be reached through our website at [firststepsscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:firststepsscholarship@gmail.com) or by correspondence to P.O. Box 2672, Plainfield, NJ 07060.

Thank you for your support.

*William D. Wheeler*

Director of Finance

## DIRECTOR OF SELECTION COMMITTEE



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for supporting the First Step Scholarship Program. Each year our executive team work hard to raise funds to support our scholarship recipients in their goal at achieving higher education. To a student, higher education could mean better job choices in the future and higher earning potentials. To the family, higher education means transferring from low income to a higher level of financial status. To the community, the achievement of higher education relates to lower unemployment and more skilled workers; therefore, your continuous support of the scholarship program will positively affect the lives of our scholarship recipients, their families, and communities.

Some of you may be familiar with the statement, “every little bit helps.” As we reflect on our personal experiences we may come to realize that financial help during the educational journey came from various sources along the way – from our parents, grandparents, and friends of our parents, parents’ coworkers, and strangers. All of these giving sources made it possible for us to pursue and achieve our educational goals; therefore, it is imperative that we pay it forward. Your help is crucial to the success of this scholarship program. “Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver,” 2 Corinthians 9:6-8. Therefore, on behalf of the executive team, I would like to thank you for your continuous support, and I urge you consider how you can maximize your giving efforts next year so that we can provide scholarships to more deserving students.

*Voí Saul, PhDc, DHAc.*

**Director of Selection Committee, NY**

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Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler



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***We're pleased for all you do in service to others.***

***October 13, 2018***



**KATHLEEN  
GARCIA**

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***Mrs. Kathleen Garcia***

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**2016 FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION'S AWARD HONOREES**



*First Step Scholarship Foundation*

*Honors*

*Rev. Dr. James M. Robinson Sr., M.Th*

*For His Outstanding, Exemplary Contribution ;*

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*October 15, 2016*

*Rev. Dr. James M. Robinson Sr., M.Th*

*First Step Scholarship Foundation*

*Honors*

*Bishop Neville Copeland*

*For His Outstanding, Exemplary Contribution ;*

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*October 15, 2016*

*Bishop Neville Copeland*

2019 FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION'S AWARD RECIPIENTS



**Mr. Kyshaun Foster**  
Major: Phycis/Engineering  
Seaton Hall University  
Award: \$1000.00



**Mr. Brandan Williams**  
Major: Comp. Science/Engineering  
Union County College  
Award: \$1000.00



**Ms. Kiana Severe**  
Major: Veterinary Medicine  
University of MD  
Award: \$1000



**Ms. Marion Phillips**  
Major: Psychology  
Gorge Washington University  
Award: \$1000



**Ms. Kierra Thompson**  
Major: Sport & Exercise Psychology  
West Virginia University  
Award: \$1000.00



**Ms. Amani Johnson**  
Major: Medicine  
St Georges University School - Medicine  
Award: \$1500



**Ms. Yannah Gail Litchmore**  
Major: Chemical Engineering  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Award: \$1000

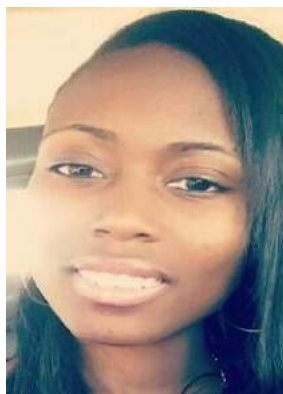
## 2019 FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION'S AWARD RECIPIENTS



**Ms. Margaret Hickman**  
Major: Psychology  
Carlton College  
Award: \$1000



**Ms. Danielle Henderson**  
Major: Occupational Therapy  
Raritan Valley Com. College  
Award: \$1000



**Ms. Patrice Wickham**  
Major: Nursing  
Rutgers University  
Award: \$1000



**Ms. Tricia Florexil**  
Major: Nursing  
Caldwell University  
Award: \$1000

### **GURZEL JONES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD & DR. CARMEN JONES-ZEIGLER'S ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**



**Kyshaun Foster**  
Major: Physics /Engineering  
Award \$1000.00

### **ANGELA KING'S BOOK AWARD FOR A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR WITH THE HIGHEST GPA GOING TO COLLEGE**



**Ms. Yannah Gail Litchmore**  
Major: Chemical Engineering  
Award: \$500.00

**FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP YOUR VISION CONTINUES! DEDICATION,  
PERSEVERANCE, COMMITMENT ARE INGREDIENTS TO SUCCESS.  
AWARD RECIPIENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE.....**

