

“Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate,  
our deepest fear is that we are powerful  
beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness that most  
frightens us.

We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant,  
gorgeous, talented, fabulous?  
Actually, who are you *not* to be?  
You are a child of God.

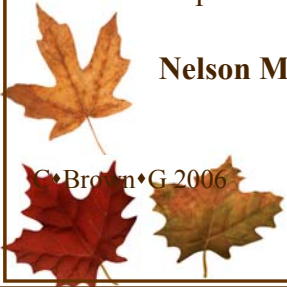
Your playing small doesn't serve the world.  
There's nothing enlightened about shrinking  
so that other people won't feel insecure  
around you.

We were born to make manifest  
the glory of God that is within us.  
It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone.

And as we let our own light shine,  
we unconsciously give other people  
permission to do the same.

As we're liberated from our own fear,  
our presence automatically liberates others.”

**Nelson Mandela 1994 Inaugural Speech**



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**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH  
E. L. TWINE CLUB  
17TH ANNUAL  
BACCALAUREATE SERVICE**



Thursday, November 23, 2006 • 10:00 A.M.

**“WORKING OUR FAITH”**

James 2:14-26

**“The” Friendship Baptist Church  
5200 W. Jackson Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60644**

Rev. Reginald Bachus, Pastor

Mr. Arthur Winfield, President, E.L. Twine Club  
Mrs. Cynthia Brown Greenwood  
Program Chair, Baccalaureate Service  
Ms. Charisse Neal, Program Co-Chair



## THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

To all of the recipients today, I want to congratulate you on the milestone you have already achieved.

As you keep striving and toiling for the prize, I would encourage you to keep your hand in God's hand. Many storms will rise and winds will blow, but God has promised to make a way for you.

As you learn your lessons, don't forget the greatest lesson of all. Learn to trust in Jesus. Depend upon His Holy Name. He will stick to you closer than a brother.

Please know that you are always in our prayers.

Arthur Winfield, President  
E.L. Twine Club

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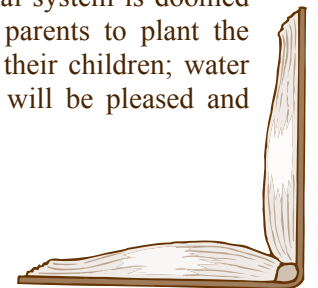
## JUSTICE L. PRISCILLA HALL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Justice L. Priscilla Hall is the daughter of Rev. Dr. Shelvin Jerome Hall and Mrs. Lucy Mae Hall. She is serving as an elected Justice of the New York State Supreme Court, Second Judicial District. She served as Judge of the New York State Court of Claims from 1990-94, Judge of the Criminal Court of the City of New York from 1986-90 and other positions too numerous to name.

She holds a B.A. Degree from Howard University where she graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1968, graduated with honors from Columbia University School of Journalism with a Master of Science Degree in 1969 and holds a Juris Doctor from Columbia University School of Law.

Justice L. Priscilla Hall is the author of several publications including: "Women on the Bench," "Why the Legal Professional Needs to Mirror the Community It Serves," "In Praise of Black Women Lawyers." and "Executioners, Jailers, Slave-Trappers and the Law: What Role Should Reality Play in Judging?"

She has numerous awards and honors: "Commitment and Service" Award 2005, "Honorable Joseph B. Williams Award for Civic Service," "Leadership" Award, "Race in the Legal Profession," "Judicial Sunshine Award; just to mention a few. Justice L. Priscilla Hall believes strongly in education and financially supports the scholarship named in her honor. She believes that a nation that neglects her educational system is doomed to disintegrate. She encourages parents to plant the seeds of educational greatness in their children; water and nourish it well, so that God will be pleased and give the increase.



## THE PASTOR SPEAKS

As my pastorate of the Friendship Baptist Church for 51 years comes to a close, I can say with all honesty and sincerity, “I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:...”

I would admonish the graduates here today to fight a good fight, finish your course, keep the faith and you may graduate Summa Cum Laude because of your faithfulness.

You will have your share of thorns, battles and scars; know that the Lord will give you enough grace and mercy to endure them. Make sure that your battle scars are for righteousness.

God in the final analysis will grade your paper. If you're found faithful, He will give you a "...crown of life,..."

*“...be thou faithful until death,...”*

My wife, Lucy Mae Hall and my children join me in thanking the Baccalaureate Committee and the entire congregation for your love, compassion and generosity over these many years.

Reverend Shelvin Jerome Hall  
Pastor  
(1955 - 11/11/06)

## PAST SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**1992**

Rhonda Carroll  
Antwon M. Funches  
Emmett George  
Kevin Johnson  
William Johnson  
Eliza Webb

**1993**

Carmella Banks  
Tameka Brown  
Allison Nicole Simpson

**1994**

Deidre R. Brown  
Leonard Brown  
Reginald D. Collins  
Cristal T. Johnson  
Tiffany Maynard  
Kimberly Taylor  
Wallace Wilbourn, Jr.

