

PASTOR KENNETH L. ALEXANDER

CONSECRATION *Celebration*

"Serving Through The Power of God"

Joshua 1:1-9

Sunday, March 31, 2019

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

3:00 p.m. Consecration Service

Antioch Baptist Church North

Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Pastor

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A Message from the Pastor

Greetings in the Name of Jesus Christ!



As we begin a new chapter in the history of our church, I am blessed to call Antioch Baptist Church North my church home for almost fifty years. I am beyond humbled at the memory of my family relocating to Atlanta when my father, Rev. Dr. Cameron Madison Alexander was called to the pastorate of this great church. My childhood years are filled with fond memories and reflections of the Antioch congregation - vibrant, energetic and full of the Holy Ghost. Extending beyond our Spirit-filled worship services from devotion to the benediction, I was privileged to witness the legacy of my Father and our pastor unfold. Growing up, I witnessed Pastor Alexander preach the Word on Sundays, teach the Word on Wednesdays and drive the Blue Bird Bus to pick up the youth on Saturdays. Over the years, I have observed Pastor Alexander's visionary leadership as unique programs and auxiliaries were introduced to our congregation: The Birth Month Club, Wedding of Roses, M.A.D.D. for Christ, and Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. - just to name a few.

Our church is grounded in sound doctrine and principles because Pastor Alexander, continuously built upon the spiritual growth of our congregation through Baptist Training Union and our long-standing involvement in Convention at the National and State levels. Our pastor also had a willingness to share his pastoral teachings and as a result, there are more than 150 pastoring Sons across the Country.

Never forgetting the least of these, our pastor taught our congregation to fulfill the mandate set by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in Matthew 25. Antioch is well known for feeding the hungry, giving water to the thirsty, clothing the naked, taking in strangers and visiting the sick and imprisoned. Our religious affiliations reach far and wide because Dr. Cameron M. Alexander exposed our congregation to the great preachers of the day: Dr. C.A.W. Clark, Dr. E.V. Hill, Dr. A. Louis Patterson, and so many others.

Our influence in the community extends beyond Fifth Ward community. Antioch Baptist Church North is recognized as a champion for social justice. Our congregation was impacted by Civil Rights legends such Dr. Ralph Abernathy, Ambassador Andrew Young, Dr. C. T. Vivian, Congressman John Lewis, Dr. Joseph Lowery, Xernona Clayton, Coretta Scott King, Juanita Abernathy, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Nelson Mandela and Bishop Desmond Tutu – just to name a few.

In Mark 6:4, Jesus said, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.” I am grateful that this scripture is not reflective of my testimony. From singing in choirs two and three to the youth usher board to the security ministry – to president of the Minister’s Alliance, Antioch raised me. At this church, I accepted Jesus Christ, married my wife Lisa, dedicated my daughters, reclaimed my life and accepted my call to preach the Gospel.

Our church history and pastoral legacy is rich and sanctioned by the Holy Spirit. I share these historical insights in honor and appreciation of the shoulders for which I now stand. For many years, I was apprehensive about preaching and accepting my call. I did as others have done, I ran from my calling – as fast as I could for as long as I could. Thanks be to God, He had another plan.

As your pastor, I am thankful that Holy Spirit has never left us without a vision or roadmap for the future. As the sixth pastor in our church’s history and the second pastor to succeed his father, I stand on the shoulders of giants and firmly believe that with your prayers, I am well equipped to build upon the legacies of Pastors Timothy Saine, T. H. George, D. T. George, Marcus Williams and Cameron M. Alexander. Antioch is and will continue to be one family, with one God, one faith, one Baptism and ties that bind our hearts in Christian love.

