

**Long Branch Baptist Church Black History Quiz Bowl
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDY GUIDE 2017**

Kimberly Clarice Aiken - During Miss America in 1994, she became the first crowned African American Queen from, SC. She is founder, president of HERO (Homeless Education and Resource Organization)

Charles P. Austin, Sr. - Columbia's first African-American Chief of Police

Clayton "Peg Leg" Bates - born in the small town of Fountain Inn, SC, he began tap dancing, despite an accident that left him with one leg, at the age of 12.

Mary McLeod Bethune - founded Bethune-Cookman College, National Council for Negro Women

Septima Poinsette Clark - Civil Rights leader who was involved in efforts to allow Blacks to teach in public schools in Charleston.

Honorable Merl F. Code- the first African American to serve as a Municipal Court Judge in Greenville, South Carolina

Viola Davis - Tony award winning actress, from St. Matthews, SC, who has starred in the movies, *The Help* and *Antwone Fisher*, and is lead actress in *How to Get Away with Murder*.

Reverend Joseph Armstrong DeLaine - Civil Rights leader from Summerton, SC, who helped end segregation in South Carolina schools.

Willie Earle - A mob seized him from jail and he was thought to be the last African American person to die by lynching in South Carolina.

Marian Wright Edelman - Born in Bennettsville, SC, she founded the *Children's Defense Fund*.

Raymond Felton - Latta, SC native who plays in the NBA, for Los Angeles Clippers.

Joe Frazier - Professional heavyweight boxer, also called "Smokin' Joe", who was born in Beaufort, SC.

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Althea Gibson - born in Silver, SC, was first Black player to win the Wimbledon singles title and the first to win the U. S. national title.

Vonnie Holliday - Free agent NFL, Defensive Lineman, from Camden, SC, who last played with Arizona Cardinals.

Alice Wyche Hurley - Renaissance woman, of Columbia, SC, working on many committees and boards.

Jesse Lewis Jackson - Assistant to the late Martin Luther King, Jr.; founder of Rainbow Coalition; founder of Operation PUSH, and minister from Greenville, SC.

Mamie "Peanut" Johnson - Native of Ridgeway, SC, and only woman to pitch for Negro Major League.

Jonas Thomas Kennedy - A farmer and philanthropist, from Bennettsville, SC, who helped to enrich the field of education from the United States to Africa.

Eartha Kitt - Both singer and actress, born in North, SC.

Isaac Samuel Leevy - Kershaw County native and entrepreneur of a department store, a funeral home, a service station, an automobile repair garage, a barber shop, a beauty shop, a real estate development company, a dressmaking operation, a burial association, and even a commercial hog-raising enterprise.

Isom Bartrone Lowman, Jr. - Graduate of Spring Valley High School in Columbia, SC, before graduating Morehouse College and owner of Fame Sports, Athlete's Foot, and Supreme Footwear.

Wes Mackey - Blues musician born in rural, SC.

Benjamin Elijah Mays - Teacher and Civil Rights leader born in Ninety-Six, SC. He was president of Morehouse College, dean of Howard University's School of Religion, and the first black president of Atlanta's school board.

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Ron McNair - Lake City, SC, native, who was an astronaut and physicist, who was one of the seven killed in the explosion of the Space Shuttle *Challenger*.

Pearl Moore - Native of Florence, SC, holds the women's basketball point record and inducted into *Women's Basketball Hall of Fame*.

Dr. Maceo Nance - Graduated from South Carolina State University, and served as president of the college for 19 years.

Reverend I. DeQuincey Newman - Born in Darlington County, SC, Civil Rights leader who led NAACP through turbulent 1960s. He later was elected as the state's first African-American state senator since 1886.

Horace Ott - Record producer, arranger, conductor, composer, and pianist, was born in St. Matthews, South Carolina.

William "Refrigerator" Perry - Former Chicago Bears defensive lineman, key player in Superbowl XX, born in Aiken, SC.

Robert Purvis - Born in Charleston, SC, home became a vital waystation for escaped slaves on the way to freedom in Canada and elsewhere.

Willie Larry Randolph, Jr. - Born in Holly Hill, SC, and a former professional baseball player for New York Yankees.

Sarah Reese - Soprano opera singer, from Greenville, SC.

Donnie Shell - Residing in Rock Hill, SC, a former NFL player for Pittsburgh Steelers and recently chosen by ex-teammate Tony Dungy for his introduction into Hall of Fame.

Robert Smalls - Beaufort, SC, slave who hijacked a Confederate steamship, disguised himself as a white captain, and sailed to Union safety. He later became a captain in US Navy and a representative in the US Congress.

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James E. "Patch" Talley - Former mayor of Spartanburg, SC.

Irene Trowell-Harris - Aiken, SC native who became first African American general of the National Guard.

Denmark Vessey - One of the founders of Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC, organized a slave uprising in Charleston, SC.

Dr. Clemmie E. Webber - Former *National Mother of the Year* recipient from orangeburg, SC.

Dwight E. Woods - Former Director of Phillis Wheatley Repertory Theater in Greenville, SC.

Matthew A. Zimmerman, Jr. - Native of Rock Hill, SC, appointed by President Bush as former Chief of Chaplains of the US Army.