

Death No Longer Reigns Because of Jesus Christ"

God is offering you eternal life. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life". (John 3:16) God loves you! In fact, He loves you so much that His only Son, Jesus died on a Roman cross to pay your sin in debt, was buried in a tomb for three days, and came to life again on the third day, proving His power over death. Death no longer reigns because of Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that sin (disobedience to God's will) separated us from God and condemned us to Hell. However, God offer eternal life to us as a free gift through Jesus Christ. The Bible puts it this way, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23). Does this makes sense to you? If it does, wouldn't you like to receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? If you are willing to put your faith in Jesus Christ and receive Him as your own personal Lord and Savior, you need to pay. The Bible says, "Every-one who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Romans 10:13) Tell God that you are sorry for your sin and that you believe Jesus Christ died for you and rose from the grave. Tell God that you are receiving Him right now as your personal Savior, that you accept His forgiveness from sin and by faith receive the eternal life He has provided for you. If you trust Jesus Christ as your Savior, death and sin will no longer reign and you will live forever in heaven!

My Jerome Man

I will miss that beautiful smile, whenever you saw my face
I will miss the fun we shared laughing maybe cheating when we played games. I will miss you calling and asking me to fix your favorite meal. I will miss hearing your voice asking. Mommy Curry, are you on your way?
I will miss your laughter when someone referred to me, using the "G" word
In life I loved you dearly in death, I love you still.
In my heart your hold a place that no one can ever fill. It broke my heart to lose you but you didn't go alone for part of me went with you the day God took you home.

Loving submitted

Mommy Curry

(Israel was fondly called Jerome as a name of endearment by his grandmother)

Acknowledgement

The family of Israel Leone would like to give a special thanks to everyone for the outpouring of love shown to us during our hour of bereavement and a special thanks to Christ Community Chapel. May God bless you and continue to keep you in His tender loving care.

Arrangements Entrusted To:

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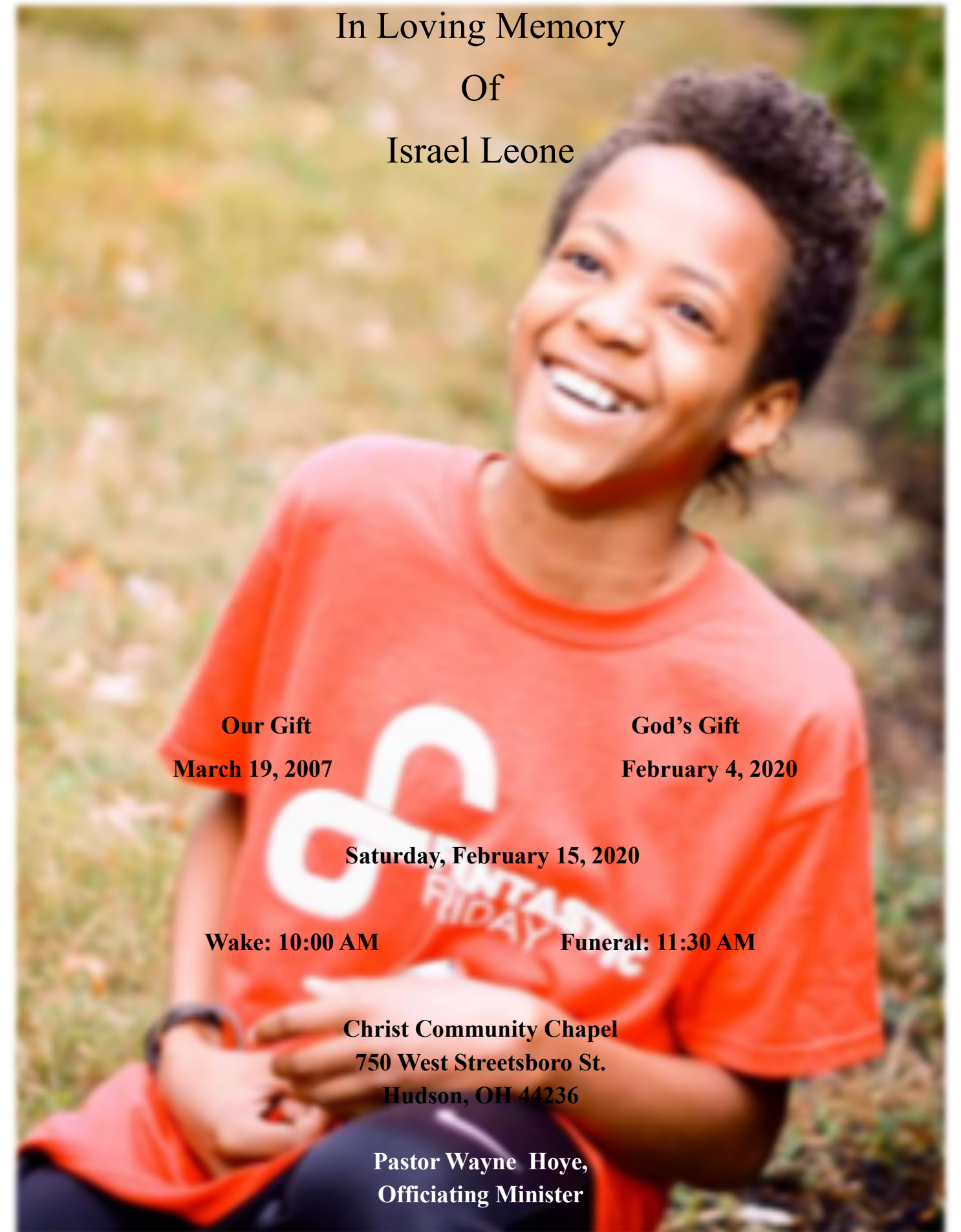
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In Loving Memory Of Israel Leone