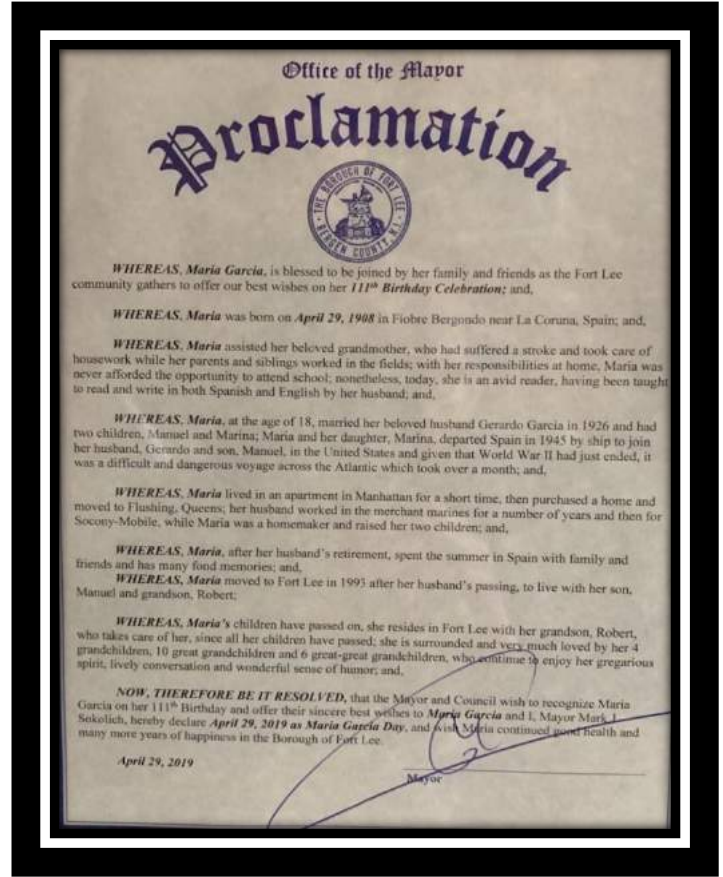
## THE QUIET VOICE

And then it happened  
My future no longer bleak  
A way forward is charted  
I will achieve my goal  
With God's hidden hands  
Forlorn and prostrate  
It was this early morn  
A quiet voice whispered  
Arise in faith my work is done. Soon you will in praise rejoice. Who  
whispered this?  
I asked aloud to passing wind  
A calm descended,  
Impossible a message is coming through I am sure, I am sure  
I heard it, ring, ring, ring  
Oh I laughed aloud ha! Ha!  
Pick up the phone one said the quiet voice Hello! Hello! Oh yes I'm she  
Your future now is fully secured.

Dr. Sonia O. Jones

May 13, 2019

WOW! **111 YEARS OLD**, MARIA GARCIA RECEIVING A PROCLAMATION FROM HER MAYOR MARK J. SOKOLICH OF FORTH LEE DECLARING APRIL 29, 2019 HER DAY.



*Gerry and Kathleen Garcia along with Grandma Garcia has been long advocates for students to live up to their potential and that's why we are proud to support First Step Scholarship Foundation.*

*Happy 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary First Step Scholarship, we wish for your continued success!*

*Good Luck to All Recipients of the Scholarship Award continue to produce good grades.*

*"The real art in learning takes place as we move beyond proficiency, when our work becomes an expression of our essence"*

**JOSHUA WAITZKIN**

**Grandma Garcia is the oldest living person in the Tri-State area.**



*I am extremely proud of my daughter Danielle Sang, she gave her speech as President of the graduating class of 2018 at Franklin and Marshall College immediately after Senator Cory Booker. She stood tall, and proudly deliver her speech, she was sure of herself. So proud of her accomplishments.*

*Good luck to all the recipients of the First Step Scholarship Award. You will also make your parents proud. Thanks First Step Scholarship for doing your path to encourage students. Dr. Jones-Zeigler was my mentor ever since I was a girl. She pushes education for all.* **Rosetta Sang.**



*CONGRATULATIONS FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ON AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDENTS IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE. CONGRATS TO THE RECIPIENTS*

AN APPRECIATION TO AMANI JOHNSON



***This is my tribute to my lovely daughter Amani Johnson. You are my hero, my best friend, I am grateful that you are grounded, you knew what you wanted out of life and you worked hard to accomplish it. You have completed a full year of medical school, with excellent grades. I am thankful you never succumbed to peer pressure; you held your head high reaching for the star. I have asked God for you to remain a caring, ambitious, dedicated and loving daughter. You have made me so proud of all your accomplishments. You set your goals high and had a plan to achieve them.***

***Although it may be financially challenging at times, with your belief in your abilities and assistance from scholarship I will do my best to make your dream come true. It is only God's grace that kept you pushing towards your goal to become a Medical Doctor. However, God had a plan how we would fund it and he put scholarships in your way. You always wanted to help the sick from you were a very young girl, now you are on your way to do just that, helping the sick.***

***Thanks to First Step Scholarship Foundation, Dr Jones-Zeigler thanks for creating this foundation. Amani and I are grateful for the foundation's assistance.***

***"Let Them See You Soar"***

***AVA GILL, Proud Mother.***

CONGRATS FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP ON YOUR 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
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*We would like to say congratulations to the recipients of the First Step Scholarship Foundation Awards! We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.*

*Warm regards,  
Drs. Ardarian & David C. Pierre  
Arden, Avery, Dylan and our newest addition,  
Aubry*

THE PEER-AND PANEL-SELECTED LIST OF NOVA'S TOP DENTISTS

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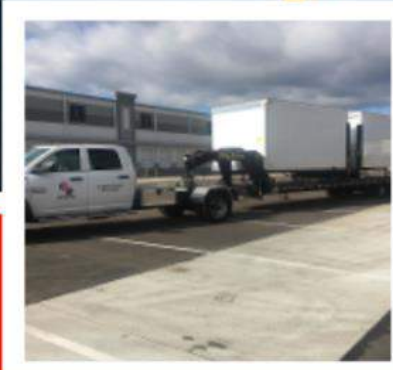
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own.

