



- Rest In Peace "Dr. Bondi" -



### CLOSING MESSAGE

Let us celebrate the incredible legacy Dr. Bondi leaves behind. Through his unwavering commitment to family, friends, and the community, he made a lasting impact on the lives of those fortunate enough to know him. As we move forward, let us honor his memory by keeping his spirit alive in our actions and the choices we make each day. In doing so, we ensure that Dr. Bondi's legacy will continue to inspire and uplift future generations.

### THANK YOU

Your sincere reactions, words of support, and meaningful gestures have helped bring our family comfort in this most difficult time. We are forever blessed with the family and friends that surround us with love and the many wonderful memories of our cherished Husband, Dad, and Papa.

As we look toward the days ahead, we are holding dear what lies inside of us. Please accept our heartfelt thank you.

The Bondi Family

INTERMENT  
Hoboken Cemetery  
5500 Tonnelle Ave.  
North Bergen, NJ 07047  
Tel: 201 867 0635



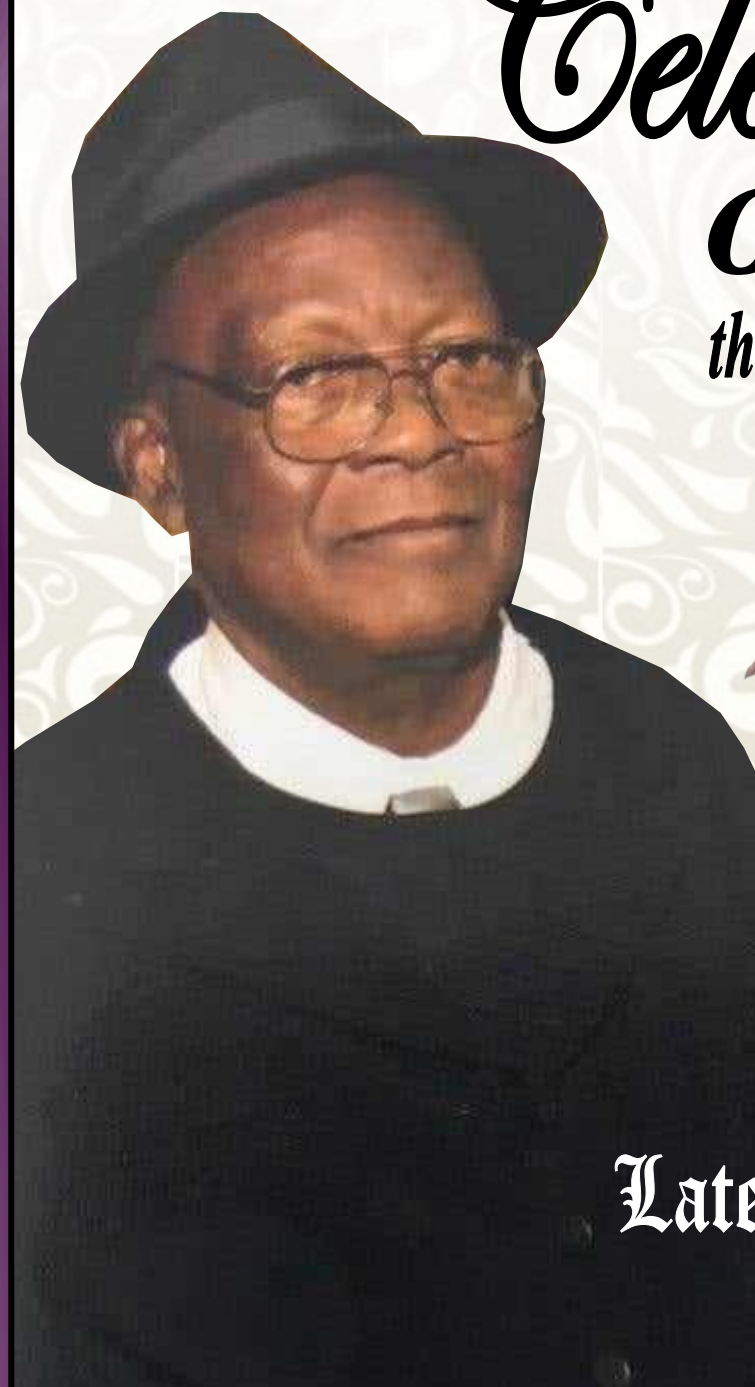
Funeral Program  
Guscoprint & Design Services LLC  
Darby Pennsylvania  
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- Jesus said, I am the resurrection and I am life -

