The Reverend Reginald Cleaver, Jr.



Rev. Reginald Cleaver, Jr. serves as the pastor of Mount Carmel AME Church (Atlanta). He also serves as a Clinical Staff Chaplain for the Atlanta Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center. He provides spiritual care and pastoral counseling for the Domiciliary Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program. Rev. Cleaver was ordained an Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church. He is an endorsed chaplain by the AME Church. Rev. Cleaver currently serves on the Whole Health Steering Committee at the Atlanta VA Medical Center.

Rev. Cleaver is a graduate of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Rev. Cleaver attended the Candler School of Theology of Emory University, where he earned his Master of Divinity with a concentration in Church and Community Leadership. Rev. Cleaver is currently enrolled at the Vanderbilt Divinity School pursuing the Doctor of Ministry. He also completed the Department of Veterans Affairs Mental Health and Chaplaincy Integration program.

The Reverend Sharon M. Adair-Harden



Rev. Sharon M. Adair-Harden is the daughter of Presiding Elder (Retired) Thomas W. Adair and Ruby Cross Adair. Pastor Sharon accepted her call into ministry after becoming a member of Greater St. Peter AME Church at the River's Edge in Jonesboro, Georgia, under Rev. Isaiah Waddy. She was ordained as an Itinerate Deacon on May 23, 2014, by Bishop Preston Warren Williams III (Retired), who gave Pastor Sharon her first pastoral assignment to Greater St. Paul AME Church in Austell, Georgia during the mid-year convocation on June 10, 2016. Bishop Reginald T. Jackson ordained Pastor Sharon Itinerate Elder May 18, 2018. During Founder's Day in February 9, 2020, she was assigned to Mt. Zion AME Church in Decatur, Georgia, where she served for two years. February 11, 2022, she was appointed to serve at her current assignment at St. Luke AME Church, Cartersville, GA.

Educationally, Pastor Sharon earned a Bachelor's from Ashford University in Healthcare Administration; a Master's, with a double major in Business Administration and Healthcare Administration; and a Master of Divinity from Payne Theological Seminary. She is currently seeking a Doctoral of Ministry degree from Payne Theological Seminary.

She retired from United States Air Force October 1, 2022, with 29 years of service. Pastor Sharon has one sibling, Gregory Adair. She is the proud mother of two beautiful children, Cerosha & ShaRonda, and the grandmother of 7 beautiful grand-children, Caleb, Zoe, Devin, and Kyla, Kamryn, Kehlani and Kamiryah.

Pastor Sharon is the Founder/CEO of G5 Destiny, LLC – a Telecommunications Call Center. In her leisure time she enjoys spending quality time with her family. She enjoys watching movies and reading, but above all fulfilling the will of God is her main purpose. She is a dedicated woman of God with compassion, love, and grace who has a heart and compassion for young people. She is a woman of strength in the face of adversity. Her favorite scripture is Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end," and her two favorite songs are, "Lord, I Am Available To You," and "By Your Spirit."

The Reverend Alan Wicker



The Reverend Alan Hale Wicker was born and educated in New Orleans, Louisiana. He graduated from Grambling State University with a B.S. in Secondary Education (Instrumental Music Education). He acknowledged his call to preach, and was licensed to Preach in 1974 at Saint James AMEC, New Orleans. His Parish Ministry began in Sun, Louisiana (1974) and continued in Louisiana,

Mississippi, and Georgia, until 2001 in Milledgeville Georgia where he was elevated to the office of Presiding Elder from Wesley Chapel AMEC. He has been the pastor of Zion Chapel, Sun, LA., Union Chapel, Kentwood, LA., Saint Matthew, Greenville, MS., The Hogansville Circuit, (Hogansville and LaGrange, Georgia), Flipper Chapel, Milledgeville, GA., Saint Luke, Macon, GA., Greater Allen Chapel (Pursley ST), Macon GA., Gray Chapel, Macon, Georgia, and Wesley Chapel, Milledgeville, GA. His Ministry as Presiding Elder began on the

Southern District in the South West Georgia Annual Conference and continued on the Macon District, the Macon Georgia Annual Conference; subsequently the Macon East District in the Macon Georgia Annual Conference, where he respectfully retired May 4, 2022 according to AMEC Polity. He is a M.Div. graduate of Turner Theological Seminary (1981) at the Interdenominational Theological Center. He completed 4 quarters of Advanced Clinical Pastoral Education at Georgia Mental Health Institute in Atlanta Georgia. Subsequently he worked as a Clinical Chaplain at Central State Hospital in Milledgeville, Georgia for 10 years from 1982 to 1992. He completed 6 quarters of Supervisory Clinical Pastoral Education at Central State Hospital in

Milledgeville, Georgia. He is also a graduate of Mercer University in Macon Georgia with a M.S. in Marriage and Family Studies. He is the husband of the Reverend Gloria J. Wicker, Ed.D. and together they have four adult children and 8 grandchildren (6 biological and 2 step). His favorite scripture is "But Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto thee" (Matthew 6:33).

ORDER OF SERVICE

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

Worship Leader

Praise and Worship

Opening Hymn "PRAISE HIM"

Invocation

Scripture

Worship Through Creative Expression

Welcome Philippians

Presentation of the Preacher Pastor Foster

Selection Choir

The Word Rev. Reginald Cleaver, Jr.

Invitation to Discipleship
Offering as we exit Sanctuary



~~~Benediction on Thursday Night~~~

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Worship Leader

Praise and Worship

Opening Hymn "PRAISE HIM"

Invocation

Scripture

Worship Through Creative Expression

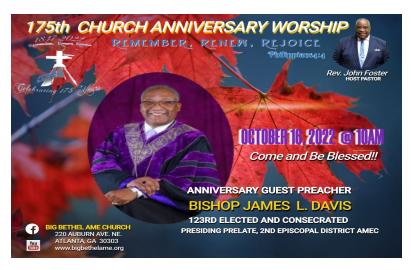
Welcome Philippians

Presentation of the Preacher Pastor Foster

Selection Choir

The Word Rev. Sharon Adair-Harden

Invitation to Discipleship Offering as we exit Sanctuary



~~~Benediction on Thursday Night~~~

ORDER OF SERVICE

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Worship Leader



Praise and Worship

Opening Hymn "PRAISE HIM

Invocation

Scripture

Worship Through Creative Expression

Welcome Philippians

Presentation of the Preacher Pastor Foster

Selection Choir

The Word Rev. Alan Wicker

Invitation to Discipleship
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~~~Benediction ~~~

#### **REVIVAL HYMN OF PRAISE**

"PRAISE HIM"
Praise Him, Praise Him,
Praise Him, Praise Him
Jesus blessed savior
He's worthy to be praised (repeat)

From the rising of the sun
Until the going down of the same
He's worthy Jesus is worthy
He's worthy to be praised

Glory, Glory
In all things, give Him the Glory
Jesus blessed Savior
He's worthy to be praised

God is our rock Hope of salvation A strong deliverer In Him will I trust

Praise Him, praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him Jesus blessed Savior



## OBSERVANCE

JOIN US!

10:00AM Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>
For the
Children's Sabbath Observance



## **Fall Revival**

Tuesday-Thursday, October 19-21, 2021 7:00 PM Nightly

## **Guest Preachers**

Rev. Reginald Cleaver, Jr.
Pastor
Mount Carmel AMEC—Atlanta

Rev. Sharon Adair-Harden
Pastor
St. Luke AMEC—Cartersville

Rev. Alan Wicker Retired Presiding Elder East Macon Milledgeville

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