



## Christian Marcus Mitchell

September 6, 2004 - March 20, 2020

Christian Mitchell was born September 6, 2004, in Newark, Delaware, to Marcus and Leslie Mitchell. He was baptized at Pilgrim Baptist Church at the age of five, after having already established an active worship life. He was an avid member of the Buds of Promise children's choir, a regular student at Sunday School, and would often accompany his dad to the Men's Fellowship meetings. In later years, he loved to attend Children's Church at Faith City.

Christian was a fan of many things. Prominent on the list were music, cars and super heroes. He told his parents of his desire to be a race car driver. Yet if there were one passion that rose above the rest, music is likely that one! He loved music on pretty much every day of his life! Gospel, 80's, and Michael Jackson were among his favorites! If you knew him, you know just how serious it was. He was a joy to behold when reveling in his music.

Christian was an exceptional person. As the years passed, he experienced the loss of so many of the abilities most take for granted. Yet through it all, not one time did he ask why, not one time did he sulk, not one time did he complain. This was the beauty of Christian and his indomitable spirit.

Even as his physical abilities were siphoned away, Christian never lost his zeal for prayer and worship. When Mom Mom came to visit, you could find him saying prayers with her at bedtime. As she read the names of God, she'd

hold her finger in the air to queue him to say his part, “hallowed be thy name.” Or, before leaving home, he’d join his mom in reciting The Lord’s Prayer.

Left to celebrate Christian’s life are his parents, Marcus & Leslie Mitchell; a brother, Justin Mitchell, Newark, DE; two sets of grandparents, Clifford and Joyce Hughes, Greenwood, DE and Willie Edward and Legora Norwood, Mound Bayou, MS; two uncles, Rick Hughes, Greenwood, DE and Terron Mitchell, Smyrna, DE; four aunts, Tanya Siske (Tracy) and Johnnita Dunlap (Kenneth), Nashville TN, Paula Hughes, Greenwood, DE, and Francine Fennel, Smyrna, DE; eight first cousins, Ebonie Carzo (Watson), Atlanta, GA, Bryan Ricky Hughes, Milford, DE, DeShawn Hughes, Harrington, DE, Ninya and Sky Mitchell, Smyrna, DE, Trayanna Siske, Kennedy Dunlap, and Kenneth Dunlap, Jr., Nashville, TN. Christian also leaves several great aunts and uncles who loved him dearly.

# Tribute Wall

RW

“ *Marcus and Leslie, I am so sorry, so, so sorry for your loss.*

Ronda L Winfield - June 21, 2020 at 08:20 PM

BP

“ *Leslie and Marcus, we were extremely saddened to hear of Christian's passing. Our fondest memories are of him singing with the Buds of Promise at Pilgrim Baptist Church. Look to the hills from whence cometh your help which comes from the Lord. Please find hope in Revelation 21:4,5 as God himself will wipe away every tear from your eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor pain, for the former things will pass away. Behold, He will make all things new. No more suffering for Christian as he's got a new body, he is FREE! Praise the Lord, he's FREE! Praying your peace and comfort from our Heavenly Father during this time. With heartfelt sympathy and love. The Price Family (Libby, Mickey, Betty and Beverly)*

Beverly Price - March 29, 2020 at 11:36 PM

NF

“ *Rest in love.*

Natalie (Slaughter) Finley - March 29, 2020 at 11:25 AM

SL

“ *So sorry for your loss. Christian was a pleasure to teach . He was a student who never gave up in Physical Education class. He always entered the gymnasium with a smile . May God rest your soul!*

Susan Lake - March 28, 2020 at 11:11 AM

AN

“*Marcus, We are so sorry to learn of your loss. Christian was such a wonderful young man in so many ways. We pray your strength during this time. Know that we love you and wish we could be there with you. Your Mitchell Family*

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**Alberta Mitchell Nichols** - March 27, 2020 at 10:12 PM

MR

“*Marcus and Leslie, Praying the Lord will give you strength and comfort and may His peace overflow in the days to come.*

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**Minister Thomas & Cathy Revelle** - March 27, 2020 at 09:45 PM

ML

“*Words cannot express the sorrow I felt upon learning of Christian's passing. I cannot replace his physical presence in your lives but take comfort in knowing he is with the Lord. May God bless, comfort and strengthen you in the days, weeks and months to come.*

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**Min. John Lowery** - March 27, 2020 at 08:11 PM

ML

“*Nothing can replace Christian's presence in your lives. But, take comfort in knowing he is with the Lord. May God bless and comfort you.*

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**Min. John Lowery** - March 27, 2020 at 08:07 PM

KF

“*Marcus, May this tree serve as a tribute to Christian's beautiful spirit. We're praying God wrap His loving arms around you and your family.*

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**Kelli Hall-Harlen and family** - March 27, 2020 at 06:48 PM

CM

“ *Sending our most heartfelt and sincerest condolences. Our prayers are with you all. Christian\u2019s sweet and kind spirit will truly be missed!* ”

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**Calvin & Cherice Mincey** - March 27, 2020 at 04:55 PM

DP

“ *My prayers and condolences to Leslie and Marcus! Love Dexter and Lezle Parraway* ”

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**Dexter Parraway** - March 27, 2020 at 04:04 PM

PR

“ *In loving memory of a young, vibrant, courageous boy who loved Pilgrim Baptist Church and willingly volunteered to participate in youth activities.* ”

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**Pastor Lonnie and Virginia Rector** - March 27, 2020 at 02:28 PM

VR

“ *May the Lord provide you with peace and comfort during this time of sorrow.Pastor Lonnie and Sister Virginia Rector* ”

