

# Welcome!

The vision to reach out to individuals with special needs and their families started when my husband and I became parents of a child with special needs. Our daughter, Cristiana, was diagnosed with a developmental disability called Autism. The Autism disorder has affected her learning and communication skills. She was not able to attend a typical Children's Sunday School class.

The first Special Needs Ministry class for Sunday School was in September of 2004. It was created to help meet the needs of individuals with disabilities learn Christian education in a smaller classroom setting with individual attention. The benefits of this class is to provide a place for students to build their self-esteem, be inspired, and encouraged.

Cristiana was our first student. She has made significant strides in the following classroom activities; prayer, song, art/crafts, and story time. She enjoys coming to church where before it was a struggle.

The mission of the Special Needs Ministry is to reach out to individuals with disabilities and their families. Some of the services this ministry offers includes: Christian Education, providing support information/resources, assistance as needed to individuals with disabilities for church services, accessible facilities, and special parking. We thank God for blessing our church family each week to put in action the following scripture:

"...for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people" Isaiah 56:7 KJV

In His service,  
*Celena Barnes*,  
Special Needs Ministry

## Acknowledgments

### Special Needs Ministry Staff

April Sanders	Letha Parker
Angella Norfleet	La Brenda Johnston
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Elizabeth Grant	Mary Ann Penn
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Wanda Smith	Christa Ellison
Ronni Pruitt	De'Metria Strigus
Asia Smith	Mary Louise Stokes
Nina Johnson	Brenda Wingate

Thank you for volunteering your time and service to help make a difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families.

We also extend a Special Thank You to all of those who assisted with the Special Needs Ministry Celebration Sunday

Karen Ewing	Latanya Jordon
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Molly Harris	Children's Ministry
Deaf Ministry	Deacon Board
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Pentecostal House of God, and all the organizations, agencies, and colleges who participated in our Open House

Thank you for your support in helping to make "Celebration Sunday" a success.

### To Bishop Quintin Wingate:

Thank you for your encouragement and vision to reach out to all of God's people.

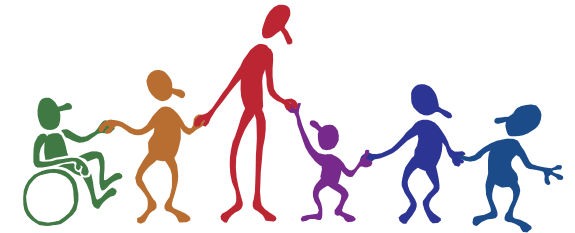
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## PENTECOSTAL HOUSE OF GOD

### *Christian Education*

Presents

### Special Needs Ministry *Celebration Sunday*



*"Celebrating the gifts and talents of people with disabilities and their families"*

**Sunday, March 18, 2007**

**10:00am - 11:00am &  
6:30pm - 8:30pm**

*Open House*  
3:30pm - 6:00pm

*"Let every thing that has breath praise the Lord..."*

Psalms 150:6

Bishop Quintin Wingate, Pastor

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**CELEBRATION SUNDAY  
SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

Opening Prayer..... Kenneth Parker  
 Scripture Reading ..... Jason Monroe  
 Welcome Address..... Karen Ewing  
 Greeter..... Patrick Venney

Essays  
 “Why Are We All The Same”

Irick Davis.....Children’s Ministry

Introduction of Guest Speaker  
 Celena Barnes

Guest Speaker  
**Micheal Barton**  
*Information Referral Specialist,  
 Disability Network of Wayne County Detroit*

Children’ Ministry Choir - Song Selection  
 “This is the Day”

Acknowledgments..... Students & Staff  
 Closing Prayer..... Cristiana Barnes



**CELEBRATION SUNDAY  
MORNING SERVICE**  
11:15 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

Introduction..... Celena Barnes  
 Picture Slide Presentation  
 Testimony..... Nina Johnson

The Word of God  
**Bishop Quintin W. Wingate**

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 \*Children’s Ministry\*  
 Disability Awareness Presentation



Guest Speaker  
**Jo Anna Lofton**  
 (CAUSE) Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education

**Open House**  
 3:30pm - 6:00pm  
 Refreshments Served  
 Information/Resources provided by  
 organizations and agencies who offers support  
 to the disability community

**CELEBRATION SUNDAY  
NIGHT SERVICE**  
6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

Praise and Worship..... Praise Team  
 Master of Ceremony..... Maliek Lott  
 Opening Prayer..... Kenneth Parker  
 Scripture Reading..... Brandon Sanders  
 Welcome Address..... Mary Ann Penn

Essay  
 “Why Are We All The Same”  
 Brooke Penn

Deaf Ministry Presentation

A Parent’s Testimony..... Debbie Townley

Guest Choir  
 Cooley High School, North - Detroit Public Schools

Word of God

Alter Call

Offering  
 Special Remarks..... Celena Barnes

Closing Prayer..... Cristiana Barnes