As I share with you, my beloved congregation of Antioch in this service of consecration, I am reminded of Paul’s words in Ephesians 3:7-8, “To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ.” It is my honor and privilege to continue the legacy of leadership and heartfelt service to this church as your Pastor. I solicit your fervent prayers as I answer the call, “To serve this present age, my calling to fulfill, O, may it all my powers engage to do my Master’s will.” As we embark on this part of the journey, my prayer is that our church family will continue to move forward in faith, hope, love and patience. I am also praying that we will continue to grow and the Holy Spirit continues to have His way with us. In closing, I am reminded of the late Deacon Ronald Smith’s favorite scripture from Ephesians 2:19 “Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.

Let’s Go to Heaven Together



Reverend Kenneth L. Alexander



About Our Pastor

The Reverend Kenneth Lamont Alexander, a resolute man of God, serves as the Pastor of the historic Antioch Baptist Church North. He is the son of the Reverend Dr. Cameron M. Alexander who served as pastor for more than 49 years and Dr. Barbara J. Alexander who anchored their family and was as a dynamic source of inspiration for the entire Antioch Congregation.

Reverend Alexander, affectionately known at Antioch as Reverend Kenny, is a third-generation Baptist preacher and was licensed and ordained at the Antioch Baptist Church North. His powerful voice and servant leadership skills were cultivated, honed and nurtured at Antioch where he has served as the President of the Minister's Alliance, Presiding Minister of the Antioch Lakewood Mission for more than 20 years and the Assistant to the Pastor.

With strength, courage and transparency, Reverend Alexander is steadfast in his commitment to addressing some of life's most pressing challenges. Through his preaching, teaching and counseling, he offers God's message of hope, encouragement and redemption to all of God's people. Pivotal to his discipleship is the uplifting those who are all too often counted among the least, the less and the lost. He demonstrates his conviction to God's calling through his perseverance, tenacity and zeal with which he carries out God's directives given in the Great Commandment (Matthew 28:19-20).

Reverend Alexander is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. (AUMI). AUMI serves as an advocacy agent providing essential supports to families in need and comprehensive substance abuse recovery services. The AUMI Food Bank provides for over 300 families each week through collaboration with the Atlanta Community Food Bank. The Clothing Bank distributes donated apparel, toiletries, shoes and other necessities to men, women and children. Annual Back-to-School and Christmas outreach efforts support the needs of hundreds of Atlanta children.

For over 25 years, Reverend Alexander has ensured that AUMI provides holistic support for the needs of those living with the complex and chronic conditions of alcohol and drug addictions. He is fiercely committed to maintaining a full complement of ministries that foster sustained substance abuse recovery with efficacy, respect and dignity. The AUMI recovery ministries include the Ananias House; Luke's Place; Billup's and Jobs Place (for men in recovery); Ruth's Place and Lydia's House (for women in recovery); Matthew's Place (for persons living with HIV) and the Land of Promise Christian Home (an affiliate of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc).

Through his dedication to these supportive ministries, Reverend Alexander has helped more than 7,000 men and women to rebuild family relationships, become self-sufficient and sustain their sobriety.

Reverend Alexander's efforts, outcomes and accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. He has received recognition and accolades from a multitude of esteemed organizations including the Concerned Black Clergy's Man of the Year Award. The Rainbow PUSH Coalition presented him with their God's Trombone Award for Excellent Service and Outstanding Achievement. He also received an Award from the Argosy University for Outstanding Leadership and Scholastic Ability. Atlanta Metropolitan State College acknowledged Reverend Alexander's outstanding community leadership with their Celebration of Leadership Award. He has served the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. as a member of the Presidential Qualifications Committee and has been a Devotional Speaker during the Convention's Annual Session. He currently serves on the Boards of Directors for the Morehouse School of Religion and the Westside Future Funds. As a testament to Reverend Alexander's continuous efforts to support and assist the least of these in Atlanta's historic Westside neighborhoods, AUMI became a part of the Beloved Community sponsored in part by the Chick Fil-A Foundation.

