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Ministry Direction

There is no higher privilege or responsibility than service to God while serving as a pastor, community leader and educator. Since early in life, I have known God's call in my life was to minister and care for God's people. I have pursued seminary and pastoral care training to meet and respond to the challenges of those who desire to have a personal relationship with God. I am an ordained Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church and an inspirational communicator with a heart to see God's will glorified through prayer, spiritual formation and worship.

Present Ministerial Position

Senior Pastor – Zion Chapel African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church Hattiesburg, Mississippi (November 2015 – Present)

State Director – Child Evangelism Fellowship of Mississippi, Inc., Headquartered in Hattiesburg, Mississippi (January 2019 – Present)

Executive Liaison – The Endorsing Agent Office of the African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church (September 2016 – Present)

Chair – Board of Examiners for Ministerial Training for the South Mississippi Annual Conference (November 2016 -Present)

Connectional AME/Women in Ministry First-Vice President (July 2016 – Present)

Other Ministry Experience

<u>Command Chaplain – Naval Construction Battalion Center</u> Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 (August 2013 – September 2016)

<u>Chaplain Programs Officer Recruiter – Southeast Region</u> Atlanta, Georgia (June 2010 – August 2013)

<u>Battalion Chaplain – 7th Engineer Support Battalion/1st Marine Logistic Group</u> Camp Leatherneck, Helmand Province Afghanistan (November 2009 – May 2010)

<u>Battalion Chaplain – 7th Engineer Support Battalion/1st Marine Logistic Group</u> Camp Pendleton, California (February 2009 – June 2010)

Assistant Command Chaplain/Staff Chaplain - MCAS Beaufort

Beaufort, South Caroline (October 2005 – February 2009

Senior Pastor - Turner Chapel African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church

Columbus, Mississippi (November 2003 – October 2005)

Full-time paid pastoral charge (40 plus hours weekly) with a membership of 110 and two staff ministers under my leadership

- Provided pastoral ministry and support for well-being of parishioners to include church members, persons in the local community, incarcerated and nursing homes
- Conducted bible studies and Church School (Sunday School)
- Trained and choreographed church's Liturgical Dance Ministry
- Officiated funerals, wedding ceremonies and baptisms (infants and adults)
- Administered the sacraments
- Provided pastoral support involving suicide ideation, prevention and intervention
- Supervised the administration of church financial and reporting process

Kingz Kidz Outreach Program - Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church

Columbus, Mississippi (October 2004 – October 2005)

- Volunteer position (approx. 5 hours weekly)
- Mentor program for local at-risk youth

<u>Outreach Ministry Food Bank Program Facilitator (Intern) Covenant Presbyterian Urban Ministry Institute</u> <u>& Berean Presbyterian Church</u>

New Orleans, Louisiana (June 2002)

Volunteer position for one month (approx. 32 hours)

- Facilitated and reorganized the in-take process and delivery of food to participants
- Organized and implemented a Health Fair
- Interviewed participants of the Food Bank Program and referred them to social services agencies within the community
- Participated in illiteracy seminars within the inner city of New Orleans

Internship was under the supervision of Chaplain (Captain) Moses Stith, Force Chaplain, COMNAVRESFOR.

Youth Pastor - Allen Temple A.M.E. Church

Atlanta, Georgia (October 2002 – November 2003)

Part time, paid position (approx. 20 hours weekly)

- Administered the sacraments of the church.
- Coordinated youth worship services
- Crisis counseling
- Developed and implemented a training program for youth to participate in corporate worship
- Supervised and evaluated the ministry for youth and college students
- Conducted discipleship training for youth
- Recruited, trained, and equipped laypersons for leadership within the youth programs

Youth Adult Pastor- Mount Olive A.M.E. Church

Slidell, Louisiana (October 2000 to October 2002)

Full time, volunteer position (approx. 40 hours weekly)

- Organized and implemented the Young Adults Ministry (YAMS)
- Created a Young Adult Outreach Ministry
- Organized and instructed aerobics class
- Ministered through preaching
- · Conducted crisis counseling with youth and families

- Ministered the Sacraments
- Conducted Bible studies and Sunday School

Associate Minister - Saint Luke A.M.E. Church

St Croix, Virgin Islands (April 1999 – July 2000)

(Minister in Training) Volunteer position (approx. 40 hours monthly)

- Ministered through preaching
- · Conducted Sunday School.
- Worship Leader
- Selected as the preacher for the mid-day worship service during the April 2001 Virgin Island Annual Conference, St. Croix

Youth Minister – Ceiba Church of the Living God International

Ceiba, Puerto Rico (August 1997 to April 1999)

Part time volunteer position (approx. 25 hours weekly)

- Managed the youth department.
- Developed and implemented the Order of Service training.
- Served as liaison for the development of relationship building between the community, Roosevelt Rhodes Naval Station and the church.
- Served as chair of the Decorating Committee.
- Served as musician for the youth.

