

# DOT Quarterly STAR



## TYMEKA ROBERTSON HURST

Tymeke Robertson Hurst was born to David and Arrie Robertson and grew up as an only child living with her mother in Sicklerville, NJ. Tymeke accepted the Lord Jesus Christ at an early age and served in several ministries at St. Matthew's Baptist Church. Her experience at St. Matthew's, cultivated her leadership foundation. Her first official leadership role was the position of Treasurer of the Jr Usher board which inspired her to run and win the election to 8th grade class Treasurer at Overbrook Jr. High School. At Overbrook Regional High School, Tymeke was Class Vice President during 9th through 11th Grades and in 12th grade Tymeke graduated from Overbrook Regional High School as Vice President of Student Government and Spanish Club President.

During Tymeke's first year of college at the University of Pittsburgh she was nominated the Black Action Society's Membership Chair. Tymeke eventually transferred to Temple University and began volunteering as a mentor for an adjudicated youth program based out of the Hunting Park Area in Philadelphia. Tymeke later was hired by the Hunting Park Community Development Corporation as the program Coordinator.

On February 18, 2000 Tymeke suffered a head on collision on Route 42 and her life changed forever. She had a grueling rehabilitation period that she attributes getting through because of Jesus and the Village of loved ones that showed her their support. Although Tymeke was not physically able to attend her last semester of Temple University, her mother reminded her that "nothing was wrong with her mind" and with those words Tymeke studied hard at home and graduated that May with a Bachelors of Arts Degree in Psychology and Cognitive Neuroscience.

In January 2002, Tymeke was hired by St. Matthew's Baptist Church in Williamstown, New Jersey as a Project Manager. Tymeke worked hard and earned her next title as Director of Operations. In 2005, Tymeke earned her Master's Degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix, Center City Philadelphia Campus. In 2006, Tymeke earned a promotion to the Chief of Operations at St. Matthew's and is currently serving in this position.

Additionally, she has had success in real estate investing and running a High End Fashion Jewelry Business that has earned her Recognition and Rewards including Extravagant All Expense Paid Dream Vacations around the world.

For the past several years Tymeke has also dedicated every Friday night to serving in ministry as a Volunteer AWANA Leader for 5th and 6th grade girls. And all thought life is very busy for Tymeke; she makes time to lend a helping hand to support other entrepreneurs and community organizations in any way she can.

Tymeke is a servant leader that is passionate about helping others. She has a strong belief in the statement that "it takes a village" and believes nothing is possible without Jesus. Her favorite scriptures are Romans 8:28 and we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose and Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Tymeke resides in Winslow, NJ with her supportive husband Troy; and together they have one son and two daughters of whom continue to inspire her daily.