

Thankful Baptist Church Celebrates



Pastoral Installation

of Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.



*Saturday
October 14, 2018
3:00 PM*

*The New
Macedonia
Baptist Church
4115 Alabama
Avenue, SE
Washington, DC
20019*

*Installation Speaker: Apostle Reginald Miles
Pastor of New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries Washington, DC*

**Thankful Baptist Church
1401 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20003**

Thankful Baptist Church



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Founded in 1950

Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.



is a native of Washington, D.C. and currently resides in Capitol Heights, MD. He is the son of Sheila Lucas and the late Robert H. Alston, Sr., and is the second of six children.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology and a Master of Divinity from Washington Baptist Seminary/Sword of The Spirit Bible Institute.

Professionally, he works for the District of Columbia Public School where he is a Dean at Coolidge Senior High School.

Reverend Alston accepted Jesus Christ at a young age and considers himself a modern day Jeremiah. Prior to accepting the Pastoral position at Thankful Baptist Church, he was on the pastoral staff at New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries in Washington DC, where Apostle

Reginald and Reverend Annette Miles are Pastors. Robert was a member of New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries for 20 years where he served as a Prophet of God, and also was licensed and ordained to the ministry.

His foundational teaching started with Carolina Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor George C. Gilbert, Sr., currently the Pastor of Holy Trinity United Baptist Church. Reverend Alston also served at The New Macedonia Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Robert L. Walls, Sr. At The New Macedonia, he was a member of the young adult ministry, assisted with the youth ministry, and also served a term as President of the Comforters of Christ.

Robert was blessed to have parents who loved and encouraged him throughout his life. He is eternally grateful for his mother Sheila E. Lucas, the late Thomas Cower, Ella Cowser, William and Sadie Jones. As a child, God ensured he had additional parental figures, along with their families, who supported his success. Thank you Mr. Ronald and Patricia Banks (Candace), along with Mrs. Lorraine Vann (Lonnie and Angela Stancil and James and Beth Vann). Further, Reverend Alston acknowledges his grandparents who played an integral part in his life before their going home to be with The Lord—Audrey, Edward, Mary, Jesse, Alice and Robert.

Reverend Alston has been married to the lovely Gloria Alston for 23 years, and is the proud father of three children Diamond, Porsche, and Robert III.

Reverend Alston loves The Lord with his entire being. His motto is Isaiah 61:1-3 “The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to *those who are bound*; ² To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,³ To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.”

that they supported Robert to his success. Thank you Mr. Ronald and Patricia Banks (Candace), along with Mrs. Lorraine Vann (Lonnie and Angela Stancil and James and Beth Vann).



Words from First Lady Alston



To God be the Glory for the wonderful and marvelous works He has done, and continues to do in my Life!!!!

Greeting and Salutations to all whom honor is due. From a shy women with few words, but always a grateful heart, I just want to say thank you. It was prophesied that this day would come, but at that time in my eyes, I didn't see it. How many of us know that our timing isn't God timing? But on that day, a simple "YES LORD" at Thankful Baptist Church Women's Conference unlocked some doors, stirred up some gifts that set dormant for some time in my life.

I now understand that I couldn't have taken some friends, even some family members with me to where God was taken me, to do the work in me. I look at a lot of things happening in my life and I see them as a test, some good, and some bad. I tried to pass them the first go round, without bickering or complaining, so I don't see myself doing cycles or as I say "THAT WILDERNESS EXPERIENCES".

Church it has been a journey, but I can truly say, "I AM ENJOYING THE RIDE!!!!!!!" Always keeping one of my favorite scriptures in the forefront of my mind, Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thou ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct thy paths".



Installation Speaker Bio

Apostle Reginald Miles



is a native of the District of Columbia where he currently continues his residence. He is co-founder of New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries (NDKM), a multi-faceted Kingdom Mecca, where he has served for over 21 years. He and his wife are the post modernistic leaders and visionaries of NDKM; and they are the apostolic visionaries of the ***International Alliance of Kingdom Trailblazers*** (IAKT), a progressive Kingdom alliance for codifying, synergizing, strengthening, and ministering to leadership and other Christian laborers.