An inherent leader and proficient scholar, Reverend Alexander is a graduate of the Atlanta Public School System where he was president of his senior class at Southwest High School. He attended Florida A&M University where he pledged Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and served as the organization's Fund-Raising Chair. Reverend Alexander graduated from Morehouse College with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and from Argosy University with a Master's Degree in Industrial Organizational Psychology. However, for Reverend Alexander, his most noteworthy achievement happened on a Thursday night during a Revival meeting at Antioch Baptist Church North when he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior.

Reverend Alexander has been married to Lisa Kathleen Gilbert since 1985. God blessed them with two wonderful daughters, Kathleen Nicole (deceased) and Ashley Lauren, and three cherished grandsons—DeMario, Deigo, and Daylin.



First Lady Sister Lisa Kathleen Gilbert Alexander

Steelmaking is the process of creating high-strength metal by forging iron ore in the brutal heat of a furnace. Rusty iron rocks get mined, crushed and incinerated to remove their impurities and yield hardened steel. The God I serve is in the steelmaking business. It is through the furnace of our tribulations, storms and suffering that God gives us strength and edifies our foundation. "But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you" (1 Peter 5:10). Through the tests and trials of life, God has forged a steadfast man of steel both for me and for such a church as Antioch Baptist Church North—my husband and our pastor, Rev. Kenneth Lamont Alexander.

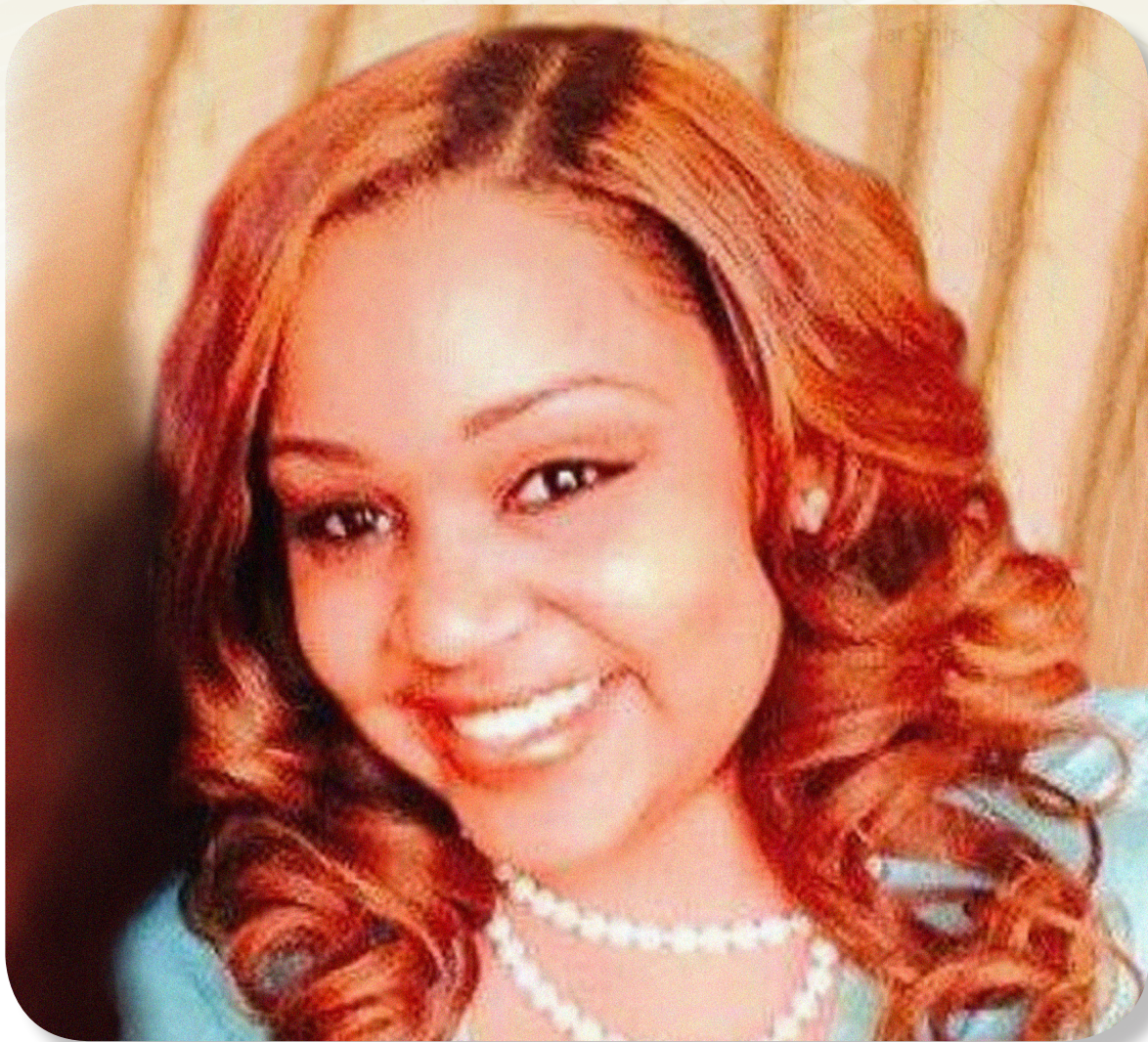
It is because of our faith in God, diligent study of the Word, ceaseless prayers of the righteous and loving support from friends, family and Antioch that my family has been able to endure so many fiery challenges and emerge with renewed strength and clarity of purpose. Prayer is at the core of every testimony and it is through prayer that I will manifest my loving support of Kenny.