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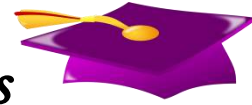
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## **DR. MAJOR MORRISON AND DELORES DALE**

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*The First Step Scholarship Recipients*



*Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler, we thank you for your diligent and dedication toward this noble mission.*

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Joy. To mother with gratitude. From Children and  
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**“The only thing that interferes with my learning is my education.**

**- Albert Einstein**

*Congratulations to all Scholarship Award Recipients.*

*Dr. Carmen Jones-Zeigler thanks for your continued commitment towards education you lead by example. Best Wishes, I truly hope and pray that many students will benefit from First Step Scholarship's success!*

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Good Luck to all recipients.



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*First Step Scholarship Foundation it is my joy to lend my support to your annual scholarship award ceremony.*

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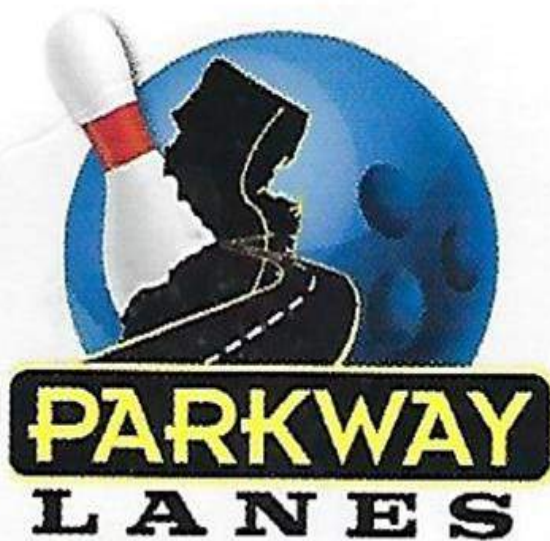
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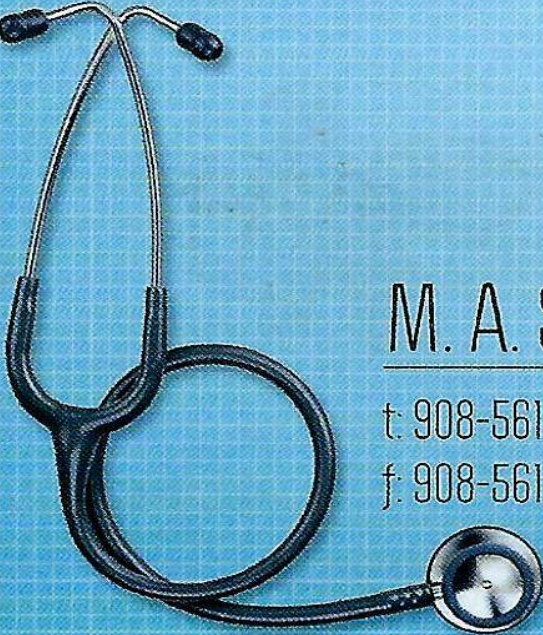
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*You have always led by example. I thank God for you, for your strength, your faith and your belief in God.*

*You are making a difference in the lives of our children.*

*You taught me to give from watching you. I thank you. I pray that you will have a marvelous time at the award ceremony. Wish I could be there.*

*Continue the good work my friend. I will continue to follow you.*

*Patricia Dore, Registered Professional Nurse, Florida.*

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**Wow, it's a wonderful blessing that First Step Scholarship is around to celebrate 5 years in operation!**

**I had no doubt when I decided to support Dr Zeigler's vision it would be a success.**

*Majors in sciences are of vital importance in the world today.*

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*I will always lend my support to Dr Jones-Zeigler, I thank you for your continued efforts in community services. Thank you for always emphasizing the need for education.*

*You led by example, I thank you for been there for me. I followed your lead and will continue to do my path.*

**ANDREA FARQUHARSON, ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSE, NY**

*Dear Dr. Carmen*

*It's a great pleasure to contribute to an awesome scholarship fund.*

*Your insight and vision are amazing, as is your strength and wisdom. I am grateful for knowing you!*

*To First Step Scholarship Foundation, I am proud to stand with you and offer my continued support in making your mission and vision come true. You are performing an incredible service to students in the field of science.*

*Fern Bunch, Professional Registered Nurse*

*Atlantic Rehabilitation Hospital (MMC)*

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***CONGRATULATIONS TO DR . JONES-ZEIGLER AND THE FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ON 5 YEARS OF PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDENTS.***

*Determination and commitment are winning combinations in order to achieve one's goal. Dr Jones-Zeigler you know all about that, you lead by example. I am always proud and honored to support your foundation's efforts.*

*May God continue to guide and protect First Step Scholarship Foundation to many more years of success in providing scholarships in the field of science. Thank you Dr. Jones-Zeigler for your leadership.*

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**CONGRATS TO ALL THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

**RECIPIENTS!**

DR. CARMEN

YOU SET YOUR GOALS HIGH AND HAVE ACHIEVED GREAT SUCCESS.  
WHEN IT COMES TO EDUCATION, YOUR OWN OR THAT OF SOMEONE  
ELSE, YOU ARE TRULY DRIVEN. YOU HAVE MENTORED MANY PEOPLE.  
YOU ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR ALL THAT YOU DO.  
CONGRATULATIONS TO YOUR FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION  
AND TO THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS. I WISH CONTINUED SUCCESS  
TO ALL.

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God has guided your vision to the 5th year  
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May God Bless You All!