Apostolically and prophetically mantled, Pastor Miles is anointed with acute Kingdom aplomb and dexterity; and his sole purpose is to do the Will of God. The Holy Spirit has anointed him to be consistently servant-oriented, uncompromising, and remedial in his approach to core Kingdom issues. With ministerial adeptness, he has served in the Christian community for 19 years; and his Christian pedagogues and mentors include the late Apostles Jesse & Gladys Flood, the late Bishop Turnel Nelson of Trinidad-Tobago, West Indies, and the late Apostle Loretta Taylor.

Apostle Miles is an avid advocate for true reformation of the Church; and an aggressive Christian educator and mentor to the youth and young adult generations of today. One of his greatest kingdom passions is discovering ways to transcend the hip hop culture with the gospel. His thrust of ministry is motivation unto holiness which postures the Church to readily transcend the quantum realms of Godly faith, Godly order, and divine possibilities.

Apostle Reginald Miles holds a Bachelor's Degree in Sacred Theology with a concentration in Christian Education and a Masters of Divinity. He is the Dean of Student Affairs at Academia De La Recta Porta International Christian Day School.

He is the devoted husband of Pastor Annette Miles, and they are the blessed parents of three gifted children Antone, Vohn & Nischka, and they are the blessed grandparents of eight grandchildren. He fervently exhorts all Christian believers to remember the importance Galatians 2:20: *A...crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: in the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."*

Order of Service

Saturday, October 13, 2018

3:00 PM

Musical Prelude..... Rock Christian Center Praise Team

The Processional

Investiture Participants

Pulpit Guest and Guest Ministers

Pastor and Family

Call to Worship.....Reverend Patrick Walker, Pastor
The New Macedonia Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Invocation.....Reverend Anne Vessels, Assistant Pastor
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Washington, DC

SoloSister Nischka Higginbotham
New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries, Washington, DC

Welcome and OccasionReverend Karen T. Comfort
Installation Chairperson
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Old Testament..... Evangelist Earlie Jennings-Coleman
Jeremiah 3:15
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC

New Testament.....Reverend Quintin McCall
Philippians 2:2-11
Dream Center Church, Washington, DC

Prayer Reverend Herbert Jackson, Pastor
Life Changing Baptist Church, Temple Hills, MD

Solo.....Sister Brenda Gaddy
The New Macedonia Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Service of Installation

Offering.....Ushers and Trustee
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Liturgical Dance.....Sister Brittany Scott
Redeeming the Times Ministries, Upper Marlboro, MD

Introduction of Preacher.....Prophet Michael Flood, Pastor
New Dimension Kingdom Ministries, Washington, DC

Sermonic Selection..... Duke Ellington School of the Arts Show Choir
Washington, DC

The WordApostle Reginald Miles, Senior Pastor
New Dimension Kingdom Ministries, Washington, DC

Invitation to Discipleship

Solo.....Robert H. Alston, III
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC



Investiture

Installation Pastoral Prayer and Laying on of Hands.....

Rev. George C. Gilbert, Sr. Pastor
Trinity United Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Charge to the ChurchReverend H. Lionel Edmonds, Pastor
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Charge to the Pastor.....Elder Shirley Renfrow-Moore, Assistant Pastor
Christ CornerStone Healing Ministries, Bowie, MD

Bishop Earl A. Ross, Pastor
New Smyrna Missionary Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Pastoral EncouragementProphet Annette Miles, Assistant Pastor
New Dimension Kingdom Ministries, Washington, DC

Apostle Gary Rodgers
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Lanham, MD

Presentations to the Pastor

Presentation of BibleDeacon Frankie Comfort, Assistant Chairman
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Keys to the Church.....Sister Darlene Tompkins, Trustee
Thankful Baptist Church, Washington, DC

Gifts

Closing Remarks..... Pastor Robert H. Alston, Jr. and Lady Gloria Alston

Benediction

Sunday Morning Service

Sunday, October 14, 2018

11:00 AM

Call to Worship and Innovation

Opening Hymn

Responsive Reading

Lord's Prayer Chant

Musical Selection

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

Altar Call

Musical Selection

Introduction of Speaker

The Word

Call to Discipleship





New Dimensions Kingdom Ministries

*Reginald Miles, Senior Pastor
Annette Miles, Pastor
Michael Flood, Pastor*

October 1, 2018

Pastor-Elect Reverend
Robert H. Alston, Jr.
1401 Independence Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Pastor-Elect Reverend Alston:

