

Reverend Dr. Darrell K. White

“Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding.” – Jeremiah 3:15

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The Reverend Dr. Darrell Keith White is a native of Louisiana and represents the fourth generation of Baptist ministers in his family. He is the youngest son born to the late Rev. Arthur White, Sr. and Ethel Cretchen White of Welsh, LA. Dr. White has four siblings: Jane, Arthur, Jr., Lane and Kenneth. He was unanimously elected on June 24, 1999 as the Senior Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, located in Alexandria (Gum



Springs), VA. The Lord has nurtured within Pastor White a shepherd's heart and a servant's spirit, as well as equipped him with diverse gifts and many unique abilities.

Pastor White believes the first and foremost calling on the lives of every disciple of Bethlehem is to be equipped for the work of ministry and to cultivate beyond the sanctuary the kind of Christ-like compassion and service to God. His lifestyle and faithfulness to God's call on his life has left an indelible mark on not only the people of God called Bethlehem, but also in the Gum Springs Community, Fairfax County, and the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dr. White has nearly forty years of Gospel ministry experience with an exceptional educational portfolio that includes a Bachelor of Science (Grambling State), Master of Divinity (Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University), Master of Arts (Presbyterian School of Christian Education) and an earned Doctorate in Ministry Degree (Pastoral Care) from Howard University School of Divinity. Dr. White was awarded a certificate in Church Business Administration from The Leadership Institute at Union Presbyterian Seminary, in cooperation with the National Association of Church Business Administration (NACBA). He is also a 2012 graduate of Leadership Fairfax.

Pastor White holds membership in the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; Baptist General Convention of Virginia; Northern Virginia Baptist Association; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He is a former State President of the Baptist General Convention of Virginia and former Moderator for the Northern Virginia Baptist Association. Pastor White also serves on the Board of Directors for Virginia One Church, One Child Inc. and the Fairfax County Clergy and Leadership Council. He has completed training as a Community Chaplain for the Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management. Dr.

White is also a member of the Pride of Fairfax County Lodge #298 Free and Accepted Masons Inc.

Dr. White is married to the former Ms. Jaffee Ferree and they have two daughters Sierra (Philip) Ashe and Nia. They are the proud grandparents of two wonderful granddaughters, Jordyn Renee and Malia Naomi Ashe.