Sunrise: December 21, 1947

Sunset: February 1, 2024

# Celebration Of Life for the Home-going of the



Late Dr. Sakillah Nyuma  
**Bondi**

A RADIANT SOUL, FOREVER CHERISHED

Saturday, February 24, 2024  
@9:00am - 12:00pm

Riotto Funeral Home  
3205 John F Kennedy Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07306



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## Officiating Clergy



Rev. Jackson Kanmoh, Jr.  
Senior Pastor,  
New Hope Baptist Church Int'l Philadelphia PA.

Rev. S. Augustus Tulay  
Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Darby

Rev. Agnes Tarpeh  
Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Darby

Rev. MacIvans Rogers

### BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Sakillah Nyuma Bondi, born December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1947, peacefully passed away on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. A man of profound grace, his life illuminated the paths of many. Throughout his journey, Dr. Bondi demonstrated an unwavering commitment to his family, career, and a passionate love for life that will not soon be forgotten. His legacy of unending kindness and humility will continue to inspire and guide his loved ones. Dr. Bondi's spirit remains deep within all hearts he touched. May his soul rest in eternal peace.



### AT THE GRAVE /FINAL COMMENDATION

Hymn at the Grave - "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

*God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide, uphold you;  
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

#### **Chorus**

***Till we meet, till we meet, Till we meet at Jesus' feet,  
Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.***

*God be with you till we meet again; When life's perils thick confound you,  
Put his arms unfailing round you. God be with you till we meet again.*

The Committal - Rev. Jackson Hosea Kanmoh, Jr

Closing Hymn - "When we all get to Heaven"

*Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace.  
In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place.*

#### **Chorus:**

***When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!***

*While we walk the pilgrim pathway, Clouds will overspread the sky;  
But when traveling days are over, Not a shadow, not a sigh.*

*Let us then be true and faithful, Trusting, serving every day;  
Just one glimpse of Him in glory Will the toils of life repay.*

#### **Benediction**

***May the Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious unto you; the Lord turn  
his face toward you and give you peace. Amen***

Niece: the late Kumba Catherine Kamara nee Bondi, in Sierra Leone & many more. His grand-kids include Pastor Samuel Mbayo in Minnesota, USA, Mr. Abubakarr Kamara in Boston, USA, and many more worldwide.

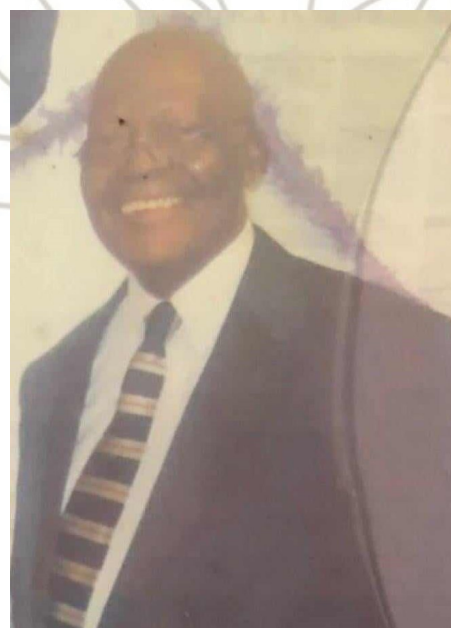
His relatives include Sahr Nafiyo Bondi and Nyuma Johnson Focko of Yendeh village. The Kormoh's, the Nyumas, the Gevaos, the Lamduls, the Sellus, the Lebbies, the Lenors, the Sandys, the Chokpellehs, the Yoolains, the Fombas, and the Ngebas. Mr. Umaru Lamin in Las Vegas, USA, Mr. Mohamed Bayoh in California, USA, Mr. Gba Kamara in Philadelphia, USA, Mr. Tony Tengbeh in New York City, USA; and all the Koindu and Yendeh families in Sierra Leone, and abroad.

He will be deeply missed by his colleagues, constituents, friends, and all who honorably collaborated with him in the pursuit of Education, and justice, and for a better tomorrow.