I thank God Almighty for my husband and our perfectly imperfect union of thirty-three years. Lord, let my heart always be filled with thankfulness and love for my God, who transcends all seasons, circumstances and situations. Let our marriage remain strong and a source of comfort and peace for my husband. Let me make and be his earthly home. Give him a fruitful walk with you, Lord. Let his heart be filled with Your fullness so that it overflows in his ministry to Your precious flock. I pray that You will grant him wisdom through the Word and the humility to receive instruction from those who walk alongside him. Gracious Father, build a loving hedge of protection around him to safeguard him from the schemes, isolation and distraction of the enemy. Sustain his mind, body and soul with rest and nourishment. Help him to flourish, thrive and prosper with encouragement and support from good friends and those who love him. Grant him grace to shoulder the responsibility of caring for Your people. Lord, fill him with the Holy Spirit and soak him with the Gospel.

Lord, continue to bless the body of believers at Antioch Baptist Church North according to Your Word—"Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3). Let us be guided by the message of the Gospel knowing that God alone builds His church and keeps His people united. Help us to always walk in Your light and live in Your truth so that all who worship with us find peace, love, comfort and strength. Forge in us, a steely faith in You.

All this I ask, in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.

*In Memory of
Kathleen Nicole Alexander*



Sunrise - July 10, 1986 • Sunset - September 10, 2017



The Alexander Family



CONSECRATION WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 a.m.

Reverend Darrell Arnold, Presiding

The Entrance of the Word

The Call to Worship

The Devotion..... Deacons' Ministry

The Morning Hymn #329..... *I Am Thine, O Lord*..... Choir & Congregation

Selection..... The Combined Choirs

The Occasion..... Sis. Rosa Jean Tomlinson and Sis. Angel Taylor

Greetings and Welcome..... Sis. Janae Baker
Bro. Nathan Speed

Selection..... The Combined Choir

The Announcements & Recognition of Visitors

THE LITANY OF PRAISE

MINISTER: *Let us stand for our Litany of Praise*

MINISTER: *We are...*

CONGREGATION: *Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound*

MINISTER: *We stand on...*

CONGREGATION: *The four pillars; Fellowship, Evangelism, Doctrine, and Stewardship*

MINISTER: *So, let us...*

ALL: *Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD He is GOD: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the LORD IS good; HIS mercy is everlasting; and HIS truth endureth to ALL generations.*

Psalm 100

The DOXOLOGY..... Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Lord Jesus, as we prepare to share our blessings, we pray that our offertory gifts, both our tithes and our offerings, will be a manifestation of that which is in our hearts. We are thankful, Dear Lord, that we have received and therefore, we will give. We pray this prayer in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen!

