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PRIMARY PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATION'S HONOUREES WORSHIP AT ECUMENICAL SERVICE



The Primary Principals' Association (PPA) along with its twenty-three (23) veteran educator honourees worshipped at New Bethany Baptist Cathedral, under the theme, "*A Rich and Godly Heritage.*" The PPA was formed in 1974, to recognize the contributions of both practicing and retired educators, who have given much to the system.

Bringing remarks was the Honourable Carl W. Bethel, Minister of Education, who expressed his delight in joining the outstanding educators, who have been labelled, "Living Legends." The Minister stated that they are dedicated professionals whose duties go beyond imparting knowledge to encompass parenting, counselling, and the transmission of the positive values upon which our nation was built upon. "You have been called to do Godly work, which means making sacrifices for the benefit of our children. We want every child to shine" stated the Minister.

Administrators and teachers were urged by Minister Bethel, to remain involved in the lives of parents because the educational journey should be a partnership. He thanked the PPA, and the Honourees for the empathy they have shown over the past thirty (30) years in developing young minds, and for helping to make the lives of students who come to school lacking, better.

Reverend Dr. Victor Cooper was also in attendance, and commended the PPA for the humanitarian work which they continue to do with various children's organizations. He urged the educators to never surrender their rich and Godly heritage to the negative influences, but to maintain our rich Christian values. Reverend Cooper concluded his remarks by indicating to the teachers that they were the last line of defense for shaping our children, and so encouraged them to be good role models, and to build people of character.

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