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On behalf of the Directors, Members and Volunteers of The First Step Scholarship Foundation, it is a privilege and an honor to extend my sincere appreciation for your support. Supporting a charitable organization is a noble sentiment, we are pleased and grateful that you choose to support First Step Scholarship Foundation.

First Step Scholarship Foundation was a part of the CBC Health and Educational Ministry. In our quest and passion to fund students who are majoring in the field of health sciences and engineering, the realization, that we had to branch out in order to receive adequate funding for this endeavor was realized. The State of NJ certification was filed for a Non-Profit status on March 12, 2016 with the new name, the certification was received; subsequently the federal identification number was received and “The First Step Scholarship Foundation” launched with its new name. It was imperative that the foundation’s contributors be able to deduct all contributions as charity, so the 501 (c) (3) was filed with a successful outcome.

The mission and vision of the foundation is simply to assist our students in realizing their potential and strive to achieve the maximum level of education in the field of sciences, since they will be the innovators of the future. The field of science is a salient issue in this modern era. We need to develop leaders who will think out of the box and use their knowledge to find new and innovative ideas. “Faith is taking the first step even when you can’t see the whole staircase” Dr. King

One has many challenges in life today, how one deal with these challenges sets one apart from others. We are tremendously appreciative that you decided to support our efforts in providing financial assistance to students who have made the right decision in seeking higher education. You have the ability to look within your own lives and you still had the determination to assist others, it’s truly a blessing.

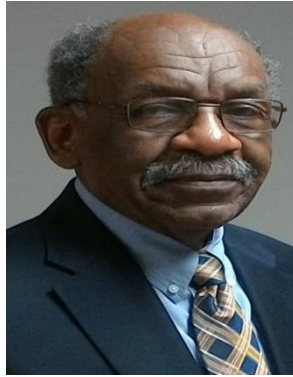
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*Message from William D. Wheeler*

*Previously our scholarship program operated as a unit within the CBC Health and Education Ministry of Community Baptist Church, Plainfield, NJ. In 2015 we were able to award six scholarships with each recipient receiving \$500. However, we realize there is a need to provide more in financial assistance to qualified students in the field of health sciences and engineering. This year we are doubling that amount with 6 recipients each receiving \$1000. Our target for 2017 is \$2500 per award. But in order do that there had to be a change made in our fundraising program.*

*Earlier this year the decision was made to separate the scholarship program from the CBC Health and Educational Ministry thereby forming an independent unit. Such a change would afford us the ability to reach a larger field of potential supporters.*

*In February of this year we reorganized as the "First Step Scholarship Foundation". Our organizing documents were filed with the State of New Jersey. On March 12, 2016 we became certified as a NJ Nonprofit Corporation. Subsequently, we filed official documents with the Internal Revenue Service seeking recognition as a Nonprofit 501(c) (3) entity. Recently we were informed that we have been approved and we received written confirmation. Now you can be assured that all of your contributions are tax deductible. We recognize that possession of these documents are crucial to the success of our scholarship program.*

*We are seeking all types' contributions, we are in need of sponsors who are willing to finance our efforts to provide more scholarships to students. If interest please contact the foundation at [firststepsscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:firststepsscholarship@gmail.com) or P.O. Box 2672, Plainfield NJ 07060.*

*Thank you for your support.*

*William D. Wheeler*

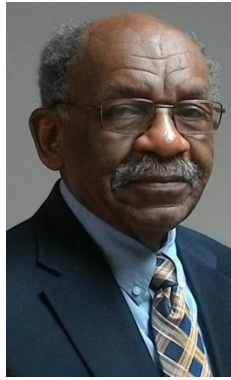
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*Rev. Dr. James M. Robinson Sr. M Th*



Rev. Dr. Robinson, served as an Associate Minister under the late Rev. James R. Kirk at Sharon Baptist Church in New Brunswick, NJ, for seven years. While at Sharon Baptist, Rev. Robinson, Sr. was the coordinator for the Christian Education Program.

The Middlesex Baptist Association of NJ ordained Rev. Robinson, Sr. in January 1999. Rev. Robinson, Sr. holds a Masters degree in Theology from The Eastern Bible Institute, Irvington, NJ. Rev. Robinson holds an Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Virginia University of Lynchburg; Lynchburg, Virginia.

Rev. Robinson's sermons have been heard by many domestically as well as internationally. Rev. Robinson's sermons can be heard on local radio WKMB1070 for the weekly broadcast called "It's God's Time". Rev. Robinson's sermons are also available on the internet at [www.JamesMRobinson.com](http://www.JamesMRobinson.com).

