

Salute

to the

J. DEOTIS ROBERTS FAMILY

J. Deotis Roberts was born to J.C. and Edith Roberts in Spindale, N.C. in 1927. He graduated from several institutions in the U.S. and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Edinburgh in 1957. He pastored in N.C., Connecticut and Scotland. As an educator he has taught at several institutions, including Howard, Yale and Duke universities. He was president of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta and Dean of the Theological School of Virginia Union University. As a minister-scholar, he has excelled in passing on his thoughts on the printed page. He has authored 16 books and more than 100 articles and essays. He was married to Elizabeth Caldwell in 1953. They have three adult daughters, Charmaine Roberts Parker, Zane and Carlita Roberts Marsh; and seven grandchildren, Andre, Jazmin, Elizabeth, Arianna, Ashley, David and Jaxon.



New York Times Bestselling Author Zane

Zane is the New York Times Bestselling Author of nine titles: *Afterburn*, *Addicted*, *The Sex Chronicles: Shattering the Myth*, *Skyscraper*, *Nervous*, *Gettin' Buck Wild: the Sex Chronicles 2*, *The Sisters of APF*, *Shame on it All*, and *The Heat Seekers*. She originally self-published three titles in 2000 and went on to sell more than 250,000 copies; virtually by word of mouth alone. After almost four years, she embarked on her first tour in summer 2004 aboard "The Zane Love Bus" and signed in New York, Detroit, Philadelphia, Washington, DC and Atlanta.

Zane first signed with Simon and Schuster in June 2001 and has been on the *Essence* magazine bestsellers list (often in the No. 1 spot) consistently since she began her published career. She is the only author to ever have three out of five of the top fiction sellers in one month. She has sold more than three million books since April 2000.

She is also the editor of the anthologies *Chocolate Flava*, *Breaking the Cycle*, *Blackgentlemen.com* and *Sistergirls.com*. Zane is the publisher of Strebor Books International LLC (www.streborbooks.com) and has thirty-five authors signed to her house. The titles are distributed through Simon and Schuster. She has been featured in *Ebony*, *Jet*, *The New York Times*, *Essence*, *Today's Black Woman*, *The London Guardian*, *Noir Magazine* (London), *The Washington Post*, *People Weekly*, and *Entertainment Weekly*.

In the near future she plans to direct her first movie and is in production for major motion pictures and plays. She sponsored her first cruise in April 2005.

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