

*Homegoing Celebration  
for  
Mother Annie Will Maples*



**Saturday, December 20, 2003**

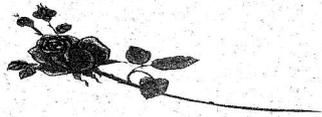
**12:00 P.M.**

**New Beria Missionary Baptist Church**

*Elkmont, Alabama*

**Pastor Flip Leotha Ingram III**

## *Life Is Eternal*



*" Life is eternal " the good Lord said,  
So do not think of your loved one as dead  
for death is only a stepping - stone  
to a beautiful life we have never known,  
A place where God promised a man he would be eternally  
happy and safe and free,  
A wonderful land where we live a new  
when our journey on earth is over and through So trust god  
and doubt Him never, for all who love Him live forever,  
And while we cannot understand  
just let the Savior take your hand,  
for when death's angel comes to call  
God is so great and we're so small...  
And there is nothing you need fear  
for faith in God makes everything clear.*

*Life is eternal and love is immortal, and death is a gateway -  
an entrance and portal-  
into a life that is no man can envision, for  
God has a greater perspective and vision.*

## *Order Of Service*

Processional.....Soft Music.....Participating Clergy and Family  
Selection..... Choir  
Opening Song and Prayer..... Deacon Kenneth R. Davis Sr.  
Scripture Reading(Old and New Testament)..Minster James  
Beddingfield  
Selection.....Duet.....Crystal Malone and Keona Shoulders  
Reflections  
As a friend,neighbor,and loved one...Mother Mary Maples  
As a church member ..... Deacon Wade White  
Selection..... Choir  
Obituary.....(Read Silently).....Soft Music  
Acknowledgements.....Brother James Horton  
Selection.....Sister Shawnie Ingram  
Eulogy.....Pastor Flip Leotha Ingram III  
Solo.....Brother Shawn Moore  
Closing Prayer..... Minister Larry Lockett

## Obituary

Annie Will Maples, was born March 15, 1927, in Limestone County, Alabama to the late Posey Horton and Manerva Horton. Mrs. Maples was one of the 16 born to this union. She departed this life December 17, 2003 at Huntsville Hospital.

Mrs. Annie Will Maples committed her life to Christ at an early age and united with New Beria Missionary Baptist Church where she served as a loyal member of the mother board and also served many years as a member of the Missionary Society.

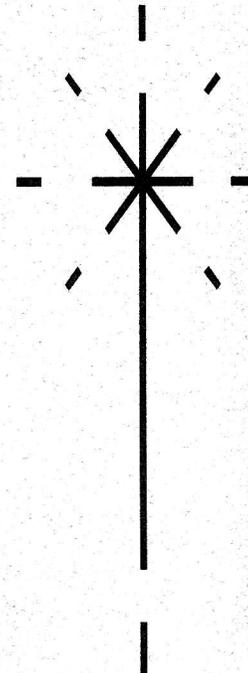
Mother Maples was educated at Red Hill school in Lester, Alabama. She was employed by the Athens Convalescent Center on West Market Street in Athens, Alabama.

She was united in holy matrimony in 1943 to the late Albert Maples and to this fifty - three year union eight children were born.

She leaves to cherish her memories two sons Steve Maples (Joyce) of Elkmont, Alabama Dwight Maples (Myrtle) of Lester, Alabama; three daughters, Annie Mae Clemons, and Vandora Anderson (Donnie) both of Athens, Alabama and Jacqueline C. Davis (Kenneth) of Elkmont, Alabama; one sister Ella Will Cane of Nashville, Tennessee

She also leaves to mourn 21 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Mother Maples is preceded in in death by her husband Albert Maples; three daughters Alma Jean McWilliams, Mamie Lou Maples, and Mary Francis Maples; one son - in-law David D. Clemons; two brothers Posey Horton II and Bobbie Lee Horton; four sisters Georgia Readus, Jessie Mae Stewart, Mary Alice Norman.



*Flowers Bearers*

**Grandchildren and Nieces**

*Honorary Flowers Bearers*

**Veronica Burls, Tabitha McWilliams, Latonia Lockett,  
Stephonie Ross, Yolanda McWilliams, Renae Anderson  
Marquita Maples, Brenda Franklin, Jessica Davis, Leah  
Maples, Niconya Maples**

*Pall Bearers*

**Grandchildren and Nephews**

*Honorary Flowers Bearers*

**Ollie McWilliams Jr., Dwayne McWilliams, Dallas Maples,  
Steve Maples Jr., Marcus M. Maples, Donnie Anderson Jr.,  
Derrick Maples, LaDale Coffey, Kenneth Ray Davis II, Alex  
Maples**

*Words Of Appreciation*

*People need people  
and friends need friends,  
and we all need love,  
for a full depends  
Not on vast riches  
or great acclaim,  
Not on success or  
on worldly fame  
But just in knowing  
that someone cares  
and holds us close in their  
thoughts and prayers.*

*The family of the late Mother Annie Will Maples would  
like to express their sincere appreciation for all acts of  
kindness shown during her stay at the hospital of their loved  
one.*