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*This publication is designed to inform, inspire, and ignite special services to our Retired Ministers and Widows. If you are doing something in your area that is proving to be successful and a blessing, this paper will always be open and available to you to share it with others.*

## Let's Go Visiting

When we first began SpiritCare Ministries, we set as our goal to make contact with every retired minister and widow in each state or territory. Unfortunately, we have not reached that goal every year. But, we do still need to make a very special effort to visit with them in person or at least contact them by mail or telephone.

Every person that is eligible for the *Helping Hands Program* of prescription medication reimbursement needs to be located and given this assistance. The resources are available for those who qualify, but we need your help to locate and find out each persons needs. I suggest to you that you draw up a form where each retired minister or widow that you contact can list their name, address, phone number, and a place a check whether they would like to apply for the *Helping Hands Program*. Their annual income must be at or below the United States Government established poverty level. These figures are \$12,120 for two persons [married] and \$8,980 for one person [single or widow(er)]. It probably would be better not to ask for their specific annual income since this is often a private issue. Instead, if they would like to apply for the *Helping Hands Program*, simply give them an application to fill out and ask them to return it to the SpiritCare Office or simply give it back to you so that you can mail it for them.

If you visit their home, be observant of the needs and conditions they live in. Also, see if you can find out if there are any small items that they may have need of that would make life a little more pleasant. Some example would be fans or heaters.

I would like to complete this goal before the General Assembly in August. Let's make every effort to help as many of these soldiers of the cross that we can before that time.

*I pray special blessings upon you as you endeavor to complete the task laid before you. Thank you for your faithful and noteworthy ministries. —Brother Paul Henson*

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# Milestones

## Anniversaries

- Terry & Terri Williams  
February 6
- Harold & Alice Anderson  
February 14
- Frank & Shirley Meadows  
February 18
- Charles & Betty Prince  
February 20
- Calvon & Alice Kidder  
February 21
- Virgil & Bertha Nettles  
March 14
- Jack & Claudine Bridges  
March 20
- Paul & Sandra Alumbaugh  
March 30

## Birthdays

- Luchen Bailey  
February 13
  - Shirley Meadows  
February 14
  - Harold Bowman  
February 18
  - Paul Shoemaker  
March 2
  - Jean Easton  
March 7
  - Julius Roberts  
March 8
  - Sandra Alumbaugh  
March 9
  - Alice Kidder  
March 11
  - Irma Stover  
March 21
  - Jack Bridges  
March 30
- May each of you have a joyous special occasion!



Vernal & Annie Weech

## Featured Representative

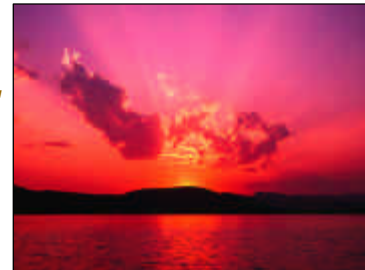
The Reverend Bishop Vernal Weech, of Pembroke Pines, Florida is a long standing pastor with a progressive and faithful record of ministry. When his administrative bishop appointed him to serve as the SpiritCare Representative, I felt very happy. The service he has rendered has doubled that happiness for he has faithfully followed every part of the representatives program and has met every need that has been presented to him, as far as I know.

Thank you Brother and Sister Weech for being such good team members.

? Reverend Paul F. Henson, Director

If the road ahead is rough,  
and the rocks in ridge and bluff;  
bar your progress to the sunny peaks sublime,  
when your mind and heart are breaking;  
take pride, in the fight you're making,  
just throw your rope around a higher rock,  
and climb!

Written by Reverend Paul Henson



## Mark Your Calendars Now

### What?

## National Retired Ministers and Widows Conference

### When?

May 13-15, 2004

### Where?

## North Cleveland Church of God and the Lee University campus



I pray God's blessings upon each of your marriages.  
May you and your best half have a great Valentine's Day. May your day be filled with many happy memories!