

The Spiritual Woman of Revelation 12:4, Part 5: *He's found with the name, "Muhammad"*

The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. Matt 13:33.

What we write and do is from our perspective and how we see and understand the teachings of Messenger Elijah Muhammad. We have decided to add this codicil to our series, "The Spiritual Woman of Revelation 12:4," to further expand on the subject, believing that the greatness of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, peace be upon him, will be spoken of for generations to come. There are hardly any words that can describe the importance of him to our people. Even though many of our people do not know or understand him. A great deal of that can be charged to the American Government's disinformation programs.



Yet, today, as he told us, a change is taking place in this world right before our eyes. So, this codicil is a necessary supplement, or added explanation, to the content of this series, which we could have easily added to our series, "After Me Comes the Future Ruler". Essentially, they go hand in hand.

It is so important that our people understand that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, our Spiritual Mother, carried us to the birth of a new nation, the basis of which forms a government for the people, where truth, freedom, justice, and equality can be had by all, fulfilling the will of our forefathers. And, in this day and time, this is what we should be doing – formulating a Nation and a Government of our own. Thankfully, this work is underway as the idea grows among our people.

We have a long way to go before this world is straightened out, because of all the lies which have been told, all of its evils that are practiced, and the damages that the world has incurred because of them. We believe these documents may serve as a contribution, in some measure, to help assist future generations to come in straightening out the World, after this rotten 6000-year-old world of evil falls in the flames of destruction. Messenger Elijah Muhammad was the Last Messenger to, and of the old world. And yet a new world, a new people, have been born and are maturing in the process.

Over the course of his lifetime, Messenger Elijah Muhammad may have done some things that many of us may not have completely understood. The work he did with Black people in America is an interesting study, to say the least. Rest assured, he'd learned enough from his Teacher, Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom praises are due forever, to understand what we needed and how to get us there. In fact, as we now understand, it was his mission to ensure that we did.

Often, things are quoted that Messenger Elijah Muhammad said, did, or taught. Sometimes, seldom visited is why did he say or do a particular thing? For example, why did he teach that he was the Woman of Revelation 12:4? The caliber of man that he was, we know he did not speak, nor write, idle words or leave messages with no meaning. The subject of the Woman of Revelation 12:4 comes directly from him. We want you, the pure at heart, to consider reasons we believe he said this of himself, what is to be learned about him, and how it interrelates with us.

It is critical to understand one of the most important duties Messenger Elijah Muhammad had, while suffering the pains of spiritual childbearing, was protecting the life of the child he carried. To him, protecting the child was, essentially, preserving the idea of a nation in the people, while, at the same time, protecting the one that comes in succession, in time, was ensuring the idea becoming a reality. It was his sole responsibility and duty to protect our future.

Messenger Elijah Muhammad taught us that our open enemies were trailing or tracking him, with the aims of cutting us off and stunting our future, from achieving the aims and purposes set out for us by, God. Therefore, to confuse the enemy, among other things, he found it necessary to hide his identity. By hiding his identity, essentially, he was running interference to throw the enemy off his path. This was not the only thing he did. He, employed a series of methods and techniques to achieve it. For example, speaking in unclear phrases, purposely being ambiguous, applying or giving double meanings to things, or by covering himself in other prophetic characters he was not to fulfill.

He knew what he was doing, but we didn't. This tells us how seriously he took his mission; one of which he did not waver. However, in so doing, the Messenger caused many of us to stumble in our knowing, or understanding, his true prophetic identity. Today, it's thought that he fulfilled every character in the prophecies. But, he didn't.

You have heard the often-told story that, sometimes, Messenger Elijah Muhammad would burst into tears over the plight and condition of our people in America. Maybe this was one of the reasons why. And, taking in consideration the fall of the Lost-Found Nation of Islam, which he foretold would happen following his death, maybe, he worried and

wondered whether or not we could fend for ourselves, when he was no longer with us. He 'wept' because he loved Black people just that much.¹

To prove the point, we will show a couple of instances, germane to him identifying himself as the Spiritual Woman, of Rev 12:4, in his teachings, where he speaks, generally, of us as a collective, and interrelating, specifically, about the one coming after him in time, with the name, Muhammad. This is just one method he used to protect us; there are others, so please do not become unhinged. Bear with us; we will make it plain.

