

. . . Oh if we could all live by the teaching of scripture and treat each other as brothers and sisters. But as I read history, it has never been, so why believe. Well, I believe that there is a God who made the world and everything that is in it and that God gave humankind the right of free will of choice, thus we choose what we will. Some chose good and some chose evil, while others go back and forth from good to evil depending on the situation and circumstances. I accept the basic teaching of scripture as the best guide for living and try very hard to live it and teach it in both my word, acts and deeds.



I know that this is not always easy, but still I am committed to it. An integral part of this belief is rooted and grounded in myself. I really believe in ME, and that I have a personal relationship with GOD, through Jesus Christ. This is why when folk talk to me about religion I do NOT debate the issue, it is none of their business why I believe to the extent that I have to defend my beliefs. If they want to believe great, and if they do not, great, for again, what I believe is my business.

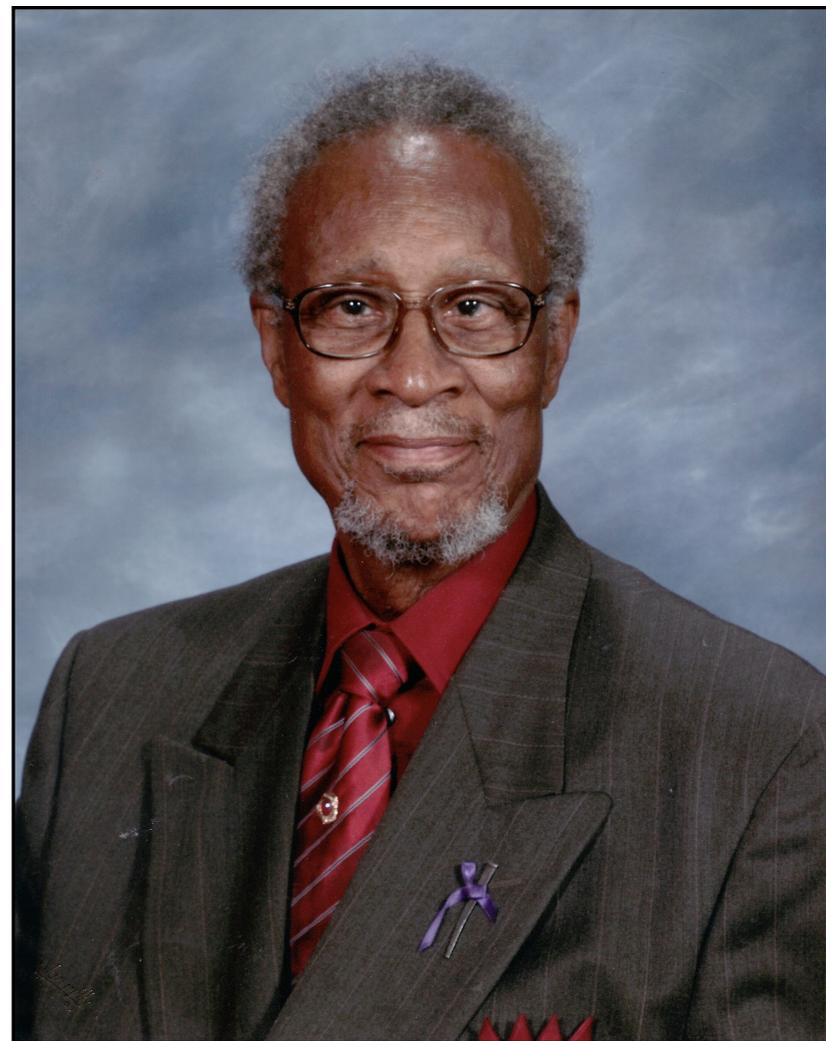
Secondly, I believe that when one believes in themselves, supported by the belief in a higher power or a greater being or force than themselves, they have added strength and power to live buy. For me, that high power and strength is GOD, made known through Jesus Christ. It is out of this belief that I see most churches and so called Christians, politicians - republicans and democrats, which is based in a large part on the Christian teaching, as false and halfhearted. I see only a few that I respect that are really trying to live buy the teaching of scripture. The real fact of the matter, it's not what anybody else believes or how they live, but what I believe and what I do. I believe I am accountable for my life, what I say and what I do every moment of every day, in every way, where ever, to whom ever no matter what the circumstances.