He was called to Pastor Community Baptist Church in October 2001. Under his leadership, the ministries and auxiliaries of Community Baptist Church have reorganized their sites to better meet the needs of the entire congregation. As Pastor of the Community Baptist Church, Rev. Robinson has remained true to his roots of Christian Education. Rev. Robinson teaches New Members and Bible Study Classes weekly and is also an active participant of Sunday and Vacation Bible School. He has instituted a Children's Church Program to better meet the needs of the growing congregation. The overall church grounds and building have undergone major improvements with more to come, all in an effort to make Community Baptist Church the ideal place to worship. Pastor Robinson is active in the community. The Community Baptist Church is a member of the World Harvest Organization which provides services and support for families with a special emphasis on the youth.

Rev. Robinson, Sr. is married to First Lady Deaconess Shelley Robinson, his wife of over 31 years. They have two children, Rev. James Jr. and Shara Ellen. Rev. Robinson, Sr. is a blessed preacher, singer, song writer that believes the gospel of Jesus Christ stands alone, JUST PREACH THE WORD!!

HONOREE

BISHOP NEVILLE COPELAND



**Bishop Neville Copeland**

was born in Jamaica, West Indies before migrating to the United States. He is a graduate of Plainfield High School. He attended East Coast School of Ministry in Maryland as well as the Center for Biblical Leadership Institute's School of Practical and Advanced Studies in Cleveland, Tennessee. In 1998 he received his ministers' license from the Church of God of Prophecy in Cleveland, Tennessee. For the past 18 years he has been the pastoring the congregation of Glad Tidings Church of God of Prophecy, North Plainfield, New Jersey; a Bible-based church committed to spreading the gospel of Christ. In August 2014 he was ordained as a Bishop in the Church of God of Prophecy at the 98<sup>th</sup> International Assembly in Orlando, Florida.

Bishop Copeland actively participates in civic and religious activities, and for many years has served as an integral part of the Re-Entry for Christ Outreach Program, an interfaith prison ministry. He is also a member of the Pastoral Care team at JFK Medical Center in addition to volunteering at Haven Hospice at JFK. In October 2003 was honored with a certificate for community service as a Chaplain. Bishop Copeland formally served on the Plainfield Mayor's Task Force as well as the Plainfield Commodities Exchange Task Force.

Recognizing and responding to the needs of his community, regardless of church affiliation, Bishop Copeland generously gives of his time and resources, and is well-known in the community for lending a hand. His church, Glad Tidings, has an annual Community Health Fair, community clothing drives, provides Thanksgiving dinner for members of the North Plainfield and surrounding communities, food distributions and many other community outreach activities geared towards reaching the lost for Christ.

Under Bishop Copeland's leadership, Glad Tidings continues to grow as he continues to following the leading of the Holy Spirit in recognizing the need for spiritual growth and development, and strives to meet the challenges of an ever changing world through sound biblical teaching.

Bishop Copeland has been happily married for 39 years to First Lady Angella Copeland, and they have three wonderful children and several grandchildren.