**1995**

Albert Blanchard  
Felicia Nate Hill  
Namandje Jefferson  
Zakiah Maynard

**1996**

Aron Jessie Davidson, III  
Kasandji Jefferson  
Reverend Cleophus J. Lee  
Adrian Strong

**1997**

Broderick A. Banks  
Lynette Smith  
Jonathan Wilkins

**1998**

Naima L. Hall  
James A. Robinson-Parran

**1999**

Brandon Cox  
Krystina D. Davidson  
Theodore McCall  
Roger O'Neal  
Rev. Marcus C. Owens

**2000**

Keleya Jefferson  
Julius Kumi-Darfor  
Arick Lockhart  
Ikeda Lockhart  
Leslie Nicole Newman  
Tiffany Lenice Whooper  
Jennifer Monique Wilkins

**2001**

Keiona Colson  
Nicolra Denise Gholston  
Daniel Donnell Hill  
Johnnie Edward Smith, Jr.  
Matthew Justin Willett

**2002**

Candice Brown-Miller

**2003**

Bianca L. Clemons  
Justice Kumi-Darfor  
Latoya N. Thomas  
Katia Pelmentra Vasser

**2004**

Gervaise T. Brown  
Tiffany B. Colson  
Brittney Anita Cusic  
Jennifer Clemons  
Chauncey Givens

**2005**

Aiesha Montgomery



## PAST SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**1956**

Olivia Scruggs Taylor  
Gloria Wright Turner

**1967**

Carol B. Jamieson

**1968**

Frank Brown, Jr.  
Reverend Jesse M. Brown  
Deborah Wigfall

**1969**

Joshlyn Dortch  
Carolyn L. Simpson  
Paulette Washington  
Diane Walker

**1972**

Rosetta Dailey

**1973**

Reverend Dannie L. Bell  
Reverend Alonzo Stovall  
Yvonne Williams

**1974**

Janet D. Jamieson

**1975**

Leonard Franklin  
Naomi Robinson  
Janet D. Williams

**1976**

Michael Hicks  
Ivy Fay Jamieson  
Verzesta M. Johnson

**1980**

Belinda Allen  
Charisse Neal  
Cassandra L. Walton

**1982**

Tommica Foster

**1983**

Michelle Hart  
Tiwana Lee  
Darcie Stinson

**1986**

David Cross  
Belvie Foster  
Darleshia Griffith  
Jay Hicks  
Pamela Lucas  
Mishawn Mayfield  
Elonda Ware  
Michael Wilson

**1987**

Alesha Hill  
Raimondi Ross  
Michele Taylor

**1988**

Allyson Johnson  
Clyde DeMon Johnson  
Melvyn Johnson  
Kimberly LaShawn Miller  
Yawniss Rey

**1989**

Lisa C. Davis  
Tisa Griffith  
Beverly T. Lucas

**1990**

Carmalissa Jackson  
Zenita DoLoRas Johnson  
Marlo McManus  
Keith Pittman  
Stephanie Wilbourn

**1991**

Latari Hudson  
Bernard Hughes  
Teresa Johnson  
Anjenita Owiku  
Dovetta Walker

## ABOUT OUR SPEAKER



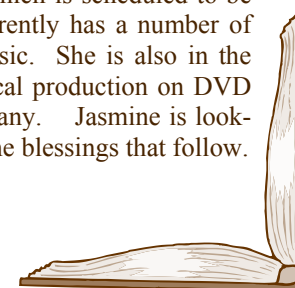
**Jasmine N. Powell** is a 25-year-old poet, musician, and playwright from Naperville, IL.

She received her undergraduate degree from Jackson State University in the Spring of 2003. She majored in Broadcast Journalism and minored in Spanish. Jasmine has a multi-media background and has built an extensive resume as a radio personality, news producer and journalist. She most recently worked as a producer at WFLD, Fox News Chicago.

**Jasmine** is affiliated with several community oriented organizations such as *Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.*, *The NAACP*, *The S.A.F.F.E. Foundation*, and *Hessed House* (Homeless Shelter in Montgomery, IL). She enjoys giving back and making a difference in the lives of other people.

**Jasmine** attends Alpha Missionary Baptist Church in Bolingbrook where she is active as a youth leader. Jasmine spends most of her time mentoring adolescent and teenage girls through the "Girls of Grace" ministry at her church. Jasmine works with the youth in many facets. She also serves as a drama coach to young girls and boys that are interested in performing arts. Jasmine has a special connection with the youth, and believes that God has called her to be a positive force within their lives.

When **Jasmine** isn't working with the youth, she is writing and producing music with her older brother, Jason. The two-some is presently working on their second Christian Hip-Hop album, *The Christian Mixtape 2.0*, which is scheduled to be released in early 2007. Jasmine currently has a number of projects underway in addition to music. She is also in the process of releasing her third theatrical production on DVD and developing a greeting card company. Jasmine is looking forward to the new year, and all the blessings that follow.



