



## Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims

October 6, 1950 - August 6, 2020

Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims, was called home and entered into eternal rest on August 6, 2020. He was born to Pecola Curtis Sims and Luvenia Sims on October 6, 1950.

Gregory attended Williston Vocational High School. Pastor Sims met his wife Bertha Boatwright as a twelve-year-old youth and later married her on October 23rd 1969. They continued on building a family of five children through the years. Pastor Sims' career work included both construction and later truck driving from which he retired. Pastor Sims was a brother of Masonic Lodge Davis #47.

Pastor Sims loved his wife. Close friends and family could hear him call her 'Honey' all the time. He called her often whether it was for a reason or just to say her name 'Honey'. You could hardly see one without the other. Companions in life and forever.

In 1997, Pastor Sims founded Faith in Christ by God, Inc. in Apopka, Florida. He continued to lead and guide the flock, as Pastor of Faith In Christ By God, Inc. for over 17 years. Pastor Sims could often be heard in the church praising with a loud boisterous voice "Oh Lord Have Mercy Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus".

Pastor Sims loved the Lord. He could be heard by his family in his prayer closet singing 'Your Grace & Mercy' or 'Pass Me Not O' Gentle Savior'. On August 6, 2020, we the family of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims, wholeheartedly believe that God in his infinite wisdom honored his living request and did not pass him by.

Pastor Sims believed in helping the community. He assisted countless individuals and families throughout his tenure as Pastor of Faith In Christ By God, Inc. Pastor Sims believed that faith without works is dead. He was loved and respected by his family, friends & community and will be missed more than can be expressed.

Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims is preceded in death by: Parents: Pecola Curtis Sims and Luvenia Sims; Parents-in-Law: Archie Boatwright and Ruthie Lee Boatwright; Siblings: Mace Duncan, Eula Lee Taylor, Mary Johnson, Clara Lucky Azalea Presely, & Alphonso Sims; Great Uncle: Sam Presely

Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims leaves to mourn and cherish endless memories: Wife: Bertha Boatwright Sims of Apopka, FL; 5 Children: Andrea Sims Fowler (Jerome) of Mount Dora, FL, Gregory Curtis Sims, II (Catherine) of Orlando, FL, Consuelo Sims of Winter Garden, FL, Tara Sims Pete (Ray) of Orlando, FL, Anita Sims (deceased) 17 Grandchildren: Robyn Thomas, McArthur Davis, III (Rebekah), Robert Thomas III, Danielle Davis, Dynasty Davis, Christopher Thomas, Crystal Thomas, Ciera Nelson, Tiara Scarlett, Andrew Davis, Catara Nelson (deceased), Tiana Scarlett, Curtis Nelson II, Mya Sims, Jeremiah Scarlett, Antoniah Gullens and Jalanah Fowler; 7 Great grandchildren: Cailyn Reese, Imani Davis, Luna Thomas, Kendall Thomas, Canon, Camryn & Casey Keith; Siblings: Vera Sams of Orlando FL, Irma Jean Smith (Jack) of Williston FL, Peggy Ann Sims of Williston FL, Thomas Sims (Mary) of Orlando, FL; Sister-In-Law: Pastor Lula Bell Boatwright Harris, Margie Mincey, Linda Presely, & Beverly Sims; Brother-In-Law: Sylvester

Bolden; Great Aunt-in-law: Nellie Presely; Special Friends: Pastor Jerome Williams; a Host of Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and Sorrowing Friends.

Hebrews 11:16 Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ Da,

*I still miss you the same...😭😭😭*

**Tara Sims** - March 06, 2025 at 12:03 AM



“ *Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM

AF

“ *Andrea Sims Fowler sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



**Andrea Sims Fowler** - September 11, 2020 at 08:18 PM

JU

“ *When I think of Pastor Sims I remember those New Years Eve nights and the love that Pastor Sims and his family shared with our family. I will forever be grateful for the words spoken through him from God and although I may not remember everything. I know that Faith in Christ is where I was planted in spirit and will forever be thankful. Thank you faithful man of God. He's in a better place a much better place but in spirit. Pastor Sims you will be missed and your legacy will continue to live on .*

**ju** - August 29, 2020 at 04:03 PM

JU

“ *Ju lit a candle in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



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ju - August 29, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims.*



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August 27, 2020 at 10:05 AM

BT

“ To the family of Pastor Sims.  
Earth has no sorry that Heaven cannot heal.  
Do to my own health challenges I will not be able to attend the  
services of Pastor Sims.  
I have had the pleasure of spending some time with Pastor Sims. I  
found in our conversation  
he truly love and cared for his family and love the Lord.

The Lord will get you through this difficult time you all. Praying for  
strength & comfort during this time & continuing for all of you.  
Please know you are in my prayers and thoughts,

Per Rev 14:13

And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed  
are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the  
Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow  
them.

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all  
be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the  
trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and  
we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal  
must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this  
mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass  
the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O  
death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

2 Corinthians 5:1 King James Version (KJV)

5 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were  
dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with  
hands, eternal in the heavens.

Job 14:14 King James Version (KJV)

*14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.*

*2 Timothy 1:10 King James Version (KJV)*

*10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:*

*John 11:25 King James Version (KJV)*

*25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:*

*Romans 8:17-23 King James Version (KJV)*

*17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.*

*18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.*

*19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.*

*20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,*

*21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.*

*22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.*

*23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.*

JF

“ There are so so many memories to refer to however one of my favorites is when you gave your blessing and attended the wedding of your eldest daughter Andrea and myself. Afterwards, you spoke the words saying “I don’t have to worry no more .”