Mr. William & Janice Shaw &  
Mr. Lannie & Mrs. Diane Thompson

**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP  
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**ON YOUR 5th ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY  
AWARD CEREMONY!  
BEST WISHES TO ALL THE  
AWARD RECIPIENTS..**

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mete withal it shall be measured to you  
again." Luke 6:38 KJV***

***Congratulations to  
The First Step Scholarship Foundation  
On your 5th Annual Dinner & Awards Day***

***May God continue to bless you in all you  
do to help all those seeking to further  
their education.***

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***Congratulations to The First Step Scholarship on Your 5th Anniversary Scholarship Awards Ceremony!***

***Best Wishes to all the Award Recipients; Your hard work has paid off.***

***"A leader is best when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say: we did it ourselves"***

***Lao Tzu***

***First Step Scholarship I wish you continued success in your mission to fund scholarships.***

***ARI colleagues all the best as some of us will choose different pathway***

***Jared Nyangacha***

***Registered Professional Nurse***

***Congratulations First Step Scholarship on your 5th Scholarship Anniversary Award Celebration!***

***It is my honor to provide you with my support.***

***Congratulations to all Scholarship Award Winners.***

***"Minds are like parachutes, they only function when they are open"***

***James Dewar***

***ARI co-workers as we embark on different path I wish you continued success and joy for your roles in healthcare.***

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***"If you think education is expensive, try ignorance"***  
***Andy McIntyre.***

***To my colleagues at ARI I wish you continued happiness in your life. Remember Dr. Zeigler's yearly donation to First Step Scholarship Foundation***

***Annie Johnny***

***Registered Professional Nurse***

***First Step Scholarship Foundation you are celebrating your 5th year in providing scholarships, it's a great accomplishment.***

***"Every child deserves a champion: an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists they become the best they can possibly be"*** Rita Pierson

***ARI colleagues I wish you continued success in whatever decisions you make for your career. Continue to provide for the best care for your patients.***

***Ini Veillard , Registered Professional Nurse***



*Congratulations First Step Scholarship on your annual scholarship award. I am proud to support you each year. Continue your good work.*

*Congratulations to All Scholarship Winners!*

*“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever”. Mahatma Gandhi! To All my co-workers at ARI who have move on and who have transition I wish you all the best,  
Jennece McGowan-Wright, Healthcare*



*BEST WISHES ON YOUR ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS. SUPPORTING THE SCHOLARSHIP YEARLY IS MY GREAT JOY. CONGRATS TO ALL THE RECIPIENTS. YOU HAVE DONE WELL.*

*AS ONE OF THE ARI TEAM MEMBERS IT WAS SAD TO SEE THAT AFTER SO MANY YEARS WE MUST EMBARK ON NEW VENTURES. DR. ZEIGLER WAS OUR CONSCIENCE COMING AROUND TO REMIND US TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SCHOLARSHIP. ALL THE BEST TO TH TEAM.*

**JANET PALMER, ARI HEALTHCARE**



**FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP, BEST WISHES ON YOUR 5TH ANNIVERSARY AWARD CEREMONY! YOU HAVE BEEN A BLESSING TO MANY KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.**

**"MAKE A DIFFERENCE ABOUT SOMETHING OTHER THAN YOURSELF"  
TONI MORRISON**

*First Step foundation Board and your members you are making a difference in students lives. My husband and I proudly supports your efforts.*

**Best Wishes to All Recipients!**

**Natacha Cantave,  
MSW, MS, RN (AHC/ARI)**

First Step Scholarship Foundation

*Thanks for Promoting Science majors as a viable option for Students.*

Albert Einstein

*“Education is what remains after one has forgotten everything he learned in school”*

*Award Recipients you are fortunate to receive a scholarship award.  
Congratulations to you!*

**Kevin Murphy  
Healthcare Worker**



*Dr Zeigler I heard your voice  
I wrote my check for First  
Step Scholarship as  
usual...lol*

*"Your greatest success is  
achieved when you help  
others to succeed" Hermann J  
Steinherr.*

*Congrats First Step Scholarship on your 5th  
Anniversary Scholarship Awards celebration.  
Thanks for your Leadership Dr. Zeigler.*

**Goulie Barrett, RN, BSN**



*I am always honored to  
support Dr. Zeigler's*

*First Step Scholarship  
Foundation's Scholarship  
Awards*

*To all my colleagues at ARI I wish you all the  
best as we all move on to new things.  
Continue to support First Step Scholarship.*

*"Those who are happiest are those who do the  
most for others." Booker T. Washington,  
Elaine McClennon, ARI /MMC Healthcare Worker*



**CONGRATS FIRST STEP  
SCHOLARSHIP ON YOUR  
5TH ANNIVERSARY AWARDS  
CELEBRATION!**

**CONGRATS TO ALL THE  
AWARD RECIPIENTS.  
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.**

***"Children must be taught how to think,  
not what to think" Margaret Mead***

***I decided to support this scholarship each  
year because Dr. Zeigler is doing good  
work in supporting the students.***

***ARI colleagues all the best as we all move  
forward .***

**WENDELL BALFOUR  
ARI FOOD SERVICE MANAGER**



**BEST WISHES TO THE  
FIRST STEP  
SCHOLARSHIP  
FOUNDATION,  
ON YOUR 5TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF  
CONTINUED SUCCESS IN  
FUNDING SCHOLARSHIPS  
FOR STUDENTS.**

***Aristotle, "Educating the mind  
without educating the heart is no  
education at all."***

**CONGRATS TO ALL THE  
RECIPIENTS, HAVE A HEART AND PAY IT  
FORWARD POST GRADUATION.**

***ARI COLLEAGUES AS WE EMBARK ON OUR NEW  
JOURNEY I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST.  
ALWAYS REMEMBER SEND YOUR  
CONTRIBUTION TO DR. ZEIGLER YEARLY SHE  
WILL FIND YOU...LOL  
ALTHEA G. GARCON  
Registered Professional Nurse.***



Congratulations to my niece on obtaining your Bachelors Degree. I am very proud of you. Good Luck continuing your education.

