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Summary

Experienced and effective leader and teacher who trains disciples in the church, the community and the prison. Skilled in communicating the gospel and in community engagement. A seasoned shepherd and educator with over 20 years of leadership, teaching, and preaching experience in various platforms of ministry, including program director, undergraduate faculty, pulpit ministry, street evangelism, community action leader, prison ministry, and foreign missions.

Academic History

- Doctor of Ministry – Ministry Leadership, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC (2021)
- Master of Divinity - Bible Exposition, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC (2007)
- Bachelor of Arts - Biblical Studies, Carver Bible College, Atlanta, GA, (2003)
- High School Diploma – General Studies, Frank W. Ballou High School, Washington, DC, (1990)

Academic Work Experience

Director of Prison Initiative (PI), Columbia International University, Columbia, SC
(2011-Present)

- Provide Oversee the Associate's Degree program offered to inmates within the South Carolina Department of Corrections.
- Advancement Officer for the Prison Initiative
- Provide pastoral leadership counseling for PI student body
- Support Prison Initiative Faculty
- Supervise Prison Initiative Staff and volunteers
- Coordinate with SCDC Headquarters, Chaplaincy, and institutional officers and staff
- Provide continual support to PI Alumni
- Faculty Member of the College of Arts and Science School

Assistant Dean of Ministry Skills Development (Field Education), Columbia International University, Columbia, SC, (2005-2007)

- Directed the Ministry Skills Development Department.
- Gave oversight to 13 ministry coaches (experienced professional ministry leaders).

- Provided mentoring for the entire undergraduate student body in-field experience ministry.
- Taught as Ministry Coach for Bible Clubs, Evangelism

Grader for Undergraduate Professor, Columbia International University, Columbia SC, (2004-2005)

- Graded papers for the professor of Theology and Expository Preaching

Junior Advancement Officer and Mail Room Operator, Carver Bible College, Atlanta, GA, (1999-2003)

- Maintained Donor's Database – Raisers Edge
- Mail and receive letters and packages for college
- Assist the President with donor-related functions

Chapel Director, Carver Bible College, Atlanta, GA, (1999-2003)

- Coordinated chapel schedule for all chapels
- Host and introduce guest speakers
- Directed chapel services

Courses Taught

- New Testament Survey
- New Testament Survey Honors
- Principles of Bible Interpretation (Hermeneutics)
- Exegesis and Exposition
- Christian Theology
- Evangelism and Discipleship
- Communicating God's Word
- Encountering Spiritual Formations
- Romans

Highlights of Professional Experience

- **Senior Pastor**, Temple Zion Baptist Church, Columbia, SC, (2008-Present)
- **Founder and Executive Director**, North Monticello Community Outreach, *Non-profit Faith-based organization, 501C3*, Columbia SC, (2022-Present)
- **Board Chair**, Daybreak Family Life Center, Columbia SC, (2022-2023)
- **Board Member**, Ben Lippen Schools, Columbia SC, (2021-2023)
- **President**, North Monticello Leadership Coalition, Columbia, SC, (2019-2020)
- **President**, Midlands Baptist Ministerial Alliance, Columbia, SC, (2018-2019)
- **Vice President of Congress of Christian Education, Mt. Hebron Progressive Baptist Association**, Columbia, SC, (2010-2011)
- **President and CEO**, The Nehemiah Project, Inc., *Non-Profit Faith-Based Organization, Columbia, SC*, (2008-2016)

- **Interim Pastor**, Columbia Christian Fellowship, Columbia, SC, (2007-2008)
- **Associate Pastor**, Church of the Open Door, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Missionary Baptist Church, Columbia, SC, (2005-2007)
- **Youth Pastor**, Union Grove Baptist Church, Union City, GA, (1999-2003)
- **Street Evangelist Team**, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, Washington, DC, (1997-1999)

Other Ministry Experiences

- Pastoral Mission Trip to Luanda, Angola (2023)
- Guided Short Term Missions Trip to Detroit, MI (2018)
- Led Short Term Missions Trips to Dominican Republic (2014, 2016)
- Occasional Chapel Speaker for Columbia International University (2010-Present)
- Community Liaison for Crane Creek Community and CIU, Columbia, SC (2019-Present)
- Organized Ecumenical Church Meeting to Address COVID-19 Community Concerns with Governor McMasters and State Senator Scott (2020)

Honors and Awards

- Humanitarian Award for Excellence in Service (2025)
- Dr. Martin Luther King Community Service Award (2019)
- Summa Cum Laude (2003)
- Who's Who Among College Students (2003)

Professional Affiliations

- Columbia Metro Baptist Association
- Midlands Coalition of Churches
- South Carolina Baptist Convention
- North American Missions Board
- North Monticello Leadership Coalition
- Council for Christian Colleges and Universities
- Mt. Hebron Progressive Baptist Association
- Midlands Baptist Ministerial Alliance
- Midlands Baptist Association
- Global Prison Seminaries Foundation
- Pioneers-USA
- Crossover Communications International
- Bethel Christian Camp

References available upon request