Dr. Michael A. Stevens, Sr.

Dr. Michael A. Stevens, Sr. is the visionary founder and Senior Pastor of City Church—Northlake, Church of God in Christ. City Church—Northlake is an innovated church with a very clear and concise vision—*To Love God, Love People, and Serve the World.* Dr. Stevens is an Ordained Elder and District Superintendent in the Church of God in Christ. He currently serves as Servant Leader of the Cosmopolitan Fellowship of Churches Int'l, an ecumenical fellowship serving churches and ministry leaders in the southeastern area of the United States. Dr. Stevens has an earned Doctorate of Ministry degree (2012) as well as a Masters of Practical Theology degree (2009) from Oral Roberts University and is a graduate of North Carolina A&T State University (1992) located in Greensboro, NC where he received his Bachelors of Science degree in Political Studies.

Dr. Stevens has been privileged to preach coast-to-coast and abroad in such countries as US Virgin Islands, Bermuda, Kenya, Belize, Israel, Peru, and South Africa. He has been interviewed by national and syndicated media shows such as Fox News, CNN, TBN, CBN's 700 Club, the Word Channel and the Harvest Show. Dr. Stevens makes his home in the greater Charlotte metro area of North Carolina. He is married to his college sweetheart of 31 years—the incomparable Sharon Lindsey, and together they have been phenomenally blessed with three adult children, Michael Anthony Jr., Matthew Courtlin, and Charisma Lindsey.

Dr. Michael A. Stevens has traveled to Israel more than 20 times in the last several years. He has hosted more than 350 pastors and ministry leaders in Israel with efforts of furthering the understanding and appreciation between the African-American and Jewish communities.

Media Experiences and Interviews

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.

Radio Talk Show Host and Personality, "On the Mic with Pastor Mike" on Radio One's Praise 100.9 FM in Charlotte, NC (2007-2010). Hosted an on-air, weekly one-hour radio talk show addressing key and relevant issues in church and community.

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)

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)

Awards and Recognitions

- Keynote speaker for Samaritan's Feet Champions of Hope, Amelia Island, FL (2019)
- 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 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)





What Others Are Saying...

- "...promises to accurately inform and instruct the Christian community on the increasing importance of supporting Israel with prayers with a unified presence, Dr. Stevens gives several practical motives and reasons the Christians church—namely the African American church. He also encourages the church to lay aside its differences with the Jewish community and embrace its biblical mandate to support the Jewish people."
 - —Bishop Harry R. Jackson, Chairman of the High Impact Leadership Coalition.
- "...has created a hiblical paradigm for the African American church and the Jewish people to work together in supporting Israel. Using a scriptural foundation that will have a more lasting affect in bringing the two faith communities closer than shared painful memories in its integration into American society."
 - —Rabbi Dr. Shlomo Riskin Chief Rabbi of Efrat Founder, Center for Jewish-Christian Understanding and Cooperation
- "...has joined the chorus of courageous and passionate-for-truth Christian heroes standing in support of Israel. He is traveling the world to preach his courageous message. His voice resonates from America to Africa."
 - —Rabbi Aryeh Scheinberg Leader of Congregation Rodfei Sholom, San Antonio, Texas
- "...In his moving, comprehensive, and engaging book, Dr. Michael Stevens offers a voice and not an echo to his generation. He does this in the same way that John the Baptist confronted his generation with truth... Dr. Stevens represents a forerunner to the African American community. In the spirit of revelation he explains why and how Christians should support Israel and why Israel has the right to exist and the right to defend itself."
 - —Dr. John Hagee, President Christians United for Israel

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