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# **CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia Celebrates 50th Anniversary of** "helping people win in life"

**COLUMBIA, MD** – CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia is elated to celebrate its 50th anniversary of "helping people win in life," featuring a week of exciting events, Nov. 5-12, at its church, located at 7101 Riverwood Drive, Columbia, MD, 21046. Under the theme "Legacy," the celebration will include a church development conference, gala anniversary dinner, and gospel music concert.-

"It's incredible to think that a small group of people gathered 50 years ago with a deep desire to plant a church to make a positive impact on their community," said Bishop Robbie S. Davis, Senior Pastor at CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia. "To celebrate this momentous occasion, our goal is to re-open The Celebration Christian Academy, sponsor a youth summer camp, and offer scholarships to college-bound high school seniors."

#### The early church years

CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia was founded in 1973 as Long Reach Church of God. Bob and Doris Davis started the church in their home with a desire to make a positive difference in their community. Brother Bob led the congregation for 30 years, and as a trailblazing leader, his pastoral ministry has impacted local, national and international communities. Many ministry initiatives launched through his vision are thriving to this day. After being consecrated as Bishop, both his ministry and the church continued to experience phenomenal spiritual, numerical, and physical growth.

#### Passing the baton of leadership

In 2004 after serving as his father's Assistant Pastor for 15 years, Rev. Robert S. Davis Jr. (Robbie) was named Senior Pastor at CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia. Bishop Robbie's visionary leadership, solid Bible teaching, and the church's ongoing development of life-lifting ministries are helping many people

maximize their lives in Christ. His pastoral ministry model – planting of other churches and mentorship of other leaders – culminated in his being elevated to the office of Bishop.

Today, CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia continues to experience ongoing growth. In 2019, Bishop Robbie led the fellowship in the acquisition of a state-ofthe-art facility that more than doubled ministry space and through technology exponentially multiplied the church's capacity to touch the world from Columbia.

# Since its inception, CELEBRATION CHURCH at Columbia has grown from a small band of believers to thousands of members

Today, the church is a hub of dozens of ministries, a Christian Academy, a business incubator, home to several medical practitioners, a professional counseling center, and a fitness center – all designed to help men, women, girls and boys win in life!

# We are thrilled to celebrate our 50th anniversary with the following exciting Legacy events:

# LEGACY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE Sunday, November 5

# SUNDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

>>10am - Kick Off Sunday>Preacher: Pastor Paul Sheppard

# Monday, November 6 MONDAY EVENING SESSION

>>7pm • Worship Experience>Ordination: Deacons & Ministers>Preacher: Pastor Lora Adams King

# Tuesday, November 7 TUESDAY LUNCH SESSION

>>12noon • Lunch & Learn >>Woman's Fellowship Lunch

>>Speaker: First Lady Robin Davis

#### Tuesday, November 7 TUESDAY EVENING SESSION

>7pm • Evening Worship Experience>Pastor Robin's Night of Honor (20 years as First Lady)>Preacher: First Lady Trina Jenkins

### Wednesday, November 8 WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

>>9am • Registration - Continental Breakfast - Meet & Greet>10am • Ministry Master Class>Presenter: Pastor Geremy Dixon

#### Wednesday, November 8 WEDNESDAY LUNCH SESSION

>>11:30am • Lunch & Learn >>Speaker: Minister Glenn Brooks

Wednesday, November 8 WEDNESDAY LUNCH SESSION

>>11:30am • Pastor's Wives Roundtable (Lunch at First Lady Robin's Home)

# Wednesday, November 8 WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

>>12:30pm • Ministry Master Class>Presenter: Pastor Stephen Chandler

# Wednesday, November 8 WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

>>7pm • Evening Worship Experience>Guest Preacher: Pastor Horace Sheppard

# Thursday, November 9 THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

>9am • Registration - Continental Breakfast - Meet & Greet
 >10am • Ministry Master Class
 >An Inside Look at Celebration Church
 >Presenter: Bishop Robbie Davis

Thursday, November 9 THURSDAY LUNCH SESSION >>11:30am • Lunch & Learn>Speakers: Pastor Matthew Quainoo & Pastor Timothy Quainoo

#### Thursday, November 9 THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

>>12:30pm • Ministry Master Class
>Presenters: Bishop Robbie Davis & Pastor Matthew Quainoo

#### Thursday, November 9 THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

>>7pm • THE HONOR & INNOVATION ROUNDTABLE
>An intergenerational conversation around the tension of honoring elders and empowering the young

# Friday, November 10 FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

>9am • Registration - Continental Breakfast - Meet & Greet
 >10am • Ministry Master Class
 >Presenter: Pastor Kevin Johnson

#### Friday, November 10 FRIDAY LUNCH SESSION

>>11:30am • Lunch & Learn>Speakers: Pastor Matthew Quainoo & Pastor Timothy Quainoo

# Friday, November 10 FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

>>12:30pm • Ministry Master Class>Presenter: Pastor Andy Thompson

#### Friday, November 10

>>7pm • LEGACY GALA>Gala Speaker: Bishop Timothy Clarke

Saturday, November 11

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

>>10am • Sons & Daughters of Thunder >>A Roundtable for Preachers Kids

#### Saturday, November 11

>>7pm • THE LEGACY MUSIC EXPERIENCE >>A "Live" Recording of hymns & classic black gospel music

#### Sunday, November 12 SUNDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

>>10am • Legacy Sunday

>>20th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration for Bishop Robbie Davis

>>Preacher: Pastor Robert Turner