# The Family Of Porter William Phillips, Sr.

The family of Porter W. Phillips, Sr. has roots in Negro, Caucasian and American Indian racial lines.

William Phillips — Sallie Phillips (Part Indian) Son: John Emery Phillips

Unnamed Caucasian Man — Unknown Woman Daughter: Mollie B. (Davis) Phillips

John Emery Phillips — Mollie B. (Davis) Phillips Son: Porter W. Phillips, Sr.

Unknown Man — Caucasian Woman Son: John Fletcher

Caucasian Man — "Grandma Tillie" (Slave)

Daughter: Annie Fletcher

John Fletcher — Annie Fletcher Son: Channing R. Fletcher

Dorsey Brooks — Jennie Brooks (Caucasian)

Daughter: Annie L. Fletcher

Channing R. Fletcher — Annie L. Fletcher Daughter: Dorothy A. (Fletcher) Phillips

Porter W. Phillips, Sr. — Dorothy (Fletcher) Phillips Daughter: Marie B. (Phillips) Cary Sons: Porter W. Phillips, Jr., Channing E. Phillips, Treadwell O. Phillips, Wendell H. Phillips, and Fletcher A. Phillips

W. Sterling Cary — Marie B. (Phillips) Cary Children: Yvonne Eileen, William Sterling, Jr., and Denise Marie

Porter W. Phillips, Jr. — Dorothy D. (Bobo) Phillips Children: Stephanie Laverne, Adriene Lorraine, Claudia Leslie and Dorothy La Nelle

Channing E. Phillips — Jane C. (Nabors) Phillips Children: Channing Durward, Sheilah Nahketah and Tracy Jane

Treadwell O. Phillips — Marie (Payne) Phillips Children: Jerryl Levant, Jerrilyn and Cheryl Marie

Wendell H. Phillips — Dorothy (Harris) Phillips

Fletcher A. Phillips - Nayna (Shannon) Phillips

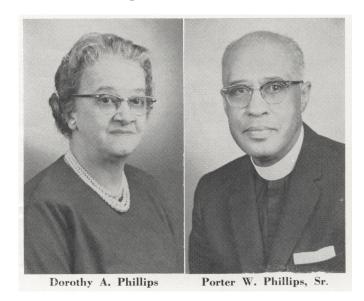
#### Biographical Sketches

PARENTS OF PORTER WILLIAM PHILLIPS, SR.

Father: John Emery Phillips

Born in Little Richmond, N. C.—now lives in Elkin, N. C.—Farmer

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Mother: Mollie Belle (Davis) Phillips Born in Dobson, N. C.—Deceased Parents of 6 boys and 4 girls Grandparents:

Paternal

William Phillips—Virginia—Teamster and Farmer Sallie Phillips—Part Indian

Maternal

Grandfather (white) Prominent lawyer in N. C. Grandmother—Identity lost in early death

#### PORTER WILLIAM PHILLIPS, SR.

Born in Little Richmond, N. C.

Education:

Willis Private School-Winston-Salem, N. C.

Slater State Normal (Now known as Winton-Salem Teachers' College)

Virginia Union University—A.B.

Columbia University — M.A.

Union Theological Seminary—B.D.

Honorary D.D.—Virginia Union University Positions held:

Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Newport News, Va.—18 months

Pastor of Brown Memorial Church, Brooklyn, N.Y. —12 years

President of Baptist Ministers' Conference of N.Y. and Vincinity

Moderator of Eastern Baptist Association, N.Y. Dean of Fort Greene Teachers Training School, Brooklyn

Member Executive Board YMCA and NAACP Current Pastor of Carrone Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.—25 years

Chairman Commission of Labor and Management, National Baptist Convention of America, Inc. President of Homewood — Brushton Council of Churches

Chosen "Father of the Year 1958 by Pittsburgh Courier and endorsed by Baptist Ministers' Conference of Pittsburgh and Vicinity and Homewood Interdominational and Interracial Ministerium.

Visited Holy Land 1947

Member Executive Board Allegheny Union Association and Pennsylvania Baptist State Convention

#### DOROTHY ANNIE PHILLIPS

Born: Washington, D. C.

Education: Dunbar High School, Miner Normal School Professional Service: School Teacher in Virginia, Organist & Choir Directress for 23 years

Married—Porter W. Phillips Sr., September 11, 1924 in Washington, D. C. Six children—5 boys and 1 girl. Parents: Channing Robert Fletcher, B. Warrenton, Virginia, Retired Government employee, residing in Washington, D. C.

Annie L. Fletcher, B. Fredericksburg, Virginia—Deseased Grandparents:

Paternal:

John and Annie Fletcher, Virginia farmers

John Fletcher was son of caucasian woman (Crawford), his father unknown.

