## Reverend Dr. Proctor N. Beard, SR

Reverend Proctor N. Beard Sr. is the oldest son of Evangelist Louise Beard Rodgers and the late Roy N. Beard. A native of Danville, VA, he is a graduate of Dan River High School and Danville Community College, Danville, Virginia. Dr. Beard earned a B.S. degree in Business Administration from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia and a M.A. degree in Christian Education from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Richmond Virginia. In 2006, he received a Doctor of Ministry degree from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia. Danville, VA. He received the Certificate of Formational Prayer from Healing Care Ministries, Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland, OH, in 2011, and the Certificate in Spiritual Formation and the Art of Spiritual Direction, in 2016, from HCM International, Ashland, OH.

Dr. Beard was licensed and ordained by the First Shiloh Baptist Church, Mechanicsville, Virginia where the Reverend Dr. R. Neal Siler serves as pastor. In December 2002, Dr. Beard was called as the tenth pastor of the Springfield Baptist Church, Glen Allen, Virginia. In addition to his pastoral duties at Springfield, he serves as the Associate Director of New Life Ministries, Inc. New Life Ministries is committed to providing retreats, seminars, conferences, and workshops for progressive churches to Married Couples, Singles, Church Leaders, Young Adults, Youth and Children. He is the Executive Director of the Healing Place Center for Counseling and Spiritual Formation, Mechanicsville, VA, and the Director of the Healing Place-West, Glen Allen, VA. Dr. Beard is a certified Spiritual Director and serves as a Peer Group Supervisor for Spiritual Directors.

Dr. Beard is affiliated with the American Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention, Inc., the Baptist General Convention of Virginia, Tuckahoe Baptist Association, the NAACP, the American Association of Christian Counseling, and Black African-American Christian Counselors. He is a member of the Board of Directors for HCM International, Ashland, OH, and is a member of the Evangelical Spiritual Directors Association.

He is the proud father of the wonderful children, Proctor Jr. (PJ) and Haley Elizabeth. The Beards reside in Midlothian, Virginia.