#### BIOGRAPHY FATHER GEORGE CLEMENTS

Father George Clements was born in Chicago, Illinois on January 26, 1932. Educated at Corpus Christi Elementary School and Quigley Seminary, he also studied at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, earning B.A. and M.A. degrees in Philosophy, a B.A. in Sacred Theology, and a Licentiate of Sacred Theology.

Ordained in May, 1957, Father Clements has served as Pastor of Holy Angels Church, Chicago, since July, 1969. He is one of the Founders of the Black Catholic Clergy Caucus and was its Executive Director. He is also on the Board(s) of numerous organizations, both civic and religious. He is Chaplain and Founder of the African-American Police League.

Father Clements is the Founder and President of "One Church, One Child," a program dedicated to finding Black adoptive parents for Black children. The first Catholic priest to adopt a son, Father Clements gave the initial impetus to the "One Church, One Child" program by adopting Joey in 1981. Since then, he has adopted three more sons. In the nine years since it was founded, the program has led to many hundreds of adoptions, has played a major role in drastically reducing the number of Black children awaiting adoption in Illinois, and has resulted in the establishment of similar programs in more than 32 states of the union.

Outspoken and visionary, he has dedicated his life to improving the lot of the less fortunate. His latest accomplishment is his successful fight to have enacted laws forbidding the sale of drugparaphernalia in the city of Chicago, as well as in 17 other states in America.

Father Clements is internationally known for his humanitarian, causes, his willingness to aid the less fortunate, and his work with African students in helping them to secure higher educations, both here in the United States as well as in Africa. Because of his selfless dedication on behalf of his African brothers and sisters, he was made a Chief of the Yoruba Tribe in July, 1989 in Imeko, Nigeria.

Father Clements was named one of the Nation's Top 20 Anti-Drug Fighters in a White House ceremony by President George Bush and Director William Bennett.

His devotion to Holy Angels Church and School and its people is legendary. His work to improve the quality of life in and around Holy Angels is well known, both locally, nationally and internationally.

An award-winning movie regarding Father Clements was produced by NBC entitled "The Father Clements Story."

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John David Hammond Jr. graduated from Dillard University (New Orleans, LA) in 1981 with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Administration/Finance Management with a minor in Vocal Music Performance/Education. He was born and raised in the Champaign-Urbana area attending public schools, University of Illinois, Parkland, and finally transferring on to Dillard University which is a recipient of the United Negro College Fund. Mr. Hammond has performed extensively throughout the United States in New Orleans, Chicago, Houston, Dallas, Evanston, and various other cities performing Gospel and R & B, Classical and Easy Listening. John has performed in the Champaign-Urbana area several times in concert with his band out of Chicago for the C-U Park District and once in concert at the Lincoln Hall Auditorium Theatre in 1986 being sponsored by the University of Illinois. He has been featured in major concert halls, night clubs, major churches, store-front churches from as far south as Boyce, Louisiana to Los Angeles, California. For the last 3-4 years he has been writing, producing, arranging and recording with his musical conductor and band leader, Lyle Lucas who also holds a Bachelor's degree in Music Theory and Piano Education from Dillard. They're currently working out of Pogo Records under the engineering talents of Mark Rubel located here in Champaign and Star Trax Studio in Orland Park, Illinois under George Luif. Once their material has been perfected to the level they desire, they will then begin to shop for a deal with a major label.

John married Stephanie Price in 1989 who holds a B.A. & M.A. in Music from Clark College and Vanderbilt-Scarritt University. This Union began the start of something big. These two compliment each others talents so well. Mr. Hammond is planning another concert in the Champaign-Urbana area later in 1991 and will be featured in concert this July in Chicago by the Westley United Methodist Men.

## Program

Audience

'Lift Every Voice and Sing' by James Weldon Johnson

Selection

Prayer

Rev. W.E.B. Keaton, Minister of Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church

Minister Hattie Paulk Presiding.

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# Dinner

Music by John and Stephanie Price Hammond

Introduction of the President of the Champaign Section of the National Council of Negro Women by Minister Paulk

Presentation to Honoree, Dr. Velema Harris by Anna Wall Scott.

