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Edgar Brookins is General/Circulation Manager for the Washington Afro American Newspaper, Washington, DC. In this position, he is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the DC Office of the historic Afro American Newspapers as well as the distribution and management of the circulation program. His responsibilities also include community outreach, submission of weekly reports, compile the weekly Sophisticated Settings page(editorially) where he has featured over 125 non-profit organizations during the past year to give them visibility and focus on their community projects and programs.

During academic school years, 2014 – 2016, Edgar decided to step into the world of academia and accepted a position as an Adjunct Professor at Lincoln University teaching a Senior Practicum Course in Print Journalism.

Edgar has received several awards from local church, community and military organizations for his support and commitment to Youth, Community Service, Political Activism and Homeless Veterans. An avid supporter of Black History Programs, he leads the annual celebration at the Army Fort Myer, VA Gospel Service.

Edgar received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature from Jackson State University and during his 20-year plus career as an Army Officer(1969 -1990). He completed the Armed Forces Staff College and the Command General Staff College (civilian Master's equivalent) and served in several command and staff positions while on active duty. His membership affiliations include Black Public Relations Society, NABJ, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He currently serves as a Member, National Black History Month Luncheon Planning Committee, ASALH; Member, Fort Myer Gospel Service and is the Communications Ministry Leader; Serves on the Usher Board and Men's Ministry and is an Adult Sunday School teacher.

A native of Benton, MS, is the proud parent of three daughters and one son: Tara, Angel, Ciera(deceased) and Dexter, currently on active duty, Lt. Colonel, US Army(an Omega Man also).

He is currently on a crusade for Prostate Cancer Awareness among African American men. Recently diagnosed with the illness and just completed a 4 and ½ month chemo treatment at Walter Reed Military Medical Center; he wants to insure that Brothers are getting their annual screening from age 45 forward. He also has taken on the crusade for Lupus Awareness having recently suffered the loss of his beloved daughter Ciera to this dreaded disease.

He lives by the creed, I am my Brother's Keeper.

