

Curriculum Vitae

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Educational Experience

University of South Florida Muma College of Business Certificate: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace (Virtual, May 2021)

Doctorate of Ministry with Honors (2012)

Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK

Masters of Practical Theology with Honors (2009)

Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK

Bachelor of Science in Political Science (1992)

North Carolina A & T State University, Greensboro, NC

Professional Experience

Founding and Senior Pastor, The City Church in Huntersville, NC (1994–present). The City Church is an innovative church with a comprehensive vision—To love God, love each other, and serve the world. The City Church offers diverse and cutting-edge ministries in the greater Charlotte, North Carolina, and surrounding areas, affecting thousands of lives through effective evangelism, Christian education, and community empowerment.

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK (2019-present). As Adjunct Assistant Professor, responsibilities include teaching the course(s) pursuant to and in accordance with Oral Roberts University. Also, to perform all other duties of the Adjunct Assistant Professor by utilizing the best principal efforts in performing my duties including the use of a syllabus prepared for the course(s) being taught as well as use of textbooks, workbooks, etc., as selected by Oral Roberts University. To maintain course records for all students and submit final grades for each student.

African-American Outreach Director, Christians United for Israel (CUFI), San Antonio, TX (2008–2016). CUFI is the world's largest pro-Israel Christian organization with over 10 million members.

Radio Talk Show Host and Personality, "Faith and Values in the Urban Community" on NewsTalk 1110 WBT, Charlotte, NC (2007–2009). Hosted an on-air, weekly two-hour radio talk show addressing key and relevant issues in church and community.

Professional Affiliations

- Ordained minister and District Superintendent in the Church of God in Christ (1994–present)
- Assistant Dean of Leadership Institute for National Pastors and Elders Council for Church of God in Christ (2012–2020)
- Executive board of the General Council of Pastors and Elders of the Church of God in Christ (2000–2015)
- Chairman, University City Bible College and Leadership Institute (2007–2015)
- Advisory board member, Samaritan’s Feet International (2004–2008)
- Executive board member, Covenant Banking of the Central Carolina Group (2003–2008)

Publications

Published Books

- *We Too Stand: A Call for the African-American Church to Support the Jewish State* (Frontline Publishing, 2013)
- *No More Excuses: Creating a Culture in the Church That Reaches African-American Men* (Creation House, 2008)
- *Straight Up: The Church’s Official Response to the Epidemic of Down Low Living.* (Creation House, 2006)

Manuscripts in Progress

Holy Spirit Now! Understanding the Holy Spirit for Your Life Today (projected publication in 2021)

Articles and Op-Eds

- Hallelujah and Happy Hanukkah, *The Torch Magazine* (2012)
- Christian Backers of Israel Reach Out to Blacks: AIPAC Also Looks for More Support Among African-Americans, *Forward.Com* (2011)
- Israel’s Backers Step Up Efforts to Win African-American Support, *CNN* (2011)
- Bishop Desmond Tutu Should Invest in Peace, *The Torch Magazine* (2010)
- Here’s to Your Health—Your Spiritual Health, *Pride Magazine* (2010)
- Creating a Culture in the Church That Reaches Black Men, *Pride Magazine* (2009)
- The Business of the Local African-American Church, *Pride Magazine* (2007)
- No More Closet Christianity, Somebody Say Amen (Column), *Charisma Magazine* (2007)
- 4 Contributions of Today’s Black Church, *Charisma Magazine* (2007)

Teaching Philosophy

The ultimate objective of my teaching philosophy is to comprehensively incorporate the adult student’s critical thinking with his or her feelings to produce an effective application of responsibility, all in an environment conducive to maximum success and significance. My

personal pursuit and professional quest is to academically synthesize the student's learning experience with the values of Spirit-led influence through simplistic and practical application.

