

Susan Davenport Smith received her formal training at Northern Illinois University and the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy, an honor student at both institutions. She completed pharmacy school in 1977 and worked as a Registered Pharmacist at the University of Illinois and Children's Memorial Hospital. Since 1990, she has been employed as an AIDS Clinical Trials Pharmacist at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

While in pharmacy school, Susan Davenport met Horace Smith, who was a medical student. They married in 1976 and are the parents of three daughters.

Susan D. Smith has been a member of Apostolic Faith Church since 1976 and became First Lady in 1980 when her husband became Pastor. In addition to being the First Lady of Apostolic Faith Church, she is coordinator of the Annual Women's Convention and is very active with the women in her church.

Community activities include member of the Board of Directors of the Hephzibah Children's Association of Oak Park since September, 1996, Treasurer and Board Member of the Oak Park/River Forest Children's Chorus from 1996 to 1999, and member of the Oak Park/River Forest Citizens Council for the Oak Park/River Forest High School from 2000 to 2003.

Awards include La Rabida Children's Hospital 100 Big Hearts for Young Heroes and Children's Memorial Hospital Earl J. Frederick Award for Outstanding Team.

