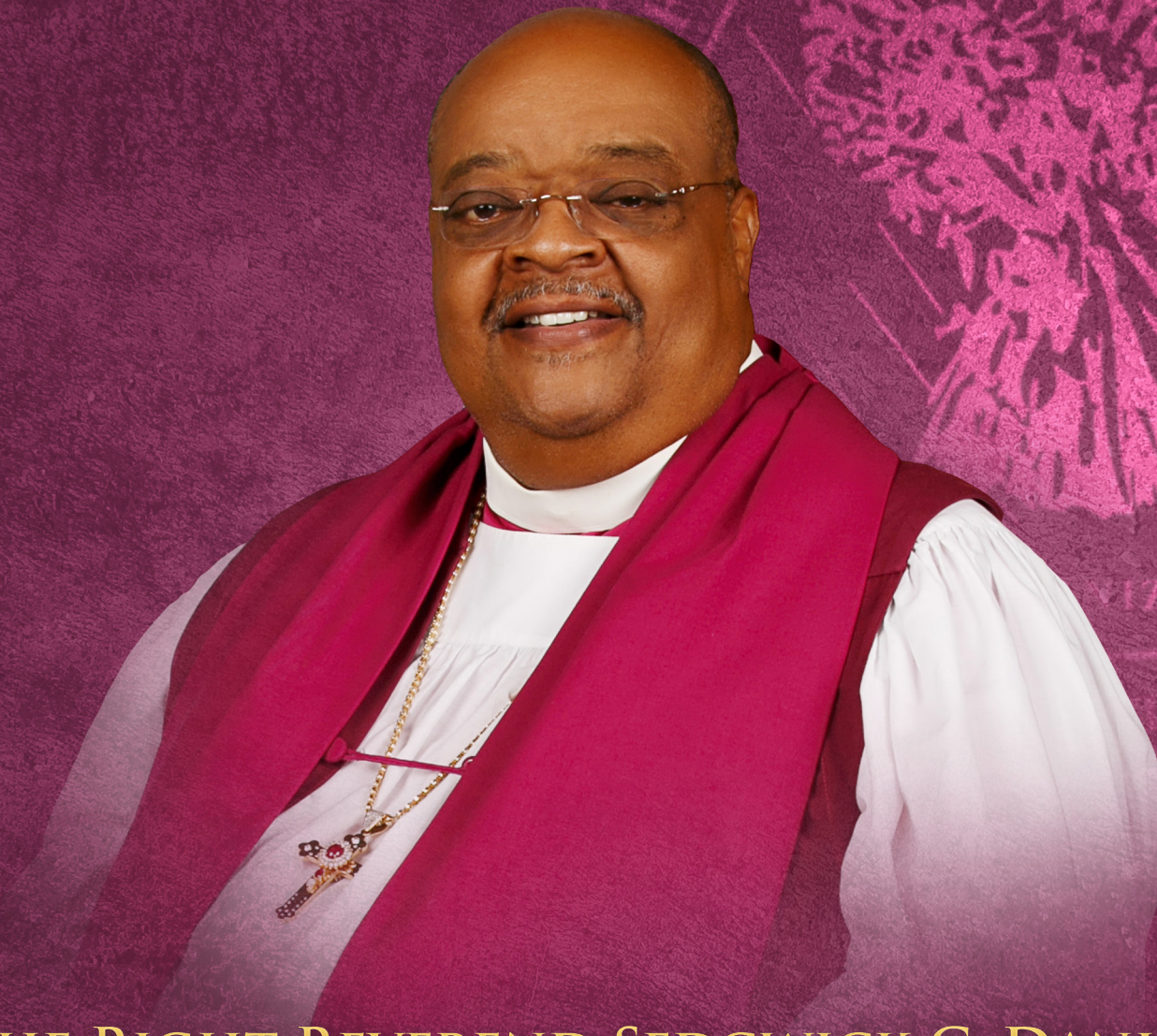




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FOR
THE RIGHT REVEREND SEDGWICK C. DANIELS



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Sunday, August 16, 1959



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Holy Redeemer Institutional Church Of God In Christ

*3500 W. Mother Daniels Way
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53209*

**Monday, the twentieth day of November
2023 in the year of our Lord**

THE CHIEF CELEBRANT

The Most Reverend John Drew Sheard

Presiding Bishop & Chief Apostle

Assisted by

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Obsequies and Celebration of Life
**THE GLORIOUS CHRONICLE OF AN ESTEEMED
DENOMINATIONAL DOYEN AND JURISDICTIONAL
PROLOCUTOR**

The esteemed Bishop Sedgwick Daniels, a remarkable individual who left an enduring legacy as a beacon of light in the realms of education, humanitarianism, and ecclesiastical leadership. Auscultating the unfolding of God's divine beneficence, Bishop Daniels' profound impact will forever be etched in the annals of history.

