

# Application for Street Name Change on a Public Street

(Ordinance 2016-730-E)

Existing Street Name: Wagner Road

Proposed new street name: Jeannette C. Holmes Road

Reason for street name change: Recognition for Christian Leadership and Outstanding Contributions made to the Jacksonville Community.

**Please complete the following if the purpose of the street name change is to name the road after an individual.**

Is the person deceased? No If yes, identify year deceased: N/A

Has the person resided within 5 miles of the street in which the street renaming is being sought? No

How many years did they reside at this location? N/A Address of residence: N/A

Please attach a written description detailing the person's achievement and/or contributions to the Jacksonville community or to the United States of America.

**ALL STREET NAME CHANGES WILL BE FOR THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF ROAD.**

**IN NO CASE SHALL A PROPOSED STREET NAME DUPLICATE AN EXISTING NAME IN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Application fee for street name change is \$2000.00  
Make Check payable to: Tax Collector

Send to: City of Jacksonville  
Planning and Development Dept.  
Attention: Addressing Section  
214 N. Hogan St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

**Applicant** Name: Sonja R. Frazier

**Information** Mailing address: 7872 Caxton Circle West

City: Jacksonville State: Florida Zip: 32208

Home Phone: 904-410-7608 Other Phone: 407-923-1781

Email: s.r.frazier66@gmail.com

Sonja R. Frazier 20 June 2018  
Applicant Signature Date

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Sonja R. Frazier, Known by me by way of Personal and known to be the person making the above request and acknowledged to and before me that he/she executed the instrument for the purposes therein expressed and (did or did not) take an oath.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018



Verallee Deloris Milton  
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida  
My Commission expires: 06/05/2021



# Hope Chapel Ministries

*Hope Chapel Christian Assembly, Inc.*

DR. JEANNETTE C. HOLMES-VANN

*Senior Pastor and Founder*

*Apostle Dr. Jeannette C. Holmes*

*Biography*

*For a child was born to this generation, a daughter was given to us; And the anointing of God would rest on her life to be His commissioned servant-leader who will minister, lead and shepherd people to the Lord Jesus Christ. And she will be called Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher.*

## Introduction

Apostle Dr. Jeannette C. Holmes is an American Pentecostal/Holiness Minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She is the Founder and Pastor of Hope Chapel Ministries, Inc. The year was 1973, a year in a decade characterized by the beginning of world-wide evangelism, the charismatic movement, soul-saving revivals, camp meetings, and a new breed of Holy Ghost filled, God fearing women and men preaching the anointed word of God. Into such a time, a vision was conceived in the heart and mind of this one courageous and committed, woman—it was a vision, that would revolutionize the hearts, souls, and minds of humankind around world.

The vision was marked by an era in history when women's roles as pastors, deacons, trustees and other top leadership positions was not for the most part widely acceptable in both the church and society at large. Women were often faced with great opposition and even scholars debated their roles as co-laborers in the gospel ministry. Notwithstanding the persecution Dr. Holmes would encounter, she because of her passion to preach the gospel and to win souls for Christ was so great, she gave of her time, her talents, her career and her family to the cause of Christ.

Dr. Holmes has lent her influential voice and inexhaustible understanding of Sacred Scriptures on many speaking platforms. She has notably shaped the discourse, informed and positively shifted the paradigm on strongly held traditional beliefs and teachings that has fueled and perpetuated gender-roles and biases in the Christian Church. Her counsel is often sought and the many ideas, strategies, processes and practices that she has developed and implemented have been adopted as best-practices and standard procedures in church administration and management by other church assemblies. Truly she is a forerunner and innovator who has forged a new path for women and men in ministry.

## **Religious and Social Contributions**

*For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister. Hebrews 6:10*

Hope Chapel Ministries, Inc. was birthed forty-five (45) years ago through Dr. Holmes. It is a holistic ministry that models God's concern for the total well-being of persons and communities. Since the inception of the church, it has always been a symbol of redemption, peace, unity, commitment and excellence. The mission is bringing lost souls into a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Dr. Holmes understood that the Gospel of Jesus Christ brings salvation in its fullest sense—forgiveness of sins, inner conversion of individuals in regeneration and sanctification, physical and emotional healing, transformation of social and economic conditions, reconciliation, restoration, stability, wholeness, and peace of marriages and families.