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**Jerome Fowler** - August 23, 2020 at 12:49 PM

DD

“ I love you always!

*BigWide Smile* 💙



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**Dynasty Davis** - August 23, 2020 at 12:09 PM

DD

“ Dynasty Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



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**Dynasty Davis** - August 23, 2020 at 12:04 PM

DD

“ I’ve gotten lazy but I would force myself to play one last game, just to be able to look into the bleachers to see you watching and hear you shouting, “Go, Country Girl.”

We miss you, Granddaddy.



Danielle “Country Girl” Davis - August 23, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ Tara Sims Pete lit a candle in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



Tara Sims Pete - August 23, 2020 at 11:12 AM

AD

“ Andrew Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



Andrew Davis - August 23, 2020 at 10:29 AM

JF

“ Jalanah “Cinnamon” Fowler sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



Jalanah “Cinnamon” Fowler - August 23, 2020 at 10:17 AM

Ciera Nelson

“ Granddaddy, I miss you soo much. There’s not a day that goes by that I don’t think about you. I’m soo grateful for all the things you taught me about life. Especially about praying and having faith. I’m soo glad you were with me every step of the way with getting my first car. I’ll remember that day forever. I’ll truly miss our deep talks that we would have. I don’t think nobody understood me like you ! I’m trying to be okay with knowing you’re not in pain anymore. But my heart is literally broken. I love you forever Pasta G ❤️.



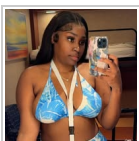
Ciera Nelson - August 22, 2020 at 06:05 PM

Ciera Nelson

“ Ciera Nelson sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



Ciera Nelson - August 22, 2020 at 05:40 PM



“ Robyn Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims



Robyn Thomas - August 22, 2020 at 07:37 AM

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“ *Andrea Sims Fowler sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



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**Andrea Sims Fowler** - August 21, 2020 at 11:04 PM

AF

*Daddy,  
I miss you.....so much*

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**Andrea Sims Fowler** - September 11, 2020 at 08:19 PM



“ *Tara Sims Pete sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



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**Tara Sims Pete** - August 21, 2020 at 08:47 PM

TS

“ *I love you, Granddaddy* ❤️

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**Tiara Scarlett** - August 21, 2020 at 08:46 PM



“ Da,  
*There's never a moment that you weren't in my life. I could count on you for everything. I was always proud of you how you allowed the Lord to turn your life around and lead us to an everlasting relationship with God. You were the true leader of this family. And you left your legacy. And although we are a little rough around the edges, we promise to move in the direction of life that you wanted us to through Christ we know all of this is possible. I promise Mama will be taken care of. With the help of God and His strength we won't let you down. I lovest you Da! This one hurts!*

Tara Sims Pete - August 21, 2020 at 08:42 PM

TS

“ *Tiara Scarlett sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



Tiara Scarlett - August 21, 2020 at 08:26 PM

AG

“ *The last time I heard my granddaddy was when he was laughing on the phone and that's how I'll remember him forever.*

Antoniah Gullens - August 21, 2020 at 08:23 PM

TI

“ *The greatest grandad ever , never turned his back on me . Once told me about my 'war paint' when I wore red lipstick to school. He was so funny . I was singing at church & he said “girl you can blow” he always cracked me up . I love you grandpa. Until we meet again*  
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Tiana - August 21, 2020 at 08:14 PM

RJ

“ *My father in law was a good man. He did things for me that my own father didn't do. He loved me as his own. And I loved him too.*

Ray H Pete Jr - August 21, 2020 at 08:11 PM

TI

“ *The greatest grandad ever , never turned his back on me. Always told me about my 'War Paint' when I wore red lipstick to school. ❤️  
❤️ I love you 😞 until we meet again 😞.*

Tiana - August 21, 2020 at 08:02 PM

CS

“ *Consuelo Sims sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



Consuelo Sims - August 21, 2020 at 06:51 PM

CT

“ *Crystal Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



Crystal Thomas - August 21, 2020 at 06:46 PM

CT

“ *Crystal Thomas lit a candle in memory of  
Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



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**Crystal Thomas** - August 21, 2020 at 06:43 PM

CS

“ *Consuelo Sims lit a candle in memory of  
Pastor Gregory Curtis Sims*



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**Consuelo Sims** - August 21, 2020 at 06:38 PM

CS

“ *There’s a special kind of feeling*

*When I think about you, Dad*

*It’s a pleasure to remember*

*All the happy times we’ve had*

*There’s a special kind of caring*

*That is meant for you alone*

*There’s a place somewhere*

*Within my heart*

*That only you can own*

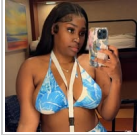
*Miss you forever Daddy,*

*Gal*



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**Consuelo Sims** - August 21, 2020 at 06:37 PM

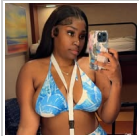


“ *Your first grandchild*



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**Robyn Thomas** - August 21, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ *Granddaddy I can't get over how you laugh at your own jokes😂 You and my momma think y'all are so funny. Remember when I had you on snap chat with the Cowboy filter and you said bang bang how you like them apples and started laughing at your own self. Smh lol I love you granddaddy your booka*

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**Robyn Thomas** - August 21, 2020 at 06:10 PM