Context:

Historically, the fall and rise of the Lost-Found Nation of Islam, after the death of Messenger Elijah Muhammad, is well-documented. Unknown by the majority of the people, and probably one of the least 'expected' to do so, Silis Muhammad stood up in 1977 and challenged Wallace D. Mohammed's attacks on his father's character, and on God, Allah, whom he represented to us, while hoisting his belief in a spirit God over the people, and absconding with the properties of the believers in the process.²

From that moment to this time, Silis Muhammad has explained that Messenger Elijah Muhammad fulfilled the role of the Spiritual Woman, of Revelation 12:4. And just as important, in standing, Silis Muhammad came explaining to the people that the time had arrived for us to begin formulating our own government and to preparing us to separate from America and return to our own. These messages, Silis Muhammad has been consistently touting, to this day. (See his 1978 Muhammad Speaks article entitled, "Warning.")³

Now, dear reader, we ask you to consider what we are about to say in the next few paragraphs. There are many places where Messenger Elijah Muhammad taught, specifically and generally, that he is the spiritual Woman of Revelation 12:4, as early as 1956, 1957, right through to 1975, the year of his passing.

Around 1996 was the first-time hearing 'other' Muslims, outside of the ranks of Silis Muhammad, bearing witness that Messenger Elijah Muhammad is our Spiritual Mother. In other words, for roughly 20 years, this teaching was being explained solely and primarily throughout the ranks of Silis Muhammad. Why do you suppose it took so long before others Muslims came around to the concept? After all, it is Messenger Elijah Muhammad's teachings. Though it is just a question, twenty years is a long time. Think over that!

¹ John 20:11

² "Nation of Islam Deserted, African Mirror Magazine, August, 1977.

³ "Warning!" by The Honorable Silis Muhammad, Muhammad Speaks (1978)

Unfortunately, today there still remains some reluctance on the part of many Muslims, accepting this concept as part of Messenger Elijah Muhammad's overall message, particularly coming from Silis Muhammad, and we understand that. At any rate, we believe this hesitancy, in part, is due to a long-held suspicion that Silis Muhammad explaining it as a spiritual message to the people, is attempting to place himself as heir to the throne of Messenger Elijah Muhammad. This is not true, and Silis Muhammad has never taught anything of the sort, nor has he ever made any such claim. Where others may have done this, Silis Muhammad has not! He is not that kind of person.

We've repeatedly stated our position on this. No one was scheduled to come as a 'successor' to Messenger Elijah Muhammad's position as Last Messenger of Allah to the people. And, we have made that clear. However, our position, in accordance with Messenger Elijah Muhammad's teachings, is that "one of the so-called Negroes" comes, in 'succession' in time, to do a work with the people. This, we proved and made clear in our papers, which we've encouraged all to read, study, or challenge.

It is important to understand that Silis Muhammad was relatively 'unknown,' having not played a public role in the way others had in the 1st resurrection. In his position, he did not enjoy the notoriety that men like Malcolm X, Muhammad Ali, Wallace D. Muhammad, Minister Louis Farrakhan, or the great Minister Jeremiah Shabazz did. Brother Lance Shabazz makes notation of Silis Muhammad's lack of notoriety, at the time he stood in 1977, in his book, "Blood Sweat and Tears: The Nation of Islam and Me."⁴ And, although these men knew him, and he them, they did not know him in the capacity of Minister. Silis Muhammad never held the position of a Minister, in the 1st rise of the people. He was a Captain, a Soldier, an FOI.

How did these men know Silis Muhammad? Well, at the invitation of Messenger Elijah Muhammad, Silis Muhammad sat among the Ministers at his dinner table and was taught by the Messenger, also. The Ministers were aware Messenger Elijah Muhammad appointed him Captain over the West Coast distribution of Muhammad Speaks Newspaper. Silis Muhammad's school tuition was paid by Messenger Elijah Muhammad, as he had done for others.