Our Gift

March 19, 2007

God's Gift

February 4, 2020

Saturday, February 15, 2020

Wake: 10:00 AM

Funeral: 11:30 AM

Christ Community Chapel

750 West Streetsboro St.

Hudson, OH 44236

Pastor Wayne Hoye,
Officiating Minister

Order of Service

WELCOME & PRAYER

Pastor Mike Holwerda

SCRIPTURE READING

Pastor Mike Holwerda

SPECIAL MUSIC

“I Won’t Complain”, Soloist, Michelle Moore, Jim Bossler, Guitar

TRIBUTES

1. Dave Smith, Israel’s Principal, Cornerstone Community School
2. Curry Zender, Sister
3. Pastor Cain, Friend
4. Austine Anyanwu, Step-Father
5. Kristen Fernandez, Israel’s Best Friend’s Mother’
6. Charnee Anyanwu, Mother

CONGREGATION MUSIC

“10, 000 Reasons”, Led by Jim Bossler

CELEBRATING A LIFE

Pastor Wayne Hoye

CONGREGATION MUSIC

“How Great Is Our God”, Led by Jim Bossler

CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor Wayne Hoye

Everyone is invited to join the family in the East Hall for fellowship and luncheon immediately following the Service

Repast:

For family and close friends only Cornerstone Community School

90 West Overdale Drive

Tallmadge, OH 44278

Obituary

Israel Leone, the son of Charnee A. Anyanwu and Rashad Leone, was born on March 19, 2007. He transitioned to be with the Lord on February 4, 2020. Israel’s beautiful smile truly characterized his personality and demeanor. His mother described her son as: victorious, loving, funny, handsome and intelligent. Israel was a true fighter that continually beat up cancer for eight years until his final battle where he totally conquered cancer by transitioning into his next phase of life 100 % whole! Praise King Jesus!

Israel’s faith was one of the most important aspects of his life. He believed in Christ and accepted him at an early age. His trust in God superseded his doctors’ reports. Accordingly, he would often minister the gift of faith to his mother and others around him by declaring he is already healed. . Repeatedly, Israel told his mother the only person he loved more than her was God.

Israel’s dedicated mother, Charnee’ will always cherish the many delightful times she shared with her son. Specifically, the countless “ just mother and son bonding time” occurrences of cuddling with Israel and watching Netflix. During this special bonding time Israel would give his mother tons of hugs and kisses. Israel would remind his mother, “ma there is never enough hugs and never enough kisses!” Israel also loved his mother’s seven layer macaroni and cheese; it was his favorite dish.

The joys of Israel’s life were numerous and rewarding. Visiting his grandparents, whom he fondly called “Mommy Curry and “Papa” was a momentous occasion for him. Unpretentiously, he also enjoyed Mommy Curry’s delicious meals and Papa’s fluffy pancakes and the barbequing on the grill that Papa did all year round. Another source of fun for Israel was playing video games with his cousins Kwante and Antonio (who he referred to as a brother) at his grandparent’s home. Photo bombing his siblings Curry, Dj, Danaya, Kevin and Ikenna was a humorous act for him. Video chatting with his brothers Kobe and Raider online and also his dad was another pleasure for him. Israel had a lot of fun playing next door with his neighbor Timmy. He loved to schedule playdates (without referring to his mom’s schedule) with his best friends Jason and Lydia. Daily Israel was eager to attend Cornerstone Community School. His school environment consisted of staff members and students who were supportive, loving and nurturing. He really appreciated activities with his classmates, teachers, and of course spending time with his favorite principal Mr. Smith.

It was necessary many times for Israel to go to New York City for cancer treatments. His response to this necessity was once again, amazing. He absolutely enjoyed staying at the Ronald McDonald House in NYC. He would be so happy to play games with his friends in the playroom. The RMH became a home away from home and the people there became his extended family. One of the first persons he would always want to see as soon as he arrived to the RMH was his play sister Jessica (Jessie). Over the past eight years, several churches and faith based organizations have been a significant support system for Israel and his family. They include Central Bible Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio, Trinity Baptist Church of NYC, Candle lighters of NYC, Arms Wide Open, The Word Church, Grace and Mercy Church of the Living God in Cleveland, Cathedral Worship Center in Cleveland, Ohio, Apostolic Faith Tabernacle, Cleveland, Ohio, Zion Apostolic Church, Urban Vision, Celebration Church, Summit Christian School, Discover Life Church and Israel’s home based church Greater Works Church. Israel will always be remembered for his amazing faith, fortitude, and the love he extended to his family and friends..

Israel was predeceased by his grandmother, Gloria Bailey Leone. He is survived by his dedicated mother, Charnee’ A Anyanwu, step-father, Austine Anyanwu, father: Rashad Ali Leone, loving sisters: Curry Zender (James) and Danaya Merritt. Loving brothers: Donell Merritt, Kevin Merritt, Kobe Leone, Raider Leone and Ikenna Anyanwu. He leaves to cherish his memories: grandparents: Kevin and Curry Cox, Aunts: Christina Sapp (Ahmed) and Leah Leone, and Shalest Rushton. Nephew: James Zender V. Great aunts: Cartheeta Lee, Sheila Lee, Carol Singleton and Patricia Ramsey. Godmother: Shanel Brown. Special cousins: Kacie Cawthorne, (who also helped care for him and he considered a sister) Antonio Miles, Abigail Sapp, Ahmed Sapp II, Kwante Payton, Junior (Lanell) Merritt, Extended families; The Fernandez family, The King family the Smith family, the Odekunle family, the Cornerstone Community School Family and a host of other family members and friends.