**Ataysia Ingrams Proud Graduate!**

Congratulations to First Step Scholarship On your 5th Anniversary Award Ceremony!

YVETTE EBONTENE, REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE...ARI



*Best wishes and continued success to First Step Scholarship on this your 5th year! I am thrilled to support your vision for students.*

*What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals."*

*— Henry David Thoreau*

*You have persevered 5 years that means, what God has for you it's for you!*

*Congrats to all award recipients !*

*ARI colleagues God has point each of us in the direction he wants us to go. All the best to you.*

*Cyrene Small, Healthcare Provider*



**DR.ZEIGLER THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE A CONTRIBUTOR TO FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, I AM HONORED TO BE A PART OF YOUR EFFORTS TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS.**

*"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" Nelson Mandela.*

*Continue to mentor us to seek an education for ourselves as well as our children. ARI co-worker we need to continue to support Dr. Zeigler as we move on to our various jobs. I will miss you all. Paulane Donacien, CNA*



**Thank You**  
FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ON YOUR 5TH ANNIVERSARY AWARD CEREMONY YOU HAVE DONE WELL!

*After climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb. Nelson Mandela*

*First Step Scholarship you have started the climb , you will have many more hills to climb providing scholarship for students. Keep up the good work, Recipients you are fortunate, all the best to you Shirley Bastien-Georges, RN, BSN*



*Dr Zeigler, you are relentless in your quest to obtain funds to fund First Step Scholarship. I can't believe you track me down... lol. God has blessed you with a gift of helping others. It is only by the grace of God you are able to fund this scholarship.*



*Dr Zeigler you never take no for an answer. I am more than honored to support, I did buy the raffle each year. Thanks for all you do to help others, we appreciate it. Congrats on making 5 years with your scholarship Foundation.*

*Mathew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven"*

*Congratulations First Step Scholarship Foundation On your Annual Anniversary Award Ceremony*

*Best Wishes to All Recipients of the Scholarship Award. "The freedom to do your best means nothing unless you are willing to do your best." Colin Powell*

*TANIKA GRAHAM, ARI, HEALTHCARE*

***"No work is insignificant. All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence. "Martin Luther King.***

*To All the Scholarship Recipients God has chosen you, be thankful.*

*ARI colleagues all the best as you move forward!*

***DONNA JAMES, ARI/MMC HEALTHCARE STAFF***



*My dear Lisa I am so happy that you are doing well in college. I am very proud of all you do. Good Luck with your future career goals .*

*Congrats to First Step Scholarship on your 5th Anniversary Awards Ceremony.*

*Best wishes to all the award recipients*

*My ARI colleagues best wishes to all as we move in different directions in our careers.*

*Anna Zazi Registered Professional Nurse, ARI/Chilton*



**Congratulations to First Step Scholarship Foundation on your 5th Scholarship Anniversary Award Ceremony!**

**You have stayed the course and is here five years later, keep up the good work.**

**Recipients you should be proud you kept up your grades it paid off, congrats.**

***"Achievement happens when we pursue and attain what we want. Success comes when we are in clear pursuit of Why we want it" Simon Sinek***

**A tribute to all my ARI colleagues as we decided what is in our best interest, remember the good times when we were a team. Good Luck and best wishes as you move on with your career,**

**Dawn Smith, ARI Secretary.**

**FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION  
BEST WISHES AND CONTINUED SUCCESS!**

*Congrats to all the award recipients  
for embarking on a career in science.  
Pay close attention to your lessons,*

*"Beware of false knowledge; it is more dangerous  
than ignorance" George Bernard Shaw*

Proverbs 2:6 : For the LORD gives wisdom;  
from his mouth come **knowledge** and  
understanding.

**PAULET JONES-DYCHE, BSW, MPA, CSW**



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**Congratulates, and Salutes the First Step  
Scholarship Recipients  
Arthur Howard, President**

**And we know that all things work together for  
good to them that love God, to them who are called  
according to his purpose" Romans 8:28**

**Dr. CARMEN JONES-ZEIGLER : WE  
APPRECIATE YOUR COMMITMENT AND  
DEDICATION TO OUR FUTURE  
GENERATION**

**Rev. Dr. W. Golden Carmon and Associate Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Mattie Carmon**

**FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION  
HAD THE VISION TO FUND  
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS.**

**WHAT A BLESSING!**

*Recipients you are fortunate  
to receive one of the awards  
Good Luck with your studies*

*Recipients upon completion of your degree  
always remember this day when you were  
acknowledge for your hard work.*

**Beverley Jones**  
*Proud to support  
First Step  
Scholarship Foundation.*

**BEST WISHES ANOTHER YEAR OF  
CONTINUED SUCCESS TO,  
FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP  
FOUNDATION!**

**Providing funds for scholarship is  
major work. I applaud your tenacity as  
well as your determination in seeing  
your mission and vision through.**

**To the Recipients,  
Be proud of your award, your  
accomplishment brought you here...  
I am always very proud to say I support  
the Foundation's vision...**

**Geraldine (Geri) Smith.**

**BEST WISHES TO FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP  
FOUNDATION ON THE 5TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP  
AWARDS CELEBRATION!**

I am proud to support this foundation's leadership and its dedication to service, it's passion in helping others. It is a blessing when one provides service to the community.