Annie Fletcher was daughter of slave woman, father was caucasian master. Annie Fletcher's mother escaped from slavery, fleeing north during a flood, carrying two small children—one of them being Annie.

Maternal:

Dorsey and Jennie Brooks, Virginia farmers.

### SIX CHILDREN OF PORTER AND DOROTHY PHILLIPS

PORTER WILLIAM PHILLIPS, JR.

Born: Washington, D. C. 1925

Education:

Public Schools of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Pittsburgh, Pa. Virginia Union University, A.B. in Sociology, 1949 Union Theological Seminary in N.Y., B.D. 1952 Professional Service:

Current Pastor of Humboldt Parkway Baptist Church—10 years

President of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Buffalo and vicinity

President of the Council of Churches of Buffalo and Erie County

Member of the following agencies:

Citizens Council of Human Relations The Psychiatric Clinic of Buffalo Hickory Street Christian Center Buffalo Baptist Association

Prominent in Buffalo race relations struggle, A central liaision person between whites and Negroes

Married—Dorothy Bobo in 1950. Graduate of Cheyney College, Pa. B.S. in Home Economics. Four daughters, Stephanie Laverne, 11; Adrienne Lorraine, 10; Claudia Leslie, 8; Dorothy LaNell, 7.



#### MARIE BELLE PHILLIPS CARY

Born: 1926, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Education:

Public Schools of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Pittsburgh Pa. Virginia Union University, A.B., 1948 University of Pittsburgh, M. Ed. 1949

Professional Service:

Teacher, Pittsburgh Public Schools Critic Teacher for University of Pittsburgh Teacher, Ohio Public Schools

Associations:

Member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Married—Rev. William Sterling Cary of Plainfield, N.J., 1952. Mr. Carry is pastor of Grace Congregational Church, Harlem, N.Y. Former Vice-President of Protestent Council of N.Y. (Manhattan Division) Member, UCC Committee on Racial Justice Now. Member, UCC Board of Homeland Ministeries. Three children: Yvonne Eileen, 8yrs. old; William Sterling, 6 yrs. old; Denise Marie, 6 yrs. old.

#### TREADWELL OLIVER PHILLIPS

Born: 1930, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Education:

Public Schools of Pittsburgh, Pa.
Virginia Union University, A.B. 1954
Howard University Law School
University of Maryland Law School III

University of Maryland Law School, LLB, 1961 Professional Service:

Social Worker, Baltimore Department of Welfare Civil Service Examiner, Baltimore Civil Service Commission

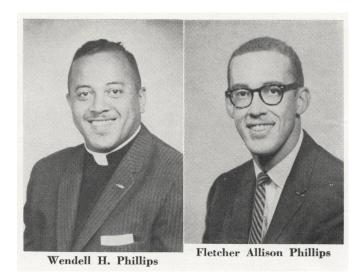
Current Law Clerk, Hurst & Davis Attorneys, Rochester, N. Y.

Current Social Worker, family vourt of Monroe County, N. Y.

Associations:

Member, Alpha Kappa Nu Honor Society Member, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

Married, Marie W. Payne, widow of Arthur J. Payne, Jr. and mother of two—Jerryl Levant (10); Jerrilyn (9) third child (Cheryl Marie, age 3) is progeny of this marriage. Mrs. Phillips is graduate of Morgan State College, A. B. and studied at University of Maryland Graduate School, Served as Director of Recreation, Baltimore City Department of Recreation and as social worker in Baltimore.



#### WENDELL HARRISON PHILLIPS

Born: 1934, Brooklyn, N.Y.

#### Education:

Public Schools of Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pennsylvania State University
Virginia Union University, B.S., 1956
Howard University Graduate School (Physiology)
Colgate Rochester Divinity School, B.D., 1961
University of Rochester Graduate School

#### Professional Services:

Current Pastor, Second Baptist Church, Mumford, N.Y.

Member, Executive Board of the Rochester NAACP Past President, Rochester NAACP

Member, Social Action Committee, Monroe Bapt. Association.

Married—Dorothy Harris of Rochester, N.Y., a graduate of Rochester Business Institute and its legal secretary No Children

#### Associations:

Member, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

#### FLETCHER ALLISON PHILLIPS

Born: January 5, 1937, Brooklyn, N. Y. Education:

Public schools in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Lincoln Elementary School

Westinghouse High School (graduated in June, 1954

Virginia Union University (graduate in June, 1958; A.B. degree)

Colgate Rochester Divinity School (1961-1962) Work Experience:

Youth Board of Buffalo, New York (1959-61) detached worker, working with pre-delinquent youth

Current Council of Churches of Greater Washington (1963-), Director of the Inner City Project for Children and Youth

Married—Nyna Wilhelmina Shannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Shannon, of Houston, Texas. Wife is a student at Howard University, majoring in Music.

Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

#### CHANNING EMERY PHILLIPS

Born: 1928, Brooklyn, N.Y.

#### Education:

Public schools of New York and Pittsburgh, Pa. Carnegie Museum and Carnegie Institute of Technology (Scholarship in Painting and sculpture)
University of Utah—Electrical Engineering
Virginia Union University, A.B. 1950, sociology
Colgate Rochester Divinity School, B.D. 1953
Drew University Graduate School, 1953-55—New
Testament Studies (Colgate Rochester Graduate
Scholar and Tipple Fellow in New Testament)
Candidate for Ph.D. in New Testament, Drew University

#### **Professional Service:**

Minister of Education, Church of the Open Door, Brooklyn, N. Y., 1956

Instructor in New Testament, Howard University School of Religion, Washington, D. C., 1956-58

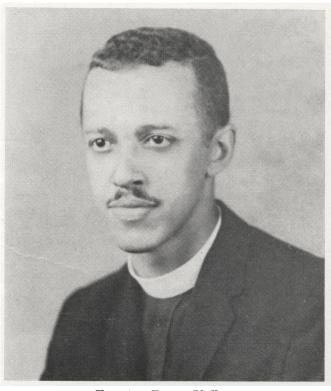
Visiting Lecturer in Greek, The Protestant Episcopal Seminary, Alexandria, Va., 1958

Visiting Lecturer in New Testament, American University, Washington, D. C., 1957-58

Interim Minister, Plymouth Congregational Church, Washington, D. C., 1958

Associate Minister, Grace Congregational Church, New York, N.Y., 1958-59

Minister, Lemuel Haynes Congregational Church, Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y., 1959-61



Channing Emery Phillips

Current Minister, Lincoln Memorial Congregational Temple, Washington, D. C., 1961—

#### Associations:

Member, National Association of Biblical Instructors Member, Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis Member, Institute of Religion Member, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Member, Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society Member, NAACP Married—Jane Celeste Nabors (1956), Daughter of Major William Durward Nabors and his wife Nahketah of Orange, New Jersey. Major Nabors for many years was the U.S. Military Attache in Monrovia, Liberia where daughter Jane spent her early childhood.

Progeny: Channing Durward, age 5; Sheilah Nahketah, age 4; Tracy Jane, age 6 months. Mrs. Phillips, graduate of Cedar Crest College, Teacher in Montclair, N. J. for brief time.

## IS THIS MY HERITAGE? (SON TO MOTHER)

Tell me mother, tell me Tell me the reason why Our people daily suffer, Our people sadly cry.

I see them strive with brave hearts To raise the hobnailed heel, Which would my people humble, And before its image kneel.

Why is it that my skin of brown Draws sneers and evil glances? Why is it we are denied Equal rights and freedom's chances?

Have not these same self-centered men Learned the lesson of Calvary, Wherein the hatred for one's brother Was nobly bought by charity?

Tell me true, O mother mine, Of my peoples' lowly plight, And if you and them combine. Is this my heritage . . . . my proud birthright?

> Leon J. Carter, III Tennessee A&I University

#### MOTHER TO SON

Yes, my son, I will tell you, Tell you in words so true Of your rightful heritage. Listen and I will tell you. From kings and queens and chieftains old, Who ruled your native lands, Came rank, and poise and dignity With strong and able hands. God whispered low, You caught the tune, And music filled the air. The aria spread from breast to breast Making music everywhere. Rhythms wrought from ancient rain On ancient hearts so gay, Intercoursing through the veins And making footsteps gay.

Laughter formed on hallowed ground, Poured through lips each day, To ease the daily burden Of heels hobnailed and gray. Hatred old as Cain, Aged violence, too. Are mixed within this heritage Like a witches brew. A soul so deep no cross can block A heart with love so true, A song no icy pulse can still His legacy to you. Love as old as time itself, And time before it, too. To temper hate and violence, And beget love, too, for you, He blew a kiss upon your cheek, He rocked your cradle low, And sang to you a lullabye, Caressed you ever so. Then put a cross upon your neck, The heel which now you track, That hobnailed heel which you have found Upon our peoples' back. If you would follow me, said He Take up your cross and walk. Walk! Not of crosses talk! With giant steps you walk this land And giant footsteps leave For all who would Him follow, For all who would believe. And I your mother brown, A mixture you must know Of peoples, thoughts, ambitions, Of fears, hopes and traditions, Combine through Him to show All there is from sea to sea From mountain tops to vales, And all there is for you to hear From whispers low to wails, And all there is for you to feel From hatred on to love, And roll compactly into one Your legacy from above. One with God, and one with man, Forged in golden light. This is, my son, your heritage. This is your proud birthright. Lillie Bland-Carter