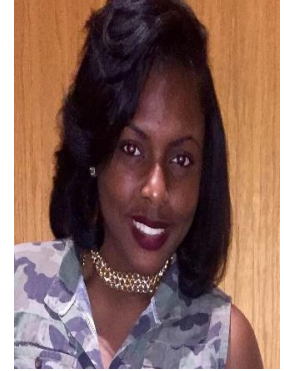
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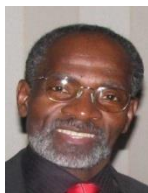
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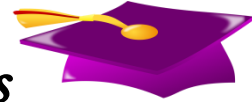
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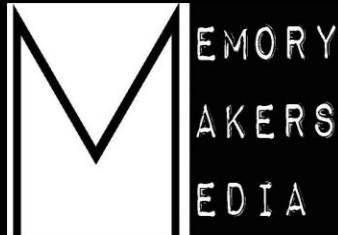
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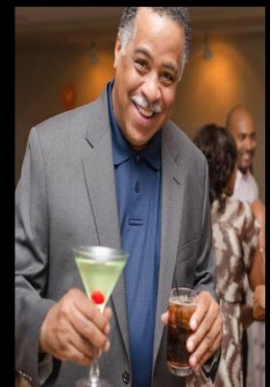
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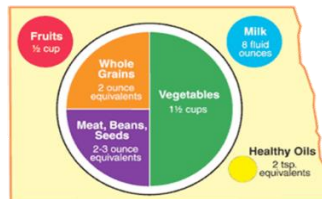
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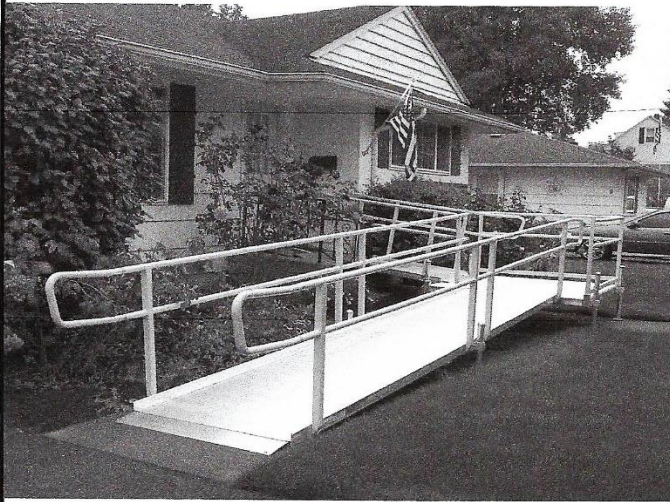
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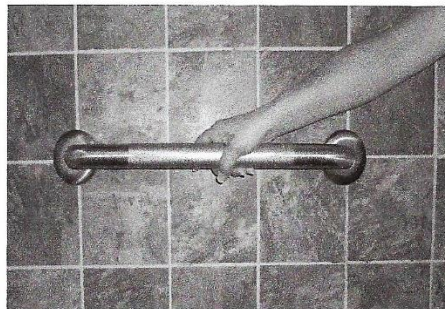
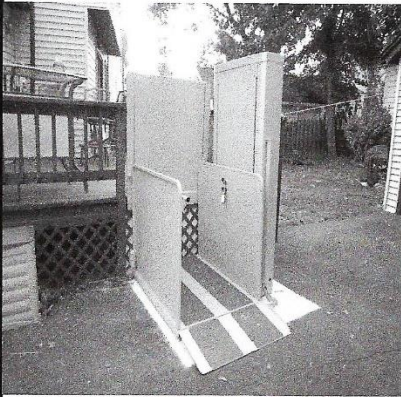
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*Best Wishes, I truly hope and pray that many students will benefit from First Step Scholarship's success!*



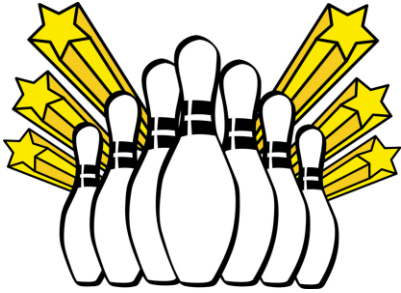
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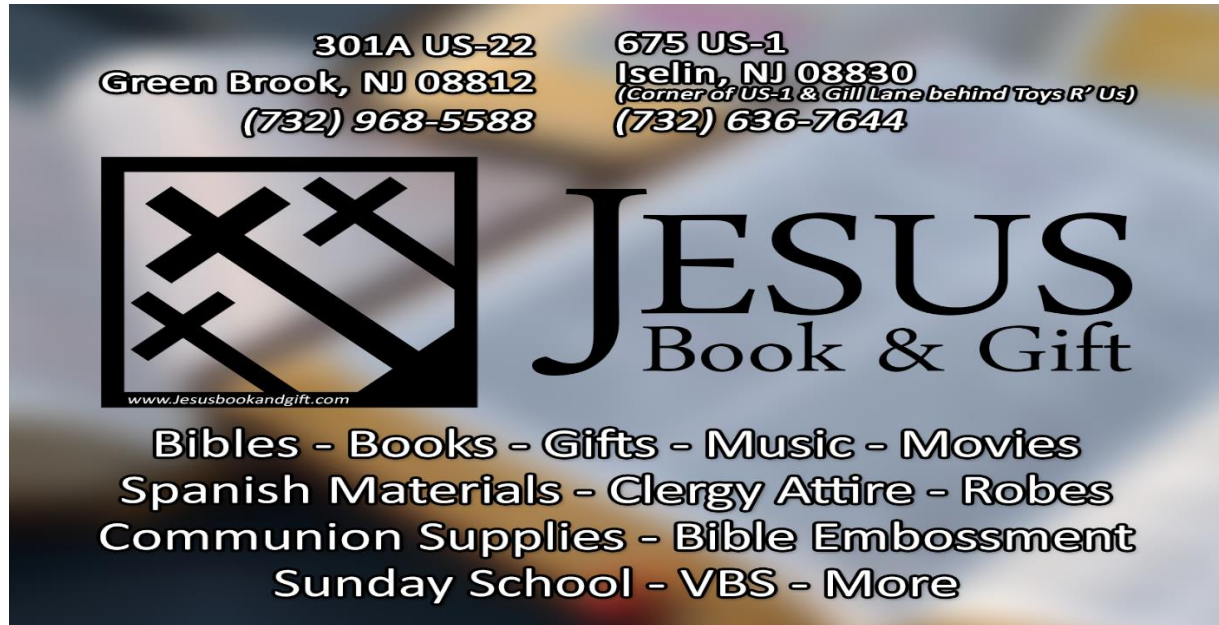
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*Deacon William & Sister Janet Brown*