Silis Muhammad served as business manager over three of Messenger Elijah Muhammad's personal businesses, reporting to him on a daily basis. He lived in his home for a period of time, where he was privileged, some evenings, to sit and talk with him on his porch, or visit with him in his bedroom. The point is, Silis Muhammad also has a direct connection with Messenger Elijah Muhammad.

Silis Muhammad's contribution to the Lost-Found Nation of Islam was done in a different way, but served, he did. Drawing enough attention that Messenger Elijah Muhammad

⁴ "Blood Sweat and Tears: The Nation of Islam and Me" by Lance Shabazz.

bestowed upon him the name, "Muhammad," and welcomed him into his family, as a son. Messenger Elijah Muhammad did this. There was no parade held or any special ceremony which took place. Messenger Elijah Muhammad treated him the same way he treated others. The fact is, across the board, it was Messenger Elijah Muhammad who decided who he wanted around him.

We hope you can appreciate the challenges Silis Muhammad faced, in 1977 – not widely known, hardly any notoriety, and very little fame. Yet, he had the courage to go to spiritual war with Wallace, the destroyer of Lost-Found Nation of Islam, and the disbelievers and hypocrites occupying the properties of the believers. He doesn't get the credit for what he did. However, we are coming to a point with this, because it is true that Messenger Elijah Muhammad did write that the man slated to come **"had yet to be known."**⁵ (See Message to the Black Man in America, pg. 308.)

Many of us did not know the identity of the man whom he was referring to. Others wouldn't even consider the thought that another man would come after Messenger Elijah Muhammad, to do a work with the people. In the same way, many in the 1st rise did not believe or consider that the Lost-Found Nation of Islam would fall, even though Messenger Elijah Muhammad said it directly. This lack of knowledge on the part of so many does not negate the fact that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, like the fall of the Nation, knew one would come after him and spoke about it in many places.

To recap our series, 'After Me Comes the Future Ruler, Parts 1 through 3', we took the position, and proved, that Messenger Elijah Muhammad singled out one who would come after him. In that series of papers, referring to him, "...as one of the so-called Negroes," written down in Revelation 1:4-18.⁶ Furthermore, it was pointed out that this man comes not as a successor, but rather comes in succession in time, and the fall of the Lost-Found Nation of Islam, led astray by the hypocrites and disbelievers, necessitates his rise.

In our paper, we pointed out by virtue of the fact that Messenger Elijah Muhammad tells us about this specific person, he would have to be one coming up from the ranks and influenced by the teachings of Islam, as taught by the Messenger. Later, we showed that Messenger Elijah Muhammad points to this person having the name, "Muhammad."⁷

Moving on to 'The Spiritual Woman of Revelation 12:4' series, we pointed out that Messenger Elijah Muhammad fulfilled the role of the Woman of Revelation 12:4, and in that role, he was assigned the specific duty to protect the birth of the child that he was carrying, saying, "in the wilderness, there is a woman; she, too, has a child and must protect the child from the beast."⁸ Concluding that he, Messenger Elijah Muhammad, who

⁵ Message to the Black Man in America, page 308.

⁶ Jesus Was Only a Prophet, Elijah Muhammad, article Muhammad Speaks News, 1966, reprinted Dec 29, 1972.

⁷ How to Eat to Live, book2 page 49

⁸ Savior's Day, 1958, audio transcription.

wore a Crown of Stars (Fez) designed by himself, was the only person to fulfill that role and no other.

Let us get to the point of this paper. To reiterate here, we want to present our evidence, which we believe will show instances where Messenger Elijah Muhammad speaks of himself, in proximity, generally, to us, the collective people, and where he speaks of himself, in proximity, specifically, to the man who comes in succession to him in time. As we said, this is not the only method or technique he used to hide his identity to protect us, in the fulfillment of prophecy. Just one we point to here. Hopefully, you get the gist of what we're saying.

In Message to the Black Man in America, page 127, lines 34 through 37, he writes, "The woman in (Rev. 12:4) actually refers to the last Apostle of God, and her child refers to his followers, or the entire Negro race as they are called, who are not ready to be delivered (go to their own)."⁹

Take notice that he uses the word, "actually," which affirms that he is identifying himself in fulfillment of the role of the Woman, in Revelation 12:4, and that he is bearing a child, and that the child is his followers, or all black people in America. He goes on to say that we are not yet ready to be delivered or come to birth. Delivered, he defines in parentheses, means "go to their own". Take note of the gender change in his words, "...and her child refers to his followers." These are his words.

Note when he speaks of his child or children, saying, "and her child refers to his followers, or the entire Negro race, as they are called...." What is he teaching us here? Isn't he saying that he is a prophet of God, a man cast in the role of a woman (a spiritual woman), and that black people in America, are his spiritual children? Yes, he is! Very important to understand. For here, he, identifies us, collectively, in proximity to him; that we (the people) are all his children, spiritually.

Often you hear Muslim believers, talking down to black people in America, as if Messenger Elijah Muhammad is a Messenger, solely, to Muslims. When, in reality, he was the Messenger for, and of, all Black people in America. All of us are his children, confirmed in his words, "and her child refers to his followers, or the entire Negro race as they are called..." It could not be any clearer. Conclusively, in proximity to himself, he is referring to all the people, generally, as opposed to talking about one person, specifically.

Apparently, at the time, in 1965, we were (not yet ready) to go to our own. Why? Well, one thing hanging out there at the time, was Messenger Elijah Muhammad's prediction of the fall of the Lost-Found Nation of Islam. That had not yet occurred. And, while it may

⁹ Message to the Black Man in America, page 127, lines 34 through 37.

not have been believed by many of the followers, in his mind, the event was real and to happen. The Lost-Found Nation of Islam did fall, just as he said it would.

Now, let us go to another place where he talks about us (the people), generally, in proximity himself. Pittsburgh Courier, December 12, 1958, he writes, "Sometimes, spiritually speaking, a prophet is referred to as a woman, because he gives (spiritual birth to a nation) as in Revelation 12:4, 13; 14:1, 4."¹⁰ Here, again, pointing to Revelation 12:4, we see him explaining a prophet of God, a man, being cast in the role of a Woman, because 'he gives spiritual birth to a nation,' congruent with the above reference, on page 127, of his other book. So, here again, in proximity to himself, we (the whole of us) are spoken of in a general sense.

So, it should be clear to the pure at heart and one who seeks the truth, that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, a Messenger of Allah, a man, was assigned a special role, being cast as a woman, so that he could give spiritual birth to a nation, or should we say, so that the idea of nationhood will be born in the people. Yes! He was/is the Last Apostle of Allah, the Woman of Revelation 12:4. And, for the record, there are only 2 women mentioned in the Book of Revelation. The Woman of Revelation 12:4 and the Whore of Babylon.

Now, let us show where Messenger Elijah Muhammad, specifically, refers to the man coming behind him, by name.

Our first reference is found in Our Savior Has Arrived, page, 14, lines 12 thru 16, where the Messenger sections off the 6000-year history of the white race. Pertaining to the last period, he writes, "In Islam, it is referred to as the 'Coming of the Great Mahdi, the coming of Allah (to) the birth of Muhammad."¹¹ The emphasis used here is to highlight the fact that the birth of "Muhammad" occurs (after) the Coming of the Great Savior, not before.

Turning to How to Eat to Live, Vol 2, page 49, lines 124 thru 127, he writes, "While the Christians have deceived you in worshipping the birthday of Nimrod who was born the 25th day of that month, no man knows the day Jesus was born, but they (Joseph and Mary) themselves. (This is a sign) right there; no man of the evil world was to know when the (spiritual birth of Muhammad) was to take place. And, most surely they do not know."¹²

Referring to the latter 2 quotes, the "spiritual birth of Muhammad," compared with the "spiritual birth of a nation," he gives us in the 1958 Pittsburgh Courier article and Message to the Black Man, respectively. Here, in, proximity to himself, isn't Messenger Elijah Muhammad referring to an individual, specifically, and not all the people, generally? Yes, he is! It's right there as clear as a bell.