**Congrats to all the award recipients in achieving the requirements for your award.  
Good Luck with your studies.**

Please make a pledge to support the First Step Scholarship Foundation's excellent work!

**DOREEN LAIDLEY, HEALTHCARE WORKER**

*Continued Success  
To  
First Step Scholarship  
Foundation.*

*Thank you for your  
scholarships to past  
and present  
students.*

*Sylvia Davis*



***Congratulations First Step Scholarship  
Foundation on your 5th Anniversary.***

Congratulations to the  
First Step Scholarship Foundation  
Scholarship Award Recipients

May the Lord continue to bless you as you pursue your education and follow your dreams.

A special shout out to our Community Baptist Church family recipients, Sister Margaret Hickman and Sister Danielle Henderson. We are so proud of you!

Deacon Curtis and Deaconess Patricia Harmon

**Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)**

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

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on your 5TH Annual  
Anniversary Awards Ceremony!  
Providing assistance for students  
pursuing their education is a great  
endeavor.*

**G. C. WILLIAMS**



**Let's support this scholarship foundation as they try to provide funds for our children's education.**

**"Success isn't about how much money you make, it's about the difference you make in people's lives" Michelle Obama.**

**Therefore,  
If we all contribute more students will receive the scholarship.**

*Mr & Mrs. Andre Lynch.*

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ON YOUR 5TH ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY**

**I AM HONORED TO BE A MEMBER, WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.**

**"EXAMPLE ISN'T ANOTHER WAY TO TEACH, IT IS THE ONLY WAY TO TEACH".**

**- ALBERT EINSTEIN**

**BEST WISHES TO ALL THE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS AND CONTINUED SUCCESS!**

**It with great joy and pleasure that I fully support the great work this foundation is doing. It shows the passion and commitment of all under the great leadership of it's founder and chairperson Dr. Zeigler a dedicated soul.  
PATRICIA RICHARDS, CHAPLIN, FSSF.**



**Congratulations First Step Scholarship on your annual scholarship award ceremony.**

**You are providing an excellent service to students.**

**"Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek" Barack Obama**

**Herma France, Jerrold, Jason & Alex will always support the First Step Scholarship Foundation's efforts to fund scholarships for students**

CONGRATULATIONS DR JONES-ZEIGLER  
With best wishes for continued  
success From: Annie Williams

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Commit thy way unto the Lord; Trust  
also in him and he will bring it to pass  
Psalm 37:5



GOD BLESS THE FIRST STEP  
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION  
WITH MUCH SUCCESS  
AND PROSPERITY!!!!!!



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**WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. YOU WORK HARD TO BE SUCCESSFUL.**

**May God continue to shine his light on you that you may walk continually in his path.**

**Thanks First Step Scholarship Foundation for awarding our grandson a scholarship**

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Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven"

Congratulations First Step Scholarship Foundation

On your Annual Anniversary Award Ceremony

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*"Study to thyself approved unto God ..."  
II Timothy 2:15*



**IN LOVING OF MEMORY  
LORRAINE HARPER-PEACE  
THE JOHNSON FAMILY  
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**Mt. Sinai Baptist Church extends Congratulations  
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On your scholarship award ceremony.**

**Best Wishes to the Awardees**

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*Gurzel Leonora Buckham-Jones*

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*The Jones & Zeigler Family. You are sadly missed.*

## *In Loving Memory of Mom & Dad*



*Hermine Maud Turner (nee Jones) 1928-2015 & Wendel Oliver Turner 1924-2001*

***Words cannot express the sadness we still feel losing you both, however we have the tremendous amount of memories, joy, happiness that you gave us. Our hearts are filled with pride having you as our parents, grandparents and great grandparent.***

