



## PATRICIA RUTH HAZELL-STROTHER

Patricia (phonetically pronounced Pa-tree-sha) is the great-granddaughter of Reverend and Superintendent of Churches James William Roberts and Emily Jane Sands Roberts. Awareness of her Bahamian heritage was instilled at an early age, primarily through anecdotes and songs taught by her family.

Ms. Hazell, a born educator, received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Queens College in Flushing, New York, U.S.A. She received a Fellowship in Math and Science from Long Island University and did post graduate work at The College of New Rochelle in Supervision and Administration. She holds teacher and assistant principal licenses.

She successfully co-authored the grant, implemented and directed the Pundy Street Prep Program, a program to elevate junior high school students who are academically at risk. Mrs. Strother has taught adult education at District council 37. She was an adjunct lecturer at Manhattan community College and at John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

She worked in numerous programs to improve society through education. She is devoted to social improvement and elevation through education.

Some outstanding awards received have been The Bronx Historical Society Teacher of the Year, Gloria Wise Boys and Girls Club - Youth Activities Committee Partnership, National Council of Negro Women Educator's Award, NAACP's Thurgood Marshall Teacher of the Year Education Award, are among a few.

God and her loved ones have always been a source of encouragement, strength, and support throughout her life.