Experienced Classroom Facilitator and Organizer

- Academic Adjunct Assistant Professor for Graduate Master's Course—Spirit Empowered Leadership (LCHM 108), Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma (2021-2021)
- Academic Adjunct Assistant Professor for Graduate Master's Course—Spirit Empowered Ministry (GMCM 510), Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma (2019, 2020, 2021)
- Academic Adjunct Assistant Professor for Graduate Master's Course—Intro to Pastoral Care (GMCM 673), Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma (2019, 2020)
- Ministry Ethics 101: The Ministry Leader in Community: A Robust Dialogue about the Roles of the Leader in Church and Community, International Holy Convocation for Church of God in Christ, St. Louis, MO (2019)
- Organizer and key facilitator for City Church Leadership Institute Seminars, Charlotte, NC (2018)
- Facilitated an eight-week seminar course based on the book *The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work* by John M. Gottman and Nan Silver, Charlotte, NC (2017)
- Organizer and academic facilitator of eight-week leadership seminar based on the book *Leadership Pain* by Dr. Sam Chand, Charlotte, NC (2016)
- Cochair and facilitator of the National Pastors and Elders Council Leadership Institute for the Church of God in Christ, Memphis, TN (2012–2016)
- Community organizer and town hall panelist for crime prevention and youth intervention, Charlotte, NC (2016)
- Organizer and facilitator of ten-week seminar entitled “Comparisons of Black Wealth” based on the book *Jewish Phenomenon* by Stephen Silbiger, Charlotte, NC (2015)
- Organizer and workshop facilitator for Crisis Response and Community Involvement for Urban Initiatives, St. Louis, MO (2015)
- Co-academic facilitator and panelist for “Discussion on Israeli and African-American Advocacy for Israel” for Center for Jewish-Christian Understanding and Corporation. Jerusalem, Israel (2013 and 2014)
- Town hall panelist for Church of God in Christ's National Pastors and Elders Conference, Chicago, IL (2013)
- Pro-Israel presentation and lecture in Jewish synagogue, Naples, FL (2013)
- Organizer and facilitator for University City Church men's retreat, Asheville, NC (2011, 2012)
- Guest speaker and workshop presenter for Urban Men's Conference, Los Angeles, CA (2011)

Community Service and Organizations

- Chief visionary and organizer for state-licensed and nonprofit child development center and after-school program (2018)
- Human Coalition—The Women's Care Clinic; Clergy and Community Leadership Team, Charlotte, NC (2018)

- Love Life Charlotte; clergy speaker and community organizer, Charlotte, NC (2017–present)
- Church of God in Christ National Archival committee member and organizer (2017–present)
- Chief organizer and community leader for media press conference for local clergy against teen violence and police injustices (2017)
- Chief organizer for media press conference for local clergy against House Bill 2 for North Carolina State Legislation (2016)
- Chief organizer of Woman of Valor Israel 2017 Tour with Outreach Projects in Bethlehem, Israel (2017)
- Chief organizer of Church of God in Christ’s Millennial and Young Adult Leadership Tour to Israel with Ethiopian Absorption Center Outreach Efforts (2015)

Awards and Recognitions

- Keynote speaker for Samaritan’s Feet Champions of Hope, Amelia Island, FL (2019)
- Keynote speaker for Samaritan’s Feet Champions of Hope Weekend, Naples, FL (2018)
- Guest speaker on Michael Baisden’s nationally syndicated talk show (2011, 2012)
- Guest panelist at the Allstate Tom Joyner Family Reunion, Orlando, FL (2009)
- Guest speaker on The Tony Brown Show, a nationally syndicated television show on Public Broadcasting (2007)
- Public invocation for President George W. Bush, Charlotte, NC (2006)
- Main speaker for Charisma Book Expo, Georgia International Convention Center, College Park, GA (2006)
- Nominated for 2006 “9 Who Care” Award by WSOC TV Channel 9, Charlotte, NC (2006)
- Keynote speaker, Metrolina Chapter of Black Social Workers Conference, Charlotte, NC (2005)
- Recipient of International Christian Ministries Torchbearers Award, Charlotte, NC (2005)
- Recipient of General Council of Pastors & Elders of Church of God in Christ Appreciation Award, Memphis, TN (2005)
- Recognized in “30 Emerging Voices: Who Will Lead the Church in the Next Decade?” *Charisma Magazine*, August edition (2005)
- Interviewed by national media and syndicated shows such as Fox News, CNN, TBN, CBN’s “700 Club,” Word Channel, Harvest Show, and CW affiliate KTLA in Los Angeles, CA.

References:

Dr. James Barber, advisor at Oral Roberts University

Dr. Stephen Hancock, professor at University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Dr. Jeffery Shears, professor at North Carolina A&T State University

Dr. Cynthia Davis, pastor at Nations Ford Community Church

Bishop Sedgwick Daniels, general board member, Church of God in Christ