The Tithes & Offerings..... Deacons and Ushers Ministries

The Introduction of Preacher..... Rev. Lester Duncan

The Sermon Hymn..... *Amazing Grace*..... Congregation

The Sermon..... Rev. Rodney Turner
Pastor, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA

The Invitation to Discipleship

(Please refrain from walking during the Invitation to Discipleship)

The Late Tithes and Offerings..... Deacons and Ushers Ministries

Till We Meet Again



Reverend Dr. Rodney K. Turner



Reverend Rodney Kirk Turner was born in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the son of Rufus and Betty Turner. He is a product of the Atlanta Public School system and a graduate of the Frederick Douglas High School class of 1975. Rev. Turner obtained his college education at the Historic Morehouse College as a sociology and criminology major. While pursuing his education at Morehouse, Rev. Turner became a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and served as president for two years. He furthered his biblical education at Carver and Beulah Heights Bible Colleges. In May 2015, Rev. Turner received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Carver College for his twenty-nine years of service work in the field of substance abuse and outreach ministry throughout the State of Georgia and across the country. For nine plus years, Rev. Turner served as Pastor of Canaan Missionary Baptist Church in Roanoke, Alabama and is presently entering his sixteenth year as Pastor and undershepherd of the Mount Vernon Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a proud father and a loving husband to former State Representative LaNett L. Stanley of Atlanta, GA.

Rev. Turner was licensed to preach in February 1990 and ordained in January 1995 at the Antioch Baptist Church North in Atlanta, Georgia by the Rev. Dr. C. M. Alexander, Pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church North and President Emeritus of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. While attending Antioch, Rev. Turner served as an associate minister and worked on the staff of Antioch for over seventeen plus years as Antioch's Substance Abuse, AIDS, Prison Ministry and Outreach Coordinator. He was the director of Antioch's first recovery residence for men, the Ananias House and Antioch's first recovery residence for women, Ruth's Place. Rev. Turner is the Founder of one of the nation's most successful recovery ministries, Product of the Power Ministry, a Christian-based recovery ministry that addresses the needs of those suffering with substance abuse issues and other spiritual behavioral disorders. He has authored six books that address how to overcome sin and addiction from a biblical perspective. Many churches across denominational lines and other Christian organizations around the nation seeking to start a Christian-based recovery ministry or program use Rev. Turner's seven-step model and materials from his books on Christian recovery as their model for recovery ministry.

Rev. Turner has served on the Governor's AIDS Task force, the SCLC Wings of Hope Anti-Drug Taskforce, the Fulton County Street Team and was chosen by Armac to participate in a one-year internship at Atlanta West Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center and Methadone Clinic. Rev. Turner has taught recovery classes in the urban ministries department at Beulah Heights Bible College and has served as a faculty member of the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. Rev. Turner served for twenty-four years as a faculty member of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Congress of Christian Education, where he taught and lectured on Christian based recovery. He has served as lead columnist for the nationally published magazine Recovery Solutions.

Rev. Turner was a consultant and life skills counselor for twenty-four years with Clark Atlanta University and the Fulton County Judicial system as the senior counselor for Project Redirection, a special program designed to provide alternatives to incarceration for Fulton County non-violent offenders. In addition, he has worked with Juvenile offenders in DeKalb, Cobb and Fulton Counties through Project Redirection's youth initiatives. He has served as a chaplain for the Fulton County Jail Division for over twenty years and is a member of the Georgia Sheriff Association Chaplain's Division.

