

First Baptist Church

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Pastor Williams would like to extend special thanks to:

Sis. Vera Merchant, Sis. Justina Eason,

The Grace Episcopal Choir,

Dr. Lowell McCown &

Dr. A. Lincoln James and the Trinity Baptist Church

The Reverend McKinley Anthony Williams - Pastor

1st Anniversary Celebration

of



Pastor McKinley Anthony Williams

Sunday, April 28, 2019

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11:00am & 4:00pm

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Pastor McKinley A. Williams

The Rev. McKinley A. Williams was born the Mrs. Elnora and the late Rev. Dr. Stacy Williams in Willow Grove, PA on November 30, 1965. At that time, McKinley's father was the pastor of the McKinley Memorial Baptist Church of Willow Grove, PA. McKinley was named in honor of that Church. In 1966, the Williams' Family moved to Detroit where Dr. Williams assumed the pastorate of the Peace Baptist Church of Detroit.

Rev. McKinley A. Williams is a product of the Detroit Public School System. He was educated at the Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas and the Andover Newton Theological School (formerly in suburban Boston). He has studied in the Summer Theological Program at the Methodist Theological School in suburban Columbus, OH. He has also studied in the Graduate Theological Studies Program at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH.

Rev. McKinley A. Williams was baptized and licensed to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ at the Peace Baptist Church of Detroit under the pastorate of the late Dr. Stacy Williams. Rev. McKinley A. Williams was ordained by the Hartford Memorial Baptist Church of Detroit under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Charles G. Adams.

Rev. McKinley A. Williams has served as the celebrated Senior Pastor of the New Faith Baptist Church of Detroit from 1995 to 2017. He led the church into new heights and a greater sense of Ministry. He led them to purchase an edifice and parsonage and several acres of land for church growth and development. He organized several auxiliaries and helped to institute many ministries. While at New Faith, Pastor Williams licensed and ordained many persons into Christian Ministry.

Rev. McKinley A. Williams was called to be the Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Lexington, VA on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Since his arrival at First Baptist Church, Pastor Williams has reinstated several Church ministries, increased church growth, both numerically and spiritually. He has initiated the beginning phases of a Church renovation program, which led to new Bibles and new carpet and an overhaul of the church pipe organ. He began a Ministry which included a Financial Seminar with a local Bank Investor on Building Wealth. Pastor Williams is working together with Lexington area Ministers for kingdom building and advancement. Recently, Pastor Williams was appointed to Chair the Lexington/Rockbridge NAACP Religious Affairs Committee. Pastor Williams also was appointed to serve on the Advisory Board of the College of Arts and Sciences for the Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas.

Rev. McKinley A. Williams has preached and lectured across the USA, Canada, Europe, Jamaica, and Asia. He has served as a Guest Facilitator at the National Baptist Convention Congress of Christian Education. He has taught in the Young Adult Division of the National Baptist Convention Congress. He has led the efforts to organize a small Baptist Church in Central Asia (rural India) which opened in 2006 where he was invited to preach the opening day sermon. He has served on the Executive Board of the Michigan Baptist State Convention. He is the Former Treasurer of the Michigan Baptist State Convention. He is a Member of the Detroit Baptist Pastors Council. He is a member of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., and the Progressive National Baptist Convention. The Rev. McKinley A. Williams has been appointed to serve as a Board Member for the Commission on Ministry for Missions, Evangelism and Theological Reflection for the term 2010-2015 term for the Baptist World Alliance. He most recently was appointed to serve on the Mission's and Ministry Commission for the Baptist World Alliance for the 2015-2020 term. Pastor Williams presented a paper on Ministry and Urban Missions and preached in the summer of 2018 in Zurich, Switzerland for the Baptist World Alliance.

Guest Preachers

Dr. Lowell M. McCown

The Reverend Dr. Lowell M. McCown, Sr. was born to Clarence and Sally McCown in South Boston, VA. He is a product of the Halifax County Public School System. He is a graduate of the Virginia University of Lynchburg and Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA. Pastor McCown has served as an Educator, teaching in the Public Schools. His Ministry of preaching has spanned more than six decades. His pastoral ministry traversed more than 50 years, retiring as Pastor Emeritus, McKinley Memorial Baptist Church of suburban Philadelphia, PA. Dr. McCown has served on several Boards and Community organizations to enhance the witness of Jesus Christ and further the progress of humanity.

Pastor McCown is married to the former Jacqueline Williams of Detroit, MI. Dr. McCown is the father of three children and the grandfather of three.

Pastor McCown is a Christian gentleman who is still active in Ministry, preaching and teaching in the USA for the cause of Christ.



Dr. A. Lincoln James, Jr.

Dr. A. Lincoln James, Jr. was called into the Gospel Ministry in 1967. He received his public school education in Chicago, Illinois and continued his studies in academia at the North Park College and Seminary, also of Illinois. After receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology, he pursued his calling further at the School of Theology of Virginia Union University, which conferred upon him the Master of Divinity Degree.

Dr. James believes in being an example of humanitarian endeavors and several communities have honored him for his commitment to the community. McKinley Theological Seminary of Jackson, Mississippi bestowed upon him an Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree and the Baltimore Seminary and College honored him with the honorary Doctor of Humanities Degree.

Dr. James presently serves as the Pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church of Richmond, Virginia. Prior to being called to Trinity, he served as the Youth Minister of Greater Bethesda Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois, the Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Kilmarnock, Virginia, the Pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Petersburg, Virginia and the Pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Prince George County, Virginia.