We are delighted to extend Congratulations to you at this time on being selected as the new Pastor of Thankful Baptist Church. It has been a pleasure working and serving with you and your wife, Gloria, and your family. I know that God has been preparing you for such a time as this to make known his heart and mind to his people. It is our prayer that you will continue to be a pedagogue after the heart of God and that you are instant in season and out of season.

May you continue to walk under an open heaven as you go forth ministering the word of God with Kingdom dexterity and proficiency. "Now unto Him that is able to do exceedingly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end, Amen."

Best Regards,

Reginald Miles,
Sr. Pastor

Annette Miles,
Pastor

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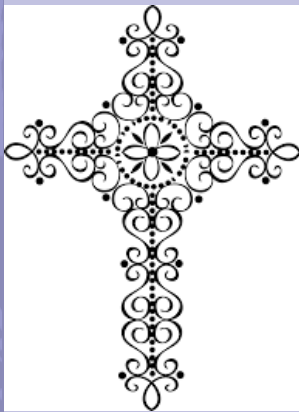
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History of The Pastors

<u>Pastors</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Years</u>
<i>Reverend Chester Smallwood</i>	<i>December 5, 1950</i>	<i>Founder</i>
<i>Reverend Johnnie H. Crowder</i>	<i>1951-1963</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Reverend Reginald O. Smith</i>	<i>1963-1989</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>Reverend Wilbert Ridgley</i>	<i>1989-1996</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>1996-1999</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Reverend Darnell Thompson</i>	<i>1999-2004</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>2004-2005</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Reverend Alfie S. Lewis</i>	<i>2005-2007</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Reverend Raymond Horton</i>	<i>2007—UNK</i>	<i>UNK</i>
<i>Reverend Norman King</i>	<i>2009-2015</i>	<i>6</i>

Congratulations and Welcome



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And

Lady Gloria Alston

On behalf of the

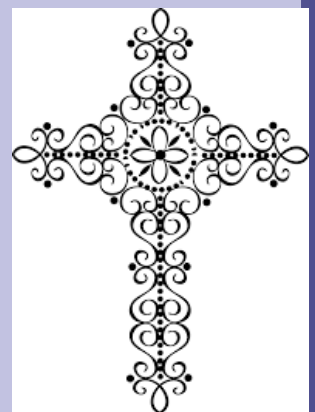
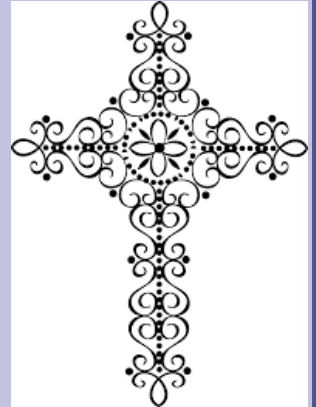
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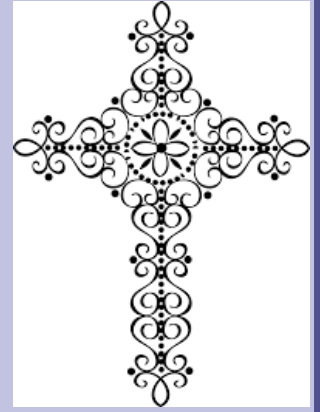
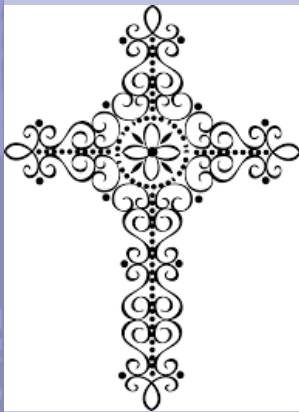
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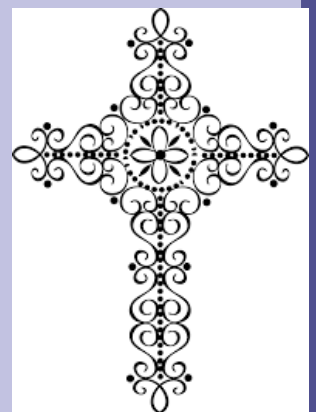
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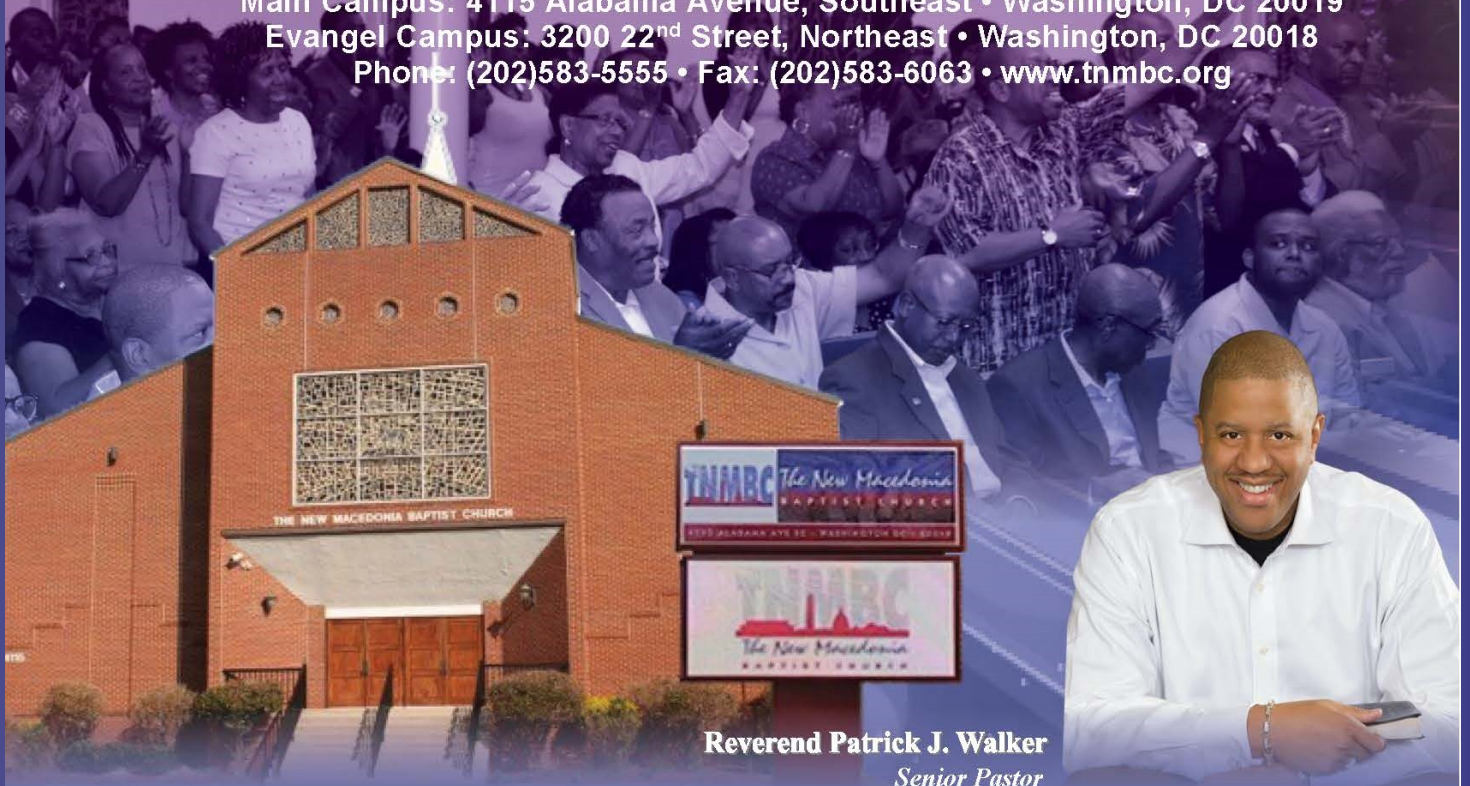