While functioning as Pastor, Dr. Holmes has shared her time, skills, knowledge and enthusiasm to promote and improved quality of life with her congregation. She has positively impacted and contributed to the common good of the community by providing for those in need through a Disaster Relief Ministry, a Non-Chartered School—Esprit de Corps Center for Learning with grades K-12, Prison and Jail Outreach, Nursing Home Ministry, Community Health Screenings, Share Food Program, Financial contributions to the American Red-Cross and Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs), Youth Summer Camps, Annual Family Conferences, Student Academic Scholarships, Tutorial Program and Back to School Rallies & Supply Give-Away. Additionally, the church offers over thirty (30) distinct help ministries that were established to address the various needs of the "total-man" within and beyond the four walls of the church.

For thirty-seven (37) years, Hope Chapel Ministry have been located on Wagner Road as an active, engaged participant in the community. For three (3) decades, the church has provided a long history of harmonious religious services and is recognized as a beacon of hope and light. Under the leadership of Dr. Holmes, the ministry has acquired over 81 acres of land on Jacksonville's Northside, for which she has overseen the building of debt-free, multimillion-dollar facilities that were designed to facilitate ministry programs, activities and initiatives in a peaceful, inspiring and safe environment. Many marvelous things have happened up to now....and she dreamed yet another dream. As the congregation lives the dream along with Dr. Holmes, we do so with great respect for God's ability through her to take us beyond our finite expectations. The vision continues for a fully accredited Bible College, Senior Residential Living Community, Radio and Television Stations, Conference and Retreat Center, Rehabilitation Facility, Entrepreneurial Training Center and Office Complex, a Shopping Center, Transitional Housing and a Youth Activity Building.

Dr. Holmes is dedicated to making the Word of God come alive in the community through service. Her faithfulness to God, perseverance and commitment to ministering the gospel is to be commended. She is a pillar in the community in ministering to the needs of humankind, playing a significant role in the development of young people and the spiritual growth of our great city by touching and transforming the lives of countless hundreds of thousands. Her reach and impact extend beyond her local community, she supports foreign missions. She has traveled extensively, ministering nationally and abroad. As a result of her continuous service and dedication to the Lord, she has led millions of individuals around the world to make personal decisions to live for Christ through her television and radio broadcast, print media, audio-visual products, evangelistic meetings and through the evangelism of church congregants.

## **Life and Career**

Born to Harvey Cofer and Gladys Cofer-Hunt in Macon, Georgia, Dr. Holmes is the eldest of nine children. As the eldest she would often provide care for her younger brothers and sisters while her mother worked outside the home. It was the divine order of God that she would develop exceptional leadership qualities and demonstrate unique skills and abilities early in her life, for it was in the plan of God and in her destiny to be a Shepherd-Leader (Pastor).

Growing up in Jacksonville, Florida, Dr. Holmes is a graduate of Matthew W. Gilbert High School, Edward Waters College and Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU). She was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree in Human Letters from Jacksonville Theological Seminary for her distinguished contributions to the gospel ministry and society in general.

For twenty-one (21) years, Dr. Holmes has led a successful career as an educator in the Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) facilitating learning, guiding, enlightening, mentoring, nurturing and shaping the lives of young boys and girls while simultaneously pastoring her congregation. Since 2001, she serves as Founder and Superintendent for Esprit de Corps (EDC) Center for Learning. Dr. Holmes is the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of her own record label, Mount Sharon Record Company that she formed in 1984. In addition to her many responsibilities, Dr. Holmes is a wife, the mother of three (3) daughters; Dedra Holmes-Belvin, Alison Holmes-Bartley, Kendria Holmes-Hurley and one (1) son, Brandon Holmes and the proud grandmother of seven (7) grandchildren.

## **Awards, Recognitions and Honors**

*Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine. For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain," and, "The laborer is worthy of his wages." 1 Timothy 5:17-18*

Dr. Holmes has been honored with numerous prestigious awards throughout her years of ministry, she has received the following honors: Honorary Doctoral Degree, Dr. Jeannette C. Holmes Day proclaimed by the City of Jacksonville, Key to the City of Jacksonville, The Sojourner Truth Award, First Coast African American Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Douglas Anderson Alumni Pine Forest Community School and a number of Proclamations, Letters of Appreciation and Commendations from County, City, State and Federal Government Officials.

## **Conclusion**

The congregation of Hope Chapel Ministries, Inc. take great pleasure and honor in commending and esteeming our Pastor highly for forty-five (45) years of faithful and effective service in the gospel ministry, specifically at a time when research studies found that more than 50,000 pastors are leaving the ministry each year. Dr. Holmes has demonstrated consistency in her love and commitment to God, her ministry call, her unrelenting perseverance for changing minds, changing lives, renewing hope and winning souls for the Kingdom of God. Her trailblazing legacy of Christian leadership, outstanding work and positive contributions to the city and beyond is deserving of the highest recognition, honor and praise.