Solo - Mrs. Monisa Johnson, "His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Introduction of Ms. Albertina Walker by Anna Wall Scott.

# Concert - Ms. Walker

Presentation to Mrs. Walker.

Ms. Walker - 'Be Patient With Me'

Benediction - Rev. Claude Shelby, Minister of Salem Baptist Church, Champaign, Illinois



Stephanie Price-Hammond is a native Chicagoan. She attended Elizabeth Seton H.S. and won a scholarship for 2 years to the Interlochen Arts Academy. From 1966 to 1979 she attended the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, under the guidance of Mrs. Berniece peck. She matriculated at the University of Illinois, but assertained her Bachelors of Music degree from Clark-Atlanta University in Atlanta Georgia. She majored in Cello and minored in Piano Performance. In 1986, she attended Vanderbuilt-Scarritt Graduate School in Nashville, Tennessee. She received her Masters of Sacred Music. Her major was Choral Conducting with a minor in Piano Performance. She returned to Atlanta and began her ministry in Music. She lived and "worked" in churched in Atlanta for 12 years.

She moved from Atlanta, Georgia in 1989 to marry her future husband, Mr. John David Hammond Jr. from Champaign, Illinois. She is currently living in the Champaign-Urbana Illinois area, but commutes on the weekends to Chicago, where she is currently playing for the Wesley United Methodist Church.

Over the span of her 31 years, Mrs. Hammond has been playing/accompanying people for 25 years of her life.

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The Champaign Section of the National Council of Negro Women wishes to thank the following for their continuous support of the United Negro College Fund.

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#### SEPTEMBER 22,1992

TO: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS.

DEAR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 3.1992 AT MY HOME THE ADDRESS IS 1318 WILLIAMSBURG CHAMPAIGN. IL. MY PHONE NUMBER IS 398-2871.

PLEASE BRING IDEAS AND SUGGESTION SO THAT AN AGENDA CAN BE SET FOR THE 1992-93 MEETINGS.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 3,1992 AT 1 P.M.

AS ALWAYS,

MARY HAYWOOD-BENSON PRESIDENT NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION

OCTOBER 10,1992

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Council of Negro Women, Salute you.

Anna Wall Scott is President and holds the distinction of being the first woman elected to the Illinois State Democratic Committee. Ms. Scott served a Vice chair of the State Democratic party from 1974 - 1978. She received the distinction of being the most outstanding Black Alumni of the University of Illinois in 1977. She is listed in <u>Who's Who</u> photo, she holds an airline ticket to any place in Europe she wishes to drawing held at a Buffet Dinner Hosted by the Mayor of Chicago to kick off the fund raising efforts for the United Negro College Fund. The Event held at the Palmer House in Nov. '90, Chicago, was attended by Lou Rawls, Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of Telefhon Star, who is shown with Mrs. Scott, Daley, and the President of the three times.



1991 HONOREE for outstanding accomplishments, Zelema Harris, President, Parkland Community College

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Mrs. Zelema Harris, Ph.D., is an educator, successful mother, and an outstanding role model for all women.

This woman, daughter of a Carpenter in Texas, faced the familiar struggle of most Afro Americans in their quest for social mobility. After high school she received a scholarship, and was admitted to Prairie View A & M College, in Texas where she completed her undergraduate work. This college is one of the forty-three all black colleges in the U.S.

which receives contributions from the United Negro College Fund. These colleges have produced most of the outstanding Black leaders and educators over age 50 in the U.S. today.

That many of these educators and leaders were from working class homes was no impediment to their advancement. Their Black instructors worked hard to enhance the self concepts, hope and confidence of the students by emphasizing "I will", rather than "IQ."

After successfully completing graduate school, earning a Doctorate of Penn Valley Community College from 1976 until 1990. Dr. Harris became the first woman to serve as President of Parkland Community College, Champaign, IL where she had served as an outstanding leader. She is cynthia, and actress in New York; Narissa, a graphics designer in Kansas City and Jay, a student at Jefferson Middle School in Champaign. Zelema, we the members of the Champaign section of the Mational

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