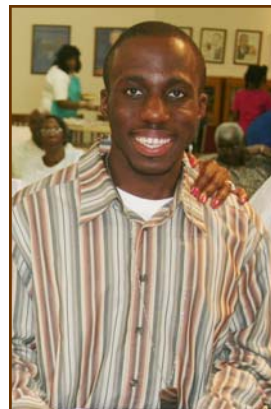
## PROGRAM

Call to Worship	Rev. George Bowen
Processional	Voices of Friendship
Processional	2006 Graduates
Scripture	Rev. Elvin Simpson
Prayer	Rev. Jesse Burrell
Purpose	Ms. Janet D. Jamieson
Selection	Voices of Friendship

## OFFERING

Offertory Prayer	Rev. Clarence Miller
Testimonial	Rev. Arick Lockhart
Introduction of Speaker	Mrs. Cynthia Brown Greenwood and Miss Paige Greenwood

## JABARI SMART



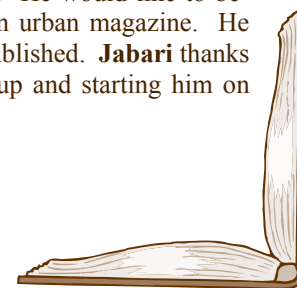
**Jabari Rashad Smart** is the only child of Theresa McCall Smart. He was born in Rockford, Illinois 2 1/2 months before his due date. His parents considered him a miracle child because he only weighed 2lbs and 1 1/2 oz.

**Jabari** attended Welsh Elementary School in Rockford. He was an honor roll student. He started playing basketball in 1st grade, and won several trophies. While at Christ English Lutheran School, he was captain of the cross country track team. He also developed a passion for writing.

**Jabari** graduated from ACT Charter High School (Academy of Communication and Technology). In high school, he was a member of the poetry club and participated in design workshops. He won awards for poetry, and even had a poem published in a book.

**Jabari** loves going to church and singing in the choir. He was baptized by Rev. Shelvin Jerome Hall just as was his mother, Theresa McCall Smart, and his grandmother, Ocie McCall. He is a member of the BYF, and he sings in the choir. His favorite Bible verse is Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

His career goals are to earn an associate degree, and then transfer to Savannah State University in Savannah, Georgia. He plans to earn a degree in English. He would like to become a writer, and a journalist for an urban magazine. He also plans to have a book of poems published. **Jabari** thanks the Lord every day for waking him up and starting him on his way.



## LATATEKA MCCARTHY



**Latateka McCarty** is currently in her first year of college. She attends the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. **Latateka** plans to major in Theater.

**Latateka** graduated at the top of her high school class with a 3.75 grade point average. She is striving to achieve the same academic accomplishments while in college.

**Latateka's** goal is to open a Christian youth theater. She wants to fulfill her passion for acting and provide a safe place for children to use their creative energy for a worthy cause. She especially wants to keep the children out of trouble.

## PROGRAM

### BACCALARAUREATE ADDRESS

Ms. Jasmine N. Powell

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The Charge

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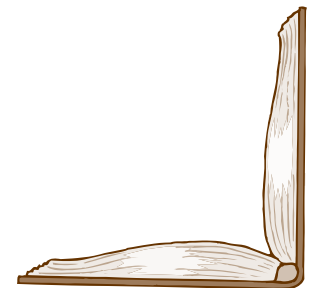
Mr. Arthur Winfield  
Mrs. Olivia Brown

Observations

Pastor Reginald Bachus

Benediction

Pastor Reginald Bachus



## CLASS OF 2006 GRADUATES

### HIGH SCHOOL

Marcus Burrell  
Devry University  
Major: Accounting

Latateka McCarty  
University of Illinois (Urbana)  
Major: Theater/Communications

Jabari Smart  
Wright Junior College  
Major: English/Journalism

### EIGHTH GRADE

Lawrence Brown  
Von Steuben High School

Reginald B. Greenwood, II  
Fenwick High School

NaVeil Johnson  
Lincoln Park High School

Eric Metts  
Gordon Hubbard High School

Alexis Montgomery  
C.I.C.S. Northtown Charter High School

Quintrell Wilbourn  
Austin High School

## MARCUS BURRELL



**Marcus Burrell** was born on September 16, 1987. He attended Benjamin Raymond Elementary School from Kindergarten through eighth grade. While there he received a plaque for achieving the highest math scores within the school.

After graduation, **Marcus** attended Austin Career Academy. He was involved in football, and eventually became captain of the team. **Marcus** was a member of the National Honor Society during all four years of high school. **Marcus** was President of the Student Council.

**Marcus** graduated on June 10, 2006. He now attends Devry University and majors in accounting.

