



### **Rev. Theuda Yakini (Elandis Willis-Cashe)**

was born in Atlanta, Georgia. She graduated from Frederick Douglass High School in Atlanta, Georgia. She attended Georgia State University and Atlanta Technical College with a degree in Accounting before moving to Houston as part of the Houston Cadre from Atlanta, in 1977. She later attended Houston Community College and the University of Phoenix with degrees in Nuclear Medicine Technology, Business Management and an MBA in Healthcare Administration. Fundi Theuda has worked over 25 years in healthcare, where she currently works as Director of Services for a busy Cardiology practice in Houston.

Rev. Theuda joined the PAOCC in Atlanta in 1975 and has served the church in many capacities. She has served as a church Finance Officer for the Southwest Region, Training Group Leadership, The Holy Order of the Maccabees, and The Holy Order of Nzinga. She sang in the choir in Atlanta and Houston. She is a member of the Health Ministry. She has served as President of Sisters of the Struggle a Women's Ministry and event coordinator for Pearls Book Club. She was commissioned as a Missionary in 1976 and has participated in the Houston region in fundraising.

She has offered her passion for event planning in various activities for the church: Dinner Dialogue, The Jazz Kaleidoscope, The Revitalization of the Martin Luther King Corridor. She coordinated "Color or Culture", a fundraiser for the Shrine Cultural Center and the Red Carpet Picnic: a Mother, Daughter, Sister, Girlfriend Affair. She collaborated with Jackie Rhinehart, publicist for the stars, to organize a book lunch for a local artist in Houston. She has also served as foot soldier for many other Nation activities. Rev. Theuda has served as a Board Member for Shape Community Center.

She has worked with the Houston Rockets to organize health fairs mobilizing medical students from the University of Texas Medical School and servicing over 500 children. She has held membership in the National Black MBA, American Society of Nuclear Cardiology – Technology Section and Southwest Regional Society of Nuclear Medicine. She has organized volunteer opportunities for the PAOCC at the Shell Open, The Houston Food Bank, The Houston Area Women's Center and many other venues.

In her spare time, Rev. Theuda enjoys traveling and spending time with friends and family. She loves a good laugh. She is married, has a son and a beautiful granddaughter, Amani. Rev. Theuda truly believes that *service is the highest expression of God working through you* and she never turns down an opportunity to serve.