Other Professional Experience

<u>Certificate of Theology Program – Interdenominational Theological Center</u>

Slidell, Louisiana (August 2013 - August 2014)

Columbus, Mississippi (September 2004 – October 2005)

Paid Position (approx. 9 hours weekly)

 Coordinator and Instructor for the Interdenominational Theological Center Continuing Education and Certificate Program

This Certificate of Theology Program designed to provide an organized, structured series of courses for ministers and Lay persons. The program consists of 8-month study during which students complete eight courses. The Columbus Mississippi program was a 12-month study during which students competed 12 courses.

<u>Public Relation Director – Eighth Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Women in Ministry</u> (November 2004 – Present)

Volunteer position (approx. 6 hours monthly)

- Collect and provide information and news articles regarding ministries for females clergy in the Louisiana and Mississippi area to the President of the AME/WIM and other external sources in order to enhance the visibility of females in ministry
- Organized the inaugural Moody, Cherry, Boyd Legacy Scholarship Banquet (December 2013)
- Created and Printed the inaugural Moody, Cherry, Boyd Legacy Scholarship Journal

<u>Theological Education for Ministries – Bonner Campbell Religious Institute, Eighth Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church</u>

Edwards, Mississippi (September 2004 – October 2005)

Paid Position (approx. 1 ½ hours weekly)

Instructor for the 8th Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church (Louisiana and Mississippi)

• Conducted theological training for ministers and laypersons who desire to improve their knowledge and preparedness for ministry

<u>Editor of the I.A.M Newsletter – Interdenominational Alliance of Ministers (I.A.M.)</u> January 2005 – October 2005)

Volunteer position (approx.6 hours monthly)

The newsletter was used as a tool to reach beyond the walls of local churches and assist the Interdenominational Alliance of Ministers of Columbus-Lowndes County outreach ministries. The newsletter highlighted the various ministries in the city and surrounding counties.

Resource Center and Computer Lab Ministry Director –Turner Theological Seminary Atlanta, Georgia (August 2003 – May 2004)

Paid Position (approx. 20 hours weekly)

Created and organized the Charles Hurley James Resource Center and Computer lab

The computer lab provides on-campus and off campus seminarians an alternative access to computer technology in addition to the computer labs provided by the Interdenominational Theological Center. The lab computers, furniture and setup provided to the Turner Fellowship from alumni through charitable donations.

<u>Administrative and Support Staff – Eighth Episcopal District Headquarters</u> Louisiana/Mississippi (July 2001 to July 2002)

Part time paid position (approx. 10 hours weekly)

- Organized the bookstore
- Compiled the directory
- Performed administrative tasks as assigned by Bishop or Episcopal Secretary
- Health & Fitness Editor for the 8th Word Newsletter

Ministry Honors and Affiliations

- Sep 2015 Sep 2016 South Mississippi Conference Coordinator for AME/Women in Ministry
- Feb 2005 Feb 2008 Turner Theological Seminary National Alumni Association President
- 2004 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
- 2004 Graduate Dean's List: Turner Theological Seminary
- 2004 The Barbara C. Holton Memorial Scholarship Recipient
- 2003 International Society of Theta Phi
- 2003-2004 Turner Student Fellowship President
- 2002-2004 Mission Society, Interdenominational Theological Center
- Nov 2000 Itinerant Deacon Ordination
- Nov 2002 Itinerant Elder Ordination

Professional Service Affiliations

- Connectional AME/Women in Ministry First Vice President
- Executive Liaison to the AME Church Endorsing Agent
- NAACP Forrest County Branch Former First Vice President
- Ecclesiastically endorsed by the A.M.E. Church
- Trustee Board Member Turner Theological Seminary at the ITC Atlanta (October 2004 Present)
- NAACP Forrest County Mississippi Chapter
- Chair of the South Mississippi Board of Examiners of the 8th Episcopal District of the A.M.E.
- Member of the A.M.E. Church Strategic Planning Team (November 2003-June 2008)

