

## Jerome and Clarissa Pace bio

Pastor Jerome and Co-Pastor Clarissa Pace have been residents of Monticello, AR, for over 26 years. They are the parents of three daughters, Jennifer Lynn Jones of Little Rock, Mrs. La Brittini Danielle (Jamaal) Jones and La Darian Gabrielle Pace, both of Monticello, AR, and twin sons, Daniel La Kristan Pace and Gabriel La Tristan Pace, both of Monticello, AR. They have five grandchildren, Michael Jones, Chris Johnson and Alexia Johnson, all from Little Rock, AR, Bralyn Jones Owens and Aiden LaJay Jones, both of Monticello, AR.

Jerome Pace is a native of Stephens, AR, born to the late Ollie and Annie B. Pace. He is 8<sup>th</sup> child out of 9 siblings. A high school graduate of Stephens High School, he graduated with a BA in Education, concentration in Physical Education from Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, AR. He graduated from Harding University in 2014 with a master's in education, educational leadership.

He has served in the field of education for over 30-years in sports and 10 years in administration. He is presently serving as a principal and head basketball coach with the McGehee School District.

Clarissa Pace is an El Dorado, AR, native born to the late Benjamin Franklin and Robbyteen E. Jones. She is the baby girl of 4 sisters. She attended El Dorado High School and graduated from Capital City Junior College of Business in Little Rock, AR, with an associate degree in Radio/TV Broadcasting.

She worked 12 years as the assistant newspaper editor with the Advance-Monticellonian Newspaper. She went on to work 7 years as administrative assistant with Potlatch Corporation until she went full time as a business owner of Shekinah Services LLC. Her business is in finance and marketing.

Pastor Jerome was called to ministry in 1997 and Co-Pastor Clarissa was called in 1996 under the leadership of the late Pastor Royce Dale and Ruby Wilson of Trinity Full Gospel Ministry in Monticello, AR. Later, the Wilsons planted the Great I Am Temple in Monticello where The Paces continued to serve under their leadership.

Pastor Jerome would continue with the ministry faithfully as associate minister until both of their passing. He was ordained and licensed under the fellowship of the Rock of Faith Spiritual Churches Inc. under the leadership of Bishop Martha Moses.

For a season, Co-Pastor Clarissa united with Revival Center Church of God in Christ of Monticello, AR, under the leadership of Pastor Michael A. and First Lady Tira Jones. For 18 years, she served faithfully as a youth ministry teacher, Sunday School teacher, member of choir and praise and worship team, director of the youth choir, member of the evangelism and marketing ministry. She was licensed and ordained as evangelist missionary with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Arkansas COGIC under the leadership of the late Bishop R.E. Matheney, Sr., and continued serve under the leadership of Bishop Joe B. Mason. She served in various capacities with the Jurisdiction Women's Department under the leadership of State Supervisor, Mother Lendora Early.

Co-Pastor Clarissa comes from a background of anointed Gospel singers and continues to minister through songs of praise and worship.

These pastors are both very active community leaders and they have a heart to serve people. They love people and love to see people fully dimensional in Christ. They believe that God's word is practical and spiritual. They believe once a believer of Jesus Christ and is endowed with the power of the Holy Ghost with an open heart and open mind for God to speak, teach, guide and direct, their lives will be successful in all areas.

They are ecstatic about accepting the call of God to lead the Great I Am Temple family to higher dimensions in Jesus Christ. They are so humbled that the people of God in The Great I Am Temple faith community would elect them for the position.