The Embarkation

Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations. Jeremiah 1:5

An angelic aperture of the heavens made way for the birth of Sedgwick Daniels, née to the late John and Supervisor Kathryn Daniels, on August 16, 1959. At this precise moment in time, God crafted with focused intention and divine will, a perfectly aligned predestination. A cosmic assignment mandated before the formation of the world. God specifically decided to mold as clay- a leader that would be uncommon amongst uncommon men as a harbinger of hope, a luminary of wisdom, a pioneer of spiritual administration and a model of pastoral austerity.

The Extraction

But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. Isaiah 43:1

Bishop Daniels was called out from the common, into a life of extraordinary service and duty. Cut from the sacred cloth of Christ, God carefully bespoke Bishop Daniels as a leader; gracefully constructing him to be a man of dignity, sterling character and a shepherd for his people, touching the lives of thousands for over half a century. His noble disposition, peerless inquisitiveness, and distinctive wisdom established a stark delineation as a young man who stood out among his peers. Raised in a household of faith, inevitably purposed to influence countless households of faith, Bishop's saxicolous upbringing with undeniable positioning on the bedrock of holiness shaped a life that was succinctly designed for godly learning, living and leading. With an insatiable longing to find a deeper personal understanding of the Lord, he found himself immersed in a cocoon of sacred anointing—a transcendental journey that launched him into uncharted dimensions and to walk uprightly in the excogitation of the Lord. Embracing his biblical foundation, pursuing spiritual excellence and maintaining a religious sagacity that incorporated fervent Baptist traditions with a newly discovered Pentecostal experience. This exclusive fusion of traditional understanding and modern perspective created a venerable foundation which allowed him to become a celebrated and transformative potentate.

The Emergence

Through wisdom is an house builded; And by understanding it is established Proverbs 24:3

From the captivating city of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Bishop Daniels graced the world as the celebrated establishmentarian and senior pastor of the Holy Redeemer Institutional Church Of God In Christ. He was revered as a true rotavator in the vineyards of the Kingdom, planting boldly and watering bountifully for the glorious harvest for the Lord. The penetratingly studious nature that he possessed inspired him to pursue the biblical principle of 'seeking to understand.' This search led him to the discoveries of understanding the true needs of people for whom he was called to inspire which resulted in architecting innovative bespoke approaches that led to sustainable change. His transformative influence extended far beyond the boundaries of a single congregation, reaching communities across Wisconsin, Eastern Minnesota, Western Michigan, and Northern Illinois which yet expanded globally in countries beyond the United States.

The impeccable and stellar Pentecostal witness of Elder Daniels created a glowingly harmonious atmosphere and an ambience of holiness for those entrusted to his stewardship. His intriguing causeries empowered the saints to serve God, treasure family and work diligently to provide holistic familial service. Bishop Daniels' commitment to community empowerment was embodied by the vision known as the Bishop's Creek. This remarkable initiative transformed the Holy Redeemer complex into a beacon of hope and progress. The Bishop's Creek community development corporation, founded in 2006, revitalized the neighborhood surrounding Holy Redeemer's sacred abode on the north side of Milwaukee. Numerous institutions, including senior housing, a children's orphanage, homes for family reunification, and facilities for youth, stand as testaments to Bishop Daniels' unwavering commitment to uplifting the community.

Educational empowerment held a special place in Bishop Daniels' heart. Within the Holy Redeemer complex, the Holy Redeemer Educational Consortium stood as a pillar of knowledge and enlightenment. From early childhood to higher education, these institutions continue to shape the minds and hearts of generations to come.

The Ennoblement

*For exaltation comes neither from the east
Nor from the west nor from the south. Psalms 75:6*

Elevated to the esteemed role of Church of God in Christ Jurisdictional Prelate in 2001, Bishop Daniels continued on his remarkable ministerial journey that spanned over four decades. He created a litany of initiatives designed to provide spiritual enlightenment, economic prosperity, educational empowerment, and societal transformation all of which became the hallmarks of his leadership. While he was an adamant opposer of cynosure, his focus kept him dutifully bound to offer selfless investment and guidance to the Wisconsin First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, which flourished while witnessing an exponential growth to over 100 inspired churches and ministries across the region.

Bishop Daniels' impact reverberated on a global scale as a General Board Member of the Church Of God In Christ. Elected and consecrated in 2008, he adorned this prestigious role with grace and distinction, earning re-election in four subsequent quadrennial elections. His unwavering dedication and support as Secretary to the General Board during the pivotal 2016 Quadrennial showcased his invaluable contributions to COGIC leadership. Moreover, during the tumultuous period of the COVID-19 pandemic, Bishop Daniels selflessly embraced the interim role of 2nd Assistant Presiding Bishop, exemplifying his unwavering commitment to spiritual and organizational leadership.

The Expansion

And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that Thou wouldest bless me indeed and enlarge my borders, and that Thine hand might be with me and that Thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me!" And God granted him that which he requested. 1 Chronicles 4:10

Bishop Daniels had a strong educational background that fueled the founding of The Holy Redeemer Educational Consortium. HREC is located at the complex and includes the Holy Redeemer Fine Arts Possentum, Holy Redeemer Christian Academy for K-8 students, Young-Coggs University Preparatory Academy for middle and high school students, Hudson-Herron Ministers Institute, and a partnership with Marian University of Fond du Lac, offering accredited undergraduate and graduate degrees onsite at HR. The Institute for the Preservation of African American Music and Arts (I-PAMA) was founded in 2016, coinciding with the 30th anniversary of the Holy Redeemer congregation. Since its inception, I-PAMA has opened two campuses on the north side of Milwaukee. The William J. Tucker East Campus is on site at the Holy Redeemer Campus and the Martel C. Scott West Campus is housed at a former research center designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.

Through his diverse and holistic approach to ministry, thousands have been positively impacted, breaking down cultural, financial, and familial barriers. His collaborative and transparent approach has been crucial in strengthening the global outreach of the largest African American Pentecostal church in the world. Admired for his humility and personal sacrifice, Bishop Daniels was inspired by Daniel 10:7 to expand the vision God has given him and firmly lived by his motivational modus operandi that "There is nothing too hard for God."

The Erudition

God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams. Daniel 1:17

The insatiable appetite for education, acute affinity for scholarship and his sagacious persistence activated his mission to pursue education for self and others. Bursting with an array of academic prowess, He stood poised and ready to serve! Anchored by a rich educational tapestry, which includes a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, a Master's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and Organizational Leadership, and a shining Doctorate in Ministry, his intellectual arsenal was indeed vast. In addition to his academic achievements, he held numerous certifications, licenses, and honorary degrees. These collective academic achievements resoundingly confirmed his thought leadership and cerebral value which further bolstered his impact on the Kingdom both near and abroad.

Learning Beyond his religious and community work, Bishop Daniels was called upon to bring kingdom minded leadership to governance, serving on the boards of over 15 prestigious organizations, merging his business activities with ecumenical stewardship. His leadership philosophy of equanimity infused decision making, was shaped by his Alabama Baptist and Wisconsin Pentecostal sagacity, nurtured by his parents and grandparents.

The Emancipation

Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you. Isaiah 60:1

In a divine tableau orchestrated by the Immaculately Almighty God, the sacred journey of his mortal soul, which commenced on the auspicious day of August 16th, 1959, continued toward its heavenly destination. The summons of 'well done that faithful servant' occurred on November 12th, 2023 Anno Domini, in the year of our Lord and Savior. As the celestial clock chimed, at the precise hour of 5:24 pm Central Standard Time, the mortal shall transcend the boundaries of mortality, embracing the realm of the immortal.

His lessons, love, and legacy, are cherished by his brother Attorney John (Irma) Daniels, his sister Dr. Valerie Daniels-Carter, his aunt Willma Ruth (Blanton) Owens, his nieces and nephews Damon (Melinda), Demean (Steve), Daren (Merhawit), Andrew Jr., Keona (Anthony), Ericka, John (Erickajoy), Dylan, Janaia, Inez (Tommy), and Jeffrey, his cherished friend Annette (Queenie) Lenox, his special grandchildren Marty and Martayla, and a host of close friends, Holy Redeemer congregants, members of Wisconsin First, the entire faculty and staff of the Holy Redeemer Educational Consortium, and the global community of mentees and believers who were impacted by Bishop's profound words of wisdom.

