**The Profile of Dr. Zelda M. Carter**

**Personal Life**

Dr. Zelda Fountain Carter, born May 7, 1954, in Philadelphia PA, is the third of eight children, born to the late Martin and Rosa Fountain. Zelda is married to Dr. Anthony H. Carter. She is the mother of four children: Jermaine, Deleama, Malachi, and Anntoinette.

**Education**

Dr. Zelda Carter attended the Masterman School for Gifted Children and the Kensington Girls High School, in Philadelphia, PA.

* During the years of 1970-1972, she attended John Robert Powell School of Charm and Modeling in Philadelphia, PA.
* From 1977-1979 she attended Health Career Institute where she received her L.P.N. certificate.
* She received her **Bachelor’s Degree** in 1990, from the **School for Biblical Studies**.
* During the same year of **1990**, Dr. Zelda Carter received her **Doctoral of Divinity** in **Puerto Rico (via Jameson School of Ministry).**
* **1992**: Dr. Zelda Carter received her **Masters of Theology** from **Jameson School of Theology.**
* **1996**: Received her **Th.D.** from **Jameson School of Theology**, Philadelphia, PA.
* **2002**: Dr. Zelda Carter received her **Ph.D.** from **Jameson School of Theology**, in Philadelphia, PA.

**Community Service – Early Years**

Dr. Zelda Carter has received numerous awards and commendations for outstanding service. Most of her life has been spent helping and doing for other people in the area of community service. As a child, she was trained at North Provident Baptist Church, also located in Philadelphia, PA under the leadership of the late Morris Paul Kennedy, Sr.

**Spiritual Foundation**

Zelda accepted the Lord as her personal Savior at an early age of twelve years old. From a young age, she knew her calling. At the age of thirteen, she began to teach Sunday School and Vacation Bible Study. The years of her experience, spiritual and natural have prepared her for the tasks that she now performs.

**Achievements:**

* **1987**: She served as **Co-Pastor** of **Divine Mission Church**, Philadelphia, PA.
* **1988**: Dr. Zelda Carter entered the **School for Biblical Studies**, and became the Administrative Assistant and Yearbook Coordinator.
* **1989**: Dr. Zelda Carter became an **Assistant Pastor** of **Jubilee Christian Church**, Philadelphia, PA.
* **1989-1990**: She functioned as a **Substitute Instructor** at the **School for Biblical Studies**.
* **1997 to the present**: Dr. Zelda Carter is **Assistant Pastor** at **Christ’s Servants Mission**, Bear, DE under Pastor and Overseer Dr. Anthony Carter.
* **1998**: She became a **full time Professor** and **Dean** of **Jameson School of Ministry**, at Glasgow Campus-Newark, DE.
* She is also on staff as an **Instructor** at **Hope Christian Bible Institute**, an extension of Eastern Bible Institute.

**Current Community Service Ventures:**

* Since **1999**, Dr. Zelda Carter has been an active member on the **Food Bank Board of Delaware**, being involved in “Partners in Caring”.
* Dr. Zelda Carter is serving as **Executive Director** of the **Power-4-U- Community Outreach**.
* She is the **Vice President** of **Love Inc**., a subdivision of World Vision, DE Chapter.
* Dr. Zelda Carter collaborates with the local DE Government agencies:
	+ DHS,
	+ DHFS,
	+ DE Division of agents,
	+ Local schools and day cares,
	+ Amazing Grace Food Outreach Ministry,
	+ All local and Tri-State Churches.

* Dr. Zelda Carter founded **Emmanuel’s Family Community Services** along with the assistance of Deleama Thurston and Evang. Sonia Murray.
* Zelda Carter is an active **Vice President of Love Inc**., since **1999**.

**Aspirations:**

It has never been a secret concerning the dream in her heart for the poor. From the age of twelve, her Christian family took in homeless people, fed the needy and etc... Thirty-three years ago, she began taking in families, clothing and feeding them. That was when God gave her a vision for a transitional shelter to house homeless families.

Through the years, God would bring individuals to her. Then, she and her husband would provide motel funds, or even open their own home to them. Through the years, Zelda started a ministry that provided clothing, food, and new winter coats for children, personal care items, Christmas toys and turkeys, and meats at Thanksgiving. They provided transportation to medical appointments and other volunteer services. Through this, Zelda connected with Love Inc., eventually moving up to the position of Vice President of the Board of Directors. Dr Zelda Carter is also a board member of BTL Foundation.

August 12th, 2010, was the celebration and dedication of the first transitional Home - MOT House of Hope in Middletown, DE, of which Dr. Carter is the Executive Director.

Dr. Zelda Carter has provided the training and curriculum to a local church that assists in conducting budgeting classes for the families. This is an excellent program that will educate the participants concerning Biblical principles on handling finances. Zelda makes sure that resume writing, job search, clothing and even help with food is provided to give a helping hand to the families.

In June of 2010, Zelda Carter helped to found and supply, The Basket Food Pantry, along with Pastor Chris and Bonnie Peoples in Middletown, DE. The Basket is now called, the “Agape Store House Community Basket”, now located at 128 Patriot Dr. Units 6-7 Middletown, DE 19709.

Along with the Word of God, one of her spiritual inspirational motto is:

 *“Silver and gold have I none but such as I have I give I thee.” Acts 3:6.*