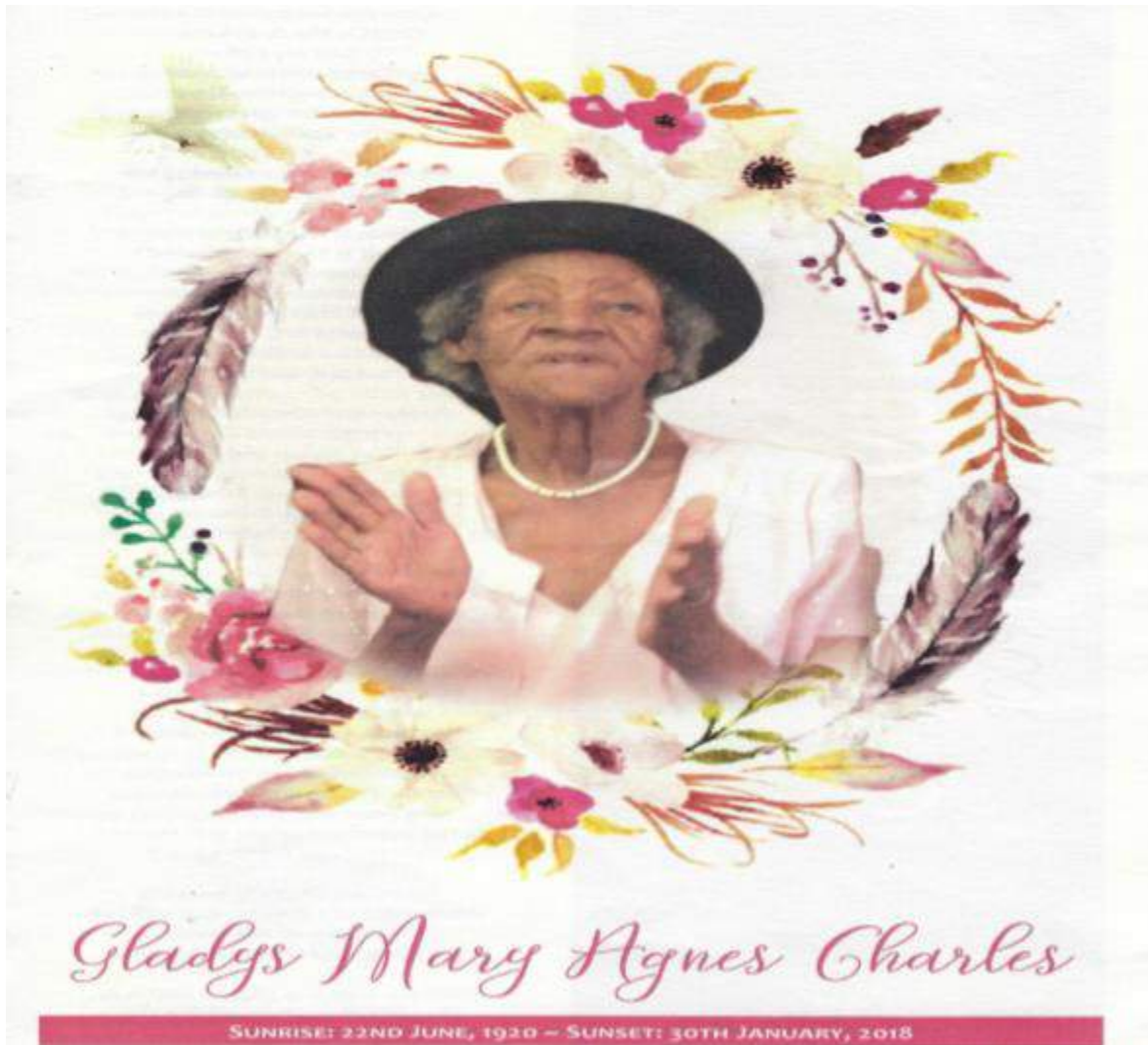
***We know that you are resting in the arms of your Savior.***

***Your teachings will remain with us forever, we will exemplify your loving spirit, your Kindness, your generosity, but most of all your spiritual belief.***

***You are truly missed by your, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.***

***On behalf of our parents who emphasized the importance of a good education, we would like to extend Congratulations to The First Step Scholarship on their 5<sup>th</sup> Scholarship Anniversary Award Ceremony!***

*In Loving memory of Gladys Mary Agnes Charles*



**Congratulations to First Step Scholarship Foundation on the Anniversary of their Awards Ceremony.**

**Congratulations to all the Scholar Recipients**

**Proverbs 3:5, 6**

**Trust in the Lord with all thy heart and lean not unto your own understanding  
in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path**

***The Charles Family***



*In loving Memory of our mother and father who were relentless in their conviction to educate their children.  
May your souls find enteral peace. You were terrific parents!*



**Hebrews 11:1** *Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance **about** what we do not see.*

**James 1:5** *“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.”*

*“When men on earth has done their best Angels in Heaven can’t do better”, you have done your best  
Your legacy is intact. R.I.P*



*Cleophas M. Jones 3/29/1922 -7/17/1996*

*Gurzel L. Jones 5/23/1925 -2/7/2018*

***YOU TAUGHT US TO BELIEVE IN GOD FIRST AND ALWAYS,  
NEVER WAVER, STAND FIRM IN OUR BELIEF.***

***YOU TAUGHT US COMPASSION, HUMILITY, GRACE, AND GENEROSITY,  
ABOVE ALL YOU TAUGHT US HOW TO GIVE BACK  
WITHOUT EXPECTING RETURN IN OUR GIVING.***

***YOU TAUGHT US TO REACH FOR THE STARS IN ALL WE DO.***

***“A GOOD EDUCATION IS ALL YOU WILL NEED TO NAVIGATE THIS WORLD” GURZEL JONES  
YOU WERE AHEAD OF YOUR TIME, YOU UNDERSTOOD WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR US.***

***Thank you, you have done well. We all owe you our love. R.I.P. Papa & Mama!***

***Yvonne, Sonia, Hector (Hope) Paulet, Denton, Carmen (Dave) Andy & Ted  
Alicia, Kami (Dane), Andre (Shelly) Sheldon (Shea), Doron, Jalecia,  
Carolyn (Elton), Ade (Bayo), Hector Jr. Kimberly, Jauyna, Johnno (grandchildren)***





In Loving memory of our beloved husband, father, & grandfather.