Lastly, this belief gives me personal strength to handle every situation I have faced in life. There are no disappointments, no regrets, and no apologies, for I have done my best in what every situation I find myself in. Oh, sometimes I fall short of the mark and fail by other folks standards and even sometimes by my own standards, but when that occurs, I just pick my self up and keep going, for I believe I can do all things through Christ Jesus who strengthens me. I AM ME. I AM JUST WHAT GOD MEANT ME TO BE. MY LOOKS, MY HAIR, MY GIFTS AND GRACES ARE ALL DIRECTED BY THE GOD WHO IS THE BEGINNING AND THE END OF MY LIFE. I PREACH IT, I LIVE IT. Now these folk who are hung up on sexual pleasure with the same sex, radical beliefs and misguided concepts of group relationship called politics, have to answer for themselves; I just treat them all the same, and that is from the position of truth. No favorites, no specials and that is why I speak out clearly and distinctly for and/or against any person or position, based upon my understanding of the WORD.

Well, that's my sermon for tonight. A MAN
Rev. Dr. Everett S. Reynolds

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Rev. Dr. Everett S. Reynolds



FEBRUARY 25, 1928 - JULY 7, 2011

Remember Me

For I'll Always Remember You!

Funeral Services
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United Methodist Church
5544 Ames Avenue
Omaha, NE 68104

Interment
Westlawn-Hillcrest
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5701 Center Street
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DR. WAYNE M. REYNOLDS

12:00 PM • Saturday, July 16, 2011
Clair Memorial United Methodist Church

Family Processional		
Greeting and Welcome		Rev. Portia Cavitt Clair Memorial UMC
Opening Prayer		Rev. Kenneth Allen Zion Baptist Church
Scripture Reading	Psalms 1:39	Rev. Kevin Graham, GCC Ministries Wichita, Kansas
Scripture Reading	Matthew 25: 34 - 40	Rev. Harvey Graham Victory Temple Baptist Church Wichita, Kansas
Musical Selection		Martin Luther King Unity Choir

REMEMBERING
DR. EVERETT S. REYNOLDS

- Jim Suttle, Mayor, City of Omaha
- Ann Brookshire Sherer-Simpson, Nebraska Bishop United Methodist Church
 Dr. Dan Flanagan, District Superintendent, United Methodist Church
 Kevin Miles, NAACP Regional Director
 Rev. Kenneth Allen, President, Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance
 Willis Sherman, Lefler United Methodist Church
 Brian Mills, Lefler United Methodist Church
 Willie Davis, Childhood Friend of Dr. Reynolds
 Rodney Wead, Friend of Dr. Reynolds
 Rev. Robert L. Milan, Jr., Nephew of Dr. Reynolds
 Greater Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Kansas City, KS
 Rev. Kevin P. Graham, Nephew of Dr. Reynolds
 GCC Ministries, Wichita, KS
 Everett S. Reynolds, 1st Son of Dr. & Mrs. Reynolds
 Harold (Trip) J. Reynolds, 2nd Son of Dr. & Mrs. Reynolds
 Wayne M. Reynolds, 3rd Son of Dr. & Mrs. Reynolds
 Wayne M. Reynolds, II, Grandson of Dr. Reynolds

Musical Selection		Martin Luther King Unity Choir
Videography		Remembering Dr. Everett S. Reynolds
Reading of Condolences		Shirl Rollins Lefler United Methodist Church
Eulogy	"Remember Me"	Dr. Wayne M. Reynolds
Family Processional		

Pastor Reynolds held broad-based ministerial experience from serving pulpits throughout the United States for 61 years. Both of his grandfathers, his father, his uncle, his youngest son, and two nephews are all ministers. Pastor Reynolds has always been active in countless community organizations, which includes his NAACP membership of nearly 60 years, and his role as president of the Omaha Branch of the NAACP; and as president of Community Telecast, Inc., CTI22.

A brief highlight of Pastor Reynolds' ministry also includes but is not limited to Lefler United Methodist Church, Omaha; Clair Memorial United Methodist Church, Omaha; LaSalle United Methodist Church, St. Louis, Mo; Centennial United Methodist Church, Kansas City, Mo; Gorham United Methodist Church, Chicago, Il; St. Mark United Methodist Church, Wichita, Ks; Newman United Methodist Church, Lincoln, Ne; St. James Methodist Church, Lincoln, Ne; and various assignments throughout Arkansas and Missouri. Dr. Reynolds served as Chief Parole Officer, Nebraska State Penal Complex; Psychology and Sociology Instructor, University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Dr. Reynolds received his Education TH.D. from Faith Theological Seminary; Morgantown, Kentucky, 1978; B.D., Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, Missouri, 1956; and B.S., Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas, 1953.

Dr. Reynolds is survived by his lovely wife, Shirley, of nearly sixty-one years, and three sons, three grandchildren, an older brother, Clarence, his first-cousin Al, and many others. Remember Dr. Reynolds, because he will never forget you!

PALLBEARERS

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 Rich Rollins
 Walter Sakalosky
 Bob Armstrong
 Marvin McClarity
 Charles Taylor
 Gannie Clark
 Chester French

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