Rev. Turner was a 2017 Inductee into the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers. He currently serves as a board member for Antioch Urban Ministries. Rev. Turner has received several awards including the 2000 Atlanta Dairy Association's Movers and Shakers Award, the 2002 Antioch Baptist Church North's Man of The Year and Community Service Award, the 2004 Antioch Urban Ministries Mighty Faith Award, the 2005 Concerned Black Clergy's Community Service Award, the 2006 Gospel Choice Chosen Award and the 2012 God's Trombone Award from Rainbow PUSH. In 2015, Rev. Turner was recognized by the Apex Museum for his work in the field of recovery and outreach ministry. In 2017, he received the President Barack Obama's Lifetime Achievement Award for National and Community Service.

With over thirty years of Christ-centered recovery work and outreach initiatives, Rev. Turner has helped countless men and women turn their lives around through a right functioning relationship with Jesus Christ. He is a leader and advocate for the disadvantaged, the hungry and the homeless in the community, always sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Rev. Turner's motto is, "Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new," 2nd Corinthians 5:17.

CONSECRATION WORSHIP SERVICE

3:00 p.m.

Reverend Sean Smith, Presiding
Pastor, New Horizon Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA

Ringling of the Bell	
The Entrance of the Word	
The Call to Worship	
The Devotion.....	Deacons' Ministry
The Consecration Processional.....	Pastor and Family, Ministers, Ministers' Wives, Deacons, Deaconesses, Mothers' Ministry, Special Guests, Pastoral Consecration Commit- tee and Program Participants
Prayer.....	Rev. Dr. James C. Walker <i>Pastor, Live Oak Baptist Church, Ailey, GA • Pastor, Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Tarry Town, GA</i>
Selection.....	The Combined Choir
Old Testament.....	Rev. Phillip Spann <i>Pastor, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
New Testament.....	Rev. Eddie L. Bright <i>Pastor, Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
Welcome.....	Amari Ford, Makailah Gause, Joshua Johnson, Elijah Lewis
The Occasion.....	BWT Verse Speakers
Selection.....	Combined Choir & Dance Ministry
Greetings: Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms Councilman Michael Bond and Councilman Andre Dickens	
Solo.....	Rev. Eric Jackson <i>Pastor, Life's Hope Ministries</i>
Greetings: Rev. Carl Moncrieff - Pastor, Bethlehem Baptist Church Bro. John Ahmann - President & CEO of Westside Future Funds	
Selection.....	The Combined Choir
Introduction of Preacher.....	Rev. Dr. William Terry Ladd, III <i>Pastor, First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, TN</i>
Hymn of Preparation.....	Rev. Eddie L. Jones <i>Pastor, First Corinth Missionary Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
The Consecration Sermon.....	Rev. Dr. Johnny Flakes, III <i>Pastor, Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, Columbus, GA</i>

The Invitation to Discipleship

(Please refrain from walking during the Invitation to Discipleship)

Words of Encouragement to the Church.....	Rev. Dr. Benjamin Lett <i>Pastor, Hill Chapel Baptist Church, Athens, GA</i>
Words of Encouragement to the Pastor.....	Rev. Dr. Jerry Black <i>Pastor, Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, Decatur, GA</i>
Prayer of Encouragement.....	Rev. Tracy B. Wheeler, Sr. <i>Pastor, Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
Offertory Appeal.....	Rev. Dr. W. J. Lawson <i>Pastor, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA</i>
Consecration Offering.....	Deacons & Ushers Ministries (Instrumental Tribute.....) The Antioch Band)
Presentations of Love.....	Antioch Ministries and Individuals
Remarks.....	Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, Pastor
Benediction.....	Rev. Dr. Johnny Flakes, III



Reverend Dr. Johnny H. Flakes, III

Rev. Dr. J.H. Flakes III is the second child of three siblings, born to the late Rev. Dr. and Mrs. J.H. Flakes, Jr. He is married to the lovely Jacqueline Denise Flakes; and they are the parents of two children; a daughter Braya and son Kevin.



Educationally, Rev. Flakes received his Doctor of Ministry from Mercer University, McAfee School of Theology, Atlanta, GA. Master degree from the University of Iowa, Iowa City, His Master of Divinity degree from the Interdenominational Theological Center, Morehouse School of Religion. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Ala., and elementary and high school education from Muscogee County School System.