**NELSON MENEGUETE JR**

We will always

*Meneguete/Reis Family misses you a great deal. We know that you are resting in the arms of your Savior.*

*Congrats First Step Scholarship on your 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*



*A husband, father & grandfather who left us too soon. We know it was God's will. He was ready for you...*

**LUIZ ANTONIO COSTA REIS**

*Rest in Peace*

*We will honor the memories you left us; our hearts are saddened by your passing. Gone to rest in Jesus' arms. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted". Matthew 5:4*

*The Reis/Mneguete Family.*

*Best Wishes First Step Scholarship*



**IN MEMORY OF MY BELOVED MOTHER ELIZABETH RILEY 11/15/29-10/14/18**

**YOU TAUGHT ME HOW TO BE OBEIDENT TO GOD'S WORD, TO GIVE AS GOD HAS GIVEN TO ME... I HEARD YOU, I DID AS YOU ASKED.**

**TO FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP, I BELEIVE IN THE MISSION AND VISION, THAT'S WHY I AM GIVING AS MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME.**

**LOTTIE RILEY & FAMILY**

**Best Wishes First Step Scholarship!**

**In memory of our beloved Dad.**

**The Williams Family...**



**CONGRATULATIONS FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION  
CONTINUE YOUR AMAZING WORK...GOD 'S SPEED.**



*IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY  
HUSBAND REUBEN E. JOHNSON  
ALWAYS ON MY MIND,  
YOUR LOVING WIFE, DENISE*



**CONGRATULATIONS FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ON YOUR 5TH ANNIVERSARY  
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***IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY  
PARENTS,  
VIRGIL & MARY ARMSTRONG***

***THE VALUES YOU BESTOWED  
IN ME WILL REMAIN WITH ME  
ALWAYS. HELPING OTHERS  
AS GOD HAS ALLOWED ME TO.  
YOUR LOVING DAUGHTER  
DELORES DALE.***



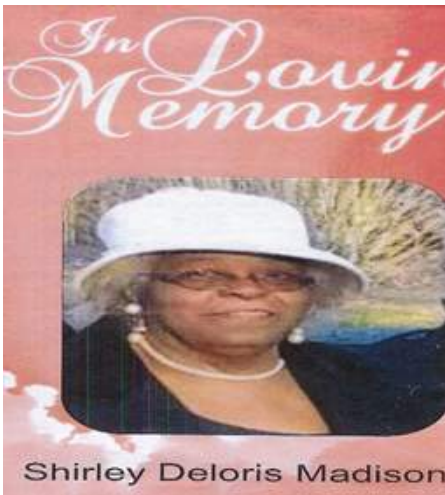
**A Tribute to  
The Late Horace & Cordria Jones**

**Our thoughts of you continue to be strong even after many years. We miss your loving kindness and strength. Because of God's Grace and your guidance, we have been able to help each other through all our trials and tribulations.**

**Never will we forget!  
Your Loving Family,**

*Edna Jones-Lovelady, Celestine & Thomas Gresham, Sr.  
Cori Lovelady, Charles Thomas Gresham, Jr., Dwana Gresham, Denise Cummings*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR SISTERS THAT HAS GONE ON BEFORE US**



**SHIRLEY DELORES MADISON**



**GLADYS DIANE JONES-SADDEN**

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid John 47:27

**EDNA LOVELADY & CELESTINE GRESHAM**

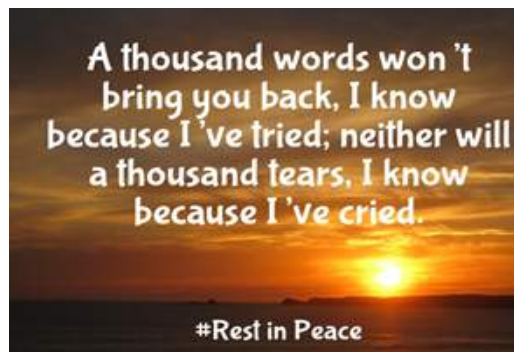
**In Loving Memories of My Parents**  
***Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Dixon***  
***Love Always, Lisa Dixon-Cooper***



**Congratulations! First Step Scholarship Foundation. Continue encouraging our children to pursue their dreams! There are no limits to success in Christ.**

**IN MEMORIAM OF LAURA B. (WAWA) LLOYD,  
& GREGORY (GREG) DEWITT.**

***Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever and so does ours. You both will remain forever in our hearts.***



***Rest easy.  
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Rene Zeigler and Family  
Psalm 107:1 NIV***

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Dad I will never forget you, your love and all the values you instilled in me, Desiree Johnson.*



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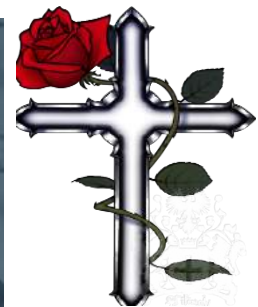
*I miss our time together, my heart is broken, the hurt I feel is so overwhelming, I miss you so much.  
Desiree Johnson*

*MY BELOVED SON MARLON CAMERON WE KNOW YOU FOUGHT AS HARD AS YOU COULD BUT THE CANCERS WERE TOO MUCH FOR YOU... GOD CALLED YOU HOME TO REST. YOU ARE ALWAYS IN OUR THOUGHTS, WHENEVER WE FEEL A COOL BREEZE PASSES ON OUR FACE, WE KNOW IT'S YOU SAYING HELLO!*



*A thousand words won't bring you back;  
I know because I've tried.  
Neither will a thousand tears;  
I know because I've cried.*

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*“Lift Every Voice and Sing”*  
*By: James Weldon Johnson*

*Lift ev'ry voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring.  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty; let our rejoicing rise,  
High as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory  
is won.*

*Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat,  
Have not our weary feet, come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past, Here now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who has by Thy might, Led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forgot Thee,  
Shadowed beneath thy hand, May we forever stand,  
True to our God, True to our native land.*



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