

Sister Marta F. Bester



At an early age, Sister Marta Bester knew that her life belonged to Christ. She accepted HIM as her personal Savior at the age of seven at Second Missionary Baptist Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Growing up in the church, Marta knew the importance of faithfully serving the Lord. She joined the choir, was a member of the usher board, attended Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

Every summer from ages 8 years to age 15, her mom sent her to Cedine Bible Camp where she met her lifelong friend, JoAnn Long Johnson.

Sister Bester's testimony: At the age of 36, the Lord came into my hospital room and healed me of Crohn's Disease. I saw the hands and feet of my Lord in my hospital room. To this day, there is no medical cure for Crohn's, but nobody can make me doubt that my God miraculously heal me.

I am retired now, but as I look back over the successes in my life, I realize the importance of my being obedient to the Spirit of the Lord. He led me to and blessed me with work positions where I could glorify Him as I served others. It was my joy to teach mentally challenged children, helping them to enter the workforce, teaching business classes to juniors and seniors equipping them to enter the workforce, and also selling Life Insurance to clients for their need and not my greed.

I rededicated my life to Christ and was baptized again in 2013. The Lord has given me a passion to encourage all my sisters and brothers to be good stewards and tithe. The Lord wants to bless us and wants us to receive His riches on Earth (Malachi 3:10 and Isaiah 55:11). I know I was blessed abundantly because of my obedience to God in the area of my finances. I currently serve as a Mother of the church and on the Prayer Warrior Team.

Sister Bester is the proud mother of two daughters, Ruthie and Sabrina, three grandchildren, Jhamari, Bri'a and Shairice and two great-grandchildren, Emery and Aria. She is a member of New Life Pentecostal COGIC where Bishop Leroy Jones, Sr is the Sr. Pastor and Dr. Leroy Jones II is Pastor. Sister Bester resides in Richton Park, IL