*Congratulations to The*

*First Step Scholarship Foundation on The Annual Anniversary Celebration!*

*It's a blessing when we strive to help others.*

*Dr. Jones-Zeigler, thank you for your leadership in spearheading the scholarship foundation. Continue your excellent work, I am very pleased to be a supporter.*

*Dawn Smith*

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On your Annual Award Celebration!

You have embarked on an ambitious and much needed endeavor. May you have a great deal of success in your targeted goal

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On behalf of my daughter **Kayla** I wish you continued success with your efforts to help fund sciences.

**Jacqueline Morgan, BSN, CRRN, RN**  
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It is a joy when one decide to see that there is a need and have the good sense to provide for that need.

**Thanks and Congrats to The First Step Scholarship Foundation on your Annual Award Celebration.**

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As a Social Worker of many years I can attest to the needs of students requiring scholarships to fund their education in health sciences.

Congrats to all the award recipients for embarking on a career in science.

Good Luck with your studies.

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

On behalf of my family, I whole heartedly support the goals of

**The First Step Scholarship Foundation**

Having to fund college in today's economically stressed society is a burden to many parents.

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Continue to assist in providing for students, every little counts. "A mind is a terrible thing to waste" Please let us all get on board to support this foundation's effort to help students in health science, social science and engineering.

**Rosalie Harris and Family**

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**My children have a tremendous interest in  
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*Thanks Dr Jones-Zeigler for your vision.*

*Elaine McLennon, HealthCare Worker*

**Best Wishes To  
FIRST STEP SCHOLARSHIP  
FOUNDATION**

**On your Annual Scholarship  
Awards Celebration**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE  
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

**HAROLD MITCHELL**

*Congratulations to,  
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on your Annual  
Anniversary Awards Ceremony!  
Helping others is what it's all about!!  
Dr Jones-Zeigler, thank you for your  
leadership in this endeavor. The scholarship  
program is needed.*

*Jenneca McGowan-Wright*

*HealthCare Worker*



What a blessing that this Foundation was created to help students who wish to pursue a career in science!! As a healthcare provider I am most appreciative of First Step Scholarship Foundation's Mission to assist students in such a valuable and vital career path. I pray that others will see the vital need in funding this scholarship.

**Health Care Professional**

“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.” Luke 6:38 KJV

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On your Annual Dinner & Awards Day**

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*Mathew 7: 7-8*

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*For every one that asketh receiveth ; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened”.*

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*I am so appreciative of all you do to provide help to students. As a nurse I know how hard it is to fund health sciences. I wish you God's blessing on your continued efforts. **Desiree Allen***

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*To Shala Glenn,*

*If I have not told you lately how proud I am of all your achievements*

*Please know I am extremely proud!*

*Continue to reach for the stars and always keep your eyes focused on God you will reap great rewards.*

*Congrats to all the award recipients*

*Thanks First Step Scholarship Foundation. I am grateful for the Foundations generosity.*

*Patricia Richards.*

*"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.  
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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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*DINNER IS SERVED*

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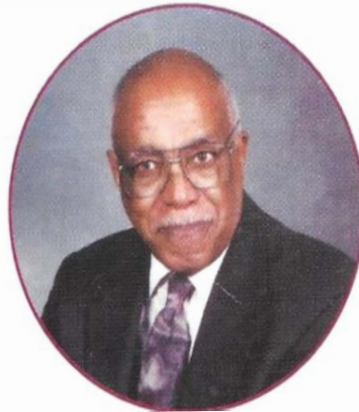


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