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**Mrs. Serita Jakes to recognize Congressional Gold Medal Recipient Dr. Dorothy Height
With the 2003 Leading Lady Legacy Award at Annual Event**

WoMan-to-Woman: God's Leading Ladies Graduation scheduled for Dec. 19 at The Potter's House

DALLAS, December 8, 2003 – Mrs. Serita Jakes will join her husband, **Bishop T.D. Jakes**, in recognizing **Congressional Gold Medal Recipient Dr. Dorothy Height** with this year's **Leading Lady Legacy Award** during the *WoMan-to-Woman Ministry: God's Leading Ladies Graduation*. It will take place at The Potter's House Church in Dallas, TX, on **Friday, December 19, at 7 p.m.**

For many years, Serita Jakes has encouraged ladies to move beyond the edges of their stage, where they have watched life's drama unfold and stride to center stage, fulfilling the role of a lifetime as God's Leading Ladies. Under her direction, the *WoMan-to-Woman Ministry* allows women to attend *The Potter's House God's Leading Ladies Life Enrichment Program* which is designed to propel individuals who have experienced the freedom of Christian living and are now ready to move out of their comfort zone and into their destiny as Leading Ladies.

Dr. Height has been the recipient of numerous awards including the Citizens Medal Award presented by President Reagan, the Presidential Freedom Award presented by President Clinton and most recently, the Congressional Medal of Honor presented by President Bush. Dr. Height served as a counselor to Eleanor Roosevelt and prodded President Eisenhower to desegregate the nation's schools. She also served as president of the National Council of Negro Women and as an executive for the YWCA.

Other featured program participants at the ceremony include recording artist Take 6, who debuted in 1988. The group won two Grammy Awards resulting in top 10 appearances on both the Billboard Contemporary Jazz and Contemporary Christian Charts. In addition, the acclaimed dance group Elledanceworks will perform. Over the past five years, the company has performed extensively, bringing breathe-taking choreography and performance to a variety of audiences.

The 7 p.m. graduation ceremony is free. However, a silent auction is scheduled for 5 p.m. and **a pre-event black tie reception is scheduled from 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.** Tickets for the reception are \$35. They may be purchased in advance or the night of the event at the Potter's House Bookstore, 6777 W. Kiest Blvd. The WoMan-to-Woman Ministry strives to unite women of all ages and to improve their quality of life. A portion of the reception proceeds will support charitable causes in the Dallas/Metroplex area. For more information, please contact Que English at 214-668-1917.

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