As we bid farewell to this extraordinary luminary, let us remember Bishop Sedgwick Daniels for his unwavering commitment to education, humanitarianism, and ecclesiastical leadership. May his legacy continue to inspire and guide us as we navigate the path ahead, cherishing the profound impact he had on our lives and communities.

Rest in eternal peace, Bishop Daniels, for your light will forever shine brightly in our hearts. And may you hear the euphonious sound from heaven as God has proclaimed... Well done, my good and faithful servant for building my Kingdom.

THE ORDER OF THE NATIONAL HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

† *Where Indicated Please Stand*

Worship Facilitators

The Right Reverend Lawrence M. Wooten, Sr.
Second Assistant Presiding Bishop

&

The Right Reverend Charles H. McClelland
General Board Member

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The Daniels Family

THE SEALING OF THE BIER

†THE HYMN OF COMFORT The C.H. Mason Memorial Choir
and Congregation

“When We All Get To Heaven”

†INVOCATION..... The Right Reverend Michael E. Hill, Sr.
Assistant Secretary, General Board

†THE OLD TESTAMENT.....Isaiah 40:28-31 The Right Reverend Malcolm W. Coby
General Board Member

THE CHORAL RESPONSE The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
“The Hallelujah Chant”

†THE NEW TESTAMENT.....I Corinthians 15:51-58 The Right Reverend David A. Hall, Sr.
General Board Member

†THE EPISTLE.....Philippians 1: 20-26..... The Right Reverend Elijah H. Hankerson III
General Board Member

†THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH..... The Right Reverend Darrell L. Hines, Sr.
General Board Member

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir

THE NATIONAL TRIBUTES
(Two minutes please)

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- The College of Bishops The Right Reverend Albert Galbraith, Jr.
Chairman
- The Judiciary Board The Right Reverend Enoch Perry III
Associate Justice
- The General Assembly..... The Right Reverend Lemuel F. Thuston
Chairman
- The General Church The Right Reverend Joel H. Lyles, Jr.
General Secretary
- THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC..... The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
- The General Board The Right Reverend Brandon B. Porter
Secretary, General Board
- Presentation of the Presiding Bishop The Right Reverend Jerry W. Macklin
First Assistant Presiding Bishop

THE APOSTOLIC PROCLAMATION

HIS EMINENCE

The Most Reverend John Drew Sheard
Presiding Bishop & Chief Apostle
Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

- THE SERMONIC SELECTION The C. H. Mason Memorial Choir
- THE EULOGY The Right Reverend Jerry L. Maynard
Prelate, Tennessee Fourth Jurisdiction
- THE PRAYER OF CONSOLATION The Right Reverend Prince E.W. Bryant, Sr.
General Board Member

†THE RECESSIONAL

THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:28-31

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

THE NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 15:51-58

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 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. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 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. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 1:20-26

According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.

For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better: Nevertheless, to abide in the flesh is more needful for you.

And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith; That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you again.

The Hymn of Comfort
WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace;
In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place.

When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, Clouds will overspread the sky;
But when trav'ling days are over, Not a shadow, not a sigh.
Let us then be true and faithful, Trusting, serving every day;
Just one glimpse of Him in glory Will the toils of life repay.

When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!

Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;
Soon the pearly gates will open; We shall tread the streets of gold.

When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!
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Author: E.E. Hewitt (1898)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

† Where Indicated, Please Stand

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in the Bible.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible written word of God.

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in God.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in the Blessed Hope.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe in the blessed Hope, which is the rapture of the Church of God, which is in Christ, at His return.

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in Repentance and Salvation.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ. We believe that regeneration by the Holy Ghost is absolutely essential for personal salvation.

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in Jesus Christ.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing for the human body in answer to believing prayer

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in the Holy Ghost.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe that the baptism in the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it.

†**The Leader:** *We affirm our faith in Sanctification.*

†**The Congregation:** We believe in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling, the Christian is enabled to live a holy and separated life in this present world.

Amen.

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