

# Wedding

Williams-Miller



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Daffaney Depera Miller and Timothy Emanuel Williams Sr., both of Winston-Salem, were married at 6 p.m. June 26 at the home of the bride's mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Agnew Sr. The Rev. Vernell Taylor of Detroit, Mich., officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Evelyn Bess Agnew and the late Franklin Eli Phelps of Winston-Salem. The bride is a licensed independent cosmetologist. The groom is the son of Norris Williams and Ms. Malinda Williams, both of Winston-Salem. The groom works for Douglas Battery in Winston-Salem.

The bride was escorted by her stepfather. The matron of honor was a friend of the bride and groom, Louise G. Miles of Winston-Salem. The bride's grandfather, Hood Eli Phelps Jr., and honorary guest Sandra Phelps Bray were in attendance. The bridesmaids were Cheresa Miller and Stephanie Miller, the bride's daughters; Ruth Miller, the groom's daughter; Natalie Phelps, the bride's sister-in-law; LyTonya Murphy and Latia Phelps, the bride's nieces, all of Winston-Salem.

The groom's father was the best man. The groom's grandmother, Lavie Fields, was in attendance. The groomsmen were Joe Cole Jr., William Cole Sr., Shawn Gadberry, Leo Smalls, Mike Thomas and Terry Phelps, the bride's brother, all of

Winston-Salem.

The flower girl was Brittney Williams, the miniature bride was MyToya Conrad, and the ring bearers were Adonis Williams and Timothy E. Williams Jr. The special guest was Ruth Galloway.

Others involved in the wedding were: Joann Agnew, coordinator; Evelyn Agnew and Brenda Townsend of Oxan Hill, Md., consultants; Springs Studio, photography; Daffaney Williams, programs and invitations; Jennifer Polk, disc jockey; Wanda Fields and Ethel Ford, caterers; Evelyn Agnew and Joann Agnew, flower arrangements and wedding decorations; Mike Thomas, gift art work; Alfred Holt, Evelyn Agnew, Daffaney Williams and Brenda Banner, seamstresses; S. Shelby Harris of Oxan Hill, Md., Elizabeth Jones and the Rev. and Mrs. George Wooten, soloists; Brenda Banner, Linda Conrad of Oxan Hill, Md., Robin Byers, Stephanie Bishop, Teona Young, Lauren Burch, Gloria Anderson, Elizabeth Lineberger, Alethia Colts, Shanda Chambell, Patricia Holliday and Staci Minor, hostesses; Brian Phelps of Charlotte, Kevin Anderson, Joel Miller of Oxan Hill, Md., and Sylvester Nettles, parking directors; Ivory Doughtit, hair stylist; Alphonzo Carethers, audio technician; Tiffany's Limo, limousine.

The couple will live in Winston-Salem after a honeymoon trip to the Poconos.

## Prayer

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ministers from around the state Maree defined worship as the ability to "humble yourself, to allow God to show you things about yourself."

She encouraged believers to surrender their wills to God.

"We have a body and a soul. The one you feed the most, that is the one that is operating," she said.

Maree identified prayer as a key to preparing for worship.

"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face, then shall they hear from heaven. I will forgive their sins and heal their land," she quoted from the scriptures. "Our land is sick, and we have many problems, but prayer is what changes circumstances," she said.

The Rev. Carlton Williams, pastor of Mount Pleasant A.M.E. Zion Church, exhorted the church to move to a higher level with God. His text came from I Samuel 26:25 and dealt with the last time biblical heroes Saul and David would see each other face to face.

"God may allow a Saul in your life, but God is on your side. David declared the victory of God," Williams said.

He said that "God has a way of letting his people know when time is up and He is ready to bring you out."

"When Pharaoh refused to



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let Moses and his people go and God killed the firstborns. He was letting them know that time was up," Williams said. "But I have a problem with this new prosperity gospel. God didn't say that Christians would not have problems. In this world we shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer, for I have overcome the world."

"Under the new gospel, they put in a quote and out pops a

bleasing. These prayer meetings can become bare meetings, a lot of noise but no power."

Williams' wife, Janice Williams, sang a solo, "Because He Lives," accompanied by organist Roderick Davis of White Rock A.M.E. Zion Church of Granite Quarry.

Shenata McMillan sang a solo, "I Love the Lord," accompanied by Cory Love.

According to Maree, the

church believes strongly in praying together.

Church members have called special prayer vigils for such issues as school violence and the war in Kosovo.

"We all need to be prayer warriors," she said. "That's what God told us to do. Our prayer services are open to the entire community. If we want to see things happen in our community, we need to come together on one accord"

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Philyaw-LeGrand



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Luciana Yvonne LeGrand of Winston-Salem and Curtis Ivan Philyaw of Waygram were married at 3 p.m. June 19 in Saint Paul Apostolic Church in Winston-Salem. Elder Benjamin F. Singletary officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Rose E. LeGrand of Winston-Salem and the Rev. Raymond C. LeGrand of Ohio. The groom is the son of Barbara Ann Philyaw.

The bride was escorted by her father, Alvah Y. Hayes, the bride's aunt, was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Pamela Smallwood and Devon Cuthbertson. The junior bride was Jasmine Y. Hayes.

Devin Latney was the best man. The groomsmen were

Clarence Campbell and William J. LeGrand, the bride's brother. The junior groom was Jonathan Brown II.

Tiana McLaughlin and Jeanetta McLaughlin were the flower girls. The ring bearer was C.J. McLaughlin III.

The wedding coordinator was Yolanda Singletary. The guest register attendant was Lekeshia Singletary. Wedding music was provided by Malik Graham and Antonio Dove.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at Bellview Recreation Center. The reception hostesses were Dealon Hatcher, Carolyn Smith, Shirley Stowe and Janice Johnson.

The couple will live in Winston-Salem.