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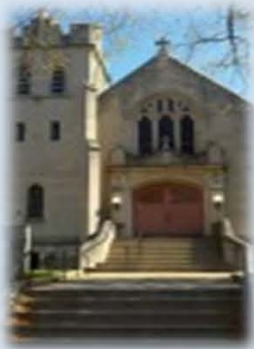


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Reverend Freddie Davis, Senior Pastor



*The Reverend H. Lionel Edmonds
and the members of
Mount Lebanon Baptist Church
extend best wishes to
Thankful Baptist Church
on the
Installation*



*of its
New Pastoral Leadership
Saturday, October 13, 2018
and*

*We Congratulate
The Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.
on his installation as
Pastor of Thankful Baptist Church*

*"And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding."
Jeremiah 3:15 KJV*



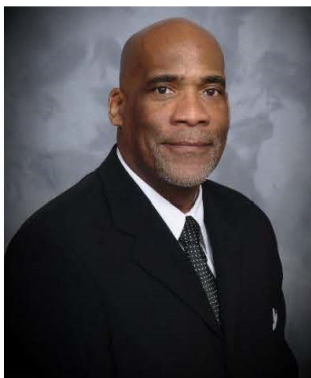
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***"Let's rise up and build"
"So they said, "Let us rise up and build." Then they set
their hands to this good work." (Nehemiah 2:18)***



Congratulations

Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.

on the occasion of your

Pastoral Installation!

from

*Saint Paul Baptist Church
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Reverend Robert D. Brown, Pastor

Congratulations

*Pastor-Elect Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.
On Your Pastoral Installation Celebration*

May God Continue To Bless you and your family

From Frances A. Oxendine

Congratulations Pastor Robert Alston, Jr.

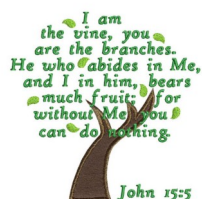


In Chapter 5 of 1 Thessalonians, the Apostle Paul says we must “know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work’s sake and be at peace among yourselves.”

May the love of God be upon you as you endeavor to serve in the new role of priesthood at Thankful Baptist Church. The Lord has called you, and He has placed this vocation upon your shoulders! He has equipped you, and He will keep you. We are praying for your labor.

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Pastoral Installation of
Reverend Robert H. Alston, Jr.**

*"And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you
with knowledge and understanding." Jeremiah 3:15 KJV*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PARENTS,
DEACON JAMES E. POWELL AND DEACONESS HENRIETTA POWELL,
AND OUR BROTHERS, DEACON GEORGE E. POWELL AND WILLIAM O. POWELL**



Psalm 90:1-2 Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

*² Before the mountains were brought forth,
Or ever You had formed the earth and the world,
Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.*

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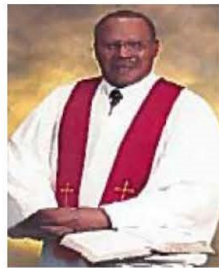
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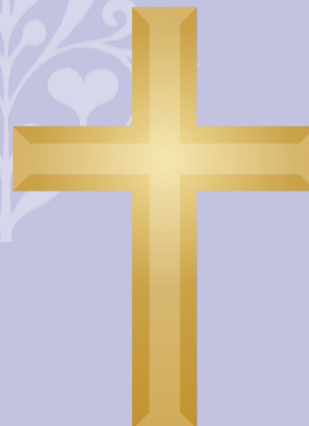
Congratulations

The Lord is doing great things and it's marvelous in our eyes!

We are grateful that the Lord is affording you this opportunity to continue to serve His people. You have a heart for people and you have been serving the Body of Christ for years. This is another level of service and I'm sure that you and your wife will rise to the occasion. We wish you peace, blessings, prosperity, health, joy, balance and a long and successful tenure as the new Pastor of Thankful Baptist Church.

CONGRATULATIONS Pastor Elect Robert and First Lady Gloria Alston!

Peace and Blessings; Elder M. Helen Ingram, Minister Beverly Young & Minister Caprice Barnes



CONGRATULATIONS

to our esteemed professional colleague ...

REVEREND ROBERT H. ALSTON, JR.

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