¹⁰ Pittsburgh Courier, December 12, 1958

¹¹ Our Savior Has Arrived, page, 14, lines 12 thru 16.

¹² How to Eat to Live, Vol 2, page 49, lines 124 thru 127

Otherwise, why would he refer to a man, by name, if he was not referring to a specific person? If the Messenger was not referring to an individual, why would he need to use a name at all? Now, you might say he was referring to himself? No, that wouldn't make sense. Remember, he taught in Message to the Black Man, "The woman in (Rev. 12:4) actually refers to the last Apostle of God..." The definition of 'actually,' as used, is him stating a fact about himself being one who gives birth, not one who is given birth. It's no way around it. Messenger Elijah Muhammad, the Last Messenger of Allah, is the Woman of Revelation 12:4 and does not give spiritual birth to himself, as this clearly says.

By virtue of his direct relation with Almighty God, Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom praises are forever due, Messenger Elijah Muhammad, was the only Messenger slated to perform the role of giving spiritual birth to the people, as he taught. Thus, we conclude, that the spiritual birth of the people, generally, was inclusive, specifically, of the spiritual birth of Muhammad, at the same time. To edify, the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, captured these moments under the Quranic, heading, "And We made the Son of Mary, and His Mother a Sign," Holy Quran Chapter 23, verse 50. Go study it.

Now, you might ask which comes first, the spiritual birth of Muhammad, or the spiritual birth of the people? We'll leave you these verses, and you decide. Isaiah 66:7-8:

7. Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child. 8. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children."¹³

Conclusion:

An amazing thing about learning is the things discovered on the way. Research requires a deep look into things and that is where jewels can be found, good or bad. Our study is the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and the study of him never leaves us short.

The problem with most is not having a good understanding of the role of the Last Messenger, and what the Last Messenger was scheduled to do. Messenger Elijah Muhammad, in hiding himself, hiding his identity, have caused many to take his title all-encompassing, believing him to be every character in Scriptures. However, this is not true. If one understood the role of the Last Messenger, as Messenger Elijah Muhammad, explains it in his teachings. It would help you understand that he could not, and did not fulfill every character in the prophecies.

¹³ Isaiah 66:7-8:

Now consider this. The subject of the spiritual woman of Revelation 12:4, have been among Messenger Elijah Muhammad's teachings as far back as 1955. He, as quoted, was the only Messenger, slated to fulfill the role. Yet, our research has not found any prominent Minister of Messenger Elijah Muhammad, who on a consistent bases taught this message to the general population of believers, such that the believers had a firm understanding of the subject, and passed the message onto the rest of the people. Most often, the believers called him, Dear Holy Apostle, the Last Messenger, the Last Messenger of Allah, or just the Messenger. But, rarely, if ever, did they refer to him as the spiritual woman of Revelation 12:4.

However, "Muhammad," called Silis, not only grasped the understanding that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, fulfilled the role of the woman of Rev 12:4. Silis Muhammad, has explained that Messenger Elijah Muhammad's work was the birth of a Nation, and that we are the results of his spiritual impregnation. Silis Muhammad, further in his wisdom, have also led the people to implement the idea of nationhood in reality.

This little-known Brother, a believer in the teachings of Messenger Elijah Muhammad, who took a stand against Wallace D. Mohammed, in 1977, is leading the formulation of a Government for our people. All across this country there are black people who are joining with Silis Muhammad, to help build a government that we can call our own.¹⁴ Look at that!

Because the idea and message of government born of the spiritual mind of Messenger Elijah Muhammad, is growing stronger and stronger each day among black people in America. Today, to a man bestowed the name of "Muhammad", we thank him for his courageous and bold stance, whereby we can proudly say that the children of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, are not only born, but are standing on our feet.

In closing. We in our hearts and minds are eternally grateful for our Spiritual Mother, The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, peace be upon him, who bore us into a new day. We pledge to uphold his name and give our love and loyalty to his memory, forever. We salute him always; Hail Mary, full of grace and truth, peace be to thy soul.

Respectfully, submitted. Thank you for reading our paper.

¹⁴ The advent of the Honorable Silis Muhammad, August 21, 1977.