Rev. Flakes earned distinction of being one of twenty one (21) students chosen by the Interdenominational Theological center, Morehouse School of Religion, for inclusion in Who's Who among Students in American Universities across the United States. In 2011, Rev. Flakes was inducted into the Tuskegee University Athletic Hall of Fame. Prior to becoming Senior Pastor of the Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Flakes served as Pastor of the Mount Cilead Missionary Baptist Church (S.E.) Atlanta, GA.; additionally, he served as Co-Pastor of both Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, GA. and Good hope Missionary Baptist Church of Phenix City, AL.

Rev. Flakes' Ministerial and Civic affiliations:

- Served as executive board member of the Metro-Atlanta Baptist Minister's Union Served as First Vice President of the Fifth District of the Congress of Christian Education
- Served as Executive board member of the Atlanta Chapter NAACP
- Served as Columbus Regional Foundation Board
- Served as President of the Muscogee County Clergy Association
- Served as a member of the "Concern Black Clergy" of Atlanta, Ga
- Served as the Chairman of the publicity committee for the 2005 National Baptist convention U.S.A., Inc., GMBC host committee, Atlanta, GA.
- A member of the John B. Amos Cancer Center Advisory Board
- He serves as First Vice President of the Congress of Christian Education State of Georgia
- He serves as Moderator of the Mount Calvary Association
- He serves as Faculty member of the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education
- He serves as Faculty Member of the Sunday School Publishing Board, National Baptist Convention USA, INC.
- He serves as Chair of Social Action Committee of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance
- He serves as a member of the Turner Ministry Resource Center Advisory Board of the Pastoral Institute, Columbus, GA.
- Serves as the Senior Pastor of the Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, where his father the late Rev. Dr. J. J. Flakes, Jr. served as pastor for fifty (50) years.
- Rev. Dr. J. H. Flakes, III is a sound teacher and preacher of the Gospel of Jesus the Christ.

A Servant of God!

In Memoriam

Rev. C. M. Alexander & Mrs. Barbara J. Alexander



“Together Again”

*In Memory of
Gregory Madison Alexander*



Sunrise - July 10, 1956 • Sunset - September 8, 2018

Consecration Committee

Bro. Tom Jennings, Chair
Sis. Karen McKinney-Holley, Co-Chair

Sis. Lisa Kathleen Gilbert Alexander

Sis. Maria Alexander-Hunter

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Sis. Virginia Trimble

Dea. Benny Williams

Sis. Bonita Williams

Sis. Dianne Williams

Sis. Lenora Williams

CONSECRATION

THE MEANING

The Old Testament records different types of sacrifices made by the Israelites as God's people. The best animal or first fruit of the field a person had was given to be sacrificed as an offering to God. These were dead sacrifices. Christ made the ultimate sacrifice on the cross, giving his life for all who would believe in him as Messiah. His death and resurrection meant there was no longer a need to offer sacrifices on altars or burnt offerings. Instead, we are to offer ourselves as disciples, following Christ's example.

Like Abraham, who was ready to offer up his long-awaited son Isaac, we are called to give our all to Jesus Christ. Romans 12:1 is the basis for consecration. "I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service." When we consecrate ourselves unto the Lord, we totally submit ourselves to Him by giving up our desires and living totally in His will. We live to glorify God.

Consecration is the public recognition and affirmation of God's calling of a pastor to a lifetime of service as shepherd of a congregation. Like Joshua, he is an instrument of God and says to the people, "Consecrate yourselves: for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you" (Joshua 3:5 NIV).

The consecrated pastor is devoted to God and sanctified in Christ. The God-given call of the pastor is empowered by the Holy Spirit, who replenishes and strengthens him. He is dedicated to preaching biblical truth for the purpose of reconciling people to God and equipping God's people to fulfill the Great Commission in Matthew 28:16-20.

CONSECRATION *Brunch*

"Serving Through The Power of God"

Joshua 1:1-9

The **Consecration Celebratory Brunch** for our Pastor, Rev. Kenneth L. Alexander, will be held on Saturday, April 13, at 12:00 Noon at Antioch in Fellowship Hall. It is at this time that you will have an opportunity to send a congratulatory letter, purchase an ad/or acknowledgment (camera ready) to be placed in the Souvenir Journal. Email to aumi.brunchads@gmail.com. Pricing for tickets, letters and ads are as follows:

Tickets: Youth (9-17) \$10.00, Adults (18 & Over) \$20.00

Attire: Semi-Formal

Full Page - \$100 | Half Page - \$75 | 1/4 page - \$50 | Business Ad - \$50
Ad Deadline is April 3, 2019

*Members and friends are invited and encouraged to attend this most
Auspicious and Momentous Occasion!*

We look forward to you fellowshiping with us!

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE ANTIOCH URBAN MINISTRIES, INC.



Care & Comfort Ministry

Sick & Shut-In List

Members in Hospitals

Bro. Clinton Stanford – Piedmont Hospital, Rm. 634
Sis. Candace Scott – Emory Midtown Hospital, Rm. 7121

Members in Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Centers

Sis. Robertine Bryant – PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 216
Sis. Miriam Crawford – Bonterra Nursing Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. 126
Sis. Dora Dallas – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. D-23
Sis. Ruth Dallas – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. A-10
Mother Annie Harris – Douglasville Nursing & Rehab Ctr, Douglasville, Rm. 222
Mother Mary Hood – Signature Healthcare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. B-408
Bro. Roy Houston – A. G. Rhodes Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Garden Wing, Rm. 5
Sis. Carrie Jones – PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 203
Bro. Fred Jones, Jr – A. G. Rhodes Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Taylor Wing, Rm. G
Bro. Dallas Tucker – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. C-19
Mother Willie “Cookie” Tuggle – Park Springs at Stone Mountain, Stone Mountain, Rm. 2105

Members Convalescing at Home

Bro. Daniel Michael Adams	Mother Eunice Harrison	Bro. Wilfred Lemont Richardson
Sis. Zeporia Alexander	Sis. Debra Hodge	Dea. Mark Roberts
Sis. Lillian Andrews	Sis. Pearla Holmes	Mother Beulah Rosser
Sis. Evelyn Battle	Bro. Paul Jackson, Sr	Sis. Marian Russell
Bro. Pleas Sonny Berry	Sis. Elizabeth Johnson	Bro. Fred Samuels, Jr.
Mother Grace Brooks	Mother Gwendolyn Johnson	Bro. Monroe Scott IV
Mother Emma Broomes	Sis. Denise Jones	Sis. Vivian Walker
Sis. Jackie Brown	Bro. Rufus Kelly	Bro. Thomas Ware
Bro. Lewis Brown	Bro. Phillip Lyde	Sis. Margaret Watts
Bro. Henry Claybrook	Sis. Dianna Maddox	Sis. Mae Weaver
Sis. Doris Dennis	Sis. Sylvia McClain	Sis. Annette Webb
Bro. Calvin Favors	Mother Frances Miles	Sis. Myrna White
Sis. Catherine George	Sis. Roberta Petherbridge	Sis. Sallie Williams
Sis. Minnie George	Sis. Cynthia Price	Sis. Lillie Willis
Bro. Randall Griffin	Sis. Sharonda Price	
Sis. Wendy Harding	Bro. Richard Raglin	

Worship Service Coordinator

Bro. Rodney Thompson, Bro. Lindsey Cottingham

Security Chiefs on duty

Bro. James Gibson, Bro. Arnold Curtis

Trustees on duty

Sis. Gloria Parham, Bro. John Daniels

Health Professionals on duty

Sis. Carol Thomas

Videographer on duty

Bro. Michael Williams

*Beloved, I wish above all things
that thou mayest prosper and be
in health, even as thy soul pros-
pereth.*

3 John 1:2