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**Virginia Rector** - March 27, 2020 at 11:38 AM

DY

“ *Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.* ”

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**Dwight and Jeanette Yancey** - March 27, 2020 at 11:07 AM

RM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time, as you celebrate the life of your phenomenal and brave young man.* ”

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**Rogers and Rita Morris-Ann Arbor, MI** - March 27, 2020 at 09:26 AM

MA

“ So sorry for your loss. You and the family are in our prayers. *Melissa & Greg Allen-Saunders*

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**Melissa A. Allen-Saunders** - March 26, 2020 at 10:06 PM

PM

“ *With loving memories of "Christian Mitchell".*

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**Pilgrim Baptist Church Buds of Promise Ministry** - March 26, 2020 at 08:32 PM

IB

“ *On behalf of the Pilgrim Baptist Church Buds of Promise, it is with great sadness to hear of the passing of Christian. He was truly a blessing to all. Christian was a dedicated member and shared in God\u2019s ministry using his gift of song. Many hearts were touched and souls saved because of him doing God\u2019s will. He will be deeply missed. Attached are a few memories that Christian shared with the Buds of Promise. May God bring peace and comfort to the family. Matthew 19:14 - But Jesus said, \u201cLet the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.\u201d Prayerfully, The Pilgrim Baptist Church Buds of Promise Ministry Sister Iris Borders, Director & Brother Steve Bly, Assistant Director*

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**Iris Borders** - March 26, 2020 at 08:17 PM

DL

“ *Christian brought so many gifts to our lives & touched our hearts in so many ways. Sending love & prayers. May God comfort you as you grieve his loss*

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**Dr Stewart, Mary, Barbara, Cathy, Jen, Tabatha & Lisa** - March 26, 2020 at 12:35 PM

CM

“ We were blessed to have Christian as a neighbor and to see him grow up. He was such a smart and talented kid. My son Myles enjoyed all the play dates with Christian. You will dearly be missed .Thank God for putting you in our path. Sending our deepest condolences to the family. Charles, Carla & Myles Mitchell

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**Charles & Carla Mitchell** - March 25, 2020 at 10:58 PM

CM

“ *"Christian Mitchell" will remain in our hearts forever.*

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**Charles & Carla Mitchell** - March 25, 2020 at 10:30 PM

PT

“ *Beloved family, We loved fellowshiping with Christian. He was a terrific student and a joy to be around. We loved his enthusiastic attitude. He knew the books of the bible and was always ready to answer questions or give his opinion on any subject. We loved his smiles and hugs. One of our best memories of Christian was that he loved decorating the Fellowship Hall for Vacation Bible School. Thank you Sister Mitchell for allowing us to pick up Christian after school for a few weeks and sit with him at our home until you came to pick him up. It was such a joy and a breath of fresh air to engage an inquisitive mind as his. He is the epitome of Luke 18: 17 "Verily i say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein." May God bless you both, Brother Marcus and Sister Leslie Mitchell, in your time of sorrow. Love Deacon Raymond and Sister Paulette Taylor Pilgrim Baptist Church, Newark, DE*

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**Paulette Taylor** - March 25, 2020 at 09:31 PM

JD

“ I first met Christian when he was a shy little tike. He grew into a nice young man that loved our Lord and Savior! One of my fondest memories of Christian is when I visited him and his mom, and he taught me one of his favorite games. After he was sure that I fully understood the rules\u2026 he commenced to beating on me with such passion! I enjoyed seeing him so happy and animated, throwing his head back...as he laughed! Now he\u2019s in Heaven\u2026His loving heart will surely be missed! Condolences to my dear Sister and all of the family and friends that were blessed to have known and loved Christian. Josephine Duckett

Josephine Duckett - March 25, 2020 at 11:49 AM

BK

“ Christian's smile says it all. His whole face lit up. He was such a sweet and enjoyable kid. I am so thankful that he and Sam were friends. We are lucky to have known him.

Bonnie Kitts - March 25, 2020 at 09:48 AM

TF

“ With loving memories of "Christian Mitchell",

The Kitts Family - March 25, 2020 at 09:47 AM

MM

“ My life has been forever transformed by the strength and determination of this God sent young man. I met Christian when he was in my third grade class at Thurgood Marshall Elementary School in Newark, Delaware. It was all in God's plan that we remained connected in faith. Christian you have made such an imprint upon my heart. I thank God that He has received you and you are at rest. You witnessed so much in 15 years. To God be the glory.

Mrs. Matilda Madric - March 24, 2020 at 09:51 PM

CP

“ Christian taught me so much about strength & perseverance. He always greeted with a smile & kind heart. I cherish the time I was able to spend with him

Chris Palmer-Casey - March 24, 2020 at 08:16 PM

DF

“ Christian taught me more than I could ever teach him. He inspired me and often left me speechless. He'll always hold a special place in my heart.

Deb Ford - March 24, 2020 at 07:53 PM

CP

“ Christian was an amazing young man. So sweet, kind, and loving. My heart will miss him forever!

Claudia Peters - March 24, 2020 at 07:33 PM

DT

“ Thank you Christian for visiting Trinity Faith Christian Center in Lewes, DE. I will forever remember your glorious smile and desire to be in the presence of the Lord! I also remember all of those sanctified handshakes you would get from Bishop Jones. A young man should always have a little something in his pocket. Enter into your rest, until we meet again. Elder Deborah Treherne

Deborah Treherne - March 24, 2020 at 07:13 PM

JG

“ With love,

Jill Gargano - March 24, 2020 at 12:14 PM