Educational Achievements (Civilian Education)

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Regent University Virginia Beach, Virginia

Major: Organizational Leadership with an emphasis in Ecclesial Leadership

Candidate - ABD

Anticipated Graduation: May 2020

Master of Business Administration

Webster University St. Louis, Missouri

Major: Master of Business Administration

Graduation: August 2014

3.57 GPA

Master of Arts

Webster University St. Louise, Missouri

Major: Management & Leadership Graduation: December 2011

3.70 GPA

Master of Divinity

Turner Theological Seminary/Interdenominational Theological Center

Atlanta, Georgia

Major: Psychology of Religion and Pastoral Care and Counseling

Graduation: May 10, 2004

3.69 GPA Honor Graduate

Bachelor of Science

Southern New Hampshire University

Manchester, New Hampshire

Major: Business Administration & Human Resource Management

Graduation: May 2000

3.03 GPA

Clinical Pastor Education

September 2003- April 2004

St. Luke Training and Counseling Center

Atlanta, Georgia (Level I -1-Unit)

Navy Chaplains Basic School

June 2002 to August 2002

Educational Achievements (Military Education and Training)

- safeTALK (Suicide Alertness for Everyone)
- P.R.E.P (Preventive Relationship Enhancement Program)
- SAPR (Sexual Assault Prevention Response)
- CACO (Casualty Assistance Call Officer)
- CREDO (Chaplain Religious Enhancement Development Operations)
- Suicide Prevention Program Base Coordinator
- Myers-Briggs Indicators Facilitator

Military Experience

- 2016 Retired from the United States Navy
- 2013 Promoted to Lieutenant Commander
- 2006 Promoted to Lieutenant
- 2005-2009, Chaplain, Marine Corps Air Station Chapel, Beaufort South Carolina
- 2004 Promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade
- 2002-2004, Chaplain Candidate Program Officer (Seminarian), Turner Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta Georgia
- 2002 Selected by the Navy Chaplain Corp as a Chaplain Candidate Program Officer and Commissioned to the rank of Ensign
- 2000-2002, Physical Therapy Technician –Leading Petty Officer (Clinic Supervisor) Naval Ambulatory Care Center, New Orleans Louisiana
- 2001 Promoted to Hospitalman Corpsman First Class
- 1997-2000 Naval Hospital Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 1995-1997, Physical Therapy Technician –Leading Petty Officer (Clinic Supervisor) Naval Hospital Cherry Point, Cherry Point North Carolina
- 1990-1995, Physical Therapy Technician, Naval Hospital Orlando, Orlando Florida
- 1992 Promoted to Hospitalman Corpsman Second Class
- 1990 Promoted to Hospitalman Corpsman Third Class
- 1990, Physical Therapy Technician Student, Naval School of Health Sciences, San Antonio, Texas Physical Therapy Technician 'C' School
- 1990, Physical Therapy Technician, Naval Hospital Portsmouth, Portsmouth, Virginia. Phase II Physical Therapy School
- 1988-1990, Hospitalman Corpsman, Naval Hospital Charleston, Charleston South Carolina
- 1988 Naval Hospitalman Corpsman 'A' School, Great Lakes, Illinois
- 1988 Naval Recruit Training Center, Orlando Florida (Seaman)

Military Awards

- Navy Commendation Medal (3rd Award)
- Navy Achievement Medal (3rd Award)
- Meritorious Unit Commendation (2nd Award)
- Good Conduct Award (3rd Award)
- National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award)
- Afghanistan Campaign Medal
- Sea Service Deployment Ribbon
- Humanitarian Service Medal (2nd Award)
- Naval and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon (3rd Award)
- NATO Medal-ISAF

Reverend Davis' Workshops:

- Bloom Where You Are Planted
- Effective Communication: A Leader's Guide to Success
- Ministry Beyond the Pulpit: Embracing your Call
- Anointed Leadership: A Biblical Model for Church Leaders
- Know Thy Self: Personality Assessments & Spiritual Gifts Tools
- P.R.E.P. (Prevention Relationship Enhancement Program)
- safeTALK (Suicide Alertness for Everyone)
- A.S.I.S.T (Applied Suicide Intervention Skill Training)
- Family, Marriage, & Personal Resiliency
- Team Building Identify Your Strength
- The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI)