

To Whom It May Concern:

As a minister of the Gospel, I believe that I am well qualified for the position of a Pastor. You will see from the enclosed resume that I have participated in the ministry of God for numerous years. In each case I was able to raise the spiritual standards of the ministry, increase its effectiveness as a positive witness for Christ, and attract new members in significant numbers.

I have been afforded the opportunity to travel up and down the east coast performing as a keyboardist for various musical plays including one gospel play in which I had the opportunity to perform with The Mighty Clouds of Joy. In the past I have also had the opportunity to teach for the Shiloh Baptist Association during the conference meeting and participate in the music ministry of the New Hope Baptist Association. Currently I am affiliated with the Higher Ground Association of Baptist Churches and the Southern Baptist Convention.

I continue to administer the word of God and perform various church ordinances with other churches as well as my home church.

Having met and exceeded my goals in my present position, I want to challenge myself to a more demanding position. I understand the importance of a ministry that not only builds up the body, but also challenges and encourages the people of God to grow and deepen in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

If you would like to view various samples of my sermons please visit www.facebook.com/acmwc. You can also visit my website at www.acmwc.org to receive more information about the ministry that I currently serve.

I would like to discuss this position with your pastoral search committee and will be happy to come in for an interview at your convenience.

In His Service,

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Objective

To utilize my ministry gifts and experiences as a Senior Pastor in continuing the work of the church.

Professional Experience

Founder/Pastor

2014-current – Agape Baptist Church, Newark, NJ

- Teach and Preach the Word of God every Sunday and Wednesday.
- Serve as the leader for the evangelism and missions' ministry.
- Provide referrals for members who are in need of community support.
- Conduct the ordinances of the church.
- Provide Christian counseling.
- Work with the worship leader on developing songs for the worship service.
- Participate in all of the teaching ministries of the church.
- Participate in the local associations and state conventions that are aligned with the church.
- Visit the sick members.
- Lead monthly official board meetings.
- CEO/President of our outreach ministry CJ Community Development Corporation, Inc.
- Serve as the ex-officio at finance meetings.

Minister of Music/Choir Director/Associate Minister

1994-2014 – Ebenezer Baptist Church, Newark, NJ -New Eden Baptist Church, Newark, NJ
Greater Expectation Worship Center, Passaic, NJ

- Preach the word of God as requested.
- Conduct the ordinances of the church.
- Provide Christian counseling.
- Participate in all of the teaching ministries of the church.
- Assist the Pastor as needed.
- Overseen all associate musicians.
- Served as the lead musician/keyboardist.
- Responsible for supplying worship opportunities and music resources on Sundays and throughout the week.

Teaching Assistant/Dean of Students and Culture/Director of Special Projects

2004-current – Marion P. Thomas Charter School – Newark, NJ

- Solve infractions in a timely manner.
- Serve as a member of the Intervention & Referral Services Committee.
- Participate as a member of the Family Support Team.
- Serve as the Principal's designee.
- Handle various building operations as needed.
- Serve as an enrollment specialist.
- Provide various forms of data for the Board of Trustees.

Education

Virginia University of Lynchburg, Lynchburg, VA

- Doctorate of Divinity

Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA

- Ed.S in Educational Leadership

Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA

- M.A. in Theological Studies

Thomas Edison State College, Trenton, NJ

- B.A. in Music

Licensure

▪ **Certificate of Ordination**

The New Hope Missionary Baptist Association which is in conjunction with The General Baptist Convention of New Jersey, Inc. and The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

▪ **Standard School Administrator Certificate**

New Jersey Department of Education

▪ **Licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor**

The National Christian Counselor Association

▪ **Professional Clinical Member**

The National Christian Counselor Association

Additional Experience

- **2015-current** – I serve as the **Executive Assistant** to the **Moderator Dr. Joseph E. Woods** of the Higher Ground Association of Baptist Churches, Inc.
- **2014-current** – I serve as an **Advisory Board Member** for Project Re-Direct Youth & Families Services.
- **2014-current** – I serve as a **Board of Trustees** member for InnerFaith Performing Arts Center.
- **2005-2009** – I served as a member of the **Board of Trustees** at the Marion P. Thomas Charter School.
- **2008** - Awarded the **Diploma in Business Management** from Stratford Career Institute.
- **Recipient** of the **MPTCS Fathers For Our Children's Award**.
- Received **The Greater Paterson Chamber of Commerce Leadership Paterson Certification**.

Affiliations

- National Baptist Convention
- General Baptist Association
- Higher Ground Association of Baptist Churches, Inc.
- Southern Baptist Convention
- Baptist Convention of New York
- North Jersey Network of Churches
- United Clergy of the Oranges & Vicinity
- Newark Interfaith Alliance
- Newark West Ward Clergy Alliance