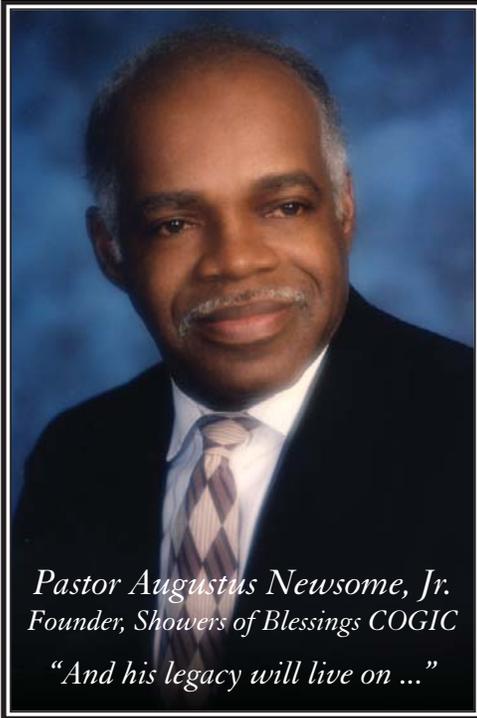


# PASTOR AUGUSTES NEWSOME, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



*Pastor Augustus Newsome, Jr.  
Founder, Showers of Blessings COGIC  
"And his legacy will live on ..."*

**PURPOSE:** to provide financial assistance to three deserving members of the Showers of Blessings Church of God in Christ as they continue their quest to achieve higher education, and provide a means of outreach to our local communities.

AUGUSTES NEWSOME, JR., the Founder of the Showers of Blessings Church of God in Christ, was the second of nine children born to Ollie Bell and Augustes Newsome, Sr., in Monroe, Louisiana. Augustes earned his high school diploma while living in Los Angeles, California and then moved to Phoenix, Arizona where he became a member of the Trinity Church of God In Christ (C.O.G.I.C.). Augustes met and fell in love with Deborah Smith; it was love at first sight.

Augustes and Deborah were married on August 23, 1964, and moved to California in 1965. The couple began their family shortly after they wed. God blessed the couple with their first child, Lonell. While attending the Good News Church of God In Christ, the couple was blessed by God with three other children, Kimberly, LaTrisha, and Angela. Augustes Newsome, Jr. accepted his call to the ministry and became an ordained Elder under the late Bishop Crouch.

In 1972-1973, Elder Newsome attended college in Chicago and became a general manager for a McDonald's Corporation franchise. Elder Newsome hired and trained many high school students.

To ensure that the students would always complete their homework, he would not let the students work long hours. Elder Newsome would always encourage young people. He would often say, "Go to school and get your education. Jobs will be better and more will be available to those of you with a higher education."

While living in San Jose, California, Terrell, the last of five children was born. Listening to God's word, Elder Augustes Newsome, Jr. and family soon found a home in Sacramento, California. The Newsome family joined the Moments of Blessings House of Prayer, under the leadership of Bishop George Archie.

On May 12, 1982, Elder Newsome, Jr., after hearing and obeying the voice of God, established the ministry of the Showers of Blessings Church of God In Christ, also known as, "The Little White Church In The Field." Pastor Newsome was an awesome Man of God and was referred to by many as a "Singing, Preaching Machine". He was passionate about life, possessed great zeal when spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ, and believed in showing love to God's people.

On June 10, 1995, the Lord saw fit to take our founding leader from labor to reward. Your assistance and support will provide resources to our community and help those college students with limited financial resources achieve high academic goals. By giving to the Augustes Newsome, Jr. Scholarship Fund, we honor the record of service of our own. His works will live on through the accomplishments of the awardees.

## Scholarship Committee Members

Missionary Deborah Newsome  
Missionary Elizabeth Eckford  
Sister Jovonne Newsome  
Sister Wendy Moore  
Sister Michelle Mack  
Dr. Leah R. Johnson  
Dr. Stephen Bright

*Your donations toward the efforts of the Newsome scholarship are greatly appreciated.*

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