

House Resolution No. 504

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missourian who has distinguished himself as a follower of Christ for many years; and

Whereas, the Reverend Elmo Parker, a treasured resident of Piedmont, Missouri, is celebrating the resplendent occasion of his Forty-second Anniversary in the ministry; and

Whereas, ordained to the ministry on October 23, 1960, Pastor Parker founded Victory Baptist Temple in 1977 and has selflessly given his time and his own personal resources for the benefit of his congregation and his church; and

Whereas, Pastor Parker earned the praise and respect of many for his efforts in the establishment of Victory Baptist Academy, the first Christian Day School in Wayne County; and

Whereas, prior to his impressive tenure of service to Victory Baptist Temple, Pastor Parker played an integral role in the guidance of the congregations at Bounds Creek Baptist Church, Coldwater Baptist Church, Marquand Baptist Church, and Tabernacle Baptist Church; and

Whereas, when he is not busy tending to the spiritual needs of his flock, Pastor Parker can usually be found working hard on his farm; and

Whereas, a 1953 graduate of Des Arc High School, Pastor Parker was an exemplary employee at Brown Shoe Company, where he served as a Foreman until his much-deserved retirement in 1981; and

Whereas, Pastor Parker has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Imogene A. Parker; his three children, Cheryl Haggett, Jeff Parker, and Patti Miller; and his six grandchildren and one great-grandson:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Pastor Parker as he proudly commemorates forty-two years of unparalleled service to the Lord and a quarter century of achievement serving the Christian mission at Victory Baptist; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Reverend Elmo Parker, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
 Representative Rod Jetton
 District No. 156

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 504, adopted February 27, 2002.

 Jim Kreider, Speaker