A public memorial service to celebrate his life and legacy will be held on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 9 a.m – 12 p.m., at the Riotto Funeral Home and Cremation Company, 3205 Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City. (For GPS navigation - please use the parking lot address: 14 Stagg Street).

Though Dr. Bondi may no longer be with us, his spirit will live on through the countless lives he touched, and the enduring impact he made in our world. May his memory be a source of comfort and inspiration to us all.

Rest in peace, dear Dr. Sakillah Nyuma Bondi. Your legacy will shine brightly for generations to come.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude	-	
Entrance/Processional	-	The Clergy, Casket and Family
Opening Sentence	-	Rev. Jackson Kanmoh, Jr. Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church Int'l. Philadelphia PA
Opening Hymn	-	"It is Well, with my soul"

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul.

**Refrain** It is well, with my soul, It is well, with my soul,  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

But, Lord, 'tis for Thee, for Thy coming we wait, The Sky, not the grave, is our goal;  
Oh trump of the angel! Oh voice of the Lord! Blessed hope, blessed rest of my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul.

Invocation	-	Rev. Jackson Kanmoh, Jr. Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church Int'l
Special Music	-	

### Scripture Readings:

Old Testament (Psalm 23)	-	Mr. John S. Lenor
New Testament (Romans 14:7-8)	-	Rev. MacIvans Rogers
Reading Obituary	-	Sia Bondi

Reflections and Tributes -  
A). Friends  
B). Organizations  
C). Churches  
D). Family

Hymn of Preparation

“What A friend we have in Jesus”

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in prayer

Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in prayer

Eulogy

Rev. S. Augustus Tulay, I  
Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Darby

Theme: “There Is Hope Beyond The Grave”

Text: John 11:17 - 25

Hymn of Consolation

Amazing Grace

1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils and snares. I have already come:  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

5 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease:  
I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.

Prayer of Consolation for the family

Rev. Agnes Tarpeh

Acknowledgement

Sia Bondi

Announcement

The Funeral Direction

Music

Benediction

The Preacher



Final Viewing



Obituary of the Late Dr. Sakilla Nyuma Bondi

Dr. Sakillah Nyuma Bondi, an esteemed educator and advocate for change, passed away on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, in New York City, USA, at age 76. He was a devoted educator and beacon of hope for his Kissi community in Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Guinea in West Africa. Dr. Bondi leaves behind a legacy of dedication, integrity, and tireless advocacy that will forever shape the landscape of his community.

Dr. Bondi was born in Yendeh Village, Kissi Teng Chiefdom in Kailahun District, in the eastern region of Sierra Leone. He was destined for a life of service from an early age. He possessed an unwavering commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of others, a commitment that would define his illustrious career in Education.

Dr. Bondi began his journey in Education over 45 years ago, and he was part of the leading educators who created the esteemed business school in Freetown, Sierra Leone, IPAM – The Institute of Public Administration and Management, rising through the ranks with determination and a steadfast belief in the power of Education and change in Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea. He was also a dedicated champion for humanitarian causes, and his work in NGOs took him across the globe, where he touched the lives of countless individuals and communities. His dedication to serving others knew no bounds; and often went beyond to ensure that the most vulnerable populations received the support and assistance they desperately needed. He worked with passion and integrity, championing causes that uplifted the marginalized, empowered the disenfranchised and promoted equality and justice for all.

Throughout his tenure, Dr. Bondi was a voice for the voiceless, fearlessly advocating for educational policies that addressed pressing social, economic, and environmental issues. His leadership inspired hopes and ignited a sense of purpose in the hearts of countless individuals, leaving an indelible mark on the fabric of his community and country.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, he was known for his unwavering dedication to his family, friends, colleagues, and community. He was a pillar of strength and a source of inspiration to all who had the privilege of knowing him, demonstrating compassion, empathy, and humility in all his endeavors.

Dr. Bondi is survived by his beloved wife - Mrs. Sarah Bondi. Children: Sia Bondi in the USA, Fayia Bondi in the UK, Dr. Kpallo Bondi in South Africa, Nancy Bondi and Nyuma Bondi in Liberia, Musu Bondi in Sierra Leone, Kumba Bondi in Gambia. Nephews: Philip Tamba James, Emmanuel Bondi, Mohamed Jan Jalloh in Sierra Leone,