

Gillyard-Johnson-Mahoney Family Reunion

August 8, 2011

Dear Family,

Please plan to join us, **August 2-5, 2012**, as we celebrate Family. Can you believe it's our 5th Gillyard-Johnson-Mahoney Family Reunion? Now that's a milestone that deserves a celebration. Our tree is huge and our branches also include Guions, Caldwells, Trammells and all our friends. Based on polling results, you have chosen as our theme, "**Honoring Our Past, Celebrating Our Future**" and because Mansfield/Shreveport, LA is where it all started, we are going home again for the celebration. Our reunion will be held at the Shreveport Convention Center, located at 400 Caddo Street, Shreveport, La. The Hilton Hotel at 104 Market Street is our host hotel. The hotel is connected to the Convention Center, offers complimentary airport transportation and is conveniently located 2 blocks from the Riverboat Casino District. We have negotiated a discounted group rate of \$109 per night. You will need to call 1800HILTONS and use the group code GJM. Reservations must be made by, July 13, 2012, in order to receive the discounted group rate.

With our mission statement in mind, our Calls to Action, and our commitment to good health, our 2012 reunion colors are **Purple and Gold**. Purple means royalty and is associated with both nobility and spirituality. Gold symbolizes wealth used wisely, but it is also the symbol of good health. People who favor the color gold are optimistic.

Our Family Reunion banking account has been established at Chase Bank, in the name Gillyard-Johnson-Mahoney Family Reunion. Checks or money orders must be made out to the **Gillyard-Johnson-Mahoney Family Reunion** and mailed to **Daisy Reed/Bettie Griggs, 2923 W. 77th Street, Inglewood, CA 90305**. You may also charge your registration fee(s) by clicking on the "Make Payment" link on our website. To ensure proper accounting for those who have paid, our Financial Secretary will mail receipts to attendees and post names to "Who's Coming" on our website unless otherwise instructed.

Monthly reports regarding our reunion account will be emailed to family members beginning February 6, 2012. For your convenience, **an installment payment schedule has also been arranged**. To ensure that we meet our scheduled financial obligations, it is imperative that we receive timely registration fees. Family financial hardship cases should be discussed with the Financial Secretary.

Please find enclosed a flyer with all the details regarding the "**Honoring Our Past, Celebrating Our Future**" celebration, including Registration Fees and the [Installment Payment](#) Schedule. Also enclosed is the Registration Form.

Please make copies of this letter and flyer to share with others; and refer them to our website for additional information.

Email and social networking sites are the most economical way for us to get the word out. We simply don't have the money to continue to provide updates by mail. As changes or additional details are made, they will be posted to our website, social networking sites and emailed.

The success of our reunion requires commitment and support from all our family and friends. Make plans now to come and celebrate as we enjoy a time of fellowship, **Honoring Our Past, Celebrating Our Future**. For any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (323) 971-9208.

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In the Spirit of Family,

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